

tricts; for their periodical District exhibitions and ploughing matches, &c., at which every member of any Township Society within the District may be a competitor, without charge; for the inspection of different farms, and reporting upon the mode of culture pursued; as also upon the best description of stock and seeds, and where the same can be procured; for the establishment of periodical fairs, for the sale or exchange of horses, cattle, &c.; for the establishment of corn markets, on particular days in each week, and at stated places, in order that there may be a greater assemblage of buyers and sellers, for the introduction into their Districts respectively, an improved description of farming stock and labour saving implements, whether the same be imported by the Canada Agricultural Association, or by individuals, or be bred or manufactured within the Province; for the encouragement and assistance of persons in the erection of mills and machinery to be employed in agricultural and domestic productions; and for making known to the Provincial Association such improvements and discoveries in the system of agriculture as may have come within their knowledge, for the purpose of publication.

CANADA AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

1. That there be quarterly meetings of the "Canada Agricultural Association," either at Toronto, or at such other place as the President, Vice-Presidents, and Directors may appoint, for the purpose of receiving the reports of the several District Branch Societies, and for general business.

2. That at such quarterly meetings, arrangements be made for the introduction into the province, of the best description of cattle, seeds, machinery, and all such things connected with agriculture, as may tend to the benefit of the province, either by the importation of the same by the Association, or by the granting of premiums to such enterprising individuals as may be the importers thereof.

3. For the arranging of a Grand Provincial Exhibition annually, in such part of the province as may be considered most conducive to the advantage thereof; at which exhibition every member of the Association, as well as of the District Branch and Township Auxiliary Societies, may compete without charge.

4. For the establishment of an Agricultural journal.

For the establishment, stocking, and working of an experimental or model farm, and for the periodical sale of the stock and seeds grown thereon.

6. For the distribution of Medals for the best Essays on the subject of Agriculture.

7. And generally, for the suggesting, proposing, and perfecting such matters as will tend to the advantage of the Association throughout all its branches.

4. Resolved, That the District Councillors for each township in the Home District, with such others of the inhabitants as they may think proper to associate with them, be a committee in each township respectively, for forming an Auxiliary Society in their respective townships, in connection with the Home District Agricultural Society.

5. Resolved, That as the annual election of officers of the Home District Agricultural Society, will take place on the second Wednesday in February next, the Chairmen of the Township Auxiliary Societies be requested to attend on that day, for the purpose of organizing the "Home District Branch Society," under the proposed plan.

6. Resolved, That the Chairman, Col Wm Thompson, the Warden of the District, the Sheriff, George D Wells, Esq., the Secretary

of the Home District Agricultural Society; and Mr. W. G. Edmundson, the Editor of the *Cultivator*, be a Committee to open a correspondence with the Agricultural Societies in the different Districts, in order to carry out the foregoing scheme.

WM. THOMPSON,
Chairman.

W. D. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

AN IMPORTANT ARRANGEMENT.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETIES.—Arrangements have been made to organize an Horticultural and Floricultural Society in the City of Toronto, which will have nearly the same relation to the District Society as the Auxiliary Branches in the Townships. The whole of our City subscribers will be members, and the Society will receive one half of the subscription. A committee has been appointed to collect subscriptions for our paper, and by this arrangement every respectable individual in the City and Suburbs will be called upon, and his subscription to the paper solicited; one half of which will pay the expenses of the paper, and the other half will be expended in horticultural premiums, which will be awarded in prizes at the Home District cattle shows. The horticultural and floricultural exhibition will be open for competition by the District Branch and Township Auxiliary Societies; and in like manner will the members of the Horticultural Society be allowed to show agricultural products, *fee simple*, at the District show.

We have a large circulation at present within the limits of the City, and we fancy that the number will be quadrupled within a few weeks, as every subscriber will feel interested in the extent of the circulation. We not only anticipate a large circulation, but a most splendid exhibition, including vegetables, flowers, and the *fair sex*. To create a general interest in the cause, we shall devote a portion of our Journal to the subject of gardening. We trust the citizens of every county, town and city in the Province, will follow the good example set them by the citizens of Toronto.

THE CANADIAN HORSE.—This noble and useful animal is not so highly esteemed by the Farmers in Western Canada, as his merits entitle him to. We are happy to observe that a number of shrewd farmers are now becoming fully alive to the importance of discountenancing the further introduction of the thorough blood horse for agricultural purposes. This resolution is a striking evidence of their good sense; we trust that Agricultural Societies will take proper steps to introduce a breed of horses, in every particular adapted to the circumstances of the country. The best bred, and largest sized Eastern Canadian horses are a most useful and hardy race of animals for this section of the country.

A Farmer of the Brock District, neighbourhood of *Ingersollville*, by the name of *Michael Grey*, has lately purchased a Canadian horse in the District of Montreal, which passed through this city a few days since. He was truly a noble animal, and we were sorry to observe that he had been badly treated on the journey—we apprehend that he will be almost useless for active service.

LIST OF AGENTS.

It was our intention to have made out a full list of Agents in the December number, but the space which this arrangement would require has prevented us from carrying out our design. We earnestly hope that each Post-Master, and each officer and Director of the several Agricultural Societies throughout British America, will become Agents for the *British American Cultivator*, and use their utmost influence in obtaining for it a general circulation. As soon as the *Cultivator* receives a circulation of ten thousand, which, according to the present terms, would only average 2s. 6d. per copy to the publisher, we shall then issue an *extra*, which will be sent gratuitously to each subscriber. If the enterprising farmers in the Home District subscribe for (and pay in advance) four thousand copies, certainly the whole of the other Districts in Canada, together with the other four British Provinces, ought to subscribe for the remaining six thousand copies. We are confident that the farmers in the Home District will do their part; and we know no good reason why the agriculturists in the other Districts would not receive as much benefit from a practical work or agriculture, as the farmers of the Home District.

SIBERIAN WHEAT.—This variety of wheat was brought before the notice of our readers in a late number of the *Cultivator*, and subsequently we have received a great number of Orders, averaging from five to twenty bushels each. We have not had a single grain of the variety in question, in our possession, except the sample which we inspected on the premises of the *King Farmer*. The owner of the wheat, of which we took favourable notice, would not part with it without receiving an extravagant price. As we are opposed to the principle of extortionate speculation, let it make its appearance in whatever shape it may, we concluded that we would take another course to introduce the above variety of wheat, among the Farmers generally. The best Farmers in the neighbourhood of Peterboro have, we understand, an abundance of the *Siberian* spring wheat. If our subscribers, in that quarter, would forward us the names of the parties who have in their possession any considerable quantity of the above variety, we would feel a pleasure in informing the public, through our columns, of the same. Good wheat is worth a dollar per bushel for seed, as well as one dollar is worth another, and the additional costs of carrying and incidental expenses ought to be charged to the purchaser.

BERKSHIRE HOGS.—A very great number of half-bred Berkshire hogs have been fed in the neighbourhood of this city, the past and present season, and they are highly prized by all who have adopted the cross. Mr. James Poyell, Red Lion Inn, Yonge Street, killed two half-breeds nineteen months old, each weighing 391 and 333 lbs. A half-bred Berkshire boar, owned by Mr. Wm. Jackson, of the 2nd Concession of York, lot No. 16 west of Yonge Street, was exhibited at the recent Home District Agricultural Show. The live weight of this animal is 590 lbs., and is 6 ft. long from the nose to the root of the tail. The first prize for boars was awarded to Mr. Jackson.