

these Factories in Annapolis County, where they are found so profitable that the number is increasing rapidly, should incite our Farmers not to allow another season to pass without establishing one or more Cheese Factories; the relief to their wives and daughters, with certain profit to the dairy, will be immense, and will give them leisure to show their gratitude by redeeming in 1873 the small display of this year in woman's handiwork.

By 12 o'clock, the books were all returned, prize cards affixed, and bulletin boards posted, so that the Secretary, for the first time on Exhibition Day, felt justified in absenting himself for an hour, in company with one of the hard-working Managers, to test the capabilities of the "United States Hotel" larder to appease a well-earned appetite. Everything about the Hotel was in perfect order; the bell rang to a minute of the regular hour, and even a delicate appetite might have been tempted at sight of the well-conducted table and its burden. The only objection I could make to my dinner was that the ale was considerably better than my own. This may be as irrelevant to an Exhibition Report as a "Horse Trot" is to promote the aims and objects of an Agricultural Society; but on my last term, I think it no harm to indicate to my successor the path to take, since none of the friends of the Secretary of an Agricultural Society think it worth while to feed him; moreover, I don't believe in "dead heads" anywhere above ground. "Pay as you go," should be the Farmer's motto. An eminent American politician once declared in Congress that this motto was the true Philosopher's Stone that would turn everything into gold; but he also affirmed on another occasion, with equal earnestness, that "he would go a mile out of his way any day to kick a sheep."

The Reports of the respective Committees will express their judgment of their several Classes. The Society has on its roll of membership, embracing every part of the County, 153 against 150 in 1871; 94 Exhibitors against 83; and 549 entries against 523. In a few Classes, a great gain was apparent, as in vegetables, 163 entries against 115. Admission fees to the Court House amounted to \$73.18 against \$95.13 in 1871. Outside the Court House, there appeared to be a much larger attendance than before; there were more visitors from adjoining Counties and from abroad. Since the close of the Exhibition, a far greater interest has been manifested, and a determination expressed to make the next Exhibition a marked advance upon any that has preceded it.

With this Report, and with the winding up of the business of the year, the Secretary will close his labors in behalf of

the Yarmouth County Agricultural Society, with the positive determination to hold no office for the future. If his gratuitous services and subscriptions for five years entitle him to an Honorary Life Membership, so much distinction will be accepted with pleasure.

PREMIUMS AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:

Class 1—HORSES.

18 Premiums—21 Entries.

Committee—J. Lyons Hatfield, Chairman, Oscar Davison, H. A. Parr.

Best Stallion, 4 years old and upwards, "Black Hawk," H. B. Porter,	\$4 00
2nd do., "Bellfounder Morgan," J. D. Archibald,	2 50
Best Mare, 4 years old and upwards, Abram M. Hatfield,	4 00
2nd do., Stephen Marshall,	2 50
Best Gelding, 4 years old and upwards, George H. Lovitt,	4 00
Best pair Matched Horses—No entries,	
Best Draught Horse, N. W. Blethen,	4 00
Best Colt, 3 years old and over, Oliver H. Ellis,	3 00
2nd do., Stephen Churchill,	2 00
Best Colt, 2 years old and over, Stephen Churchill,	3 00
2nd do., Wm. H. Pitman,	2 00
Best Colt, 1 year old and over—None worthy of a prize.	
Best Sucking Colt—No entries.	

REPORT.

"Number of Horses on the ground was 21. The Stallions are fair; we would recommend more competition as the County can produce a much better variety. Only two Geldings on the ground, and only one worthy of a prize. Matched Horses none; Draught Horses only one. Only two entries of 3 year old Colts, and only 5 of 2 year ones, and a very poor lot. Two entries of one year old Colts, none worthy of a prize. Sucking Colts none on the ground. The Horses are not groomed as well as they should be. There are two small Horses that should come under the head of Ponies, or light driving Horses, and would recommend a Premium for Ponies or Horses not weighing more than eight hundred, and all Horses should have their breed, age, weight and speed written plainly on their tickets. We would recommend the Society to purchase a full-blooded Mare and Stallion; if not both, a Mare sure."

For the Committee,

J. LYONS HATFIELD.

Class 2—MALE NEAT STOCK.

36 Premiums—53 Entries.

Committee—E. E. Archibald, Chairman, John M. LeCain, Angus Walker.

Best Bull, 3 years old and over, Imported Short Horn, G. S. Brown,	\$4 00
2nd do., Imported Ayrshire, Chas. E. Brown,	2 50
3rd do., G. S. Brown,	1 50
Best Bull, 2 years old and over, Imported Alderney, C. E. Brown,	2 50
2nd do., Half Devon, Stephen Churchill,	1 25
3rd do., Half Ayrshire, Jos. Purdy,	75

Best Bull, 1 year old and over, Imported Alderney, N. K. Clements,	2 50
2nd do., John Cann,	1 25
3rd do., Half Ayrshire, Steph. Churchill,	75
Best Bull Calf, Short Horn, H. Temple Brown,	1 25
2nd do., Half Short Horn, G. S. Brown,	75
3rd do., 7-8ths Alderney, E. E. Archibald,	50
Best yoke Working Oxen, 6 years old and over, Ansel Goudey,	4 00
2nd do., Henry Pitman,	2 50
3rd do., Jefferson Corning,	1 50
Best do., 5 years old and over, Frank Killam,	4 00
2nd do., Charles M. Rogers,	2 50
Best do., 4 years old and over George S. Brown,	4 00
2nd do., Eben Rose,	2 50
Best Fat Ox, 4 years old and over, Chris. Strickland,	4 00
Best yoke Steers, 3 years old and over, John Robinson,	2 50
2nd do., Geo. W. Churchill,	1 25
3rd do., Stephen Churchill,	75
Best yoke Steers, 2 years old and over, Zach. Goudey,	2 50
2nd do., H. B. Potter,	1 25
3rd do., Eben Rose,	75
Best yoke Steers, 1 year old and over, Chris. Strickland,	2 50
2nd do., Zach. Corning,	1 25
3rd do., Robert A. Sims,	75
Best Steer Calf, Stephen Churchill,	1 25
2nd do., Stephen Churchill,	75
3rd do., Chris. Strickland,	50

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"The Stock on Exhibition in our department, was superior to last year in every respect, particularly Bulls, the Short Horn Durham making the best show as regards breed."

For the Committee,

JOHN M. LECAIN.

Class 3—FEMALE NEAT STOCK.

27 Premiums—54 Entries.

Committee, John Cann, Chairman, Jefferson Corning, Wm. P. Churchill.

Best Fat Cow—No entries.	
Best Cow, 6 years old and over, Alderney, L. E. Baker,	\$4 00
2nd do. do., Chas. E. Brown,	2 50
3rd do., Alderney, Geo. Trask,	1 50
Best Cow, 5 years and over, Grade Durham, Geo. S. Brown,	4 00
2nd do. do., Jacob Silver,	2 50
Best Cow, 4 years and over, Grade Alderney, Wm. Burrill,	4 00
2nd do., Grade Durham, E. E. Archibald,	2 50
3rd do., Alderney, Wm. Corning,	1 50
Best Cow, 3 years old and over, Grade Alderney, G. Washington Sanders,	4 00
2nd do. do., Imported Short Horn, Henry Temple Brown,	2 50
3rd do. do., Alderney, Chas. W. Smith,	1 50
Best Heifer in Milk, 2 years and over, Alderney, Wm. D. Killam,	3 00
2nd do. do., Grade Alderney, Geo. Trask,	2 00
3rd do., Half Devon, Alvin Churchill,	1 00
Best Heifer Dry, 2 years old and over, 15-16 Alderney, Carlton Club,	2 50
2nd do., Grade Ayrshire, Henry Temple Brown,	1 25
3rd do., Half Devon, Alvin Churchill,	75
Best Heifer, 1 year old and over, Alderney, Benj. Murphy,	2 50
2nd do., Imported Alderney, N. K. Clements,	1 25
3rd do., Durham, R. Balfour Brown,	75
Best Heifer Calf, Ayrshire, William Robertson,	1 25
2nd do., Durham, Geo. S. Brown,	75
2nd do., Grade Durham, Henry Burrill,	50