must pay an entrance fee of fifty cents at the time of making entries. The age of all live Stock, with breed and description as far as possible, must be given; and every article whatsoever must have name attached, with the number of Exhibitor.

All entries must be made in writing, and handed to the Managing Committee on or before Saturday preceding the day of Exhibition, and a number will be supplied to each Exhibitor.

Nothing will be received after 9 A. M. on the day of Exhibition, and no article on exhibition to be removed before 3 P. M.

Exhibitors will be expected to look after the proper arrangement of whatever they exhibit; care and safe keeping of Stock, &c., under the direction of the several Committees.

The award of Premiums will be announced at 2 P. M., and Premiums will be paid by Treasurer of said Societies after the day of Exhibition.

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A Special Committee will be appointed for articles not included in Premium Lists, and Premiums will be awarded according to amount of funds unappropriated.

## Reports on Crops.

FROM DR. C. C. HAMILTON, M. D., CORNWALLIS.

My Dear Sir,—In reply to your note of the 8th inst., requesting a "report on the present condition and prospect of the field crops," I beg to say that on the whole I never knew them present a better aspect at this season of the year. The Spring being dry was favourable for getting in the various crops, and with the exception of hay and late sown grain nothing has suffered for the want of more rain.

The grass on rich upland, good dyked marsh and intervales, was never much better, considering both quality and quantity. On poor and late uplands, and similar dyked marshes, the crop will be light, owing to the want of warmer weather earlier in the season; on the whole there will be a fair average yield.

The dyked marshes overflowed by the Saxby storm, (with the exception of the Wickwire and point dyked marshes which are good,) have not yet recovered from the injury done to them, by the salt water, and will not until taken up and thoroughly seeded again.

The breadth of potatoes planted is much in excess of last year, and it is the general opinion never looked more prosperous. Some few fields are now in bloom, and should the season continue favourable we may expect a much larger crop than for some years past.

The quantity of oats sown is also larger than usual, and the yere very forward for the season, some fields already showing the head. The yield must be greater than provious years.

A few patches of winter wheat and ryo are forward, and will no doubt yield well. There is but a small quantity of Summer wheat sown with us, and it is too soon to predict the result, as the weevil may affect it, which is not the case with the winter wheat.

Corn, owing to the cold dry Spring is not locking well, but the warm weather of the past week is changing its colour, and we may yet have a fair yield.

Haying is about coming, although the grass is "young," as the farmers express it.

It is difficult to say what the fruit crop will be, but judging from the orchards in my own vicinity, I should think it will be much below the usual average crop.

Taking the appearance of all the crops, I think the farmers are likely to have an abundant return for their labour.

Yours, &c.,

C. C. HAMILTON.

July 14th, 1873.

FROM COLIN CHISHOLM, ESQ., MARYDALE, ANTIGONISHE.

MARYDALE, ANTIGONISHE Co., July 12th, 1873.

Dear Sir,-In reply to yours of the 8th inst., asking for a report of the field crops. in this district. I beg to say, that although the hay crop had not a very early start, yet the plentiful supply of rain we have received this month, caused a rapid and abundant growth, and upon the whole there is every prospect of a fair crop. The spring having been a dry and favourable one, farmers were enabled to sow their wheat and oats early, all of which look very well, and should there be seasonable rains there will be an average crop, but it is impossible to say how far the former may be injured by the wevil. Barley looks very well, and will prove about an average crop. Potatoes have come up very well, and present a healthy appearance, and should the blight not appear early there will be a fair crop. Fruit will not be very plenty, although there were a few blossoms on the trees, as the greater part of the few put out have fallen. Owing to a dry and cold Spring the sowing and planting of root crops, suchas turnips, carrots, beets, cabbage, had been retarded, which leaves them in &c., a very backward condition; however the recent rains and pleasant growing weather we are now enjoying, have produced a favourable change in the appearance of the crops, and from all the information received from the adjacent sections of the county there appear to be indications of an abundant harvest.

> Yours, &c., Colin Chisholm.