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This month, we again give up a considerable portion of our space to the Reports of Agricultural Societies. The statements contained in these Reports indicate very clearly the condition of the various organizations. In their subscription lists we have a gauge of the liberality of the farmers of the district; in their accounts we see the way in which the funds are used. Prosperous districts have thorough-bred live stock, which is the best evidence that the Societies themselves, and the farmers of which they are composed, are "alive." The suggestions in reference to Stock and new Implements and improved Seeds, all indicate probabilities for another season, and Societies may often take hints from each other in such matters. In the accounts of some Societies we see large amounts of money expended for "seeds" and "implements," without any information of a special kind as to what kinds of seeds and implements were obtained. In justice to themselves Societies should specify clearly what purchases have been made, so that the Board may be able to judge whether they are really carrying out the intentions of the Legislature in the best, or in an effective, manner. It is unpleasant for the officers of the Board to have to ask Societies for farther information; but we are afraid that, when the Board meets, enquiries will be made with respect to the working of one or two Societies that have not

been very free in their explanations. Every year shows more and more the necessity of publishing the detailed Reports of Societies, and we hope that next season some method may be adopted by which they can be printed in a separate and classified form, so as to relieve the JOURNAL of an overwhelming and yearly increasing mass of matter, and at the same time present the information respecting Societies to Members of the Legislature and others interested, in a form for convenient and ready reference.

We learn by letter from Henry Lovett, Esq., Kentville, Feb., 1875, that the Cornwallis Central Agricultural Society has succeeded in purchasing the thorough-bred Short Horn bull, Sir Roger Tichborne. This animal was imported from Ontario by the Central Board in 1872, and was then purchased by the Mahone Bay Agricultural Society. He is a fine bull, but does not seem to have been appreciated in Lunenburg County. Probably Ayrshire or Devon stock would be more useful there.

We have an application for good Seed Oats and Broad Beans, (the field or horse bean we presume). If any of our readers have such to dispose of we shall be glad to hear for the information of our correspondent.

An advertisement will be observed in the present number, which shows that

the Eastern Counties Fruit Growers' Association means to do some useful work. It is proposed to hold meetings at Truro, Amherst, Pictou, New Glasgow, and other places to be hereafter named, at which addresses will be delivered on Orchard Culture and Fruit Raising,—these addresses to be followed by general discussions. We hope there will be a hearty response to this proposal in every section of the country to which the operations of the Eastern Counties Association extend. Fruit Growers, and especially farmers who are not yet fruit growers, should place themselves in communication with the Vice-President of their section. D. Matheson, Esq., Mayor of Pictou, is Vice-President for that county; Principal Calkin of Truro, is Vice-President for Colchester; Lieut. Col. C. J. Stewart, is Vice-President for Cumberland; Colonel Laurie is President of the Association, and for the present, we believe, Acting Secretary,—to whom suggestions may be made, and from whom information may be obtained. We find some remarks very much to the point in the Amherst "Gazette," and cannot do better than transfer them to our columns:

As one of the counties which ought to be interested in the "Eastern Counties Fruit Growers' Association," we fear Cumberland has neither contributed to the prosperity of the organization, nor reaped from it advantages to the extent that its projectors hoped. Although fruit culture is in its infancy in Cumberland, it has been sufficiently proved that some descrip-