

At a late meeting of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, the exhibition of agricultural machinery exceeded that of any former meeting.

The steam plough worked well; one and three eighths of an acre was ploughed in five minutes less than two hours—that is, at the rate of nearly seven acres per day; the cost was six shillings per acre, while the cost of ploughing by horses is eighteen shillings an acre. One of the threshing machines threshed in half an hour, eleven hundred weight, three quarters and fourteen pounds of grain.

A Joint Stock company has been formed in Paris, France, with a capital of £250,000 for agricultural operations on a large scale.

A new kind of gunpowder has been made in England which produces very little smoke, and that of a less injurious kind.

The University of New Brunswick is now in full organization under its new character.

After all the noise made by aspirants to Legislative honors, and who only meant to make a noise; this Institution still stands where it did; the same Professors are in it—the same extensive library, and philosophical apparatus are there; and it still receives the same ample pecuniary endowments.

“Destroy it,” said one; “re-model it,” said another;—It has been re-modeled; but how? A president, Dr. Hea, has been appointed, who, contrary to the usages of other similar institutions, is not to occupy a *Chair*. Why pay Dr. Hea a large salary to attend to mere matters of routine, we cannot divine; is he not competent to act the part of a professor, or is he

going to become a student under the present professor in order to become qualified for a professorship. A senate has also been appointed, composed of laymen. It is well known that clergymen are the most competent to discharge the duties of such an institution; therefore, one half of the senate, at least, should be composed of clergymen.

It is the opinion of many, that this institution should be given to the Episcopalians; and let all other denominations have their denominational institutions of Education, equally endowed by the Province. We did hope that King's College, once remodelled, would stand forth as a Provincial University, satisfactory to all; and upon a basis that would discard from the public mind, all ideas of endowing more sectarian institutions; but from the complexion of the materials composing the officials of this institution, we do not expect public satisfaction.

The Natural History of the Lower Provinces.

Has the New Brunswick Government received a copy of the following Circular, if so, will it be allowed to come to light?

We copy the following from the Colonial Presbyterian who says:—

It would seem that circulars were issued by the Colonial Secretary, so long ago as the month of June last, to the Governors of the British North American Provinces, containing important queries on this subject. We never heard a syllable about the matter, until we met with a copy of the Circular in the Halifax Morning Journal, of the 24th inst. It is as follows:—