

he certainly considered at the time, was spending a dollar upon humbug. This was an instrument for milking cows, and he had to say now that he had given it a trial, that it was no humbug, and he had taken this opportunity of bringing it before their notice. For seven years past he had been in the habit of attending the New York State Agricultural Fair. He had had the honor of being invited there from year to year, and he would say that if they would only go there with candid feelings and with a desire to improve, they would see something that would astonish them, that would bring them up, as farmers, considerably in the scale of human nature. (Great applause.) They would see farmers where they ought to be, the leading principal men in the country. There was no class of society equal to the farmer, all depended upon the farmers for their support—they had not taken that position which they ought to have done, and which they deserve; but he trusted the natural results of such meetings would make them feel their own importance, as they do on the other side. There he had uniformly met with a great degree of kindness. He could assure their friends from the other side, that there existed the kindest feelings here towards their neighbours, who go hand and heart with them in the way of improvement; and he would say if they would continue to send their notions, they would send them their dollars in return, and besides they would give them the warm hand of friendship,—happy to meet as good friends for the interchange of good feelings and with the desire to do each other all the good they could—of course every one minding what was for his own interest. One of their friends from the other side said, the other night—"We make our discoveries, and come over and show them, and then your people pick them up and our patents go for nothing." The reply he received was—"Pass the Reciprocity Bill and all will be right." (Applause.) Some allusion had been made in reference to the absence of the Governor General. While he regretted his absence he was certain that he was labouring hard for the interests of Canada.—How would take this opportunity of thanking his friends for all the kindness and hospitality he has met in attending State fairs, and would beg leave to propose—"Prosperity to the New York State Society, and all its members." (Cheers.)

Col. BRUCE announced that a telegraphic despatch had been received from the Governor General, stating that Sir H. Bulwer being in New York in connection with the affairs of Great Britain, requested him to remain to consult with him officially.

L. F. ALLEN, Esq., of Buffalo, replied to the toast, and after thanking the meeting for the very cordial manner in which the toast had been received, said it was a matter of great satisfaction to them to know that there existed so much sympathy for them on this side the water, they looked to Canadians as to friends and brothers in this great cause; it was a cause for the promotion of the common good, for his benefit here, and certainly not against his interests hereafter. They were most happy to reciprocate in all the kind feelings which had been of late exhibited. And while a delegation had been sent to the Canadian Society, a delegation had been sent to the State Society in return. They had not always given the greatest satisfaction on these occasions, because everybody came to see the State Fairs and there was no room for all. They had, however, received the greatest pleasure in an interchange of these hospitalities, and to those who have attended the Canadian exhibitions they had afforded the greatest amount of pleasure, and many of the articles ranked even beyond their own. They had in-

troduced some of their notions in Canada, but there were other notions they did not always exhibit and they had got a notion that the Canadians were wonderfully clever fellows. With regard to Cattle Shows, they considered them as one of the greatest improvements of the day; and in relation to their importance he would say of the people who first got up cattle shows as Sancho Panzo said of the man who invented sleep—God bless him. It had been stated that Scotland was the mother of all the Agricultural Associations. He blessed her with all his heart. Her name awakes associations that are precious, for there was no country on the earth with greater philosophers, greater statesmen, greater divines, or with greater poets, than Scotland. From Scotland had come into his country some of the greatest men in that grand rebellion which separated her from her mother country. In that great engagement they stirred up the feelings of the people with all the eloquence of a Knox. Scotland may glory in her divines, from Knox down to the soul-subliming eloquence of a Chalmers. (Great applause.) Among the glorious sons of that country, he would name but one, who shone as a great star in his own times, and whose descendants have been placed in high positions, and have served their country down even to the present day. He need but name the "Bruce of Bannockburn." (Great cheering.) The Americans acknowledged no other law than British law, and they took as much pride in England, in its triumphs, in its glories, in its interests, as the British themselves. They were kith and kin, and no mistake about it. They had taken the example from Britain in building up Agricultural associations, so that they had not only State associations, but they had branches in almost every county. These societies report regularly to the Parent society. Some of these reports had been distributed in Canada, and they trusted soon to have in return a copy of the Canadian report. These county Societies are the very soul of the Provincial Societies, and in the hope that they would all go on and prosper, he would give the "District Agricultural Societies of Canada."

Mr. ANGUS CAMERON made a brief reply, and referred to the mission on which he was sent to collect money in aid of the Society, and testified to the unlimited confidence all the people had in the Parent Society.

The chairman then gave the "President of the United States."

This toast was received with great enthusiasm, and was appropriately responded to by Mr. Allen.

Mr. STREET had great pleasure in rising to propose a toast one which he was sure would be well received by all present, and ought to be well received by every one, because it was no less a one than "the Judges of the day." They were the most important persons who attend these Societies and they require to be men of ability, men free from prejudice. They had succeeded in bringing together a class of men at this time fully capable of judging upon all the articles here exhibited. They had collected them from the Lower Provinces, from the United States, and from all sections of the country, and he believed they were fully competent to fulfill the high duty assigned to them. Their best thanks were due to these gentlemen, and he had the greatest pleasure in proposing the health of the Judges of the day—with all the honors.

Mr. PENNER replied briefly. They felt the responsibility which rested upon them, and they duly appreciated the high sense of honor conferred upon them by such an appointment. There was no man should