

I regret I was not at home when your note came, and trust that the above limited account will meet your request. I shall always be very glad to give you any information as far as I possibly can.

THOS. LECRAS.

North Sydney, Aug. 30, 1869.

Hay crop above the average and secured in excellent condition. Wheat, early sown, damaged by fly. But as there has been much more sown than for years past, I think it will be above an average crop. Oats, light in straw and will be very late in harvesting. Barley, looks well, but not raised to any extent. Buckwheat, sparingly sown, but a good crop where cultivated. Potatoes, *very good*, blight now appearing in some places, but as the season is so far advanced the crop will not, I think, be injured to any extent. Turnips, not raised to any extent, early sown suffered from fly, but will, I think, be an average crop. Carrots and Mangol Wurtzels, not raised to any extent, but by few farmers, look well where sown. Apples and Plums almost a failure.

Dear Sir,—I suppose you are aware that we have failed in returning a list of members from the North Sydney Agricultural Society to the Board of Agriculture to entitle us to a portion of the Government grant. But we yet have hopes that a sufficient number of farmers may be induced to see that a dollar a year can not be more profitably invested than in supporting an agricultural society.

Hoping that we may yet have a good agricultural society in North Sydney, I remain, &c. ALEX. G. MUSGRAVE.

VICTORIA COUNTY, C. B.

Middle River, Victoria Co., }
Sept. 3d, 1869. }

Judging from their present appearance, I have no hesitation in stating that all kinds of grain crops will turn out double that of last year both in grain and straw. Hay is the only crop yet secured, and has turned out in many instances over the average of last year. All kinds of root crops look well, and particularly potatoes; the blight has made its appearance rather early, but not very rapidly, so that I think a fair average crop may be relied on. The weevil has made its appearance in the wheat, but for all the crop will yield a paying average, so that if the weather prove favourable until the crops are secured there will be enough for man and beast in this district.

Before closing the above hasty remarks, I would here state that I am of opinion that the Central Board should devote a small sum of the money at their disposal to the importation of winter wheat and rye from Canada, as also horse field peas, which no doubt could be raised in this province with good results.

JOHN MCLENNAN.

COLCHESTER COUNTY.

New Annan, Sept. 6, 1869.

Hay more than an average crop and housed in excellent condition. Wheat is expected to be an average crop, not injured by fly, straw heavy. Oats good, expect good yield. Barley not generally sown. Buckwheat, a fair crop. Potatoes, good crop. Fruit about an average crop.

WM. CREIGHTON.

HANTS.

Noel, September, 1869.

The present season on the whole has been all that the husbandman could require for the growth and cultivation of all kinds of farm crops. Hay, much above an average. Wheat, considerable more sown than has been for many years and as far as harvested, remarkably good. Late wheat will equal the early if the weather continues as it is now. Oats, very heavy crop. Barley, good. Buckwheat, large yield. Potatoes, good quality, fair crop, and very little blight yet to injure the crop. Fruit, considerably below average. ROBERT FAULKNER.

THE ANNUAL FRUIT EXHIBITION.

From a communication received from Dr. C. C. Hamilton, we learn that the Annual Feast of Pomona will take place at Somerset, on Tuesday, the 19th October. It is expected that the Annapolis Railroad will ere that time, be opened as far as Hantsport, and the increased facilities thus afforded to strangers for a rapid run through the garden of Acadia and the land of Evangeline, will no doubt bring a large influx of visitors to the show. We are assured that ample accommodation will be provided for all who may go, and that, should the weather prove fine, there will be "a real good time." The railway runs within a mile and a half of Somerset, where the show is to be held, and there will be ample means of conveyance both to and from the depot. The chief feature of the Exhibition is the display of apples, which is finer than can be seen anywhere else. Prizes are this year offered for "dozens" of each of the following kinds:—

Gravenstein, Yellow Bellefleur, Ribston Pippin, Baldwin, Nonpareil, Rhode Island Greening, Blenheim Pippin, King of Tompkins County, Æsopus Spitzenberg, Flushing Spitzenburg or Vandevere, Northern Spy, Pomme Grisi, Pound Sweet, Broadwell, Emperor Alexander, Hubbardston Nonsuch, Gloria Mundi or Baltimore Pippin, Sweet Russet, Drap d'or, York and Lancaster, Golden Russet, Delaware Harvey, Snow Apple, King of Pippins, New York Pippin, or Fall Pippin, Minister, Canada Reinette (or Fall Jennetting), Swaar, Bishop's Bourne,

Dutch Codling, Calkin's Pippin (late), Chenango Strawberry, Blue Pearmain, Colvert, Porter, Talmun Sweet, Munson Sweet, English Golden Pippin, Willam Early, best half peck Crab Apples.

There are likewise prizes for Pears, Quinces, Plums, and also for a class of fruit that does not show to advantage in this northern latitude, viz.:—Open air Grapes,—Isabella, White, Black Cluster, Hartford Prolific, Diana, Concord, Delaware. These are followed by a list of Vegetables.

The following are the regulations:—

1. All articles exhibited must be raised by the Exhibitor, and must be the growth of the present year. Any breach of this rule will debar the Exhibitor from receiving any prize whatever, at this Exhibition.

2. The Council shall have the privilege of selecting and appropriating any of the articles exhibited that may have taken a prize.

3. Competition will be open to persons from all parts of the province, on the following terms: Every person (not a member of the Association) to pay \$1.50 on each collection of Apples; 10 cents on each dozen of Apples, and 10 cents on each entry of vegetables, or other articles for exhibition.

4. The Council give notice that size is not the only quality that will be regarded by the Judges in awarding premiums; fruit must be perfect—free from defects or blemishes and well formed.

5. All articles for Exhibition should be on the ground before 3 o'clock, P. M., on the day previous to the day of Exhibition, and POSITIVELY no article will be received after 8 o'clock, A. M., on the day of Exhibition.

6. All persons wishing to become members of the Association must send in their names to the Secretary, with the fee for membership (\$2), and all members who have not paid their subscription must do so on or before the day of Exhibition in order to entitle them to the privileges of members thereat.

GARIBALDI AS A FARMER.

We have heard but little of late about Garibaldi's doings. Some of his most melancholy anniversaries recur in this and the forthcoming autumn months, and his best friends must rejoice at the almost perfect certainty that nothing this year will tempt him out of his island home—that home which he would never have quitted for his disastrous exploits of Aspromonte and Mentana, had not the seductions of some of his friends got the better of his sound, but not sufficiently self-relying judgment. At Caprera, and away from the turmoil of politics, Garibaldi is himself again, and shows himself