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Omnium rerum, ex quibus aliquid acquiritur, nihil est agriculturâ melius, nihil uberius, nihil homine libero dignius.—Cicero: de Officiis, lib. I, cap. 42.

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In next number of the *Journal of Agriculture* it is intended to publish a report upon the state of the field, orchard and garden crops of the several counties of the Province, indicating the extent of acreage as compared with former years, the present condition of the several crops, and their prospects as regards probable extent and quality of yield. We shall feel much obliged if correspondents who have favored us on former occasions, or others, will kindly furnish the information required. Communications should be sent to Prof. Lawson, Halifax, on or before 12th July.

COLONEL LAURIE writes from Oakfield under date June 24th, 1882, that he has now got in about sixteen acres of horse-tooth corn, and if it works and is kept clean as easily as all reports promise, it will be a most economical crop to raise. I hardly have a fair chance this season, it is so constantly wet that the weeds are mastering us everywhere, and some of my ground is very foul with couch, but I am following up the harrow whenever I get a chance, and the ground looks wonderfully clean.

We have received several applications for Prize Lists of District Exhibitions, and will mail them to all applicants as soon as Secretaries of Committees supply us with copies.

We have an Essay on the "Rise and Progress of Agriculture in Nova Scotia," bearing the motto "Sauerkraut," which was sent in competition for the prizes offered by Members of the Central Board of Agriculture of Nova Scotia, at the last Dominion Exhibition. It was not successful in obtaining a prize, and will be returned to the owner on his sending his address to Prof. Lawson, Secretary, Board of Agriculture, Halifax.

C. E. BROWN, Esq., Yarmouth, N. S., shipped on 14th June, to Portland, Me., the young Jersey Heifers "Rose of Draffan" and "Lilly of Draffan," for which Mr. C. B. Lakin, of Augusta, gave him in December \$125 each, when they were respectively eight months and two months old. For good registered female Jerseys there is demand in the United States at liberal prices.

A CORRESPONDENT at Yarmouth, N. S., writes:—"We are having at last fine weather, yesterday was the very first really comfortable day, crops all very late; for many years I have begun to cut my hay on the 20th June, but it will be at the earliest 1st July this year, and so far as it appears now, a very thin crop, and pastures are also thin and late. Vegetation winter killed from unusual cold, absence of rain, the soil dry and winds prevalent."

The Dominion Exhibition will be held this year at Kingston, Ont., in conjunction with the 37th Provincial Exhibition of Ontario.

TORONTO, May 29th, 1882.

DR. GEORGE LAWSON,
Sec'y Ag. Soc'y, Halifax, N. S.

DEAR SIR,—I have great pleasure in informing you that the Dominion Government have granted \$500 towards the transportation of animals and articles from your Province to the Grand Dominion and 37th Provincial Exhibition, to be held at the City of Kingston from the 18th to the 23rd of September next. Prize lists and posters will be sent you in due course. Hoping your Province will contribute largely.

I remain, yours truly,
HENRY WADE, Sec'y.

COLONEL LAURIE, ever vigilant in attending to the interests of our agriculturists, called our attention some time ago to the arrangements in Ontario for announcing Weather Probabilities, remarking at same time that it was just as important for our farmers in Nova Scotia to be warned of the coming weather as those of Ontario. We at once wrote to the head of the Meteorological Department, Charles Carpmal, F.R.S.Ca., who has replied as follows:—

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE,
Toronto, Ca., June 20, 1882.

G. LAWSON, Esq.,
Sec'y Board of Ag. of N. S.:

My Dear Sir,—We have for some years had arrangements for posting the weather probabilities at post offices and telegraph offices in Nova Scotia exactly similar to