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cooking apparatus. The report was adopted.

### HURSTPERPOINT.

The farmers of Central Sussex have proved themselves to be a very patriotic body, not only in providing much more food for the people, but in raising thousands of pounds for our wounded warriors. A large crowd of people, drawn from many districts, came to the Hurst Recreation Ground last week and generously patronised another gift auction sale and bazaar. It was arranged by the Hassocks branch of the National Farmers' Union for the British Farmers' Red Cross Fund and for the provision of a recreation hut at Sunshine Home Auxiliary Hospital. Admiral Sir Lewis Beaumont, G.C.B., K.C.M.G., the chairman of the committee, presided at the opening ceremony, which was performed by the Hon. Mrs. Campion, of Danny Park, offering the "V.C." cockerel, and Mr. Fyson's famous bird (which had realised £9,280 in previous sales) "crowed proudly and gratefully" when it brought in another £200 odd. Messrs. T. Bannister and Co., of Haywards Heath, were the auctioneers, and the 400 lots included beasts, goats, poultry, vehicles, and a vast collection of other things. The takings were in excess of last year's. The bazaar, for which the ladies were responsible, contained, among other things, soft toys made by the Sussex Women's Institute. Teas and refreshments were served, and flags, postcards, &c., while a draw—for which one of the prizes was a bull given by Mr. William Wood—and subscriptions added materially to the funds. Colonel W. H. Campion, C.B., was president, and his wife, the Hon. Mrs. Campion, was the chairman of the Ladies' Committee, while Mr. E. J. Markwick (Haywards Heath) ably did the hon. secretarial work, aided by Mr. S. Peirce and Mr. G. Prevett, the hon. treasurer being Mr. M. D. Bannister. The gift sale realised £676, donations, subscriptions, &c., over £300, and the total was something like £1,260.