

hundred weight of any gum, resin, oil, dyestuff, fibre, ornamental wood, and at least ten pounds of any metallic ore or stone.

“I am, sir, yours very faithfully.

“EDWARD SOLLY, *Secretary.*

“J. ROSS, Esquire,

“Secretary Society of Agriculture and Commerce, Fredericton, N. B.’

“I think, gentlemen, we must all agree in the opinion, that great advantages to the Province may arise from the kind of communication proposed by this letter, and the extensive information and assistance in our own objects we are likely to derive therefrom. The officers of their Society are composed of noblemen and commoners, taken from persons of the highest rank and standing in the mother country, both for respectability, science, and general knowledge, and we have never had so favorable an opportunity of making the resources and capabilities of our country generally known in the old world, as this proposal affords. I would therefore strongly recommend that a committee of three or five members be appointed to inquire into, collect, and make out a general list of all the natural productions and raw produce of the country, with the name of every substance, and all the other particulars suggested by Mr. Solly’s letter, that I have just read, for transmission to him as requested, with the copy of our report made at this meeting, as soon as published, and I would recommend that as many as 50 copies or more of our next number, which will contain the whole report of our Exhibition, be sent as soon as published to the Secretary of the English Society of Arts, for the use of the members of that Society, and any others they may furnish them to; and a few copies of each of our past numbers it would also be desirable, I think, to add, although Mr. Jackson, of railway note, when he was here, applied for and got 50 or 100 copies of each of the published reports of the Society to take home with him

“There is another subject I wish to call the attention of this meeting to. You probably are all aware that preparations are now in progress for two great Exhibitions for the industry of all nations to be held in the course of this year—one in New York on the 2nd of May next, and the other in Dublin, some time in the course of the year, but on what particular day it is to open I am not yet informed. Communications have been made by authorised Corresponding Agents of both, to our Corresponding Secretary, inviting this Province to come forward in the competition with others, and it is a matter for our serious consideration, what measures, (if any) we should take for securing to the Province a creditable representation at one or both of these Exhibitions. It will be recollected that we placed ourselves in the back ground altogether at the one held in London in 1851, which was afterwards much regretted by many, as it turned out we could