

and that which took the first prize, little, if any short of 69lbs. Some specimens of barley and other grains from New Annan were considered remarkably fine, to some of which prizes were awarded.

The lack of specimens of fruit seemed to be a great want, and which no Nova Scotian Exhibition should be without. However for the fruit exhibited the show was indebted to New Annan, which place furnished some excellent specimens of apples and a very fair sample of pears.

The homespun department was of that character for which Colchester is so justly famed, and in addition there were some fine specimens of rugwork and carpeting. The rugs were in great variety, both hooked and yarn rugs, some of which were remarkably well made, and added much to the appearance of the Show. There were also on Exhibition in this department, blankets, socks, stockings, straw bonnets and hats, all worthy of the inspection they received.

The Exhibition was closed by an address of an hours duration from the Revd. Dr. Forrester whose remarks, on the adaptation to specific purposes of farm in different localities, and on the cultivation of root crops, were most practical. The Reverend gentlemen concluded by an offer of £5 to the Colchester farmer who should in the year 1860 raise the greatest and best crop of turnips on an area of five acres, or if there were none to raise a crop of five acres; £4 to him who should be found to raise the best one on four acres, or £3 to him who should raise a three-acre crop, or he would, if none were found to raise more, give £2 to the farmer who raised the best two acres of turnips, but he would descend no lower.

The Society held a public meeting in the Court House in the evening, at which the names of successful competitors were announced. After which several gentlemen addressed the meeting on the interests of Agriculture, and at its close, the operations of this Society for the past year, may be said to have terminated.

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