

# AGRICULTURAL REVIEW.

SEPTEMBER.

**Agricultural Review**—Official Department.—Annual Meeting of the Lower Canada Agricultural Association at Sherbrooke—Date and place of the Provincial, State and County Exhibitions during the months of September and October.—**Editorial**.—The Sherbrooke Provincial Agricultural Exhibition—Its prospects—The foreign and native breeds of cattle—The buildings—Return tickets by the Grand Trunk Railway—The visit of his Excellency the Governor General—The Provincial Agricultural Department—What should be the Provincial Agricultural Exhibitions, according to the views of the *Upper Canada Agriculturist*—A plea for farming—Rural gleanings—The last number of the First Volume of the *Lower Canada Agriculturist*—**Farm Operations**.—Suggestions for September—The garden—The field—The cattle—Ploughing heavy land—Pure water for stock—Raising wheat—Securing straw—Topping corn or cutting it by the ground—The potato rot and its prevention—Grass lands seeding and manuring—Summer manures—**Agricultural Implements**.—Farm Engineering—Location of farm buildings—Landscape—Land measurement—Reclaiming lands, with Engravings representing a Drain Tile making Machine, small size, hand power—Drain Tile making Machine, large size, hand and horse power—Drain Tile and Brick making Machine, horse power—Clay Pudding Machine, horse power—Pudding, Drain Tile and Brick making Machines combined—Irrigation of meadows—Cattle.—Care of Milch Cows—The art of catching horses—Fanny's flock of Sheep—**Horticultural**.—The town garden—Garden walks—Garden seats—Preparation of Currants and Gooseberries—Summer pruning—**Domestic Economy**.—Rules for making grape wine—Packing eggs for long journeys.



## AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION FOR LOWER CANADA.

A meeting of the Directors of the Agricultural Association for Lower Canada will be held at Sherbrooke, on the Exhibition Grounds, on Friday, the 19th September, at 9 a. m., to choose the place of the next Provincial Exhibition.  
G. LECLERE, Secretary.

### Provincial and United States Exhibitions.

Vermont, . . . . .	Ruthland, ..	Septembre, ..	9-12
Horticult. Ex... Montreal, . . .	"	"	11-12
Ohio, . . . . .	{ Zanesville, . . .	"	0-12
	{ Cleveland . . .	"	16-10
Kentucky, . . . . .	Louisville, ..	"	16-19
Lower Canada, Sherbrooke, . . .	"	"	17-19
Upper Canada, Toronto . . . . .	"	"	22-27
Michigan, . . . . .	Detroit, . . . .	"	23-25
Iowa, . . . . .	Dubuque, . . . .	"	30 Oct 3
Indiana, . . . . .	Indianapolis . .	"	30 Oct 3
Illinois, . . . . .	Peoria, . . . . .	"	30 Oct 3
New-York, . . . . .	Rochester, . . .	"	30 Oct 3
New-Jersey, . . . . .	Newark, . . . . .	"	30 Oct 3

### County Fairs in Lower Canada.

Terrebonne, . . . . .	Grande Ligne, . . . . .	Sept.	13
Stanstead, . . . . .	Barnston Corner, . .	"	13
Chambly, . . . . .	St. Hubert, . . . . .	"	15
Montcalm, . . . . .	St. Patrick, Rawdon	"	16
Iberville, . . . . .	Iberville, . . . . .	"	23
St. Hyacinthe, . . . . .	St. Hyacinthe, . . . . .	"	23
Huntingdon, . . . . .	Huntingdon, . . . . .	"	24
St. Jean, . . . . .	St. Valentin . . . . .	"	25
Argenteuil, . . . . .	St. Andrews . . . . .	"	25
Chateauguay, . . . . .	Ste. Martine, . . . . .	"	25
Compton, . . . . .	Cookshire, Eaton, . .	"	25
Jacques Cartier, . . . . .	St. Laurent, . . . . .	"	25
Rouville, . . . . .	St. Césaire, . . . . .	"	25
Drummond, No. 2, . . . . .	Durham, . . . . .	"	30
Temiscouata, . . . . .	Rivière-du-Loup . . . .	"	30
Napierville, . . . . .	St. Henri . . . . .	"	30
Bagot, . . . . .	Ste. Basile, . . . . .	Oct. 1er.	1er.
Berthier, . . . . .	Berthier, . . . . .	"	1er.
L'Assomption, . . . . .	St. Paul l'Ermite, . . . .	"	1er.
Richmond, . . . . .	Danville, . . . . .	"	1er.
Ottawa, No. 1, . . . . .	Aylmer, . . . . .	"	2
Richelieu, . . . . .	Ste. Victoire, . . . . .	"	2
Pontiac, . . . . .	Clarendon Centre, . . . .	"	3
Vaudreuil, No. 1, . . . . .	Vaudreuil . . . . .	"	7
Nicolet, No. 1, . . . . .	Becancour, . . . . .	"	9
Laprairie, . . . . .	Laprairie, . . . . .	"	9
St. Maurice, . . . . .	Yamachiche, . . . . .	"	15
Megantic, No. 1, . . . . .	Inverness, . . . . .	"	17

In compliance with our agreement, we publish, free of charge, the date and place of every county exhibition in the Lower Province. This tabular form would not have been complete, in our opinion, had we not inserted as well the Provincial and the State Exhibitions of the next two months. Farmers will attend generally to their county fair, but they do not make it a point of sufficient importance to attend the Provincial Exhibitions. No doubt a great deal of good may follow from attendance at the local exhibitions, for competition will on all occasions bring about some improvement either in the breeding of stock, the construction of implements, or the raising of agricultural productions. Besides, discussions will be raised on the merits of the awards, and if the disappointed competitor will find fault with every first prize, the successful one will justify them by every possible argument.

Discussion and competition among farmers are the two most powerful means of improving the interests of the rural community. No one will allow his next neighbour to take a first prize over himself if there is a way to prevent it, and this alone will prove a mighty argument in favor of every improvement already adopted in one's vicinity. Such is the immediate result of our county exhibitions, and a very desirable result it is. But farmers should not be satisfied with taking the lead in their own county, they ought to enter in competition with the agriculturists of the whole Province. There a great deal could be learnt either from discussions on the most desirable points of first class animals, or from close observation in every department connected with our Provincial Exhibitions. Indeed, every farmer ought to make it a duty to attend these great gatherings of our agricultural wealth in both sections of the Province. Some may object that expenses will run high for parties attending the Upper Canada Exhibition. No doubt this is an important consideration, but for all those who can afford it, there should not be the least hesitation in this advance of capital, for which every cent will be returned tenfold, through the amount of knowledge which can be gathered by any intelligent farmer during the three days of a Provincial Exhibition. Return tickets can be had at half price, and every facility is afforded to make expenses light. We do insist