

as to obtain a public exhibition of the capabilities of the machines. The riding is one of the best sections in the Province, and many of the farmers are desirous of securing machines of the best construction and adaptedness to their work; hence the Society has resolved to further the object by advertising a public trial. The trial will come off when the crops have arrived at the proper state of maturity, and in suitable fields within the riding, a committee having been appointed to make the necessary arrangements. The trial will be open to all machines manufactured in the province; they may be either single or combined. For particulars, a note addressed, post-paid, to the Secretary, E. A. McNaughton, Esq., Newcastle, will meet with prompt attention.

THE LEGISLATIVE GRANT TO AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

In reply to renewed inquiries on the subject of the public grant to Agricultural Societies for the current year, we beg to say that it has not been discontinued, though somewhat restricted in amount. We refer to our notice of the subject in the March number of the Journal, page 53. We beg to call particular attention also to the following circular from the Government department of Agriculture, by which it will be seen that it will be to the advantage of each County or Electoral Division Society to obtain as large an amount of subscription as possible before the 1st July :

BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS,
Toronto, March 28, 1859.

To the Treasurer
 County Agricultural Society,

As the Legislative Grant to Agricultural Societies in Upper and Lower Canada is smaller than usual this year, and will not amount to the full sum provided by 20th Victoria, caps. 32 and 49, it is hereby required that all Treasurers of County Agricultural Societies shall transmit their Returns, under Schedule B of said Acts, to the Boards of Agriculture for Upper and Lower Canada respectively, on or before the **FIRST DAY OF JULY NEXT**; in order that the Grant may be divided at a fixed rate, proportioned to the amount subscribed.

Societies omitting to send in their returns on or before that date, will be debarred from receiving any Grant for the year 1859.

By order,

WILLIAM HUTTON;
 Secretary.

THE TURNIP FLY.

Many devices have been recommended against the attacks of the turnip fly, but no absolute specific appears as yet to have been discovered. Mr. Poppy's scheme for escaping it consists in sowing alternate rows, or occasional patches of common turnips in the midst of the Swedes, in the belief, to which his experience had led him, that the fly would confine itself to the former. He has since found that mustard attracts the fly from both common and Swedish turnips.

Mr. Grey, of Dilston, has for some years past planted field potatoes in rows alternately with Swedish turnips, on land which had been worked, manured, and drilled up in the previous autumn, or very early in the spring, the potato seed being put in with the spade. This he did to preserve the potatoes from the prevalent disease; and the turnips were always the best in the field.