

The following is a statement of the accounts of the society:—

In hand at annual meeting, Dec. 1865, amount of subscription	\$53.00
Dec. 13, 1865. By prov. allowance	106.00
Aug. 26, 1865. " amt. of subscription	40.00
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	\$199.00
Apr. 13, 1865. To expense in endeavoring to procure a bull, paid for one bull and two rams	\$5.55
Nov. 1, " " " " " " " "	10.00
Dec. 5, " " " " " " " "	10.00
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	\$111.55
Leaving a balance in treasurer's hands, Dec. 5, 1865, of	87.45

The society have resolved to expend the sum of \$100 in an exhibition next year.

Pres., Saml. Archibald; *Vice-Pres.*, Alex. Fisher; *Sec'y and Treas.*, John A. Kirk; *Directors*, Edward McKeen, William McKeen, Lewis McIntosh, Isaac Archibald and John D. McKenzie.

The bulls and rams are to be kept by the society for the use of members only.

S. ARCHIBALD,
President.
JOHN A. KIRK,
Secretary.

HALIFAX COUNTY.

WESTERN HALIFAX AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

Halifax, 5th Dec., 1865.

As required by law, the directors of the Western Halifax Agricultural Society present their first annual report to the members. The period of the Society's existence has as yet been too short to permit of the exhibition of much practical result. The Society was organized in March 1865, when the present office bearers were elected.

The number of the Society's members is 84. The amount of subscriptions received during the year, \$165; the expenditure \$149.25; balance in the treasurer's hands, \$21.75. The Society has not as yet received any share of the government grant, but will be entitled to draw its just proportion this season.

A Ploughing Match was held on the farm of Adam Reid, Esq., Bedford, on Monday, 30th October, 1865. This being the first match that had ever been held in the locality, the number of competitors was small; but much interest was evinced in the competition, and a large number of members and their friends from the city visited the field, and afterwards took part in the proceedings at the dinner in the evening, when the Hon. Chief Justice Young, the Society's president, presided. The following prize were awarded:—

OPEN PRIZES. SOCIETY'S PRIZES.

- 1 Nathan Ellis - - \$10
- 2 B. Fultz - - - - - 4
- 1 Daniel Sullivan \$10
- 2 C. Heffer - - - - - 6
- 3 James Hanson - 4

The Government having this season imported from England a number of very superior sheep of the improved Leicester Breed, the directors purchased what they believed to be the best ram of the lot, at a cost of £23 10s. The ram has for the ensuing winter been placed under the care of Charles Hamilton, Esq., Sackville, who has agreed to keep 25 good ewes for the season, and to deliver over to the society in August next all the ram lambs produced by his flock at the uniform rate of \$3 each; the ram likewise to be then

given back to the society in good condition. The directors hope by this arrangement to be able to supply all the members who are raisers of sheep with a good ram lamb at a reasonable rate.

Several other means of promoting agricultural improvement in the western district of Halifax county have been suggested by members, and will fall to be discussed at the present and future meetings.

The directors believe that interest has been awakened in regard to agricultural pursuits, and that the society is likely to exercise a very beneficial influence throughout the district over which its operations extend.

Subscriptions received \$165. Paid ploughing match prizes \$34. Price of Leicester Ram, \$94. Sundry payments for printing, advertising, &c., \$12.25. Balance in hand \$24.75.

The above report was approved of at the annual meeting of the members, and the directors were requested to take into consideration the propriety of holding an agricultural exhibition in the city of Halifax during the ensuing season.

DARFMOU TH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

December 5th, 1865.

At a meeting of the above society, held this evening at the residence of Mr. A. Khun, present M. Tobin, *President*, and twenty other members.

REPORT ON POTATOES RECEIVED FROM CENTRAL BOARD.

Mr. John C. Bisset planted nineteen early Goodrich seedling which yielded 220 sound and 25 rotten; after being twice frozen they were planted in dry ground.

No 241 turned out very poor in quality, and half rotten.

Mr. A. Farquharson, Jr., planted seven early Goodrich, nearly one pound, which yielded thirty-two pounds, sound, and a few affected by disease. Similar statements are made by P. McNab, Sr., R. Humphrey, and Mr. Khurr, as regards early Goodrich. No. 241 are, in every instance where planted, condemned.

The prizes were then announced, for the full list of which we have not room in the present number.

A discussion ensued on the various modes of cultivation practised by those who were successful in gaining prizes, by which much information was imparted to the meeting. The gratifying fact that the exhibitors of wheat, barley, black and white oats, were prizemen at the late Provincial exhibition held in the horticultural gardens was also communicated.

Treasurer's Account.

Balance on hand 6th Dec., 1864	- £5 9 9
Received by subscription	- - 11 10 0
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	£16 19 9
Paid prizes	- - - - - £13 16 4
" printing	- - - - - 1 3 9
Balance on hand	- - - - - 1 19 8
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	£16 19 9

This report examined, found correct, and unanimously approved of.

The following officers were elected by acclamation. — *Pres.*, M. Tobin; *Vice-Prest.*, A. Khun; *Sec'y*, T. Short; *Treas.*, A. Falloch; *Directors*, A. Tobin, A. Farquharson, J. Bissett, P. McNab, John Morash

The president was respectfully requested to vacate the chair, whereon Mr. C. Lamont took the seat; it was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously, that a vote of thanks be tendered to our president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and directors, for their zeal in promoting the cause of the Dartmouth Agricultural Society, which was kindly acknowledged by the president.

T. SHORT,
Secretary.

EASTERN DISTRICT OF HALIFAX AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

No Report.

LOWER MUSQUODOBOIT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

No Report.

MIANTS COUNTY.

FENWICK AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NOEL.

Noel, 2nd Jan. 1866.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter dated 13th ult., with Journals of Agriculture, &c., and, as the result, am happy to inform you, that a meeting was held yesterday evening, at which an agricultural society was organized, named the Fenwick Agricultural Society of Noel; we appointed our officers, opened a subscription and appointed persons to hand it round this week, and appointed a meeting for next Saturday evening to make further arrangements, by-laws, &c. In the mean time, we wish to know when we will need to have our subscriptions paid up to entitle us to be entered on the list as entitled to a share of the Government Grant, &c., and whether that grant would be drawn before the close of the year.

J. J. O'BRIEN.

[The Society will require to send in its return prior to 1st September. The appropriations to Societies cannot be made till then.]

NEWPORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of this society was held in terms of the Act, on Tuesday, 5th December, Samuel Chambers, Esq., in the chair. The annual report of the board of management was read and adopted, and the treasurer's accounts were examined and found correct.

Office bearers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—*Pres.*, James W. Allan; *Vice-Pres.*, Samuel Chambers; *Sec'y and Treas.*, Charles Cochran; *Directors*, S. M. Weeks, M. D., Geo. J. Dimmock, Wm. B. Allison, John W. Harvie, and Isaac Sanford.

CHARLES COCHRAN,
Secretary.

WINDSOR AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

No Report.

INVERNESS COUNTY.

NORTH EAST MARGAREE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Pres., Thos. Edithidge; *Vice-Pres.*, J. Cranton; *Sec'y*, John Munro; *Treas.*, Joseph Ingraham; *Directors*, Jno. Berron, Moses Macdonald, Reuben Philips, Thomas E. Croudis.

Receipts.—Balance from last year \$43.12; cash from members \$46; government grant, 1865, \$71; from Mr. Croudis, balance of last year's bounty, \$46.20; other sources, \$16.77; total receipts \$229.97.

Expenditure.—J. Croudis, his account \$15 80; D. Philips and M. Macdonald, for keep of two bulls \$40; B. Philips \$1; working expenses \$9.59; balance in hand, 2nd Dec., 1865, \$156.58.

JNO. MUNRO,
Secretary.

MABOU AND PORT HOOD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Annual Report of the officers and directors of the Mabou and Port Hood Agricultural Society,