

During the year the society purchased in Prince Edward Island, two bulls, of Durham and Scotch breeds; eleven Leicester ram lambs, a Leicester ewe; two pigs, and a quantity of seed oats and potatoes.

SOUTH WEST MARGAREE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Numbers of members 45. Subscriptions paid, \$45. Government grant, \$64. Paid for stock, &c., \$109.90. Proceeds of stock, \$99.66½.

President, Hugh Gillis. *Secretary*, Alexander McDonald.

The society purchased improved stock, &c., in Prince Edward Island, as follows: 13 rams, 3 ewes; 1 boar; 15 bush. oats, 4 bush. potatoes.

MABOU AND PORT HOOD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Society was organized on 23rd September 1864. Number of members, 61. Amount of subscriptions raised \$86. Government grant, \$114. Total amount of funds in Treasurer's hands, \$200.

President, Hon. William McKeen. *Vice-President*, Peter Smyth, M. P. P. *Secretary and Treasurer*, Hugh McDonald. *Directors*, Samuel McDonnell, G. C. Lawrence, Allan Cameron, Donald Cameron, John H. McKeen.

WHYCOGOMAGH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

In September last a meeting was held at Whycogomagh for the purpose of organizing an Agricultural Society. The members did not intend to apply for a grant from the Board of Agriculture for 1864, consequently no official report has been received.

KING'S COUNTY.

KING'S COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Number of members, 45. Subscriptions paid \$43. Balance from former years, \$45.26. Government grant, \$81. Total receipts, \$169.26. Paid for stock and keep \$48.75. Corn sheller, \$7.10. Cultivator, \$22.50. Postage, \$0.25. Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$90.91.

President, Amos Black. *Vice-President*, Leonard Newcomb. *Second V. P.*, James W. Harris. *Secretary and Treasurer*, George Hamilton. *Assistant do.*, Thomas Tuzo. *Directors*, Edward P. Borden, William Stewart, Charles Reid, William Falkner, George E. Cole.

WEST CORNWALLIS AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Amount of subscriptions received from members, \$40. Provincial grant, \$78.

Total receipts, \$118. Paid for one Durham bull, one year old, \$33. 1 ram, \$24. 1 ewe lamb, \$15. Expenses conveying sheep, &c., \$5. Total amount of disbursements \$77. Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$31.

President, Hugh Newcomb. *Vice-President*, Benjamin Fergues. *Secretary*, Elias Calkins. *Treasurer*, Wellington Clark. *Directors*, James P. Kinsman, Lewis Morris, Elijah Palmer, Andrew Chipman, Samuel White.

The members of the Society are using every exertion to improve their stock. They have a bull of the short horn Durham breed, one year old, (bought in July) which took the first prize at the Kentville Exhibition, also one ram and one ewe, bought at Windsor, of the government stock. They have appropriated the balance of their funds for the past year for the purchase of one more bull of an improved breed, as soon as it can be procured. The farmers in the locality have, during the last few years, made considerable improvement in their farms, by adopting a better method of cultivation, deep ploughing, draining, and building sheds for manure to keep it from the weather. A good deal of attention has been given of late to the improvement of orchards; many young trees have been set out, which are now beginning to bear, and promise to be a source of wealth to the district. The Society highly appreciates the encouragement received from the Board of Agriculture.

UNION AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF EAST CORNWALLIS.

Number of members, 43. Subscriptions paid \$11. Government grant, \$81. Total receipts \$122. Cash paid for stock \$114. Sundry bills, \$2.40. Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$5.60.

President, Richard Starr. *Secretary*, Dr. C. C. Hamilton, M. P. P. *Treasurer*, Leander Eaton.

The Society was formed in July 1864. The funds have been expended in purchasing the Durham bull, imported by the Board of Agriculture from New Brunswick, (\$88.) 1 ram, (\$16.) and one ewe, (\$10.); all are considered fine animals, and it is anticipated that they will prove of value in the district. Nothing can exceed in importance the improvement of our neat stock, and the members of the Society hail with pleasure the determination of the Board of Agriculture to import pure Durhams from England. In 1861, the number of cattle in the Province was 262,297; King's County had, out of that number, 16,932. Horses also require improvement, both in size and activity. The Society looks forward with much interest to the proposed exhibition of 1866, and promises cordial co-operation.

LUNENBURG COUNTY.

LUNENBURG AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Number of members, 41. Subscriptions paid, \$41. Government grant, \$82. Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$123.

Secretary, Daniel Owen.

The Society having been recently formed, is not prepared to report any transactions of consequence.

PICTOU COUNTY.

EGERTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Formerly called the Hopewell Agricultural Society. Number of members, 44. Amount of funds in hand from previous year, \$37.74. Subscriptions paid, \$41. Provincial grant, \$80. Amount of prizes paid, \$80. Incidental expenses, \$12.32. Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$48.42.

President, Finlay Cameron. *Vice-President*, Robert McNaughton. *Secretary*, Donald Gray, Albion Mines. *Treasurer*, Thomas Grant. *Directors*, John D. Fraser, Roderick McKay, Robert Carlton, Daniel Cameron, John McKay.

The annual exhibition of this Society was held at Fish Pools, East River, on Tuesday 18th October, and is reported as having been a great success. It was divided into six departments: 1st, horses and cattle; 2nd, sheep and swine; 3rd, cloths and carpets; 4th, mats and hosiery; 5th, grain and seeds; 6th, butter, cheese, fruit and roots.

MAXWELTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Number of members, 40. Subscriptions paid, \$40. Provincial grant, \$73.

President, Walter Murray. *Secretary*, James W. Patten, Lower Barney's River.

PICTOU AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Society has now completed the 28th year of its existence, and has been re-organized in accordance with the requirements of the new Act. Number of members, 51. Subscriptions paid, \$52. Provincial grant, \$87. Total receipts, \$139. Expenditure, \$128.59. Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$10.41.

President, David Matheson. *Secretary*, John McKenzie.

An Agricultural, Horticultural, and Industrial Exhibition was held by the society in the town of Pictou, on 1st November 1864, at which the sum of \$120 was offered as prizes for the best specimens of live stock, agricultural and horticultural productions and domestic manufactures. Very creditable specimens were exhibited in the various departments, yet the exhibition was upon the whole not equal to many that had been held on previous occasions. This is attributed in some measure to the restriction of the competition to members of the society. A Ploughing Match was not held this year,