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MIDLAND DAFFODIL SOCIETY.

UNDER THE SUPPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL AMATEUR AND TRADE GROWERS IN THE COUNTRY.

ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
VINCENT SQUARE, WESTMINSTER, S.W.

THE

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

FULL LIST OF AWARDS,

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS AND BALANCE SHEET

FOR 1899.

ALSO THE

Schedule of Prizes & Rules for 1900

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RULES.

1.—That the Society be called **"The Midland Daffodil Society,"** and its objects be to encourage and popularise the growth and improvement of the various kinds of Daffodils (Narcissus) and other Spring flowering plants, and to hold an Annual Exhibition at the Botanical Gardens, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

2.—That the Society shall consist of Members subscribing not less than 10/6 per annum Any Member of the Society, of six months' standing, may compete at the Annual Exhibition. Non-members to pay Five Shillings entrance fee in each class where not otherwise stated.

3.—That there shall be a President, Treasurer, and two Secretaries.

4.—That the affairs of the Society shall be managed by a Committee consisting of the above Officers and not less than seven elected Members, five to form a quorum.

5.—That the Annual Meeting be held each year in the month of June, at which the Officers and Committee shall be elected, and the Report and Accounts of the year shall be presented. Any proposals can be submitted at the Annual Meeting, of which the Honorary Secretaries have had not less than fourteen days' notice.

6.—All Members will have five admission tickets sent them; and Non-exhibiting Members subscribing one guinea or over can have five extra tickets for each Half-guinea on applying for them, and sending a stamped addressed envelope.

Any other desirable Rules will be added.

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UNDER THE SUPPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL AMATEUR AND TRADE GROWERS IN THE KINGDOM.

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FIRST ANNUAL REPORT, 1899.

THE First Annual Exhibition of the Society was held at the Edgbaston Botanical Gardens on Thursday and Friday, April the 13th and 14th, and brought together a collection of flowers which was the surprise and admiration of all who visited the Exhibition, and was acknowledged to be the largest and most representative collection of flowers and growers that has ever gathered together in the United Kingdom. The trade exhibitors from all parts were well represented, Messrs. Barr and Son, of London; T. S. Ware, Ltd., London; Bath, Ltd., of Wisbech; Hogg and Robertson, Dublin; Dicksons, Ltd., Chester; Mauger and Son, Guernsey; Simpson and Son, Birmingham; Hewitt and Co., Solihull; John Pope, Birmingham; Robert Sydenham, Birmingham; J. W. Cunnington, Spalding; R. O. Backhouse, Hereford; Van der Schoot, Holland; R. Dean, Ealing; Mrs. Woodley, Aghinagh, &c.

The amateur growers were also well represented, coming from various parts of the Kingdom, and included:—Honble. Mrs. Corbet, of Hankelow; Mrs. M. B. Crawford, of Ardlamont, N.B.; Miss Willmott, of Great Warley; Miss F. Currey, of Lismore, Ireland; The Revds. G. H. Engleheart, of Andover; S. E. Bourne, of Lincoln; C. Wolley Dod, of Malpas; and J. Jacob, of Whitchurch; Messrs. F. W. Burbidge, of Dublin; I. Cooke, Shrewsbury; W. J. Grant, Newport; J. Mallender, Worksop; R. F. Mills, Chesterfield; J. T. White, Spalding; J. C. Williams and P. D. Williams, of Cornwall; H. B. Young, of Lincoln; Birmingham being represented by Mrs. Whitmore and Miss E. C. Swinden; Messrs. C. R. Bick, A. F. Bird, R. Chatwin Cartwright, A. W. Hulse, J. A. Kenrick, C. Knight, Lawley Parker, Pope and Son, E. M. Sharp, and Robert Sydenham.

Messrs. R. Van der Schoot & Son, of Holland, sent what would have been a very interesting box of Seedlings, but unfortunately not being well packed they arrived in bad condition; Messrs. Mauger & Son, of Guernsey, sent two boxes of cut bloom containing several varieties, these came beautifully packed and as fresh as though they had just been cut; a special certificate was awarded. A Class is now introduced (see Class 26) for the best packed box, with the hope of encouraging good and careful packing for market purposes.

The weather unfortunately was not what could have been desired. On the first day, just as the Show opened, there was a heavy storm

of rain, which materially affected the attendance, but in spite of these adverse circumstances, the hall was filled to almost an uncomfortable extent during the first afternoon. The second day was unfortunately one continuous rain from morning to evening, which had a most disastrous effect upon the attendance, although there were more present than could have been expected.

The handsome Challenge Cup, offered by Messrs. Barr & Sons, of London, did not bring a very strong competition, there being only one exhibitor, the Rev. J. Jacob, Whitewell Rectory, Whitchurch, Salop, but the Judges considered that although his collection was not quite up to the usual competitive standard for a prize of this sort, it had been carefully staged, and the flowers, considering the season, were very representative, and therefore awarded it the Cup.

A Luncheon was provided in a tent in the grounds on the first day of the Show, but through some misunderstanding as to the probable number attending, it was not so comfortable or satisfactory as could have been wished. This to a great extent was owing to the visitors not replying to a circular asking them to say whether they would be present. Afternoon tea was provided in the grounds, but owing to the very unfortunate weather, was not patronised or enjoyed as it would have been had the weather been fine.

A Conference was held on the second day of the Show, presided over by the Rev. G. H. Engleheart, and many good and desirable ideas were brought forward and duly discussed, the principal of which were :—

"Should we have separate classes for local exhibitors?"

"Should the Society be re-named 'The National Daffodil Society?'"

"Would not the Narcissi in pots look better and be more useful for decorative purposes if grown in pots not exceeding 6in. instead of 8½in. as at present?"

"A class for a group of Spring flowering plants in pots arranged on the floor would have a charming effect."

"To form a class for beginners (those who have never taken a prize at any Daffodil show)."

"To ask the Royal Horticultural Society to send a deputation to our next exhibition."

"Have premier prizes for the best bloom in each of the different sections of Narcissi"

"Have a separate class for the Poeticus section."

"Exhibitors should persuade their friends to become growers, &c."

Mr. Sydenham hospitably entertained the majority of visitors and exhibitors at the Midland Hotel on the first evening of the Show, and amongst others present were :—Miss F. Currey, of Lismore, Ireland; the Revs. G. H. Engleheart, M.A., and S. E. Bourne; Messrs. F. W. Burbidge, M.A., of Dublin; P. R. Barr, London; C. R. Bick, Birmingham; I. Cooke, Shrewsbury; J. W. Cunnington, Spalding; Richard Dean, London; W. J. Deans (Messrs. Pope and Son), Birmingham; H. H. Doe *(Gazette)*, Birmingham; W. J. Grant, Newport, Mon.; W. Gardiner *(Journal of Horticulture)*, Harborne; C. H. Herbert (Messrs. Thomson and Co.), Birmingham; W. Logan (Messrs. Barr and Son), London; J. Mallender, Worksop; J. D. Pearson, Chilwell; John Pope, King's Norton; F. W. Simpson, Birmingham; A. Stiles, Spalding; J. A. Sayers *(Edgbastonia)*, Birmingham; W. Spinks (Messrs. Hewitt and Co.), Solihull; T. W. Sorby, Sheffield; J. T. White, Spalding; and H. B. Young, of Lincoln.

Some interesting speeches were made, and it was suggested, amongst other things, by the Rev. S. E. Bourne, that a monthly or quarterly paper generally appertaining to Narcissi should be published; but this, owing to no one feeling disposed at present to take upon himself the responsibility of Editorship, did not meet with a very sympathetic reception.

The Committee have great pleasure in stating that the number of growers who have responded to the invitation to become members has been satisfactory, and in spite of many disadvantages in weather, the peculiar season, &c., the Society are able to begin next year with a very creditable balance. They have also promises of many new members and new subscribers, so that they look forward to the next year's Exhibition with very great hopes.

They also take this opportunity of asking all who have the cultivation of the Narcissus at heart, to do anything and everything they can to induce friends to join the Society, feeling sure that these Bulbs might and should be as well or better grown at home, than they can be abroad, and that thereby might be encouraged an industry which in some parts of the country might be and *is* being developed to a marked degree of success.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE,

W. HILLHOUSE,

Chairman.

The prizes awarded were as follows :—

GROUP A. CUT BLOOMS.

CLASS 1.—A COLLECTION OF DAFFODILS, not less than 50 varieties (not to include Polyanthus Narcissus), fairly representing the three groups—Magni Coronati, Medio Coronati, and Parvi Coronati; one vase only of any variety to be exhibited, containing not less than two nor more than 12 blooms; all to be correctly and legibly named and Narcissus foliage only to be used. Quality of bloom, correct naming, and tasteful arrangement will each be considered by the judges.

First—**The Rev. J. Jacob, Whitchurch, Salop.**

CLASS 2.—TWELVE DISTINCT VARIETIES OF TRUE TRUMPET DAFFODILS (Magni Coronati); not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

First—**Mr. W. J. Grant, Newport, Mon.**
Second—**Messrs. J. Pope and Son, King's Norton.**
Third—**Mrs. M. B. Crawford, Ardlamont, N.B.**

CLASS 3.—SIX DISTINCT VARIETIES as in Class 2; not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

First—**Mr. J. C. Williams, St. Austell, Cornwall.**
Second—**Mr. R. Chatwin Cartwright, Birmingham.**
Third—**Miss F. Currey, Lismore, Ireland.**
Fourth—**Mr. P. D. Williams, St. Keverne, Cornwall.**
Fifth—**Mr. J. T. White, Spalding.**

CLASS 4.—TWELVE DISTINCT VARIETIES OF MEDIO CORONATI DAFFODILS (NARCISSUS), (Medium or Chalice Crowned); not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

First—**Miss F. Currey, Lismore, Ireland.**
Second—**Mr. W. J. Grant, Newport, Mon.**
Third—**Mr. P. D. Williams, St. Keverne, Cornwall.**
Fourth—**Messrs. J. Pope and Son, King's Norton.**
Fifth—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**

CLASS 5.—SIX DISTINCT VARIETIES as in Class 4; not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

First—**Mr. J. C. Williams, St. Austell, Cornwall.**
Second—**Mr. H. B. Young, Lincoln.**
Third—**Mr. R. Chatwin Cartwright, Birmingham.**
Fourth—**Mr. R. F. Mills, Chesterfield.**
Fifth—**Mr. J. Mallender, Worksop.**

CLASS 6.—TWELVE DISTINCT VARIETIES OF PARVI CORONATI DAFFODILS (NARCISSUS), (Saucer or Flat Crowned). Not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

First—**Mr. W. J. Grant, Newport, Mon.**
Second—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**

CLASS 7.—SIX DISTINCT VARIETIES, as in Class 6. Not less than three, nor more than five blooms of each.

First—**Mr. P. D. Williams, St. Keverne, Cornwall.**
Second—**Miss F. Currey, Lismore, Ireland.**
Third—**Mr. J. C. Williams, St. Austell, Cornwall.**
Fourth—**Mr. R. Chatwin Cartwright, Birmingham.**
Fifth—**Messrs. J. Pope and Son, King's Norton.**

CLASS 8.—SEEDLINGS. (No Prizes awarded).

CLASS 9.—TWELVE VARIETIES OF SINGLE TULIPS, five or six in a bunch, arranged for effect, with Tulip foliage only.

First—**Mr. R. Chatwin Cartwright, Birmingham.**
Second—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Third—**(With-held).**
Fourth—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**

CLASS 10.—SIX VARIETIES, as Class 9, three blooms in a bunch.

First—**Mr. E. M. Sharp, Edgbaston.**
Second—**Mr. Lawley Parker, Edgbaston.**
Third—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Fourth—**The Rev. J. Jacob, Whitchurch, Salop.**

CLASS 11.—SIX VASES OF SPANISH IRIS, arranged for effect. Own foliage only may be used. Not less than six, nor more than ten stems of bloom in each vase.

First—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**

GROUP B. PLANTS GROWN IN POTS.

CLASS 12.—TWELVE POTS OF ANY VARIETIES OF DAFFODILS (NARCISSUS) DISTINCT (Polyanthus Section excluded).

First—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Second—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**
Third—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Fourth—**Mr. A. W. Hulse, Birmingham.**

CLASS 13.—SIX POTS DISTINCT, as Class 12.

First—**Mr. R. Chatwin Cartwright, Birmingham.**
Second—**Mrs. Whitmore, Edgbaston.**
Third—**Mr. Lawley Parker, Edgbaston.**
Fourth—**Mr. E. M. Sharp, Edgbaston.**
Fifth—**Mr. C. Knight, Harborne.**

CLASS 14.—SIX POTS POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS, Not less than four varieties.

First—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Second—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**
Third—**Mr. E. M. Sharp, Edgbaston.**
Fourth—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Fifth—**Mrs. Whitmore, Edgbaston.**

CLASS 15.—SIX POTS SINGLE TULIPS, DISTINCT.

First—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Second—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Third—**Mr. R. Chatwin Cartwright, Birmingham.**
Fourth—**Mr. Lawley Parker, Edgbaston.**
Fifth—**Mrs. Whitmore, Edgbaston.**

CLASS 16.—SIX POTS OF LILY OF THE VALLEY.

First—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Second—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**
Third—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Fourth—**Mr. A. W. Hulse, Birmingham.**

CLASS 17. SIX POTS OF CYCLAMEN.

First—**Mr. A. F. Bird, Moseley.**
Second—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**

CLASS 18.—SIX POTS OF LILIUM HARRISII.

First—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**

CLASS 19—FOUR CINERARIAS IN POTS, DISTINCT.

First—**Mr. A. F. Bird, Moseley.**
Second—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Third—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**
Fourth—**Mr. A. W. Hulse, Birmingham.**

GROUP C.

TABLE DECORATIONS, BOUQUETS, &c.

CLASS 20.—ONE TABLE DECORATION, 6ft. by 3ft., or thereabouts, arranged with any varieties of cut Daffodils (Narcissus). Fern or any other foliage may be used.

First—**Messrs. J. Pope and Son, King's Norton.**
Second—**Mr. A. F. Bird, Moseley.**
Third—**Miss E. C. Swinden, Edgbaston.**
Fourth—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**

CLASS 21.—A GROUP OF CUT DAFFODILS (NARCISSUS), OR TULIPS, arranged on a Round Table, 2½ft. to 3ft diameter, suitable for a Hall or Drawing Room. Any foliage may be used.

First—**Miss E. C. Swinden, Edgbaston.**
Second—**Mr. Lawley Parker, Edgbaston.**
Third—**Mr. A. F. Bird, Moseley.**

CLASS 22.—A BOUQUET OF DAFFODILS (NARCISSUS).

First—**Messrs. J. Pope and Son, King's Norton.**
Second—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**
Third—**Mr. A. W. Hulse, Birmingham.**

CLASS 23.—A BOWL OF CUT DAFFODILS (NARCISSUS) Not to exceed 12 inches in diameter. Narcissus foliage only to be used.

First—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Second—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Third—**Miss E. C. Swinden, Edgbaston.**
Fourth—**Mr. A. W. Hulse, Birmingham.**

SPECIAL PRIZES given by Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.

CLASS 24.—THREE JARS OR BOWLS OF POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS, distinct, grown in china jars or bowls in cocoa-nut fibre, without drainage, as mentioned in his pamphlet, page 47. Not more than three Bulbs in a jar or bowl.

First—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**
Second—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Third—**Mr. E. M. Sharp, Edgbaston.**
Fourth—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**

CLASS 25.—THREE JARS OR BOWLS OF ANY OTHER VARIETIES OF DAFFODILS (NARCISSUS), grown in cocoa-nut fibre, as in Class 24.

First—**Mr. Isaac Cooke, Shrewsbury.**
Second—**Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.**
Third—**Mr. E. M. Sharp, Edgbaston.**

SPECIAL PRIZES given by Messrs. Thomson & Co., High Street, Birmingham.

CLASS 26.—SIX CINERARIAS IN POTS.

First—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**
Second—**Mr. A. F. Bird, Moseley.**
Third—**Mr. A. W. Hulse, Birmingham.**

CLASS 27.—FOUR CALCEOLARIAS IN POTS.

First—**Mr. A. F. Bird, Moseley.**
Second—**Mr. J. A. Kenrick, Edgbaston.**

The Medals given by the Birmingham Botanical and Horticultural Society were awarded as follows :—

The Large Silver, as Champion in Classes 2, 4 and 6, to Mr. W. J. Grant, Newport, Monmouth.

The Large Bronze, as Second in the above Classes, to Miss F. Currey, Lismore, Ireland.

The Large Silver, as Champion in Classes 3, 5 and 7, to Mr. J. C. Williams, St. Austell, Cornwall.

The Large Bronze, as Second in Classes 3, 5 and 7, to Mr. R. Chatwin Cartwright, Selly Park, Birmingham.

The Large Silver, as Champion in Classes 9 to 19, to Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham.

The Large Bronze, as Second in Classes 9 to 19, to Mr. J. A Kenrick, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

The Medals given by our Society were awarded to :—

Silver Gilt (the highest award), Messrs. Barr and Sons, London, for a very choice Collection of Daffodils.

The Large Silver, Messrs. Hewitt & Co., Solihull, for Floral Designs in Narcissi; Messrs. T. S. Ware, Limited, London, for a Collection of Daffodils; Messrs. R. H. Bath, Limited, Wisbech, for Collection of Daffodils; Messrs. Hogg & Robertson, Dublin, for a Collection of Daffodils and Tulips.

The Small Silver, Messrs Dicksons, Limited, Chester, for a Collection of Daffodils; Messrs. Simpson and Son, Birmingham, for a Collection of Hyacinths, Tulips and Narcissi grown in Jadoo fibre; Mr. Robert Sydenham, Birmingham, for Narcissi grown in cocoa-nut fibre and shell without drainage.

THE Committee earnestly ask any who are interested in these lovely Spring Flowers to do all they can to induce their friends to grow some Daffodils, and to join the Society, thereby encouraging an industry that may be carried on in various parts of this Kingdom as well or better than it is abroad; they have great pleasure in saying Bulb Farms are being established in various parts and carried on with success.

LIST OF DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 1899.

	£	s.	d.
Backhouse, H., Darlington	1	1	0
Backhouse, R. O., Hereford	2	2	0
Barr and Sons, London, Silver Cup and	3	3	0
Bath, R. H., Wisbech (Special Prize) £2 2s. 0d.			
Beale, C. G., Edgbaston	1	1	0
Bird, A. F., Moseley		10	6
Birmingham Botanical and Horticultural Society, Special Medals and	10	10	0
Bourne, Rev. S. E., Lincoln ..		10	6
Bowly, Mrs., Cirencester .	1	1	0
Camwell, G. H., Sheffield ...		10	6
Cartwright, R. C., Birmingham	2	2	0
Chamberlain, Rt. Hon. J., M.P.	1	1	0
Chamberlain, W., Harborne ..		10	6
Cooke, I., Shrewsbury		10	6
Copeland, W. F. M., Stone ..	1	1	0
Crawford, Mrs., Ardlamont ...		10	6
Crawford, Mrs., Uddingstone ..		10	6
Cryer, A., Edgbaston		10	6
Cunnington, J. W., Spalding ..		10	6
Currey, Miss F., Lismore ... (increased to £1 1s. 0d. for 1900)		10	6
D'Alcorn, O. W., Spalding .		10	6
Denton, G., Worksop		10	6
Dicksons, Limited, Chester ...	1	0	0
Disbrowe, E. J. W., Boston ..		10	6
Dod, Rev. C. Wolley, Malpas ..	1	1	0
Engleheart, Rev. G. H., Andover	2	2	0
Eyre, G. F., Hambledon ..		10	6
Grant, W. J., Newport .. (increased to £1 1s. 0d. for 1900)		10	6
Groot, J. de, and Sons, Holland	1	1	0
Herbert, C. H., Birmingham ..		10	6
Hewitt and Co., Solihull	1	1	0
Hillhouse, W., M.A., Edgbaston	1	1	0
Hogg and Robertson, Dublin .	2	2	0
Holinsworth, A. B., Edgbaston	1	1	0
Holinsworth, C. B., Edgbaston	1	1	0
Hughes, T., Stafford		10	6
Hulse, A. W., Birmingham ..		10	6
Huxley, Dr. J. C., Edgbaston ..	1	1	0
Jacob, Rev. J., Whitchurch ...	1	1	0
Jaffray, Sir J., Bart., Edgbaston	1	1	0
Kendall, J. P., London	2	2	0
Kenrick, J. A., Edgbaston .	1	1	0
Knight, C., Harborne .. .		10	6
Latham, W B., Edgbaston ..		10	6
Mallender, J., Worksop		10	6
Mauger and Son, Guernsey ..	1	1	0
Mills, R. F., Chesterfield ..	1	1	0
Milner, W. A., Sheffield . ..	2	2	0
Mole, F. M., Edgbaston.. ..		10	6
Mules, Dr., Wrexham		10	6
Nettlefold, Mrs., Edgbaston ..	2	2	0
Oliver, W., Rugby	1	1	0
Parker, L., Edgbaston	1	1	0
Pearson and Sons, Chilwell ...	5	0	0
Poe, J. B , Cheshunt . ..	2	2	0
Pope and Son, King's Norton .	5	0	0
Sceaney, J., Harborne		10	6
Schoot, Van der, and Sons, Holland	1	1	0
Sharp, E. M., Edgbaston ..		10	6
Simpson and Sons, Edgbaston...	5	0	0
Sm'th, Herbert, Handsworth ...		10	6
Sorby, T. W., Sheffield . ..		10	6
Spinks, W., Solihull		10	6
Swinden, Miss E. C., Edgbaston		10	6
Sydenham, Robert, Birmingham and Special Prizes £4 2s. 0d.	10	10	0
Thomson and Co., Birmingham, Special Prizes £5 0s. 0d.			
Ware, T. S., Ltd., Tottenham ..	2	2	0
Waveren, M. Van, and Sons, Holland	1	1	0
White, J. T., Spalding ..	2	0	0
Whitmore, Mrs., Edgbaston ..		10	6
Wilks, Rev. W , London ..	1	1	0
Williams, J. C., St. Austell .	2	2	0
Williams, P. D., St. Keverne ..	1	1	0
Willmott, Miss, Great Warley ..	5	0	0
Wills, A. W., Wylde Green ..	1	1	0
Woodley, Mrs., Aghinagh ..		10	6
Worcester, Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop	3	3	0
Wright, A. L., Derby .. .	1	1	0
Young, B. J., Sheffield		10	6
Young, H. B., Lincoln		10	6
	£114	17	6

SPECIAL PRIZES.

	£	s.	d.
Barr and Sons, London	7	7	0
Bath, R. H., Limited, Wisbech	2	2	0
Sydenham, R., Birmingham ..	4	2	0
Thomson and Co., Birmingham	5	0	0
	£18	11	0

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 1899.

Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Subscriptions and Donations, as per list	114	17	6
,, Special Prizes from Messrs. Barr and Sons, R. H. Bath, Limited, Robert Sydenham, and Thomson and Co.	18	11	0
,, Gate Money and Tickets sold	7	3	6
,, Birmingham Botanical and Horticultural Society's Special Medals, three Silver and three Bronze ..	9	9	0
,, Entrance Fee in Class 20		5	0
	£150	6	0

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	£	s.	d.
By Prizes paid in Cash as Schedule	66	1	0
,, Birmingham Botanical and Horticultural Society's Special Medals, three Silver and three Bronze ..	9	9	0
,, Special Prize of a Silver Cup, given by Messrs. Barr and Son	7	7	0
,, Society's Silver Medals to Honorary Exhibits ...	5	5	0
,, Printing various Circulars, Memos, Tickets, Entry Forms, Prize Cards, Posters, Programmes, &c., and Postages	6	19	5
,, Printing Schedules	4	15	0
,, Various Books :—Receipts, Minutes, Address, Exhibition, Letter File, Rubber Stamps, &c.	1	13	0
,, General Expenses at Exhibition, Hire of Tent and Tables, Free Breakfasts, Fees and Luncheons to Judges and Assistants	12	19	0
,, Music for two days	6	6	0
,, Advertising in local papers	8	15	0
,, Balance in hands of Treasurer to next account ..	20	16	7
	£150	6	0

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WILL BE HELD IN THE

Botanical Gardens, Edgbaston,

BIRMINGHAM,

ON

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, APRIL 25 & 26, 1900,

WHEN

Prizes, as per the following Schedule, amounting to over £100 will be offered.

ADMISSION:

WEDNESDAY,	from 2 till 3 p.m. -	- HALF CROWN
,,	from 3 till 5 p.m. -	- ONE SHILLING
,,	from 5 till 7 p.m. -	- - SIXPENCE
THURSDAY,	from 9 a.m. till 6 p.m.	- - SIXPENCE

Any further particulars may be obtained from the Secretaries or any Member of the Committee.

SCHEDULE OF PRIZES.

FOR 1900.

GROUP A—CUT BLOOMS.

CLASS I.

A Collection of Daffodils, 50 varieties (not to include Polyanthus Narcissus), fairly representing the three groups—Magni Coronati, Medio Coronati and Parvi Coronati ; one vase only of any variety to be exhibited, containing not less than two or more than twelve blooms ; all to be correctly and legibly named and Narcissus foliage only to be used. **Quality of Bloom, correct naming, and tasteful arrangement will each be considered by the Judges.**

First Prize, an Elegant Silver Daffodil Cup of original design, by H. G. Moon, value £7 7s. Given by **Messrs. Barr and Sons, London.**

Second Prize, £4 ; 3rd Prize, £3 ; given by the Society.

Fourth Prize, £2 2s. Given by **Messrs. R. H. Bath, Limited, Wisbech.**

Exhibitors in Class 1 cannot compete in Classes 2 to 6.

CLASS 2.

12 Distinct Varieties of true Trumpet Daffodils (Magni Coronati) ; not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

Five Prizes, 30/- 25/- 20/- 15/- 10/-.

CLASS 3.

6 Distinct Varieties as in Class 2 ; not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

Five prizes, 15/- 12/- 10/- 8/- 5/-.

Competitors in Class 2 cannot compete in Class 3.

CLASS 4.

12 Distinct Varieties of Medio Coronati Daffodils (Narcissus) (Medium or Chalice Crowned) ; not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

Five prizes, 25/- 20/- 15/- 10/- 7/6.

CLASS 5.

6 Distinct Varieties as in Class 4 ; not ess than three nor more than five blooms of each.

Five prizes, 12/- 10/- 7/6 5/- 4/-.

Competitors in Class 4 cannot compete in Class 5.

CLASS 6.

6 Distinct Varieties of Parvi Coronati Daffodils (Narcissus) (Saucer or Flat Crowned) ; not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

Five prizes, 12/- 10/- 7/6 5/- 4/-.

CLASS 7.

Seedlings. Certificates will be given to any New Flowers not in commerce, if of superior merit in the opinion of the Judges and Committee ; two blooms at least of each to be staged, and in addition to the Certificates, a Silver Medal will be awarded to the best representative in each of the three groups, as in Classes 2, 4 and 6.

CLASS 8.

12 Distinct Varieties of Daffodils (Narcissus) none of which must cost more than 10/- per dozen ; not less than three nor more than five blooms of each.

Five prizes—First prize, handsome Silver Medal, value 21/-, or cash, given by **Messrs. Hogg and Robertson, Nurserymen, Dublin.** Second 15/-. Third 12/6. Fourth 10/-. Fifth 8/-.

CLASS 9.

6 Distinct Varieties of Daffodils (Narcissus), same conditions as Class 8.

Five prizes, 10/- 8/- 6/- 5/- 4/-.

Competitors in Clases 1 to 6 cannot compete in Classes 8 and 9.

CLASS 10.

6 Vases of Spanish Iris, arranged for effect. Own foliage only may be used : not less than six nor more than ten stems of bloom in a vase.

Four prizes, 15/- 12/- 10/- 7/6.

GROUP B—PLANTS GROWN IN POTS.

(SHOWN AS GROWN, NOT MADE UP).

CLASS 11.

12 Pots of any Varieties of Daffodils (Narcissus), distinct (Polyanthus Section excluded). Pots not to exceed 7 inches diameter inside measurement on top of pot, but no limit to number of Bulbs.

Five prizes 40/- 30/- 25/- 20/- 15/-.

CLASS 12.

6 Pots Distinct, as Class 11.

Five prizes, 20/- 15/- 12/6 10/- 7/6.

Competitors in Class 11 not to compete in Class 12.

CLASS 13.

6 Pots of Polyanthus Narcissus, not less than four varieties. Pots not to exceed 7 inches inside measurement.

Five prizes, 20/- 15/- 12/6 10/- 7/6.

CLASS 14.

6 Pots of Single Tulips distinct. Pots not to exceed 7 inches diameter inside measurement ; not less than five nor more seven Bulbs in a pot.

Five prizes—First Prize, handsome Silver Medal, value 21/-, or Cash, given by **Messrs. Hogg and Robertson, Nurserymen, Dublin.** Second 15/-. Third 12/- Fourth 10/- Fifth 7/-.

CLASS 15.

6 Pots of Lily of the Valley, grown from crowns in pots not exceeding 7 inches in diameter.

Four prizes, 20/- 15/- 12/- 10/-

CLASS 16.

6 Pots of Cyclamen.

Four prizes, 20/- 15/- 12/- 10/-

CLASS 17.

6 Pots Lilium Harrisii. Pots not to exceed 7 inches diameter, but no limit to number of Bulbs in a pot.

Four prizes, 20/- 15/- 12/- 10/-.

CLASS 18.

4 Cinerarias in Pots, distinct. Pots not to exceed 8½ inches in diameter inside measurement.

Four prizes, 20/- 15/- 12/- 10/-.

TABLE DECORATIONS, BOUQUETS, &c.

Non-Members may enter in Classes 19 or 20 on paying 5/- Entrance in either Class, and in Classes 21 and 22 on paying 2/6 in either Class.

CLASS 19.

1 Table Decoration, 6ft. by 3ft,, or thereabouts, arranged with any varieties of Cut Daffodils (Narcissus). Fern or any other foliage may be used, but no other flowers.

Three prizes, 40/- 30/- 20/-

CLASS 20.

A Group of Cut Spring Flowers, arranged in Vases on a Round Table, 2½ft. to 3ft. diameter, suitable for hall or drawing room. Any foliage may be used.

Three prizes, 30/- 25/- 20/-.

CLASS 21.

A Bouquet of Daffodils (Narcissus), with fern or other foliage but no other flowers.

Three prizes, 20/- 15/- 10/-,

CLASS 22.

A Bowl of Cut Daffodils (Narcissus), not to exceed 12 inches inside diameter. Narcissus foliage only to be used.

Four prizes, 15/- 10/- 7/6 5/-.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

CLASS 23.

Messrs. J. POPE & SON, King's Norton, Birmingham

will give the following Special Prizes for—

A Group of Cut Daffodils (Narcissus), Magni, Medio, and Parvi Coronati (Polyanthus excluded). Arranged in vases or glasses at the discretion of the exhibitor, in a space 6ft. by 3ft.

Three prizes, 40/- 25/- 15/-

(For Amateurs and Gentlemen's gardeners only).

CLASS 24.

Mr. ROBERT SYDENHAM, Tenby Street, Birmingham,

will give Special Prizes for—

Three Jars or Bowls of Polyanthus Narcissus, distinct, grown in china jars or bowls in cocoa-nut fibre, without drainage, as mentioned in his pamphlet, page 30, not more than three Bulbs in a jar or bowl.

Four prizes, 15/- 12/- 10/- 8/-.

CLASS 25.

Three Jars or Bowls of any other varieties of Daffodils (Narcissus), distinct, grown in cocoa-nut fibre, as in Class 24, but five Bulbs in each.

Four prizes, 15/- 12/- 10/- 8/-.

CLASS 26.

One Box or Basket of Cut Bloom, to contain not less than 24 nor more than 36 bunches, and not less than six varieties The box to arrive the morning of the exhibition, or evening before : careful packing and freshness of bloom will be considered as much or more than the varieties.

Three prizes, 20/- 15/- 10/-

MEDALS.

The Birmingham Botanical and Horticultural Society will give one of their large handsome Silver Medals as Champion Prize and one Bronze Medal as Second Prize to the Exhibitor obtaining the greatest number of points in Classes 2, 4 and 6, a First Prize to count 24 points ; a Second Prize 18 points ; a Third Prize 12 points and a Fourth Prize 6 points. They will also give a Second Silver and Bronze Medal in Classes 3 and 5 ; a First Prize to count 16 points ; a Second Prize 12 points ; a Third Prize 8 points and a Fourth Prize 4 points.

They will give a third Silver Medal as a Champion Prize and a third Bronze Medal as a Second Prize for the most successful Exhibitor in Classes 8 to 18. Points in Classes 8 and 11 to count as in Classes 2, 4 and 6, and in the other Classes as in Classes 3 and 5.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

IT is intended to hold an Auricula Show in conjunction with the Daffodil Show, at which handsome Prizes will be offered for Show and Alpines. Full particulars can be obtained from Mr. A. R. Brown, Crompton Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, and Mr. R. Holding, 121, St. Paul's Road, Balsall Heath, Birmingham.

RULES FOR EXHIBITORS.

1.—All Exhibits should be correctly and legibly named, and must be ready by Twelve o'clock prompt, when the Judges will enter upon their duties; a bell will ring at 11-30, when all not officially connected with the Exhibition must leave the building.

2.—Notice of Entries must be sent to the Secretary, Mr. Herbert Smith, not later than Monday, April 23rd, and it will help him very much if Entries are made at least a week before the day of Exhibition. Any Exhibitors who find, after entering that they cannot exhibit, will please telegraph to him not later than Tuesday mid-day.

3.—No Exhibitor to take more than one Prize in a class.

4.—Should any exhibit not be worthy of the Prize allotted by the Schedule, the Judges shall have the power to reduce the value of such Prize, or withhold it altogether; the decision of the Judges to be final except when the exhibit is not in accordance with the Schedule in which case the awards will be subject to revision.

5.—That all Flowers exhibited excepting in the Classes 19, 20, 21 and 22, must have been the bona-fide *growth* and property of the Exhibitor or his employer; any infraction of this rule will forfeit **all** awards.

6.—About 600 vases will be provided, such as are used by the R.H.S., but in the event of these not being sufficient, the earliest entries to have the preference.

7.—Any complaint or protest must be made in writing on the first day of the Show, together with a deposit of Five Shillings, or it cannot be entertained; the protest will be considered by the Judges and Committee, and if such protest or complaint cannot be sustained, the money to be forfeited to the Society.

8.—That all cut flowers shall become the property of the Committee, to distribute amongst the local hospitals, except where Exhibitors want them for their own special use, which must be stated when entering. Selling flowers is strictly prohibited without consent of the Committee, and will forfeit all prizes awarded.

9.—The Prizes will be paid as far as possible on the second day of the Exhibition from 4 to 5 p.m., each Exhibitor to leave with the Secretaries some time on the first day a list of his Prizes, on the special form provided for the purpose; any Exhibitor failing to do this gives unnecessary extra work to the Secretaries, and will be fined a shilling.

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