

After adoption of the above report the following were elected office-bearers for the ensuing year:—*Pres.*, R. Maclean; *Vice Pres.*, Donald Macdonald; *Sec'y*, John Mackenzie; *Treas.*, John Cameron; *Directors*, James Langill, John Henry, Nelson Sutherland, John Fattric, Alexander Fullerton.

JOHN MACKENZIE, *Sec'y*.

AYLESFORD AGR. SOCIETY.

This Society held its annual meeting on Tuesday, 3rd of December, most of the members present. The following officers were then chosen for the current year:—*Pres.*, Archibald Walker; *Vice Pres.*, W. J. Armstrong; *Sec'y*, John Foster; *Treas.*, William Rhodes; *Directors*, James Smith, Edward Armstrong, Joseph Neiley, James P. Rouch, Robert Neiley; *Auditors*, George Foster, Edward Armstrong.

The following are the receipts of the past year:—

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By balance from 1866.....	\$11.00
" Cash from 44 members.....	44.00
" Provincial Grant.....	52.00
	\$107.00
	Dr.
To cost of wintering Bull.....	\$24.00
" do. summering do.....	20.00
" One South Down Ram.....	21.00
" One Shropshire Down Ram.....	26.00
" Expenses of procuring above sheep.....	10.00
" One Leicester Ram.....	20.00
" Keeping Ram one year.....	6.00
	\$127.00
	107.00
Balance against Society.....	\$20.00

The Aylesford Agricultural Society now owns one Devon bull, a very fine animal; one Leicester ram, purchased of J. Northup, Esq., Halifax, in the autumn of 1866—he is probably as fine a sheep as can be found in the Province; one South Down and one Shropshire Down, purchased by Judson Armstrong at the sale of stock imported by the Board of Agriculture—these sheep are much thought of by the Society; one Leicester ram, purchased in New Brunswick.

The following is the state of the crops:—Hay, an abundant crop. Wheat, below an average. Rye, below an average. Barley, an average. Oats, good. Corn, excellent, far above an average. Buckwheat, good. Potatoes, below an average. Turnips, very good. Apples, below an average. Beans, much damaged by wet. Upon the whole, the prospect of the farmer is not very bright.

JOHN FOSTER, *Sec'y*.

MILFORD HAVEN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Milford Haven Agricultural Society was held on Tuesday, December 3rd. The office-

bearers for the ensuing year were appointed as follows:—*Pres.*, Donald Boyle; *Vice Pres.*, Thomas McDonald; *Sec'y*, David Scranton; *Treas.*, John Morgan; *Directors*, William Tory, John Nash, Alexander Maney, Charles W. Boles, Henry E. Tory.

There have been purchased, for the use of the Society, 11 lamb rams, which are to remain the property of the Society. The Society has been divided into three districts, to facilitate the distribution of the rams, viz.,—The Intervale, Riverside and Manchester; each of these districts have been subdivided into sections, with as near as possible the same number of members in each. The annexed account will show how our funds have been expended:—

EXPENDITURE.	
Cost of 11 Rams.....	\$57.50
Telegram to Dr. Lawson.....	0 91
Secretary's fee.....	0 66
Postage and stationery.....	0 50
Treasurer's fee.....	0 25
	\$59.82

RECEIPTS.	
Member's subscriptions.....	\$45.00
Paid to Society by Intervale District for use of superior Ram.....	6.10
	\$51.10
Leaving a balance of \$8.72 against the Society.	

DAVID SCRANTON, *Sec'y*.

WALLACE AGRICULTURAL SOC'Y.

At the annual meeting of the Wallace Agricultural Society, held on the 3rd inst., the following business was transacted:—The accounts for the past year were submitted, audited, and report adopted, of which the following is a synopsis:

Balance in Treasurer's hands at last annual meeting.....	\$105.74
Received Provincial Grant.....	33.00
" subs. for the year, as per report.....	55.00
" for seeds.....	4.50
	\$198.24
Paid 4 Bulls.....	\$155.38
" Freight of seeds.....	4.00
" Rent of hall.....	4.00
" Printing and postage.....	4.50
" Contingent expenses, as per account.....	13.00
Balance in hand.....	17.87
	\$198.24

Debts due to the Society, \$95.50.

The sum of \$20 was voted to the Board of Agriculture for the Provincial Exhibition. The Society purchased 4 bulls last spring of the best breeds that could be obtained, and sold the same lately to members. The proposed exhibition was deferred at the time on account of the lateness of the harvest, and resolved to prepare for the Provincial Exhibition. The sheep purchased by the Society from England are an improvement in our flocks, so far as to double the weight in mutton. The wheat got from the Board last spring was sold to seven different

farmers, of whom two only have reported the yield,—the one 13 and the other 14 fold. The beans did well, but got no report of the yield. The peas are superior, and yielded well. This year's crop was the best here for some years. The potato blight lingers here still. Hay crop very heavy.

The cost of drain tile in this Province precludes our farmers from bringing that article into general use. Under-draining is very much needed, especially in our clay soils.

Officers for the ensuing year are as follows:—*Pres.*, George Tuttle; *Vice Pres.*, Charles B. Oxley and William Smith; *Sec'y*, Donald Mackay; *Treas.*, S. Fulton; *Directors*, T. M. Morris, J. P. McIntosh, William Peers, Kenneth Mackenzie and Angus Nicolson.

DONALD MACKAY, *Sec'y*.

A RARE PLANT IN FLOWER.—A remarkable plant, perhaps more curious than beautiful, is now in flower in the Royal Botanic Gardens, Regent's Park, and is supposed to be the first of its kind that has yet flowered in England. It is a species of agave nearly allied to the so-called American aloe, said to flower "once in 100 years," but differs from its brother and most—if not all—other members of the agave family by carrying its flowers on a pendulous or drooping flower spike some ten feet long, curving to one side, with the point nearly reaching to the ground; the flowers are closely packed around the stem, and number some thousands. The plant was raised from seed received at the Gardens from Mexico about twenty-five years ago, so that in England, although perhaps not in its native country, it appears to be of very slow growth. The name at present attached to the plant is *Agave dasyliriodides*, but it may probably turn out to be a new species or variety.—*Times*.

MUFFINS.—Take 1 quart new milk, 2 eggs, 2 table-spoonsful yeast, butter the size of an egg. Warm the milk, and mix with other ingredients at night; in the morning turn into muffin rings, or drop on tins, and bake a light brown. To be eaten with butter for breakfast.

ALFRED SAUNDERS,

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