

tion of the ladies, as the prize list is especially arranged so that any one owning even a single handsomely-grown plant, will stand a chance of taking a prize; and the smallest flower garden, if properly cared for, will be able to compete successfully with the largest cut blooms and bouquets. At the same time, those who own fine collections will find that they have not been altogether overlooked.

Thanking you for your valuable space,  
I am yours, &c.,  
R. W. STARR, Sec'y.

**Reports of Agri. Societies.**

**PICTOU AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

THE Directors of the Pictou Agricultural Society, in concluding a other year's labour, beg leave to submit their annual report as follows:—

Your Society now in existence for thirty-seven years, is still in a vigorous and healthy state, numbering one hundred and one member.

Your financial affairs are also satisfactory, showing receipts for the past year amounting to the sum of \$234.72, while the expenditure for the same time has been \$255.74, leaving a balance against the Society amounting to \$21.02; but as we have not yet received our share of the Provincial Grant, that when received will leave a balance in your favor.

In compliance with a resolution passed at a meeting of this Society held on the 20th day of March last, an effort was made to have a County Exhibition in Pictou or New Glasgow, but after correspondence held with the several Societies in the county, they declined to co-operate in holding a County Exhibition, when your Directors made arrangements for holding a local Exhibition in connexion with your Society, which was held at Durham Village on Wednesday, the 15th day of Oct.; at which the sum of \$175.00 was offered, and the sum of \$155 paid in prizes.

With regard to the Exhibition, we have to report that, while a considerable degree of interest was manifested by members of this Society as well as by others interested in Agriculture, yet upon the whole it was not so successful as your Directors could have wished—that notwithstanding that your Society has expended considerable sums of money in procuring thorough bred stock, and although prizes were offered for such, there was none shown of pure breed on that occasion except one Bull; and that the other departments did not show that progress which might have been expected.

The following table comparing this Exhibition with the last local Exhibition

held by your Society in 1869, will show but little progress made since that date.

	1869.	1873.
Amount offered in prizes.....	\$167	\$175
Do. paid Do.....	147	153
Number of Horses entered....	12	18
Cattle.....	40	48
Sheep and Pigs.....	56	39
entries of Grain & Seeds.....	53	39
"    "    Roots and Vego- tables.....	62	71
"    "    Domestic Manu- factures.....	65	73
"    "    Leather.....	3	12
"    "    Butter & Cheese.....	26	36
"    "    Fruit.....	27	15

As regards the crops of the past year, Hay is a good crop; Wheat, Oats and other cereals being good, while Potatoes and other Roots have been abundant and of good quality.

Your Directors have much pleasure in reporting that the Board of Agricultural have determined to hold a Provincial Agricultural Exhibition in Halifax next fall, and would recommend that a sum be voted by this Society as a contribution to the funds of said Exhibition, and would urge our successors in office to adopt such measures as will insure a fair representation of the Agricultural resources of this County on that occasion.

(Signed) DAVID MATHESON, Pres.  
JOHN MCKENZIE, Secy.

Pictou. 2nd. Dec., A.D., 1873.

List of Prizes awarded at the Agricultural Exhibition held at Durham, on Wednesday, 15 Oct., 1873:—

HORSES.	
Stallion 3 years old and upwards.	
James H. Stewart, Middle River, 1st prize,	\$2.00
Mares 3 years old and upwards.	
James McKay, Mill Brook, 1st prize.....	2.00
John Crockett, Green Hill, 2nd ".....	1.50
Gelding or Mare 2 years old.	
John Loithead, Durham, 1st prize.....	2.00
John McLellan, Roger Hill, 2nd prize.....	1.50
Gelding or Mare 1 year old.	
John L. Matheson, Roger Hill, 1st prize....	2.00
Alexander McKean, " 2nd ".....	1.50
Gelding or Mare Foaled in 1873.	
James McDonald, Green Hill, 1st prize....	2.00
John Crockett, " 2nd ".....	1.50
CATTLE.	
Alderno Bull.	
John McKenzie, Durham, 1st prize.....	2.00
Grade Bull, 3 years old and upwards.	
James Rae, Dalhousie, 1st prize.....	2.00
Robert Matheson, Roger Hill, 2nd prize...	1.50
Grade Bull, 2 years old.	
Alexander J. McKay, Fox Brook, 1st prize,	2.00
John Creighton, West River, 2nd ".....	1.50
Grade Bull, 1 year old.	
Alex. McDonald, Mill Brook, 1st prize.....	2.00
John McKenzie, Durham, 2nd ".....	1.50
Grade Bull calved in 1873.	
Roderick McKenzie, Eight Mile Brook, 1st prize.....	1.50
Thomas Cameron, Loch Broom, 2nd prize,	1.00
PAIR OXEN.	
Roderick McKenzie, Eight Mile Brook, 1st prize.....	1.50
Hugh D. Denoon, Harwood Hill, 2nd do.	1.00

Grade Milch Cow.	
S. W. McDonald, Eight Mile Brook, 1st- prize.....	\$2.00
David Miller, West River, 2nd prize.....	1.50
James McLellan, Roger Hill, 3rd ".....	1.00
Heifer, 2 years old.	
William McLean, Durham, 1st prize.....	1.50
Alexander Fraser, Roger Hill, 2nd do.....	1.00
Heifer, 1 year old.	
Thomas Cameron, Loch Broom, 1st prize...	1.50
Alexander Cameron, Durham, 2nd ".....	1.00
HEIFER CALF.	
Thomas Cameron, 2nd prize.....	1.00
SHEEP.	
Ram, 2 years old and upwards.	
Robert McLean, Tanner Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
Robert Patterson, Roger Hill, 2nd ".....	1.00
Ram, 1 year old.	
John Millar, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
Alexander McKay, Dalhousie, 2nd do.....	1.00
RAM LAMB.	
John Millar, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
Robert Patterson, " 2nd ".....	1.00
Ewe, 2 years old and upwards.	
David Millar, West River, 1st prize.....	1.50
Duncan McDonald, Middle River, 2nd do.	1.00
Ewe, 1 year old.	
John McLellan, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
EWE LAMB.	
John Millar, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
Robert Patterson, " 2nd ".....	1.00
WETHERS.	
Alexander Fraser, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
John T. Matheson, " 2nd ".....	0.75
PIGS.	
Boar under 1 year old.	
Robert Patterson, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
John Loithead, Durham, 2nd ".....	1.00
Sow under 1 year old.	
Robert Patterson, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
GRAIN AND SEEDS.	
Bushel Wheat.	
John Falconer, Green Hill, 1st prize.....	2.00
Adam McKean, Roger Hill, 2nd ".....	1.50
James MacIntosh, Meadows, 3rd ".....	1.00
Bushel Oats, white or yellow.	
Robert Patterson, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.00
John Falconer, Green Hill, 2nd ".....	0.75
Bushel Black Oats.	
Robert Patterson, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.00
Alexander J. McKay, Fox Brook, 2nd do.	0.75
Bushels Oats—other sorts.	
Alexander J. McKay, Fox Brook, 1st prize,	1.00
William McKenzie, Green Hill, 2nd ".....	0.75
BARLEY.	
Thomas A. McDonald, Durham, 1st prize,	1.00
Alexander J. McKay, Fox Brook, 2nd ".....	0.75
PEAS.	
Duncan McDonald, Middle River, 1st prize,	1.50
Alexander Cameron, Durham, 2nd ".....	1.00
BEANS.	
John T. Matheson, Roger Hill, 1st prize,	1.50
Thomas A. McDonald, Durham, 2nd ".....	1.00
TIMOTHY SEED.	
Thomas A. McDonald, Durham, 1st prize,	1.50
John T. Matheson, Roger Hill, 2nd ".....	1.00
BUCKWHEAT.	
John McLellan, Roger Hill, 1st prize.....	1.50
Duncan McKay, Scotsburn, 2nd ".....	0.50
Roots, Fruit and Vegetables.	
POTATOES.	
George W. Campbell, Pictou, 1st prize.....	0.75
John T. Matheson, Roger Hill, 2nd ".....	0.50
Potatoes—Early.	
John Falconer, Green Hill, 1st prize.....	0.75
George W. Campbell, Pictou, 2nd ".....	0.50