

cash. They have also attempted to rob him of honor due, but they will be beat on that tack also.

The *Globe* in making the remarks alluded to has acted in a very base, low, mean and contemptible manner. The principal things alluded to in our address were the necessity for the successful raising of wheat; to disseminate and introduce new varieties of seed, a matter that has too long been overlooked; also the necessity of another Agricultural paper.

Had the managers of that journal evinced or even known the importance of such to the farmers, and cared anything about agricultural pursuits, such things would long since have been brought before the public. Their main aim is undoubtedly to secure the patronage of advertisers. Their columns are nearly totally composed of city advertisements. A farmer's name, or the requirements of farmers never have been the primary considerations of either editors or proprietors. It would not be reasonable to expect that they would be, as their interest and business have not been in stock or crops. We will be bound that the majority of them could not tell wheat from barley or rye, nor an Ayrshire from an Alderney. We include the whole *Globe* and *Canada Farmer* staff together. You can put the above misrepresentation or omission down to the managers of that Office, to woeful ignorance or spite. Some may say we are too severe. If an attempt is made to take the whelps from a wolf she will show fight, and if an attempt be made to trample on the rights of farmers, it is our duty to give battle to the foe. If we receive due respect, and our just dues from any class or person, we can and do treat them with proper respect.

There was a sad mistake or two made by the delegates at the meeting. Mr. Thomas Stoke, the appointed President for the ensuing year attended the meeting. The inhabitants of Wentworth expected that he would act as delegate for that County, but no meeting had appointed him to act in that capacity, therefore he had no voice. We consider it the duty of the present Board to have at once put the question to the meeting of allowing him to act—it would undoubtedly have been carried. We doubt if they wanted his voice or opinion about the business. He is too plain a matter of fact farmer to suit their views exactly.

Another mistake was the omission of a vote of thanks to Mr. J. Cowan of Galt, who after years of toil and labor to bring in measures for the better management of the Association had at length gained his point, which we know was one of the most satisfactory steps gained, and over which we have reason to believe the country may rejoice.

One thing struck us as remarkable. When we left the Agricultural meeting to return home, we were met by two authorized Veterinary Surgeons from Lancashire in England. One had recently arrived in the country, and could see no opening for his profession, and was intending to leave Canada for the States. The other had been in the country for fifteen months, but failed to make half enough to keep him. We met Mr. Cooley of Ancaster and mentioned the circumstance to him, but neither of us could give them the least encouragement to remain. He informed us of another instance of a similar nature. We then thought if this was the state of our country why incur such an expense at Toronto for Veterinary Colleges, when we can not find employment for those coming into the country. From our own experience we never had an animal of any kind die, except two or three hens and one pig about seven years since, from any disease. Rather poor encouragement for the Veterinary art. Diseases may break out in our country, and it is well to have some skill and knowledge about their management; but why tax us for it if we can import cheaper than raise, or if we have a surplus of Veterinaries already in the country.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE NEW AGRICULTURAL BILL.

Would it not be well to put a Protective duty on Wool imported into Canada? The Americans tax our exports. It would tend to encourage sheep raising, as we do not yet grow sufficient Wool for our own manufacturers. Would not a tax on stallions and bulls tend to improve our stock by eradicating inferior animals, and by applying the money so raised as premiums for the best in each Township where the money is paid.

For further protection of our sheep would not a tax on every pup raised to one month old check the numbers? Would it not be well to encourage the introduction and testing new varieties of seed grain? Would it not be well to allow each Township to join the County Societies or unite and send to the Provincial Exhibition if they think best? Would it not be well to allow parties to write to carry out any agricultural improvements for the advancement of Agriculture?

THE VINES.

Many hundreds of persons have seen the grapes grown on Westwell Farm—hundreds have seen our vines growing. This has given a stimulus to many to attempt the same. The ladies in particular admire the sight of the luxuriant vines on the house. It is as much admired by us for ornament as it is by others for the beautiful clusters of grapes it bears. We have sold many vines this Autumn and the majority of purchasers ask us how to plant, prune, and train them. In the hurry of business a sale day—we told them to go and put them in the ground anywhere in the garden, or on any side of the house, we would give them instructions in our paper, which we intend doing as the time arrives for working. At the present time it is sufficient if you have the roots in the ground of the large vines. The very small vines that were taken must be protected by throwing a little rough litter, or a little earth on them. We will give you better instructions as the time approaches for further operations. Half of you will forget or neglect if we speak about it now. We shall make some remarks each month under the heading of the Vineyard. We hope to be able to give such information as will enable every farmer to sit under and enjoy the fruit of his own vine. The ladies we hope will pay particular attention to our remarks about it, and we feel sure that all in this section of the country that have not a grape vine growing may have one, and that it may become a source of profit, and still a greater source of pleasure, ornament, shade and beauty.

When we first planted our vines we had never heard of one thriving to the North or West of us in Canada, except just in the vicinity of the lakes, in the western point of the Dominion. We have now had ripe fruit, every year for the past seven years, and have never protected our vines from the change of weather in any way. Many said Weld was crazy or a "fool" when he planted such things as grape vines, or purchased such stock as was not to be procured in this section, but the vine has convinced many of what can be done. Many said at first they will not grow here, others they will not ripen, others it may do well for one year but that is no test. After seven years constant bearing, now they can no longer resist the truth that