

we are authorised to state, for the information of farmers in Lower Canada wishing to improve their herd, that Mr. Watts has some animals of the most approved breed of short horns, known in England, which he has paid a high price for in order to have them of pure blood. We believe Mr. Watts to be an agriculturist of spirit and enterprize, and to have studied the true principles of breeding, though we never had the advantage of seeing his farm and establishment.

We beg to call attention to the description of the "Flax Breaking and Scutching Machine," (Donlan's Patent) imported by the Canada Land Company. We have copied this description from a pamphlet published by the Company, which we obtained at the Toronto Exhibition. The Canada Company deserves the thanks of Agriculturists for importing an implement that is so much wanted in the country. For years we have been endeavouring to persuade some parties to establish machinery for preparing Flax and Hemp for exportation, but up to this moment scarcely any action has been taken in the matter. Farmers have been blamed for not growing Flax and Hemp, and if they did do so, it would be a dead loss to them, except the seed, as they could not dispose of the fibre or straw. We know by experience, that these plants will grow in Canada, if properly cultivated, in as great perfection as, perhaps, in any part of the world. If Dutch or Russian seed is sown, Flax can be grown to the height of from 36 to 40 inches and Hemp to the height of from ten to twelve feet. American Flax seed will not produce Flax of more than 24 to 30 inches in length. We have no doubt but two ton of straw might be produced to the acre, and from 12 to 20 bushels of seed, or perhaps more. Of hemp we are not so sure of what the produce would be, but from the great length of the straw, suppose it must be very large. In England they expect to grow from four to six cwt. of fibre to the acre, and from ten to twelve bushels of seed, but here we believe the produce would

be much larger, if cultivated properly. Flax and Hemp, and the seed of both, might be very valuable articles both for home use and for exportation, if we had only machinery for preparing it, and parties ready to purchase the seed and straw from the farmers when produced, at a fair price.

We received the following letter from James Whitman, Esq., and submitted his "Circular" and papers which accompanied it, to the Meeting of Directors of the Lower Canada Agricultural Society, which took place on Tuesday, the 19th of October. We received instructions to reply to Mr. Whitman's letter, and acquaint him, that the Directors had resolved to communicate with the Minister of Agriculture on the subject, with a view of ascertaining the sense of the Government on the question. We publish the Circular No. 2, and a part of another, for the information of parties who may be disposed to send products to the New York Exhibition, and we wish it all possible success. Canada, we have no doubt, will be creditably represented there, as she was in the Great London Exhibition of 1851:—

DONEGANA'S HOTEL,
Montreal, 5th October, 1852. }

Sir,—May I request your attention to the above Circular and beg that you will lay it before the Agricultural Association of Lower Canada, to take such steps in the matter as they may deem proper. The Agricultural Association of Upper Canada have put themselves in communication with the Ministers of Agriculture, as you may see by Mr. Buckland's letter to myself, published in the Toronto Daily Patriot of 27th Sept., and re-copied in the Montreal Herald last week.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES WHITMAN.

WM. EVANS, Esq., Secretary
Agricultural Association of L. C. }

We beg to state that P. E. Leclere, Esq., has determined to set off for Europe on the 8th of November, and it would be very desirable that any Agricultural Societies, or other parties who would wish for new seed wheat from the Black Sea, should immedi-