

NOMINATIONS BY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES TO THE CENTRAL BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

DISTRICT NO. 1—HALIFAX COUNTY.

Halifax County Agricultural Society, Colonel J. Winburne Laurie, Oakfield; Lower Musquodoboit Agricultural Society, Colonel Laurie; Upper Musquodoboit Agricultural Society, Colonel Laurie.

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Annapolis Agricultural Society, W. E. Starratt, Paradise; Eastern Annapolis Agricultural Society, W. E. Starratt; Bridgetown Agricultural Society, W. E. Starratt; Paradise Agricultural Society, W. E. Starratt; Clements' Township Agricultural Society, W. E. Starratt; Digby Central Agricultural Society, John Dakin, Digby; Weymouth Agricultural Society, John Dakin; Clare Agricultural Society, John Dakin; Union Agricultural Society of St. Mary's Bay, Jno. D. Starr; Union Agricultural Society of East Cornwallis, John E. Starr, Starr's Point; King's County Agricultural Society of Lower Horton, John E. Starr; Aylesford Agricultural Society, John E. Starr; King's County Central Agricultural Society, Jno. E. Starr; West Cornwallis Agricultural Society, Geo. W. Fisher, John E. Starr.

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Mahone Bay Agricultural Society, Benj. Zwicker, Mahone Bay; Mutual Benefit Agricultural Soc'y. of Brookfield, Queen's, Geo. S. Brown, Yarmouth; North Queen's Agricultural Society, Charles Allison, Kempt; Kempt Agricultural Society, Charles Allison; Shelburne Agricultural Society, G. S. Brown; Clyde River Agricultural Society, G. S. Brown; Barrington Agricultural Society, G. S. Brown; Barrington West Passage Agricultural Society, G. S. Brown; Yarmouth County Agricultural Society, G. S. Brown; Yarmouth Township Agricultural Society, Jas. Crosby.

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Windsor Agricultural Society, Rev. H. P. Almon, Windsor; Fenwick Agricultural Society of Noel, Israel Longworth, Truro; Nine Mile River and Hardwoodland Agricultural Society, I. Longworth; Newport Agricultural Society, John W. Harvie, Newport; Union Agricultural Society of Maitland, I. Longworth; Upper Nine Mile River Agricultural Society, S. Blois; Enfield Agricultural Society, Jas. Mackenzie; Onslow Agricultural Society, I. Longworth; Shubenacadie Agricultural Society, W. Blair, Onslow; Lower Stewiacke Agricultural Society, I. Longworth; Tatamagouche Agricultural Society, I. Longworth; Stirling Agricultural Society, New Annan, I. Longworth; Brookfield

Agricultural Society, I. Longworth; Parrsborough Agricultural Society, I. Longworth; Malagash Agricultural Society, Alex. Mackenzie, Malagash; Minudie and Barronsfield Agricultural Society, Hon. A. Macfarlane; Wallace Agricultural Society, W. B. Huestis; Union Agricultural Society of Pugwash, I. Longworth; Scotia Agricultural Society of Fox Harbour, Hon. A. Macfarlane.

DISTRICT NO. 5—ANTIGONISH, GUYSBORO', PICTOU.

Morristown Agricultural Society, Geo. G. Henry; St. Andrew's Agricultural Society, John Cummings, Upper South River, Antigonish; Arisaig Agricultural Society, John Cummings, [the Arisaig Society has not yet complied with terms of Act]; Guysborough Agricultural Society, John Cummings; Milford Haven Agricultural Society, John Cummings; Glenelg Agricultural Society, John Cummings; Pictou Agricultural Society, D. Matheson, Pictou; Egerton Agricultural Society, D. Matheson; Merigomish Agricultural Society, D. Matheson; Millbrook Agricultural Society, D. Matheson; River John Agricultural Society, D. Matheson.

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Boularderie Agricultural Society, John Ross, M. P. P.; Sydney Mines and Little Bras d'Or Agricultural Society, John Ross, M. P. P.; North Sydney Agricultural Society, John Ross, M. P. P.; Mabou and Port Hood Agricultural Society, Hon. P. Smythe; North East Margaree Agricultural Soc'y., Duncan Campbell, M. P. P.; St. Ann's Agricultural Society, D. McCurdy, M. P. P.; Middle River Agricultural Society, John Ross, M. P. P.

REMARKABLE RESULTS OF THE COMPETITION IN POTATO CULTURE.

We are indebted to the courtesy of Charles E. Brown, Esq., of Yarmouth, for the following extract from the *New York Tribune* :—

Last Spring, as readers of THE TRIBUNE will remember, Messrs. B. K. Bliss and Sons of this city, offered premiums, "open to the world," and amounting in the aggregate to \$1,500, for success with three new potatoes, the object being as much to stimulate interest in improved methods of cultivation as to induce an extended trial of varieties in the dissemination of which they were interested. The surprising achievements of those who competed for the \$500 in prizes of the previous year, together with the triple liberality of the new schedule, excited widespread enthusiasm, and the farmers who entered for the second contest were numbered by hundreds, and represented

nearly every State and Territory in the Union, not to speak of some neighboring provinces. The terms required that the crops should be raised in the customary way, no forcing processes being resorted to, or unusual method of multiplication; and competitors were given to understand that their statements must be duly witnessed, and authenticated by oath. These statements were promptly rendered, but, owing to illness of one of the Committee the awards have only just been announced. We present the main particulars in tabulated form, showing varieties tested, names and addresses of successful competitors, weight of crop, and amount of premiums. It is a series of apparently almost miraculous performances, but the trustworthy Committee—Messrs. Geo. Thurber, F. M. Hexamer and P. T. Quinn—assure us that, while abstaining from comment on the "astounding yields from single pounds," a "most careful and scrupulous investigation" has fully satisfied them of "the correctness of the statements."

FOR LARGEST QUANTITY "EXTRA EARLY VERMONT," FROM ONE POUND OF SEED.

No. of Prize.	Pounds.	
1. Alfred K. Titus, Wilmington, Vt.	703	\$100
2. J. I. Salter, St. Cloud, Minn.	698	50
3. Robert Lewis, Castleton, N. Y.	690	40
4. C. W. Walker, Washington, Kas.	674	30
5. A. W. Titus, Wilmington, Vt.	629½	20
6. Stephen R. DeWolf, Parrsboro', N. S.	615½	10

FOR LARGEST QUANTITY "COMPTON'S SURPRISE," FROM ONE POUND OF SEED.

No. of Prize.	Pounds.	
1. P. C. Wood, Esther, Ill.	900	\$100
2. Robert Lewis, Castleton, N. Y.	874	50
3. A. Loveless, White Mills, Penn.	832	40
4. J. I. Salter, St. Cloud, Minn.	811	30
5. C. W. Walker, Washington, Kas.	684	20
6. Chas. Whiting, Jasper, N. Y.	583½	10

FOR LARGEST QUANTITY "BROWNELL'S BEAUTY," FROM ONE POUND OF SEED.

No. of Prize.	Pounds.	
1. H. C. Pearson, Pitscarn, N. Y.	1,018	\$100
2. A. Loveless, White Mills, Penn.	811	50
3. J. I. Salter, St. Cloud, Minn.	782	40
4. Robert Lewis, Castleton, N. Y.	749	30
5. Henry Bullis, Canton, N. Y.	720½	20
6. Charles Whiting, Jasper, N. Y.	696½	10

FOR LARGEST QUANTITY "EXTRA EARLY VERMONT," GROWN ON ¼ ACRE.

No. of Prize.	Pounds.	Bh. per Acre.	
1. D. Steck, Hughesville, Pa.	6,247	416 23-60	\$100
2. J. C. Hoch, Eutztown, Pa.	2,012	178 8-60	50
3. A. Hewlett, Kent, Ohio.	2,534	172 16-60	40

FOR LARGEST QUANTITY "COMPTON'S SURPRISE," GROWN ON ¼ RE.

No. of Prize.	Pounds.	Bh. per Acre.	
1. Mrs. M. A. Royce, Home, East Tenn.	7,350	490	\$100

FOR LARGEST QUANTITY "BROWNELL'S BEAUTY," GROWN ON ¼ ACRE.

No. of Prize.	Pounds.	Bh. per Acre.	
1. A. Rose, Penn. Yan. N. Y.	8,899	503 16-60	\$100
2. D. Steck, Hughesville, Pa.	8,055	537	50

The Committee explain that for the second series of premiums there were so few entries that every competitor receives a prize, so that this can scarcely be considered a test of the yield per acre of the respective varieties. This is regretted, as it was expected, and very naturally, that the more valuable information would be