

In *District No. 6*, the Boulardarie and North Sydney Societies name *North Sydney*; the Middle River and St. Ann's Societies, *Battleck*; and the Sydney and Sydney Forks Societies name *Sydney*.

The Secretary also submitted offers from Committees, and other correspondence, from the several statutory districts of the Province, in reference to District Exhibitions for 1884. The several applications and relative documents were carefully considered, but final decisions were deferred until the Board should have an opportunity of hearing parties interested in the several districts, and also of conferring with the Agricultural Committee of the House of Assembly.

District No. 1. Including Counties of Halifax and Lunenburg.

HALIFAX, March 11, 1884.

Sir,—On behalf of the Dartmouth Agricultural Society and a Committee proposed to be appointed from the Societies and others within the District, for the purpose of carrying out the Exhibition, I hereby offer to undertake the District Exhibition for Halifax and Lunenburg Counties for 1884. The Prize List, which will be submitted to your Board as early as possible, will not be less than Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200.) Trusting that this application will receive from your Board favorable consideration,

I have the honor to be, &c.,

GEO. J. TROOP,
President Agricultural Society,
Dartmouth.

The Prize List offered was, by a subsequent communication, raised to \$2000.

District No. 2. Counties of King's, Annapolis and Queens.

No definite offers have been received from this District; but the North Queen's Society passed a resolution requesting the Central Board to give Queen's County her proportion of Government Grant for Exhibition as in 1882, as Queen's could not participate in an Exhibition held in Annapolis or King's.

District No. 3. Counties of Digby, Shelburne and Yarmouth.

YARMOUTH, Feb. 8, 1884.

Dear Sir,—At the Annual Meeting of the Yarmouth County Agricultural Society, it was resolved that the Secretary correspond with the officers of Societies in Digby and Shelburne Counties, asking them if either of the Societies in Digby or Shelburne Counties propose to apply to the Central Board of Agriculture for liberty to hold the District Exhibition for District No. 3, year 1884, and also to inform them that, if they do not wish to hold such Exhibition,

then the Yarmouth County Agricultural Society will apply to the Board for liberty to hold said Exhibition.

I am in receipt of letters from the Secretary of Digby Central Agricultural Society and the Secretary of Shelburne Agricultural Society, who say that they do not propose to attempt to hold said Exhibition, and passed a vote that the District Exhibition be held in Yarmouth.

The Central Board are hereby informed that the Yarmouth County Agricultural Society will undertake to hold the District Exhibition for District No. 3 at Yarmouth during the month of October, A. D. 1884.

I am, &c.,
THOMAS B. CROSBY,
Secty. Y. C. A. S.

District No. 4. Counties of Hants, Colchester and Cumberland.

No definite offers from this District.

District No. 5. Counties of Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough.

PICTOU, Feb. 28, 1884.

The undersigned in behalf of the Pictou Agricultural Society beg leave to make application for the holding of the District Exhibition for this District, during the coming Autumn, at Pictou.

We will offer a Prize List of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000) and other inducements, particulars of which are fully set forth in the annexed Circular, and trust that your Council will recognize the many and superior advantages of Pictou over other centres in Eastern Nova Scotia, and grant us the privilege asked for.

We are, &c.,
DAN. SUTHERLAND, Treas.
DAVID LOGAN, Secretary.

The above offer was accompanied by the following Report of Committee:

PICTOU, Jan. 24, 1884.

To the Officers and Members of the Agricultural Society:

GENTLEMEN,—At the last meeting of the Pictou Agricultural Society, it was resolved to endeavour to have the District Exhibition for this year held in the Town of Pictou; and a Committee, composed of members and citizens, was appointed to consider what inducements could be offered. Our Society have at their disposal five acres of suitable ground, and the largest and most commodious building in the District. The building is 160 feet long by 80 feet wide, and is in every respect well adapted for the purpose. In addition, it will be brilliantly lighted at night. The Society will have at its disposal a large lighter capable of carrying two hundred tons' weight on deck, for the purpose of conveying, free of charge, animals and heavy freight to and from Pictou Landing. The lighter will be provided with railings and proper gangways, so that a span of

horses can be driven aboard with as much ease and safety as they would cross an ordinary bridge. A Committee will be in charge of this lighter, and will overlook the safe conveyance of said exhibits. We expect to be able to offer a Prize List of at least \$2,000. We can guarantee a good exhibit of stock, farm produce, and implements; also a large exhibit in the Industrial Department.

Pictou is better provided with hotels and boarding-houses than any other town in the District; and, should it become necessary, arrangements will be made for accommodation of visitors in private houses. Special train arrangements will be made. The Silver Cornet Band of the P. B. G. A. will play during the evenings. Other attractions will be offered, such as: steamboat excursions on the harbor, torchlight processions, grand display of fireworks, boat racing, horse racing in the Driving Park, etc., etc. In short, no effort will be spared by the Society and citizens to make the exhibition a success, and to provide for the comfort and enjoyment of visitors.

We therefore respectfully ask your co-operation, by voting in favor of holding the Exhibition in Pictou.

We remain, &c.,
DAVID MATHESON, President.
DAVID LOGAN, Secretary.

ANTIGONISH, Feb. 27, 1884.

Dear Sir,—Herewith please find a memorial drawn up at a meeting of delegates from Agricultural Societies, held yesterday *in re* Exhibition of 1884. Please submit it for the kind consideration of the members of the Central Board at the March meeting.

With many kind regards,

I remain, &c.,

A. G. MACDONALD.

Memorial of the Agricultural Societies of the County of Antigonish to the Central Board of Agriculture, Halifax.

At a meeting of delegates from the Agricultural Societies of the County of Antigonish, viz: Antigonish, North Grant, St. Andrew's and Bayfield Societies, held in the Court House, Antigonish, the 26th inst. Allan McDonnell and A. G. Macdonald having been appointed Chairman and Secretary, respectively, at the meeting, the following resolutions were unanimously carried:—

Whereas, the Town of Antigonish is the most suitable locality for holding the Exhibition of Agricultural District No. 5 for 1884, on account of its central and accessible position in the District; and

Whereas, the said Town of Antigonish already possesses all the facilities necessary for successfully holding such Exhibition; and

Whereas, the Societies of Guysboro' and Argyle in the County of Guysboro'