

business must do so of course and spend according to their means, but the wealthy who reside in the country, and enjoy all the pleasures we have enumerated, with many others we might enumerate, should not be dissatisfied, although their balance sheet at the end of the year, should not show large profits. We must not forego this opportunity of giving a part of the "Report" of the Meeting at Exeter, and we particularly recommend the speeches delivered on that occasion by the representatives of two great Nations, France and the United States. These gentlemen appreciate the meeting and the exertions made in England to promote agricultural improvement. This "Report" should stimulate us to exertion—we cannot follow a better example than England affords us, so far as regards attention to Agriculture. It cannot fail to be a pleasing reflection to parties in Canada who are conscious of having done all in their power to promote agricultural improvement, when they hear of what is doing in the British Isles. Parties who can do more, will no doubt, employ all the means in their power, in future, to advance the interest of Agriculture, and promote its improvement, where it is most required. However we may fail in our argument to prove our proposition, Agriculture is of greater importance to the Canadian people than all other occupations put together, now, and at all future times.

#### DECORATIONS OF THE CITY OF EXETER

Are on a par with the magnificence of the other arrangements. From almost every window and house-top may be seen waving, flags of every description, from the magnificent silken standard of Southernhay, down to the cotton stocking hanging from the garret window of the west-end shop. Windows and doors are completely hidden beneath plants of all kinds. The town is a vast greenery, and one acquainted with the preparations would imagine that Stoke Wood had, in imitation of Pirnam Wood's trip to Dunstanine (though with a better object in view), paid a visit to the old city. But we are doing the descriptive rather irregularly, and we'll first ask our readers to step up as far as Peter Lis-

son's the best starting point for a more regular description. From the Aeland Arms across the road to the higher corner of Summerland street is a splendid green arch, decked out with pictures (illuminated at night) expressive of the loyalty which everybody knows is so superabundant in the bosom of the worthy Peter; on the right of the face of that side of the arch looking up the street is a motto painted for the occasion, "God Speed the Plough. May Old England ever maintain her rights." In the middle is a loyal wish expressed that Her Majesty might live long and never forget the principle which placed her forefathers on the throne. On the left is "Loyalty to our Queen, Submission to Her Laws, and Happiness to Her People." On the other side of the arch on the right is a painting of a soldier with his foot on a cannon, and the following motto under, "Quo Fata Vocant." In the middle, beneath a picture of Her Majesty, is "Long live the Queen and Prince of Wales; may Her Majesty never forget the Principles of her Forefathers; and may her Illustrious Offspring long live to protect our glorious Constitution in Church and State." On the top of the arch is a crown, the gaiety of the whole scene being greatly enhanced by an elegant display of flags. The effect of the view up and down the street from this spot is most enlivening, from the gay colours of the numerous flags playing in the breeze as if imbued with a spirit of the general rejoicing. Arches are also erected in Paris-street under the direction of Mr. John Ware. Fore-street abounds with flags of the most superior order, and the decorations generally are most superb. At the entrance of Queen-street is a magnificent green arch, 40 feet high, erected under the superintendence of Mr. Huxtable; on the top is a crown, of imitation gold and crimson, seven feet high, made by Mr. Vicary of this city, the ornamental work being done by Messrs. Dipstale & Bradley. On the side of the arch facing Fore-street, is lettered "Agriculture and Commerce," and on the side facing Queen-street, "Let Industry be praised," the latter having on one side a painting of the Castle of Exeter, with the motto "Semper Fidelis," and on the other the "Cornucopia." On one side of the former is a wheat sheaf, on the other side a vessel in full sail. On each side of Queen-street, as far as the market, an avenue of young fir trees is placed, the idea of Mr. Sobey, and which has a beautiful effect. Mr. George Ferris, whose superior taste is always discernable on such occasions, has decorated the top of the house, on which is the figure of the Queen, with signal flags, giving it the appearance of a yacht, which we have no hesitation in pronouncing the best show of flags in the city. The loyalty of the occupants of the fish market is most conspicuous, the place being decked out with flags, flowers and evergreens "whose silken eloquence, more rich than words"