

THE COUNTY FAIR.

Put it down in your memorandum book that the Lake County Fair at Libertyville comes off Sept. 14 to 17 inclusive; that is it begins two weeks from next Tuesday. There are several things to be considered. First, it has a history. The fair association was organized in 1853; that was 44 years ago. Lake county was not very populous or very rich then, but it had lots of ambition. Being settled largely by emigrants from New England and New York, it was full of Yankee grit and pluck, and they not only came out here to grow up with the country, but to make the country grow up with them; and after their own homes had been built, with "puncheon" floors, a meeting house provided for and a school house erected, they wanted a fair—that dear old successful "county show" of the homeland—and so they organized the fair in 1853. There is history for you as is history

Second, this fair has been successful. It has had its ups and downs, like everything else out west, but it has survived them all, till now it stands among the few county organizations phenomenal for their successes. Lake county stands well nigh, if not at the head of Illinois fairs in this respect. Every loyal Lake County citizen is proud of his successful county fair. He can go anywhere among Illinois' 102 county fairs and hold up his head as high as the governor's. The word "success" is written all over it in letters so big you can read them from any point in the county.

Third: the society believes in 100 cent dollars and no credit. That is it pays all its bills in full and pays promptly. If you win a premium of \$1.50 on the biggest "yaller punkin," you will get a dollar and a half in clean cash every time.

Finally, no one has been known these many years to go away dissatisfied, whether he gets a premium or not. Everything is so fair, honest and above-board that all are satisfied. With wheat at \$1.00, corn, oats, potatoes and milk the same, everybody is going to the fair, and we shall go, so as not to have to stay at home alone. You will go, of course.

Before our friends out west try to get an injunction to stop the building of the high school house, they had better get a copy of the ballots cast at the recent election and show it to a first class attorney and ask him if he can find a place where a four-in-hand can be safely driven through it. Go slow and sure.

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