

The judge, Mr. C. Goodson, of Hawera, told a "Times" reporter that his first impression, after going round the exhibits, was one of disappointment. This was because he first regarded it as a flower show, but when he was informed that it was purely a rose show his opinion had necessarily to be changed. From this point of view he considered the display a very creditable one indeed. Though many of the blooms had clearly suffered from the high winds, the roses on the whole were very nice and well grown, while some very fine varieties were to be seen on the various tables.

It was noted by the judge that while the professional displays were very creditable, they did not include many new varieties. This appeared to him to be a great pity, as the chief value of such collections, "on exhibition only," was to introduce to the notice of amateur growers new and rare varieties of the bloom.

The chief honours of the show fell to Mr. C. Trevethick, the president of the society. With a very fine collection of some thirty varieties he took Mrs. E. J. Riddiford's silver rose bowl, competed for at this show for the first time. The bowl is to be won twice in succession or three times at intervals before passing from the society's possession. Mr. Trevethick also secured the society's special prize for the best rose in the show with an exceptionally well grown and beautiful bloom of the "Mildred Grant" variety. In addition Mr. Trevethick took the bulk of the prizes in the open class.

In the nurserymen's class there was only one exhibit, made by Mr. H. Lewis. The collection of forty-eight roses of distinct varieties was described by the judge as being very good and very creditable, to the growers.

The prize list is as under:—

FOR NURSERYMEN.

Forty-eight roses, distinct varieties. First prize: National Rose Society's silver medal.—Hermann Lewis 1. Only exhibitor.

OPEN CLASSES.

Six hybrid perpetuals.—C. Trevethick 1 and 2. Five entries.

Six hybrid tea roses.—C. Trevethick 1, F. Westbury 2. Four entries.

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Twelve hybrid perpetuals.—M. Mitten (gardener to Mrs. E. J. Riddiford) 1. Two entries.

Twelve hybrid tea roses.—F. Westbury 1, C. Trevethick 2. Four entries.

Six vases, each containing three roses of one variety. C. Trevethick 1, F. Westbury 2. Four entries.

Collection of roses (distinct) not exceeding 30 varieties. First prize: Mrs. Riddiford's silver rose bowl and National Rose Society's silver medal; second prize: Mr. Skerrett's trophy. C. Trevethick 1, M. Mitten 2. Three entries.

Six trusses or blooms of rhododendrons.—Mrs. H. B. Gordon. Only entry.

Twelve lilies, not less than four varieties.—Mrs. H. B. Gordon 1, Mrs. D. Spelman 2. Only entries.

Three flowering plants, distinct. G. A. Chapman 1. Only entry.

AMATEUR CLASS.

Three hybrid perpetuals.—Mrs. A. M. Smith 1. Only entry.

Three hybrid tea roses.—Mrs. A. M. Smith 1. Only entry.

Eighteen roses (distinct), not less than nine varieties.—G. Cudly 1, Mrs. E. M. Buckingham 2. Only entries.

NOVICE CLASS.

Six roses.—E. Johnson 1. Only entry.

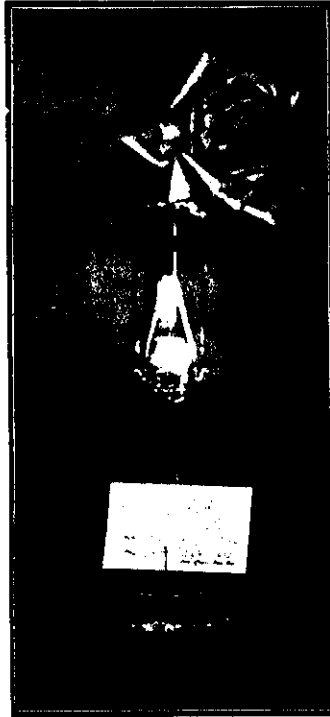
Three roses.—C. E. Dowland 1 and 2. Three entries.

DECORATIVE CLASS.

Eggs of roses. Mrs. E. Hendry 1, Miss Trevethick 2. Three entries.

Vase of roses.—Miss Trevethick 1, Mrs. E. Hendry 2. Only entries.

Bowl of roses.—Mrs. E. Riddiford 1, Miss Trevethick 2. Five entries.



CHAMPION BLOOM AT THE FEILDING ROSE SHOW.

Exhibited by Miss Fitzherbert.



MISS MCKINNON'S EXHIBIT.

Awarded first prize in the novelty class at the Waikanae Show.

prize winning competitors at Horticultural Shows.

After having spent some time at the Rose Show of the N.R.S. of Victoria,

THE FESTIVE SEASON OF THE ROSE.

THE DECORATIVE MORE POPULAR.

(By "W. M. Cochet," in "The Australasian Journal.")

The rose to-day in my garden is as of old the sweetest flower of all. I feel like spelling "my garden" with capital letters, as if there were no other, for there is no other to me; the personal equation is so great to those that love their gardens that they almost become as blind as love to the beauty of other gardens, even though they belong to



Hobday, photo.

AT THE FEILDING HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S SPRING SHOW.

The Feilding Horticultural Society held their annual spring show at the Skating Rink on 24th ult., which was a great success in every respect. (1) Australian Fern, exhibited by Mr. T. T. Brown, the botanical name of which was unknown. The judges considered the exhibit one of special rarity. (2 and 3) General views of the main hall, where the leading exhibits were displayed. (4) A floral hat made from geranium leaves and blooms.