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

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W. H. BLANCHARD, Esq., of Windsor, has furnished us with an interesting page in the agricultural history (the Province. He has raised the curtain and presented a tableau of the farming community in Truro and Onslow as they were more than fifty years ago. When we look upon the picture, and then look around us, we see that progress has been made, but it has not been in the cultivation of the soil. We shall not anticipate the reflections suggested by Mr. Blanchard's communication, as, from his concluding remark, we anticipate some further coservations from his pan. We know that our readers will be thankful for them.

We may take this opportunity to ohserve that the early history of the King's County Agricultural Society is of a highly interesting character, and that we hope ere long, through the kindness of some of its active members, to give our readers a glimpse of it.

Colonel Laurie is invited (by a letter of 8th April) to give the farmers of Lower Stewiacke an Agricultural Evening, as he did those of Shubenacadie a few weeks ago. We hope the Colonel's engagements and health will permit of his acceding to this request. We all know how ready he is at all times to exert himself for the promotion of the industrial welfare of the Province and the comfort and happiness of its people.

ISRAEL LONGWORTH, Esq., Truro, has sold the thorough-bred Jersey Bull Round Robin to the Malagash Agricultural Society.

WE learn by the newspapers that a scheme is projected in King's County of running a Dyke across from the Western part of Long Island to Long Spell Point, below Oak Point. Mr. John B. Graham, an engineer who was employed on the Cole Harbor Dyke, thinks the enterprise quite feasible. It is said that three English companies are ready to take hold of it, so soon as permission is granted by the Executive Council, The cost is estimated at \$700,000, and the Dyke will take about four years to build, as the whole distance across from point to point is three miles. About 80,000 acres of land will thus be reclaimed. It is reported that the people of the district generally are in favor of the undertaking. Wolfville and Canning will necessarily cease to be ports of entry tor vessels.

CUCUMBER.—There is on exhibition at Mr. J. L. Hemmeon's Drug Store, a large White Spine Cucumber, taken from the garden of Mr. John H. Dunlap, last September and kept on a shelf in his kitchen ali winter; it is as smooth, firm and as good color as when taken from the vine. The oldest and best judges in such matters are estonished at its presentation.—Liverpool Advance.

We hear that Mr. Bowser's Short Horn Stock are doing well,—"Skiddaw," the bull raised by the late Mr. Moore under the shadow of the mountain of that name, as well as the cows and young stock, have improved finely since the Kentville Exhibition.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Mrs. Sarah Snowball, widow of the late Rev. J. Snowball, died on Thursday last, at the residence of Lucius Dickson. Esq., Truro, at the age of 75. A few months ago Mrs. S. was injured by a fall occasioned by an attack from a cow, and it was hoped she had about recovered, but it is now considered that her death was a result of the injuries then received.

The columns of our newspapers will continue their usual quota of such paragraphs until Town Councils make regulations to prevent dangerous cattle careering without restraint on the public thoroughfares, and our Legislators pass an Act to prevent Bulls and entire Horses running loose.

It is suggested that entire Horses and Rams should be included in the Bill to prevent Bulls and other dangerous animals running loose. We hope the Legislature will be prepared to pass this Bill next Session. We read in the papers that "In New Glasgow on Wednesday afternoon a little boy was butted by a run, and his forehead and cheek laid bare to the boue. The little fellow was knocked senseless and remained so for some time."

THE Ayrshire Bull purchased by the Liverpool Agricultural Society, from Mr. Burrell, of Yarmouth, arrived safely by S. S. Edgar Stuart on Sunday morning last. He is two years of the making of a splendid animal. Mr. Whitfield Freeman, of Milton, takes charge of him.—Liverpool Advance.