

The Canadian Agricultural Society.

WE are much pleased to have to announce, that the good example shewn by our Farmers of Western Canada, is being followed by their brethren in the Eastern Division of the Province. A Society has been organized in Montreal under the above title, having for its objects the carrying out of similar patriotic views, as regards Agricultural Improvements, "and the diffusion of sound and useful knowledge on all subjects connected therewith," as are entertained by our own Association, "The Provincial Agricultural Society for Upper Canada."

We are so highly delighted with this movement in the Eastern Division, that we shall not fail, not only to cultivate and "maintain a good understanding" with, but shall do all in our individual power to foster and assist the young Society. In evidence of which we cannot do better, than in the first place, to publish and give wide publicity, by means of this paper, to its constitution, for a copy of which we are indebted to the *Montreal Transcript*.

Canada is so circumstanced that it is proper, nay perhaps requisite, that she should have two National Agricultural Associations—one for each of the great divisions of the Province. There is ample scope for the operations of both, and as we like to see friendly rivalry, we trust that the benefits which can be shewn to flow from the operations of either, will spur on the other to greater and still greater exertions. We cordially wish both every prosperity.

At the meeting at Montreal, it was unanimously resolved—

1st.—That it is expedient to form an Association to be called "The Canadian Agricultural Society."

2nd.—That the members of this Society shall be composed of persons subscribing five shillings annually, or upwards; and persons who subscribe two pounds ten shillings or upwards, shall be constituted members of this Society for life.

3rd.—That the Society shall be governed by a President, six Vice-Presidents, and twenty-four Directors, a Secretary, and Treasurer, and in

order to afford the District of Quebec an opportunity of directly co-operating with the Society, they shall be entitled to appoint six of the Directors, and, after this year, two of the Vice-Presidents also.

4th.—That the Society shall meet annually, in the month of March, for the election of Officers and Directors, and for the consideration of any other matters that may be submitted to them, and, if necessary, a general meeting may be called at any time on the requisition of the President, and a majority of the Vice-Presidents and Directors, made to that effect by the Secretary.

5th.—That the Directors shall hold quarterly meetings, and oftener if necessary, and at such meetings, and all meetings of the Society, the President or one of the Vice-Presidents shall preside. That at the Quarterly meetings, or any meeting of Directors for transacting the business of the Society, it shall be necessary that the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, and one-fourth of the number of Directors be present to constitute a Board.

6th.—That the object of the Society should be chiefly directed, for the present, to promote the interests of all classes dependent upon agriculture, and to diffuse sound and useful knowledge on all subjects connected therewith; to encourage the cultivation of such new plants and crops as they shall conceive it would be advantageous to introduce, and do all in their power to promote the general improvement of the system of farming,—as regards draining, manuring, crops, pasturage, stock, management of the dairy, farm implements and every branch of rural economy.

7th.—That the Society should endeavour to procure the establishment of an Agricultural College, similar to that established at Cirencester, in England, for the instruction of youth in the science and art of Agriculture, and other arts connected with Farming; and have a model farm attached that might pay expenses,—and, if possible, model farms in more than one section of the country; also, an Agricultural Museum, and one or more Agricultural Libraries.

8th.—That, in order to form a communication with every section and parish in Eastern Canada, the Clergy of all denominations be elected Honorary Members of the Society, and be respectfully invited to co-operate with them in circulating useful suggestions and instruction amongst the rural population, and in obtaining correct statistics of the state of Agriculture, its produce, &c.