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We willingly give insertion to the communication of "Quebec." In our remarks upon his former letter, it was not our intention to offer any objection to Annual Exhibitions, but, on the contrary, we should be very glad to see those Exhibitions conducted under proper regulations and judicious arrangement; but we said then, and we now repeat that it is not by such Exhibitions alone that the general improvement of Canadian Agriculture (where improvement is most required) will be best, and most certainly promoted. Have the Annual Exhibitions by all means, but let us not neglect other means. We admit that at those Exhibitions the products of good farming may be brought forward, but we also believe that good animals and good samples of products may be exhibited by parties whose farms are not under the best system of management. We give in this number an extract from the report of Professor Norton, of Yale

College, who says, that on many farms in New England and the State of New York, the proprietors appear anxious to have a few fine animals, while they allow their farms to deteriorate. This may be the case in Canada also, and good samples of various products may be produced, from farms where the general management is far from being perfect. As regards this Journal, which has been hitherto published by the Lower Canada Agricultural Society, our correspondent says, "it might be replaced by a publication equally good." Undoubtedly it might, and by perhaps a much better, but certainly not by any Agricultural periodical published in North America. Our correspondent will think this a bold assumption, but we make it advisedly, and shall be prepared to sustain it by comparison, before competent judges. There is another circumstance that our correspondent appears to have forgotten, that is, there being no French Agricultural publi-