



"Agriculture not only gives Riches to a Nation, but the only Riches she can call her own."

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Canadian Agricultural Societies.

As this is the season for frost and snow, probably the readers of the *Cultivator* would prefer, that the editorial articles should not be confined to practical Agricultural topics, but rather to the discussion of such matters as would be calculated to promote a better system of organization among agriculturists; and also, be productive of an union of effort among all classes of our mixed population, in developing the agricultural and manufacturing resources of this fine and naturally highly favoured Province. In following up the subject of Agricultural Societies a little farther than what was done in the leading article in the December number of this Magazine, we shall briefly recapitulate that portion of what was published, that refers to the system of organization, for the benefit of such of our readers as have not read the article alluded to, and shall then show how the inhabitants of the entire country would be benefited, were such a system of organization carried into practice. The three grades of Agricultural Societies, viz: Township, District and Provincial, are to be constituted upon such a basis, that they will be but so many links in one chain; and the proceedings of each should

be collected and published in a suitable form, and sold at the lowest possible rate, for the benefit of the entire Canadian population, who are desirous of becoming acquainted with the science and practice of Agriculture. As has been already clearly stated, the Government appropriation to each District, should be equally divided between the District Agricultural Society, and the Township Societies in the District. The Township Societies are to be governed by Directors, chosen by the members of such Societies, and each Township Society should have a share of one-half the Government bounty granted to the District, in proportion to the actual amount of subscriptions raised by them severally. The District Societies should be placed under the government of Directors, chosen by the Township Societies, which body should be called a District Board of Agriculture, and the members of which should be indemnified for the loss of time and travelling expenses incurred, while attending the Agricultural interests of the District. The Provincial Society should be placed under the control of Directors, chosen by the District Boards, which body should be designated the Provincial Board of Agriculture, and should receive a liberal patronage from the Provincial Government. The