

## THE CROPS, &amp;c., IN YARMOUTH.

I forwarded early in the autumn a brief statement of the season and crops, as far as I could then ascertain. Root crops at that time were not sufficiently matured to enable me to more than conjecture as to the ultimate crop. Appearances at that stage of their growth indicated a fair crop of most kinds of roots and vegetables, but the continuous heavy rains caused considerable rot in the potato, and seriously injured the turnips, especially on low lands. The crop of potatoes secured in good condition was, after all, above an average for a number of years. Turnips, on the whole, were a light crop. Carrots, and other roots, fair. Grain, as I before informed you, was much damaged in the harvesting, and the crop, on the whole, a small one. The autumn has been unusually open, and the after grass, on the meadows and pastures, abundant; in consequence farmers have fed much less hay than at the same period last year.

JAMES CROSBY,  
Sec'y Yar. Agri. Soc'y.

## AMHERST AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Amherst, December 29th, 1866.

Dear Sir,—The following are the officers elect, for the ensuing year, of the Amherst Agricultural Society:—*Pres.*, Hon. R. B. Dickey; *Vice Pres.*, T. R. Black; *Sec'y.*, J. Hiram Black; *Treas.*, W. F. Cutten; *Directors*, John W. Smith, James E. Page, Wm. Keiver, Edward Bent, Isaac Logan.

I remain, &c.,  
J. HIRAM BLACK, Sec'y.

[We have not room for the annual report this month.—ED.]

## NORTH-EAST MARGAREE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

N. E. Margaree, Dec. 18th, 1866.

Dear Sir,—I take the liberty of sending you herewith the annual report of our agricultural society.

The stock purchased at the Richmond sale on the 2nd November last arrived safe, as you will see in our account current. The members are highly pleased with the appearance of the Durham bull, and I am directed to thank you for your attention on this occasion.

I remain, &c.,  
JOHN MUNRO, Sec'y.

[The report will be published next month.]

THE LABOUR DIFFICULTY.—In Britain, as on this continent, agriculture is now suffering in consequence of the high rate of wages and the inferior character of workmen.

## Miscellaneous.

## GLEANINGS FROM THE ENGLISH AGRICULTURAL PAPERS.

THE SEASON OF 1866.—In Britain there was a backward spring, followed by an ungenial summer, and that, in its turn succeeded by one of the wettest and most protracted harvests on record, resulting in serious damage to the crops in many places.

BONE DUST.—It has been recommended never to use bone dust until it has been treated with sulphuric acid, which greatly promotes its action.

A SHEEP TEAM.—At the exhibition at Stanley there were two educated sheep, that performed various gymnastic feats, followed their trainer, and going abreast in harness with a will for work; they were "highly commended."

"TENANT BODIES SCANT O' CASH."—Many of the landed proprietors are making reductions in their rents on account of losses by the cattle plague.

QUITE RIGHT.—In consequence of the outbreak of Cattle Plague in Holland, a portion of the frontier between Wesel and Munster has been occupied by soldiers, and all intercourse prohibited.

A PLAGY POTATO.—At Helperey, in England, a cow was declared by the Inspector to be suffering from Cattle Plague and was accordingly destroyed. A veterinary professor was sent to examine the body, found the throat inflamed, and a potato lodged therein; the inspector was dismissed.

THE BRITTANY COW.—The Brittany breed is the only one, it is said, that has escaped Rinderpest; they are very small animals, of a dark colour, very easily fed, and yield a large amount of milk.

## NEW PUBLICATIONS.

*American Stock Journal*, N. P. Boyer, Gun Tree, Chester Co., Pa., a monthly periodical that should be read by every raiser of stock. The January number is illustrated by full "Page" engravings of the white bull Senator and cow Mary Gay, both Durhams, Kentucky sheep, &c.

*The Gardener's Monthly*, edited by Thomas Meehan. Brinckloe, Philadelphia, Publisher. January.

*Journal of Agriculture*, Edinburgh.—Very much improved of late, and now published monthly.

*Phrenological Journal*, January.—Fowler & Wells, 389 Broadway, N. Y.

*American Agriculturist*, January.—Orange Judd & Co., 41 Park Row, New York. This carefully edited and copiously illustrated monthly journal is undoubtedly the best one of the kind pub-

lished on this continent; it is read to some extent by our farmers, and we hope its circulation will increase in the Province.

*Seventh Annual Report presented by the Council to the Board of Agriculture*, Victoria, 1866.

*Canada Farmer*, January 1st. Published fortnightly, and well adapted to our Province. Hon. George Brown, Toronto, Publisher.

*The Abstainer*, weekly, P. Monaghan, Halifax.

*Colonial Farmer*, weekly, Fredericton. *Journal of the New York State Agricultural Society*.

## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

The Editor of the *Journal of Agriculture* will feel obliged, if some one personally acquainted with the details of cheese making in Annapolis county, will furnish a description of the process employed by the best cheese-makers in the county.

Just as the present number is going to press we have received a valuable communication on the "Raising of Stock" from "A FARMER," Colchester. He points out the true causes of degeneracy in our Province, and the remedies to be applied. The paper will be given in next number. Meantime the author has our best thanks.

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