nada Farmer ordered for the society will commence coming at the first of the year. Both the rams in the lower sections are dead—having met with accidents—by which the society lose £3 10s., their first cost.

THE CROPS.

Our hay crop this year is light—in some places not more than one-third, in others not more than one-half the usual crop. On low lands there was a fair crop, but much of it is lost or damaged by freshets. Potatoes are a fair crop, slightly affected with blight. Wheat, wherever sown, did well. Swedish turnips, oats and buckwheat succeeded well. Apples were a light crop, about half that of 1864. Beets, carrots, parsnips and cabbages did well in gardens. None of these vegetables are cultivated here as a field crop. Cranberries were unusually plentiful. Strawberries were a fair crop; but raspberries, blueberries and gooseberries were a very light crop.

PRICES OF PRODUCE.

The price of farm produce is nearly as follows:—Hay, 50s. per ton; beef, 30s. per 100 lbs.; pork, 5d. per lb.; butter, 1s. per lb.; potatoes, 1s. 6d. per bushel; oats, 2s. per bushel; wheat, 10s. per bushel, geese, 1s. 3d. to 1s. 6d. each; cows, £4 to £6 each; working oxen, £15 to £20 per pair; lambs, 8s. to 10s. each; old ewes, 10s. to 15s. each; twilled homespun cloth for trousers, all wool, 4s. to 5s. per yard; twilled cotton and wool for trousers, 3s. to 4s. per yard; flannel cotton and wool, plain, 2s. 6d. per yard; flannel twilled, all wool for blankets, 4s. per yd.; raw hides, 3d. per lb.; wool, 1s. 6d. per lb.; eggs, 6d. per doz.; chickens, 1s. 3d. per pair.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN T. SMITH, *Sec'y.*

Parrsborough, Nov. 6, 1866.

BARRINGTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The directors of the Barrington Agricultural Society for the past year beg to report, that in accordance with instructions received at the last annual meeting, a number of fruit trees were purchased of Mr. Shaw at Cornwallis, and a quantity of seeds of various kinds at Boston and Halifax; these were distributed equally among members previous to sowing time. The Goodrich potatoes could not be obtained, but a barrel of early Harrison and Sebec have been ordered and will be available for planting the ensuing spring.

A ram and ewe of the Cotswold breed have been purchased of Mr. Decie at Wilmot, and to avoid additional expense to the society have been sold with the restrictions that they are to be kept in good condition, under the supervision of the directors for four years.

A boar and sow were obtained from Prince Edward Island and sold under similar instructions, the purchaser being to keep the boar for nine months and the sow for eighteen months for breeding.

It was deemed advisable that the contemplated agricultural show should not be held the past autumn, as it was supposed the funds could be more judiciously expended in the purchase of stock and seeds. It is however recommended that arrangements be made for holding a show next autumn, and that suitable premiums be awarded to deserving exhibitors.

During the present year sixty names have been enrolled as members of the society, the subscriptions have been paid to the Treasurer, the requisite documents forwarded to the Central Board, and it is believed the order for drawing the government money will soon be received.

The Treasurer submits his accounts as follows:—

Cash on hand from last year	$155.00
Received from subscriptions of members for 1866	60.00
Received from sale of ram and ewe	3.00
" " pigs	1.50
	$209.51
To paid 100 fruit trees	$31.15
" Seeds	38.16
" Papers	1.50
" Cotswold ram and ewe	30.00
" Freight and feed	7.70
" Boar and sow	8.00
" Freight and feed	3.20
" Sec'ys. fees, postage and stationery	5.59
" Cash in hand	84.21
	$209.51

The directors have labored under considerable difficulty in obtaining requisite information and making suitable purchases; they have done however what they deemed for the best interests of the society and the promotion of agriculture in the community, and now respectfully submit this summary of their proceedings.

A. C. A. DOANE, *Pres.*

R. H. CROWELL, *Sec'y.*

The annual meeting of the Barrington Agricultural Society was held in the Court House, Barrington, Dec. 4th, 1866. The report was read and adopted. Election of officers and directors then took place, viz.:—*Pres.*, A. C. A. Doane; *Vice Pres.*, O. W. Homer; *Sec.*, R. H. Crowell; *Treas.*, F. W. Homer; *Directors*, I. L. Crowell, A. Watson, E. Atwood, J. Coffin, J. K. Knowles.

MERIGOMISH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Cr.

By balance in hand per last report	$24.57
" Amount of subscription for 1866	41.00
" Amount realized for wool	4.25
" Sale of provincial sheep	31.00
" " 12 rams imported from P.E.I.	80.00
By Sale of 4 pigs imported from P.E.I.	11.25
" Provincial grant for 1866	52.00
Total	$244.07

Dr.

To paid for 12 rams imported from P.E.I.	$100.87½
" " 4 pigs " "	10.00
" " expenses on the above stock	19.87½
" " keeping sheep	13.22½
" " eight copies of Journals	8.00
" " stationery and postage	0.85
" " one Alderney bull	76.11
" " keeping bull	5.00
Total	$233.93
Balance in hand Dec. 5th, 1866	$10.14

The committee would also beg leave to state that the potatoes, wheat and barley received for trial have done exceedingly well, the potatoes especially.

They would also beg leave to state that the wheat crop is in general a failure. But an abundance of oats. Hay was an abundant crop but considerably damaged from excessive rains. Potatoes below the average.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:—*Pres.*, Robert Brown; *Vice Pres.*, Mitchell Copeland; *Sec. and Treas.*, J. S. Copeland; *Directors*, James Roy, James Grant, David Mitchell, William Dunn, John J. Copeland.

D. MITCHELL, *Sec.*

NORTH SYDNEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

DISAPPOINTMENT ON ACCOUNT OF STOCK PURCHASES.

Annual Report of the officers and directors of the North Sydney Agricultural Society, submitted at the meeting held in the Temperance Hall at North Sydney, on the 4th day of December, 1866.

The society having unanimously agreed that its funds for the year now ending should be conferred exclusively on the improvement of live stock, the efforts of its officers were directed to that object, and the result of those efforts is not at all so satisfactory as they could wish; and they are now convinced that unless an agent is sent by the society to purchase animals at the best markets, no dependance can be placed on parties at a distance forwarding such animals as the society may require.

Dr.

To paid two bulls, including cost and expenses	$67.00
To paid 6 ewes and 3 ram lambs imported from Nova Scotia, including expenses	67.00
To paid John McLean for a ram 4 years old	14.75
" two pairs young Berkshire pigs	36.75
" Alex. Musgrove for keeping a bull	10.00
" Alex. Moore for coll. subscriptions	3.00
	$199.05

Cr.

By cash on hand from 1865	$72.00
" paid the Treasurer by Secretary	18.00
" received from 41 members	41.00
" " for a bull sold	11.50
" nett proceeds sale of lambs	34.20
" received from implements on hand since 1865	66.84
" due by William Gray	5.90
" " widow Johnston	2.00