

tities are annually imported, and the manufacture of which, therefore, in this country, should be specially encouraged, but few samples were exhibited. Those manufactured by William Robinson were of good quality, and the one exhibited by Miss Richardson was a handsome specimen of female ingenuity.

The Britannia handkerchiefs exhibited by J. F. Simmons were handsome samples of our improvement in this branch of manufacture, but not being square are liable to the objection so often urged against those which are imported, and are therefore precluded from receiving the premium which had been offered.

The committee believing that the establishment of manufactories for cotton goods in the southern states will promote their interests, were much pleased to observe samples of blue brochettes, made at Richmond, in Virginia, by Cunningham & Anderson, *P.* These goods are well calculated for cheap wearing apparel, and being stout and well made will supply a desideratum.

The Marseilles vestings from the Rockland Manufacturing Company, although coarse, are worthy of notice as being the first of the kind exhibited at the Institute, and as affording an earnest of greater improvement in this species of manufacture.

Samples of Rouen cassimeres, cotton diapers, and fancy curtain muslins, were exhibited by Joseph Ripka, whose skill and enterprise as a manufacturer of various descriptions of goods, are too well known to require any special notice from this committee.

The jaconet handkerchiefs made by J. Smithurst, *h. m.* are entitled to encouragement, but if his exertions were applied to the production of a finer article, they would be more likely to be crowned with success.

As connected with cotton goods the committee beg leave to express their approbation of two copper rollers, designed for calico printing, from the manufactory of Messrs. Merrick & Agnew, and one from the shop of Mr. M. W. Baldwin. These gentlemen are well known as mechanists, and the different articles of their manufacture, the committee believe, are among the best made in the country.

In concluding this report, the committee cannot but regret that its length, already too extended, prevents them from noticing particularly several quilts, bed spreads, shawls, and other articles, the production of female skill and ingenuity, which were much admired for the beauty and taste displayed in their fabrication.

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Extract from the Report of the Committee on Woollens.

The undersigned, a committee of judges appointed by the Franklin Institute to examine and report upon such woollen goods as should be deposited at their Seventh Annual Exhibition, with a view to award to

those deserving of them the premiums offered in their printed circular, make the following report, viz:

No. 237. Four pieces blue satinets, from the Rock Manufacturing Company, deposited by Hacker, Brown & Co., the only lot of blue satinets exhibited; these are a very superior article, and an excellent specimen of the perfection to which this manufacture has been brought. The committee feel somewhat surprised that there should have been no competition for the premium on this article, knowing as they do, that there are many other manufacturers who produce the same description of goods.

No. 188. (*h. m.*) Five pieces mixed satinets, manufactured by Houston & Greene, Groveville, deposited by the makers. We consider this the best specimen of the article exhibited; the mixtures are remarkably well done; the fabric is strong and well cleaned from all impurities and imperfections.

No. 216. The eight pieces mixed satinets from the factory of S. Shove & Co., deposited by J. & M. Brown & M. D. Lewis, are of stout fabric, and show a handsome variety of colours. We observe no particular improvement in their manufacture; they have always had a fair reputation in the market, which is fully sustained by the lot now exhibited.

No. 397. We noticed one piece of olive satinet made by N. E. Russell & Co., Greenfield, Massachusetts, deposited by Fales & Lathrop; it is a good specimen.

There were no satinets exhibited to obtain the seventy-first premium on the printed circular.

No. 91. One piece blue cloth, No. 9168, 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ yards, not stated where, nor by whom, manufactured;* it is a fair specimen of well dyed and well finished cloth, and the best piece exhibited.

There were three pieces of black cloth exhibited of nearly equal value to the blue, but with nothing in their finish or fabric deserving of particular notice.

No. 101. Three pieces blue cloths from the Salmon Falls Manufacturing Company, deposited by C. C. Haven, and labelled at \$3 per yard; this is a stout fabric and pretty well finished article, but as we understand cloths are declining in value, it appears that this is made of coarser wool than should be put into cloths of that value, even at the present advanced price of the material; the colouring in some of the pieces is imperfect; this was the only specimen offered at the price.

No. 110. Two pieces fancy coloured cloths, 30 $\frac{3}{4}$, deposited by Lewis & Whitneys, manufactured by the Great Falls Manufacturing Company. These were well made and handsomely coloured and finished; we consider them a handsome specimen of American cloth, and deserving of notice—we did not see any other fancy cloths worthy of particular observation.

No. 23. *P.* One piece exhibited out of a parcel of ten pieces mixed cloth, from the Oxford Manufacturing Company, deposited by C. C.

* Since ascertained to be by the Glenheim Manufacturing Company; it was deposited by C. C. Haven.

Haven, said to be of American wool, it is the best specimen of cloth we were called to notice, and will vie with any of foreign manufacture as to texture, finish, and mixture, in all of which it bears ample testimony to the skill and ability of the maker.

No. 143. Three pieces Rouen cassimere, cotton and wool, from the well known manufactory of Jos. Ripka; this is a superior article of the kind, and deserving of notice.

No. 111. *P.* Five pieces merino cassimere, manufactured at Lowell, Mass. by the Middlesex Company, made of cotton and wool, in imitation of the British article of same description; we consider them the best specimen of men's summer wear exhibited; they are in every respect equal to the imported article, and we are highly gratified to witness the great perfection both of texture and finish, as well as the superior style of putting up, exhibited in this lot, which we think deserving of every commendation.

No. 141. *P.* One piece green summer cloth, cotton and worsted, manufactured by Joseph Ripka, *the only imitation of the English of this description we have ever seen*; we think the manufacturer deserving of especial commendation and notice, as well for this particular article, as for his manufactures in general, which stand deservedly high in all the markets of the union.

No. 53. *P.* Four pieces white gauze flannels, manufactured by J. & T. Kershaw, Blockley, Pennsylvania. This is the finest specimen of American gauze flannel which has ever come under our notice; the wool is of the finest description, and the goods are remarkably well made, but they show rather a bluish tinge in the colour, which should be obviated in any future manufacture of the article; we could not ascertain whether the wool was American or foreign.

No. 22. *P.* We noticed with much pleasure the great variety of flannels from the Salisbury Manufacturing Company, deposited by C. C. Haven; they exhibited all the different kinds and qualities made by this company, and show a decided improvement in their manufacture, *we consider them in every respect equal to the imported article*, and entitled to especial notice; the scarlets were particularly brilliant and rich in colour.

There was not a single piece of baize exhibited, we know that this article is extensively manufactured, and are surprised that there was no competition for the premium. These remarks will also apply to drab cloths, of which there was no specimen exhibited.

No. 24. *P.* Two pair white Mackinaw blankets from the Buffalo Manufacturing Company, deposited by C. C. Haven; it is the only parcel of this article exhibited; it is a fair specimen, and shows the ability of the manufacturer to make a blanket which will in all respects compete with the foreign article; it is a branch of trade deserving of encouragement, and although we do not perceive any particular improvement in this specimen over others which we have seen in previous years, yet we cannot withhold our assent to its superior quality.

No. 469. (*h. m.*) The same remarks will apply to the other parcel of blankets, called "bed blankets," from the same manufactory; this is a twilled article, and we think *equal to the best English blankets*. We

have again to express our regret that there was no competition for the premium offered for this description of goods; and also that there was no exhibition of common point and bed blankets, an article of such general use, and one almost of necessity.

The foregoing are all the articles of woollens which have come under our notice worthy of particular observation, we have bestowed upon them that careful attention and examination which their merits severally deserved and required; the impartial result of which we have now laid before you.*

THOMAS ROBINS,
JOHN SITER,
W. WURTS,
JAMES BOGGS.

Extracts from the Report of the Judges on Silks and Lace.

The committee on silks and lace, report:

That they have examined the several lots, or parcels, of silk, included in the late exhibition, and present the following as their judgment in regard to the object of their appointment.

The committee cannot refrain from expressing their deep regret at the limited display of silk, which has been made; the more so, as not a single lot comes within the list of premiums.

The specimens of manufactured goods deposited by J. Ripka, and the several lots of thrown silk represented by the Nos. 447 a 449, inclusive, also deposited by him, are deserving of particular notice. The piece of black plush, (No. 146, *h. m.*) which it is believed is made of American silk, is a beautiful manufacture, and superior to the piece of drab, (No. 361,) made out of imported silk. Of all the articles to which the attention of the committee was drawn in the discharge of their duty, this piece of goods seemed to claim a preference; whether the quality of the silk, the excellence of the manufacture, or the colouring, &c. was considered, there was found ample cause to applaud the hand that had been so successfully employed in producing an article which might well compare with most, if not all, that the committee has seen of European manufacture.

In relation to the silk prepared for weaving, alluded to in the preceding, the committee are not so well acquainted with the nature of silk in that state as to speak of it in the same confident manner.

The sewing silk and riband, Nos. 59 and 60, which are represented to have been manufactured at the Shaker village, in Mercer county, Ky. are very good. The former is an excellent texture, well coloured, and possessing a fine lustre. It is decidedly the best specimen of the kind that we have yet seen exhibited. The piece of riband is also

* Col. Jno. E. Colhoun, of Pendleton, S. C., sent two blankets made at the manufactory lately established by him on his plantation; they were delayed at sea, and not received till the last day of the Exhibition; but having been examined, after this report was drawn up, were found worthy of receiving a silver medal. Those blankets have a cotton warp and a woollen filling.