

Quebec, the horses and sheep go on to Toronto. The "Hanoverian" left Liverpool on 26th August, had strong head winds, and severe weather, but at intervals it broke up, and eased the horses a good deal. Out of 100 sheep only one was lost, the 47 horses and 58 cattle all reached land in safety without any loss.

We are indebted to Mr. M. G. DeWolfe of Kentville, for the following description of a remarkable plant, *Amorphophallus Rivieri*, which recently flowered with him. We shall have more to say of this plant next month. Mr. DeWolfe kindly sent us the inflorescence :

AMORPHOPHALLUS RIVIERI, a curious ornamental Aroid, and a valuable acquisition, will do to plant out in May. As a pot plant it is very handsome,—from the bulb, or tuber, grows a thick stem about thirty inches high; this throws out a single palmate leaf over two feet in diameter, this leaf is divided into three parts or lobes, and these again are all subdivided. In May last, the plant put out a thick flower stem, just after the leaf had started, the flower stem grew rapidly and a flower similar to that of the *Arum* appeared, only more grotesque looking, and emitting an odor not quite as strong. I can hardly describe the flower, the spathe was longer than that of the calla, and seriated above the cup; the color inside was a rich maroon or dark purple, and the outside was marked and marbled with dull grey and white, and looked like the skin of a snake, the marking on the stem was similar to it; the spadix was large and some three inches above the spathe, and was of a rich maroon shade. As a plant of striking foliage this will prove a popular sort. I wonder it has not been more generally introduced, and found a place among the ornamental foliage plants.

CENTRAL BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Reports on Nova Scotia Exhibits to Dominion Exhibition.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, }
7th September, 1883.

Present: David Matheson, Pictou, Chairman; Israel Longworth, Truro; Col. W. E. Starratt, Paradise; C. N. Spratt, Middle Musquodoboit; Prof. Lawson, Secretary. The Hon. Attorney-General White was prevented attending by other engagements.

The Chairman explained that the meeting had been called chiefly for the purpose of hearing the reports of the several members of the Board upon the Nova Scotian exhibits offered for the approaching Dominion Exhibition, to be held at St. John, commencing 2nd Octo-

ber. The Provincial Government had authorized the Board to pay the freight upon all approved exhibits. The number of exhibits offered is greater than was anticipated, but it is hoped that the rates of freight on the Railways will be such as to enable the Board to carry out the arrangements without greatly exceeding the amount voted. The Secretary was directed to communicate with Mr. Inches, the Secretary of the Exhibition Committee at St. John, with a view to completing arrangements at once with Railways as to rates and mode of payment of freights, so that Nova Scotian exhibitors at the Dominion Exhibition, St. John, who intend to exhibit also at the Provincial Exhibition to be held at Truro during the week previous, may be enabled to make their arrangements in good time. It is to be clearly understood that the Nova Scotia Board does not undertake to pay any expenses whatever except freight. The Railway and steamboat fares of all attendants on live stock and machinery must be paid by the exhibitors themselves. In the case of an exhibitor taking a whole car load of live stock, it is expected the railway will allow a pass to one attendant for the car. Hay, straw and water will be furnished free by the St. John committee while animals are at the exhibition in St. John. Exhibitors must provide their own fodder during transit. All animals must be furnished with proper halters or fastenings. Rams and ram lambs must be securely boxed up before being taken to the station, both in going to and returning from the Exhibition.

All exhibitors must send entry papers of their exhibits properly filled up to Julius L. Inches, Secretary, St. John, not later than 15th September. These forms or entry papers must be filled up by reference to the classification numbers in the prize list. (See rule 5). Prize lists and entry papers may now be obtained on application personally or by post card to Prof. Lawson, Dalhousie College, or Mr. Murray, at the Queen's Printer's Office, Province Building, Halifax.

Exhibitors who have already sent the proper printed forms of entry filled up to Prof. Lawson, will not be required to send duplicates to Mr. Inches, but many of the exhibits of which notification has been received are merely indicated in a vague way without prize list numbers, and such notifications will not be received by the St. John officials. Exhibitors are particularly requested to see that their entries are properly made on the printed form.

The Chairman called for the reports of the several members of the Board who had, as far as practicable, examined the exhibits offered in their respective dis-

tricts; and, in accordance with their reports, the following exhibits were approved of and sanctioned by the Board :

1st District—Counties of Halifax and Lunenburg.—C. N. SPROTT.

Dartmouth Ropework Co., Halifax—A large exhibit of their manufactures; 300 feet floor space.

The Nova Scotia Sugar Refinery (limited)—Sugar, white and yellow, syrups.

The Starr Manufacturing Co. (limited)—Show case containing assortment of Forbes' Patent Acme Club Skates, assortment of shovels, assortment of cut nails in kegs, assortment of wrought iron spikes in kegs; space, 150 square feet.

J. M. DeWolf, 105 Robie St., Halifax—3 carriages and an exhibit of spokes.

Jack & Bell, proprietors of the Chemical Fertilizer Works, Halifax—Exhibit of their manufactures, including ground bones, superphosphate, chemical fertilizer, &c.

B. W. Chipman, Halifax—Polled Angus bull, 2 years, Polled Angus cow and heifer calf.

Prof. Lawson, Lucyfield—Herd of Short Horn cattle, 3 Short Horn bulls.

Miss Lawson, Lucyfield—Aylesbury ducks, Buff Cochon fowls.

Miss J. Wallace Lawson, Lucyfield—Collie dog "Philip Rollo."

Major-General Laurie, Oakfield—Samples of Spring Wheat.

C. N. Spratt, Middle Musquodoboit—Ont. G. Creed, Rawdon—Knitted lace work.

Brown & Webb, Wholesale Druggists, Halifax—Manufactures.

Mrs. L. A. DesBrisay, 44 Hollis Street, Halifax—Engravings.

H. Harris, Halifax—Exhibits in class 30.

Wm. Mason, Sapper, Royal Engineers, Halifax—Pictures.

Members of Agricultural Society, Lunenburg—Squashes and vegetables.

Mrs. Austin, 7 Maynard St., Halifax—Paintings.

Jas. Croskill & Co., Halifax—Syrups, &c.

C. Thomson, 96 Upper Water St., Halifax—Radiating sluc, fish meal.

Putner Bros—Cod liver oil and hypophosphites.

Edwin McC. Clay, Emigration Office, Water Street, Halifax, Collie "Louise" and pups.

2nd District—Counties of Kings, Annapolis and Queens—Col. W. E. STARRATT.

Fruit Growers' Association and International Show Society—Exhibits of fruit.

Mrs. Spain, Wilnot, Annapolis Co.—1 herd of Devons, 1 yearling grade Devon heifer, 8 sheep.

Albert Beckwith, Middleton—1 two year grade Durlam fat steer, six grade sheep.

Parker F. Reagh, Prince Albert Street, Annapolis Co.—1 thoroughbred Jersey Bull, 3 years old.

W. E. Starratt, Maple Grove, Annapolis Co.—1 thoroughbred Jersey Bull, 1 year old.

"Victor Draffan," A. J. C. C., Reg'y; 1 thoroughbred Jersey Cow, "Gazelle of Brooklyn," No. 20, N. S., No. 9,812 American Club; 1 thoroughbred yearling Jersey Heifer, "Gazelle of Maple Grove;" 1 thoroughbred Ayrshire bull calf, "Jumbo;" 1 high grade Jersey cow, "Laura;" 1 do 2 years' old Ayrshire heifer, 1 do 2 years' old Jersey heifer "Blanche."