

By cash due by William Hagerty.....	0.62
" " Alexander Moore	80.00
" " received for service of bull.....	2.00

	\$254.97
Balance in favour of Society.....	\$55.92

General remarks on the Crops in the township of North Sydney for 1866.

Wheat.—Very sparingly sown, most of our farmers giving up its cultivation from past failures. yet it succeeded well in most localities where it was raised in 1866.

Oats.—A fair crop, but rather light in the straw.

Barley.—A fair crop, but not raised to any extent.

Buckwheat.—A fine crop, and more attention paid to its cultivation within the last few years than formerly.

Potatoes.—Generally an excellent crop and of the finest quality, especially the black sort, all other kinds having suffered from the rot.

Turnips.—A good crop, but not raised to any extent but by few farmers.

Cabbages.—A good crop, and far more extensively raised for the last few years than formerly.

Hay.—A fair crop, rather above an ordinary average, but sustained some damage by wet weather.

STEWIACKE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Upper Steviacke, Jan. 25, 1867.

SIR,—I have to report for the information of the Board of Agriculture that the annual meeting of our society was held in the Town House, on the first Tuesday of December, when the following officers were appointed for the ensuing year:—*Pres.*, Hugh Dunlap, Esq.; *Vice-Pres.*, William Bently; *Sec'y*, James S. Tupper; *Treas.*, David McG. Johnson; *Directors*, Eddy Tupper, Saml. Johnson, Robt. Gammel, Matthew D. Newcomb, Chas. Creelman.

The following are the receipts and disbursements for the present year:—

RECEIPTS.	
Balance on hand from last year.....	\$199.42
Members' fees.....	40.00
Provincial Grant.....	53.00
One Bull sold.....	23.00
	\$216.42
EXPENSES.	
Interest on money borrowed.....	\$1.30
Wintering two bulls.....	44.00
One bushel of Flax Seed.....	6.25
Thirteen copies of <i>Jour. of Agriculture</i>	6.50
Two Cotswold Rams.....	\$1.00
Expenses in purchasing do.....	8.37
Two Boar rigs.....	22.00
Keeping Bulls in summer.....	9.45
Other expenses.....	5.33
	\$84.40
Balance in hand.....	32.00

Concerning the crops in this locality, I may state that the hay was above an average one, but, owing to the wet weather, large quantities of our hay were very much injured. There was a large

quantity not mowed at all—supposed to be about 800 tons—the most of it being wild hay on the low meadows; but, on the whole, there has been as much secured as last year.

Oats are an average crop; barley and buckwheat have yielded very well; wheat very little sown, and very poor in quality; potatoes generally light; turnips, carrots, and other roots, are below an average crop.

The yearling Ram that we purchased at the government sale is a fine animal, and we expect a change for the better in this branch of industry.

JAMES S. TUPPER, *Sec'y*.

OFFICERS OF W. CORNWALLIS AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

DEAR SIR,—In sending in our annual report, I omitted to give the names of the officers of our society for the present year, which are as follows:

President, Geo. W. Kinsman; *Vice P.*, Andrew Chipman; *Sec'y*, Elias Calkins; *Treas.*, Wellington Clark; *Directors*, Jno. Hall, Chas. Parker, Jas. E. Hsley, Saml. White, Joseph Kinsman.

This Society has now fifty-four members, and an increase is expected. After settling the business of the society, according to the report already sent in, and making provision for keeping their stock for the winter, the meeting adjourned until the second Tuesday in March.

ELIAS CALKIN, *Sec'y*.

MAXWELTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Maxwellton Agricultural Society met in accordance with the Act, on the first Tuesday of December, 1866, when the following report was read and adopted:—

The office-bearers and directors of the Maxwellton Agricultural Society, in bringing the business of the society to a close for the present year, beg leave to report as follows, viz:—That in May last it was agreed that another bull was required by the members of the society, and hearing that a superior bull was for sale at Cape George, James Patton was appointed to proceed thither, and purchase said bull, provided he was satisfied that he would be a suitable animal for the society,—which he did, and purchased said bull at a cost of \$18. The society being desirous of improving their stock of pigs, we directed the Secretary to correspond with parties in P. E. Island, in order to procure two superior boars; but he received no answer, consequently none were procured.

The Secretary informed us that he had received 15 bushels of the Gooderich potatoes, sent to him by the member of the Central Board in Pictou, which were

divided among five members of the society, in quantities of three bushels each, to be planted by them, and a report given in of the results at the close of the season—which was done, and they report as follows: that each 3 bushels produced on an average 45 bushels, and very few affected with rot, being more productive and less affected by rot than other varieties planted in the same fields at the same time, and under the same circumstances.

It was also agreed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, two of the most inferior rams brought from P. E. Island last fall; as but few attended the sale, they realized only \$3.70. It was agreed to expend the sum of \$60 in purchasing one or more of the rams imported by Professor Lawson from Canada, and Jas. W. Patton was appointed to attend the sale of stock at Richmond on Nov. 2; which he did, and purchased one ram at a cost of \$45, the funds at our disposal not permitting him to purchase another.

In accordance with arrangements made with John McDonald in the spring of 1864, that by his keeping the bull purchased that spring, one winter, and keeping and attending him two summers for the members of the society, the bull should become his property at the expiration of that time, the bull was accordingly delivered to him and became his property. The bull purchased by the society at Cape George last spring, was also sold for the sum of \$20.

The society now own the following stock: 11 rams, purchased in P. E. Island October, 1865, some of them very superior; one Leicester Canadian ram, purchased in Pictou last fall, costing \$22; and one Cotswold Canadian ram, purchased at Richmond for \$45.

The society having disposed of both their bulls, and as it is expected there will be a large increase in the number of members for the ensuing year, they contemplate purchasing two bulls next spring for the use of members.

The following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year, viz:—*President*, John Thompson; *Vice P.*, John Copeland; *Sec'y*, Jas. W. Patton; *Treasurer*, David Patterson, Esq.; *Directors*, James Patton, John McDonald, Don. McKenzie, John Fraser, Geo. McDonald.

The following accounts were presented to the society, examined by a committee, and reported correct:—

EXPENDITURE.	
To amount paid for bull at Cape George, \$18.00	
" Expense in purchasing do.....	2.53
" keeping and attendance during summer 12.00	
" Cotswold ram, \$45; expenses in purchasing, \$12.75.....	57.75
" Wintering Canadian ram.....	1.50
" Keeping do. for the season.....	2.50
" House rent, \$1; Jas. McKay, \$1, doing business for society.....	2.00
" Agricultural Journals.....	5.00
" Contingent expenses.....	2.00
Amount expended.....	\$103.28