THE editor of the Colchester Sun has sent us a bottle containing the mortal remains of the "Forest Worm," a caterpillar which he describes as making great ravages in parts of Colchester and Pictou counties. West New Annan has especially suffered, the forest trees for many square miles, with the exception of the pop-lar, being completely destroyed. The great danger feared is that it may attack the orchards and the standing grain. Unfortunately the specimens were not in a condition to be-identified. [Since the above was in type we have received better specimens, and will describe the insect next month.]

## EXHIBITIONS.

Provincial Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition, Halifax, Sept. 29 to Oct. 3. Barrington Head Ag. Socy, Barrington, Oct. 7.

Queen's County Ag. Soc'y, Liverpool, " S&9.

Yarmouth County Ag. Soc'y, Yarmouth,

Lunenburg and Mahone Bay,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, EXHIBITION BUILDING, TOWER ROAD, Halifax, September 22nd, 1879.

THE Eighth Provincial Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition of Nova Scotia is already in active progress. A magnificent Exhibition Building has been erected, an ample field has been enclosed for showing cattle and horses, and the buildings necessary for their shelter have been put up. Entries of exhibits from nearly all parts of the Province have been made, and some of the heaviest exhibits of machinery are already in place. The Railways and Steamboats have granted greatly reduced rates for passengers and exhibits; two new Railways have been completed to bring to the Central City the inhabitants of the far East and the far West; the householders of Halifax are preparing accommodation for a large influx of visitors; farmers and mechanics, merchants and professional men, all over the Province, are looking forward to Exhibition Week, and all that is apparently required now to complete the happiness of the people of Nova Scotia is a week of fine weather, to enable them to witness, participate in, enjoy, and profit by, the best Exhibition that has ever been held in the Province. We do not like to anticipate, but we know that our readers will be gratified to hear that the entries now completed assure the success of the Exhibition as a display of the industry of the country, and as a means of testing the merits of our productions. The whole Province may look with justifiable pride upon the Halifax Exhibition of '79. We may reasonably hope that the benefits to be derived from it will be of an abiding character, that it will give an impetus to our Industrial Production; that it will suggest some of the results that flow from the application of training, knowledge and intelligence, to daily toil; and that it will arouse in the minds of our people a sense of the great work that they may accomplish. There is no country on the face of the earth gifted with greater richness or variety of resources than Nova Scotia, and her sons will fail in their duty to themselves, their families, their country, the world at large, if they grow only one blade of grass where two can be grown, if they feed a starved beast instead of a stalled ox, if they raise only one ton of coal or one ounce of gold, where a thousand tons or a thousand ounces can be raised.

Seeing that natural resources so abundant are given to us, it behoves us to bring our highest intelligence to bear upon them, so as to realize the benefits to man of which they are capable; possessed of the potential wealth, we require only the application of intelligence and industry, the economical and judicious use of our home labour and home capital, and the introduction of foreign labour and foreign capital as they may he required, to build up our country to the highest state of christian civilization and thus realize the greatest possible amount of 'human happiness.

A circular to the following effect has been issued to the Station Agents of the Intercolonial Railway :--

All freight, live stock, implements. &c., intended for Exhibition at Halifax, will be conveyed on the Intercolonial to Halifax and returned to the Stations from whence they came, at SINGLE BATES, provided they remain the property of the original owners. The freight charges, when shipped to Halifax, must be pre-paid and receipts given for the same, such receipts to be produced on the return journey to entitle the original owner to have the