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ADDRESS,

Delivered by the President of the Provincial Agricultural Association, at the Annual Fair, at Brockville, on Friday, September 26, 1851.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN;

Montesquieu states, in his historical relations of China, a ceremony of opening the grounds, which the Emperor performs every year. The design of this public and solemn act is to excite the people to tillage. Further, the Emperor is every year informed of the husbandman who has distinguished himself most in his profession; and he makes him a Mandarin of the eighth Order.

Among the Ancient Persians, the Kings quitted their grandeur and pomp, on the eighth day of the month called Chorremruz, to eat with the husbandman.

These Institutions were admirably well calculated for the encouragement of Agriculture; but, we will at present avoid all abstruse speculations relating to the method of Agriculture, as practised in ancient times, to leave room for matter more immediately demanding the attention and consideration of the Members of this Association.

The favorable circumstances connected with this sixth annual meeting of the Agricultural Association, now being held in the Town of Brockville, will be witnessed with satisfaction by the Public at large.

Since our last meeting in the Town of Niagara in September 1850, a law has come in force establishing a Board of Agriculture in