

From here, I go to Killarney via Glengairiff and Bantry, thence to Dublin, With kind regards, &c.
T. H. RAND.

SYDNEY, C. B., July 21st, 1870.

In reply to your letter dated 5th inst., I have much pleasure in stating that the crops in the County of Cape Breton look remarkably well at present.

In the early part of summer the drought was very great, and it was feared by many that there would be a ruinous failure in the potato crop, and even greater in that of hay. Copious rains falling in heavy showers, at intervals of a few days, for the last month, have cheered the hearts of our farmers, and given a great start to all description of crops; and if we be favoured for the next month as we have been in the last, a full average crop may be confidently expected.

I have travelled much in Cape Breton during the past six weeks, and my own personal observations, as well as the information received from others, enable me to anticipate a bountiful harvest.

JOHN FERGUSSON.

THE YARMOUTH EXHIBITION.

YARMOUTH, 13th August, 1870.

Sale of Stock concluded this afternoon, the prices realized were much less than the Stock should have brought, the conditions of the sale prohibiting open competition, and the obligation to keep all, old and young, for two years, militating against high prices.

With judicious management, the County should be well stocked with pure bred Chester White Pigs, from this importation, and with the record of cost of importing from Pennsylvania, those desirous of procuring this breed may judge of the preference to be given to those bred in the Province.

We have made all necessary preliminary arrangements for our Exhibition in October. Premium lists will be mailed to any address, on application either to Charles E. Brown, Secretary, or to Benj. Killam, Jr., Chairman Managing Committee. We shall hope to have entries from the Shore Counties at all events, the steamer *M. A. Starr* affording weekly means of transit, and some contributions of articles of small bulk, such as fruit, butter, cheese, &c., from Annapolis, Hants and Kings, while if stock could be got here from the Eastern Counties, and sold after the Exhibition, the prices it would bring would amply repay all expenses. The rates published in the May Journal, obtained for stock in Antigonish in 1869, do not average one-half the prices obtained here for cattle, indeed, whatever could be sent here for Exhibition, with the intention to sell afterwards, either at auction or at private sale, would

probably sell better than in any market in the Province.

The weather continues very favorable for the growing crops; hay mostly secured in better condition than for many years; potatoes a large crop, of good quality, and matured before the blight affected them; grain, corn, beans, squash, &c, growing finely under the unusual heat. There is so little fruit grown in the County that one seldom hears any remarks upon it. I have a few apples of "Grimes' Golden Pippin," or a graft of 1867, which I am watching with much interest, hoping the variety will succeed here.

CHARLES E. BROWN,
Sec. Yar. Co. Ag. Society.

COLCHESTER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.

OPEN TO THE WHOLE PROVINCE.

Wednesday, 29th September, 1870.

PREMIUM LIST.

	1st	2nd
Best stallion of any age or breed	\$4 00	\$3 00
" Brood mare and colt	4 00	3 00
" Pair of draft horses	5 00	3 00
" Single draft	3 00	2 00
" Carriage horse	3 00	2 00
" Saddle horse	3 00	2 00
" Colt, 3 years old	3 00	2 00
" Colt, 2 years old	3 00	2 00
" Colt, 1 year old	3 00	2 00
" Sucking colt	2 00	1 00

THOROUGH-BRED CATTLE.

Best Durham bull, 2 years old and upwards	\$3 00	
" under 2 years	2 00	
" Ayrshire bull, 2 years old and upwards	3 00	
" under 2 years	2 00	
" Alderney bull, 2 years old and over	3 00	
" under 2 years	2 00	

GRADE CATTLE.

	1st	2nd
Best Durham cow	\$3 00	\$2 00
" Ayrshire cow	3 00	2 00
" Alderney cow	3 00	2 00

GRADE CATTLE.

	1st	2nd
Best bull, 3 years old and over	\$3 00	\$2 00
" Bull, 2 years old and over	3 00	2 00
" Bull, 1 year old and over	3 00	2 00
" Bull calf	2 00	1 00
" Milch cow	4 00	3 00
" do 3rd best	2 00	
" Heifer, 2 years old	3 00	2 00
" Heifer, 1 year old	3 00	2 00
" Heifer calf	2 00	1 00
" Fat cow	3 00	2 00
" Pair fat oxen	5 00	3 00
" Pair working oxen	4 00	3 00
" Pair 3 year old steers	3 00	2 00
" Pair 2 year old steers	3 00	2 00
" Pair 1 year old steers	3 00	1 00
" Pair steer calves	2 00	2 00

SHEEP.

	1st	2nd
Best ram, any age or breed	\$2 00	\$1 00
" Pen of 4 ewes	2 00	1 00
" Pen of 4 ewe lambs	2 00	1 00
" Ram lamb	2 00	1 00

SWINE.

Pure Bred Chester White.

	1st	2nd
Best boar of any age	\$2 00	\$1 00
" Spring pig	2 00	1 00
" Sow of any age	2 00	1 00
" Litter of sucking pigs	2 00	1 00
" Boar of any other breed	2 00	1 00
" Sow of any other breed	2 00	1 00
" Spring pig of any other breed	2 00	1 00
" Fat hog of any other breed	2 00	1 00
" Litter of sucking pigs, any other breed	2 00	1 00

GRAINS AND SEEDS.

	1st	2nd
Best bushel wheat	\$1 50	\$1 00
" Bushel barley	1 50	1 00
" Bushel rye	1 50	1 00
" Bushel oats	1 50	1 00
" Bushel peas	1 50	1 00
" Half bushel beans	1 50	1 00
" Dozen ears corn	1 00	0 50
" Bushel timothy seed	1 50	1 00
" Bushel red clover seed	1 50	1 00
" 5 lbs. turnip seed	1 00	0 50
" 5 lbs. mangold wurtzel seed	1 00	0 50
" 5 lbs. beet seed	1 00	0 50
" Peck of Flax	1 00	0 50
" Peck of Hemp	1 00	0 50

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES.

	1st	2nd
Best bushel early rose potatoes	\$1 00	\$0 50
" Bushel table potatoes	1 00	0 50
" Bushel potatoes for stock	1 00	0 50
" Collection potatoes, 1 doz each kind	1 00	0 50
" Bushel carrots	1 00	0 50
" Bushel turnips	1 00	0 50
" Bushel mangold wurtzel	1 00	0 50
" Bushel beets	1 00	0 50
" Bushel parsnips	1 00	0 50
" Half bushel onions	1 00	0 50
" 6 heads cabbage	0 50	0 25
" 6 heads cauliflower	0 50	0 25
" 2 squashes	0 50	0 25
" 2 pumpkins	0 50	0 25
" 6 heads celery	0 50	0 25
" Bouquet flowers	1 00	0 50
" Collection roots, exclusive of potatoes, 6 each variety	1 00	0 75

FRUIT, ETC.

	1st	2nd
Best collection apples, 12 each kind	\$2 00	\$1 50
3rd best collection, do	1 00	
Best dozen apples any variety	1 00	0 50
" Dozen pe. rs.	1 00	0 50
" Half peck plums	1 00	0 50
" Crock or tub butter, not less than 20 lbs.	2 00	1 00
" 5 lbs. butter in rolls or print	1 00	0 50
" Cheese, not less than 15 lbs	1 00	0 50
" Half barrel salmon	3 00	2 00
" Half barrel shad	2 00	1 00

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.

	1st	2nd
Best 10 yards all wool full and dress'd cloth, hand loom	\$2 00	\$1 00
" 10 yards all wool (sheep's) grey twilled homespun	2 00	1 00
" 10 yards cotton and wool twilled grey homespun	2 00	1 00
" 10 yards all wool, women's wear, hand loom, any color	2 00	1 00
" 10 yards all wool flannel, plain	2 00	2 00
" 10 yards all wool flannel twilled	2 00	1 00
" 10 yds cotton & wool flannel, plain	1 50	1 00
" 10 yds cotton & wool flannel, twill'd	1 50	1 00
" 6 pairs men's socks	1 00	0 50
" 6 pairs women's hose	1 00	0 50
" 6 pairs men's mits	1 00	0 50
" 2 lbs knitting yarn	1 00	0 50
" 2 lbs 3 or 4 ply yarn	1 00	0 50
" Shawl	2 00	1 00
" Men's plaid	2 00	1 00
" 10 yards flax sheeting	2 00	1 00
" 10 yards flax towelling	2 00	1 00
" Sample flax thread	1 00	0 50
" Sample dressed flax	1 00	0 50
" Sample dressed hemp	1 00	0 50
" Variety of straw goods	2 00	1 00
" Straw bonnet or hat (ladies)	1 00	0 50
" Straw hat (man's or boy's)	1 00	0 50
" 16 yards all wool carpeting	4 00	2 00
" 16 yards rag carpeting	3 00	2 00
" Woollen yarn hearthrug	1 00	0 50
" Rag mat	1 00	0 50

FARMING IMPLEMENTS, ETC.

	1st	2nd
Best plough	\$2 00	
" Harrow	2 00	
" Cultivator	2 00	
" Roller	2 00	
" Ox yoke	1 00	
" 3 dyke spades	2 00	
" Set tools for tile draining	2 00	
" 3 potato forks	2 00	
" Hand churn	1 00	
" Sofa	3 00	
" Lounge or couch	2 00	