

Editorial Notices.

✎ We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions that may be expressed in essays, reports, or correspondence, that may appear in this Journal; and we shall always allow a reasonable portion of our space, for the discussion of subjects coming within our prescribed limits, if conducted with a view to practical utility and the discovery of truth. *Questions at all involving party considerations of political or theological matters, are altogether unsuited to our pages.*

H. T.—We will try to procure the information you desire, and inform you in our next. The amount of the growth of Hops in England is liable to great fluctuations. Hops may be and are, to our personal knowledge, cultivated profitably in Canada, on a small scale. Particulars hereafter.

INQUIRER, is recommended to purchase and study Hitchcock's Geology, a cheap and excellent work for beginners, published by Newman & Co., New York. Dana's Manual of Mineralogy (reduced from his larger work) is, perhaps, the best and cheapest you can get—it is published for one dollar by Durrie & Peck; Newhaven. Most Canadian book-sellers will procure these works. Your other questions require time to consider: our limits do not properly embrace them.

SWEETSTAKES FOR DURHAM HEIFERS.—We call the attention of short-horn breeders to the communication from the Hon. Adam Fergusson, in a previous page, and as the subject is one of very considerable importance, we hope to receive shortly the names and subscriptions of several competitors. *Who will be the first to respond?*

TORONTO CHRISTMAS SHOW OF BUTCHERS' MEAT.—If anything can demonstrate the importance and money value of improving the breeds of cattle, sheep and swine, the late splendid Christmas display of our butchers must have been regarded by all observers as perfectly satisfactory. Better beef or mutton we do not believe could be found in any part of the world. We have no space for details. Thanks to Agricultural Societies, which have awakened in many of our farmers a spirit of enterprise which has thus led on to profitable improvement. We observe from the papers that in Kingston, Cobourg, Hamilton, London, and other places, there was a similar result.

PRIZE ESSAY.—Our readers will find in the first portion of this number the Prize Essay on Agriculture, the following were the advertised regulations:—

“AGRICULTURAL PRIZE ESSAY.

A Gold Medal of the value of £10, will be given by the Directors of the Johnstown District Agricultural Society, for the best Essay upon Agriculture and its advantages as a pursuit, to be read before the Agricultural Association at the Provincial Exhibition, to be held at Brockville in September next. The Essay to be written by a Canadian Agriculturist whose pursuits are wholly Agricultural,

to be sent in to the Directors of the Society, before the 15th day of July next, under seal, with the name of the writer in a sealed note. The Directors reserve the right of deciding whether the Essay is worthy a premium or not. The Essay to be the property of the Society, and to be in such condensed form as to permit its delivery within the space of forty minutes.

“GEORGE S. McCLEAN,
SECRETARY.

“Brockville, 15th February, 1851.”

NOTICE.

✎ The present number, as intimated in our last, we send to all subscribers of last year; those who intend renewing their subscriptions will please do so without delay, as our next number will not be sent unless ordered.

Toronto Markets.

	S.	D.	S.	D.
Flour 7/ brl 196 lbs	15	0	@	16 3
Wheat 7/ bushel 60lbs	2	6	@	3 0
Barley 7/ bushel 48lbs	2	0	@	2 3
Rye 7/ bushel	2	3	@	2 8
Oats 7/ bushel 34lbs	1	0	@	1 1
Pease 7/ bushels 60lbs	2	6	@	2 1
Potatoes 7/ bushel	2	6	@	3 0
Beef 7/ lb	3	@		3
Beef 7/ 100lbs	12	6	@	17 6
Butter 7/ lb	0	7	@	6
Hay 7/ Ton	40	0	@	50 6
Pork 7/ 100lbs	15	0	@	22 1
Turkies	2	0	7/	3 5
Geese	1	3	7/	1 6
Chickens 7/ Pair	1	0	@	1 6
Ducks 7/ Pair	1	6	@	2 6
Firewood 7/ Cord	13	0	@	16 1
Straw 7/ ton	22	6	@	27 6
Mutton, 7/ lb	0	3	@	0 3

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