

Wakefield Tulip Show : June 4. This was the forty-eighth exhibition of this Society, and it took place as usual in the concert-room of the Brunswick Hotel. There were not quite so many exhibitors as last year, owing to blight having settled on the beds of some of the growers, still some thousand flowers were staged in bottles and on stands, with a line of Ferns running down the centre of the tables. It is said that the number of Tulip growers is extending about Wakefield, but for the reason stated above fewer than usual exhibited. Mr. George Gill, of East Moor, was one of the principal sufferers from this cause, and he has one of the best collections in the district. In addition, the leading Wakefield growers are Mr. R. J. Sharpley, St. John's ; T. Spurr and Jesse Hardwick, East Moor ; E. Lister, G. Lamb, and J. Netherwood, Warringate, all of whom throw open their Tulips when in flower for free public inspection, and on the occasion of the show no money is taken at the doors, admission being free.

In the class for six Tulips, eleven prizes were awarded, Mr. George Lamb being 1st with Masterpiece and Sir J. Paxton, bizarres ; Aglaia, both feathered and flamed roses ; Grace Darling and Lord Denman, byblœmens—a very good lot. 2d, Mr. George Gill, with Criterion and Sir J. Paxton, bizarres ; Modesty and Aglaia, roses ; Majestic and Lord Denman, byblœmens. 3d, Mr. Thomas Spurr, with Napoleon and Perfection, bizarres ; Aglaia, both feathered and flamed ; roses, Lord Denman and Grace Darling.

The best stand of six breeders, a very nice lot, came from Mr. R. J. Sharpley, who had Isabella and five promising seedlings ; 2d, Mr. Thomas Spurr, with Van Amburgh and Duchess of Sutherland, byblœmens ; John Brook and Pilot, bizarres ; Mabel and Mrs. Barlow, roses. 3d, Mr. George Gill ; 4th, Mr. Jessie Hardwick. The best stand of three breeders came from Mr. J. Netherwood, who had Duchess of Sutherland, Mrs. Jeffery, and John Brook ; 2d, Mr. J. Hardwick, with Miss Collins, Van Amburgh, and Willison's King ; 3d, Mr. Alfred Spurr, with Catherine, Lord F. Cavendish, and Maid of Orleans.

Single flowers.—The best feathered rose was Mrs. Lea, from Mr. R. J. Sharpley, who was 2d also with Lady Crewe ; Mr. George Gill being 3d, with Minerva ; and then followed in the order of merit Rose Mary, Heroine, Aglaia, and Modesty, making eight prizes. The best feathered byblœmen was Adonis, from Mr. R. J. Sharpley ; and he was 2d also with Majestic. 3d, Mr. T. Spurr, with Grace Darling ; then came in order of merit, Grace Darling, Lady Denman, Lady Dentman, Grace Darling, and Vicar of Radford. Mr. G. Gill had the best feathered bizarre, staging a fine bloom of Masterpiece ; 2d, Mr. R. J. Sharpley, with Wallace, and 3d, with the same ; followed by Criterion, Napoleon, Masterpiece, Sir J. Paxton, and John Brooks. Mr. R. J. Sharpley, who was in good form on this occasion, had the best flamed rose, staging Aglaia, and was 2d with the same ; indeed, this variety won all the prizes in this class. The best flamed byblœmen was Lord Denman, from Mr. Geo. Gill ; Mr. Sharpley being 2d with the same, and 3d with Talisman ; and Lord Denman won the remaining prizes. The best flamed bizarre was Sir J. Paxton, from Mr. Sharpley, who was also 2d with the same, and this variety won the remaining prizes also.

In the single classes for breeder Tulips there was a good competition also, the principal prizes being taken by Miss Sharpley, Thomas Spurr, J. Hardwick, and G. Gill. The best feathered flower in the exhibition was Criterion, bizarre, from Mr. G. Gill. The best flamed flower was Sir J. Paxton, bizarre, from Mr. Sharpley. The best breeder was Isabel, from Mr. Sharpley.