

Jaxton—S Corbet, Oakhill.  
 Eldon—G W Miller, Woodville.  
 Fenelon—J D Naylor, Fenelon Falls.  
 Muskoka—J B Browning, Bracebridge.  
 Victoria, S—W J Thirrell, Lindsay.  
 Ops—W Boynton, Lindsay.  
 Marlboro—J Barnart, Oakwood.  
 Emily—J R McNielle, Omenie.  
 Verulam—W B Head, Bobcaygeon.  
 Lindsay Horticulture—C Neale, Lindsay.  
 Waterloo, N—M Springer, Waterloo.  
 Woolwich—J Hall, Winterbourne.  
 Wellesley—G Oakley, Crosshill.  
 Waterloo, S—A Macgregor, Galt.  
 Welland—A Bead, Crowland.  
 Bertie—A Dickout, Point Albino.  
 Crowland—W Buckner, Crowland.  
 Humberstone—J Thomson, Humberstone.  
 Stamford—J Law, Drummondville.  
 Thorold—R Spencer, Albionburgh.  
 Willoughby—J McCredie, Chippawa.  
 Wellington, N—J Isles, Arthur.  
 Amaranth—T Cayen, Whittington.  
 Arthur—J Isles, Arthur.  
 Minto—A McKeljohn, Harrison.  
 WELLINGTON, C—J Beattie, Fergus.  
 Garafraxa—A Nichol, Garafraxa.  
 Erin—J W Hunt, Coningsby.  
 Kramosa—W Tolton, Kramosa.  
 Nichol—G H Todd, Fergus.  
 WILKINGTON—R Cronar, Salem.  
 WILKINGTON, S—G Murton, Guelph.  
 Guelph—J Laidlaw, Guelph.  
 Guelph—J Grant, Aberfoyle.  
 WENTWORTH N—J Weir, Jr, W. Flamboro'.  
 Newerley—J Armstrong, Mockton.  
 Flamboro' E—T Stock, Waterdown.  
 Flamboro W—C Durrant, W. Flamboro'.  
 WENTWORTH S—W A Cooley, Ancaster.  
 Saltfleet & Binbrook—J Davis, Mount Aileen.  
 Glanford & Barton—C Grey, Hannon.  
 Ancaster—F Bolder, Ancaster.  
 YORK N—E Jackson, Newmarket.  
 Georgian and North Gwillimbury—Angus Ego, Georgian.  
 Whitchurch—M Jones, Bloomington.  
 King—S Machell, King.  
 R Gwillimbury—A J Hughes, Sharon.  
 YORK E—J Robinson, Markham.  
 Markham—J Spright, Markham.  
 Scarboro—J Crawford, Malvern.  
 YORK E—J McCarter, Toronto.  
 YORK W—B Bull, Davenport.  
 Etobicoke—W A Ide, Islington.  
 Vaughan—T Graham, Woodbridge.  
 YORK W—J McCarter, Toronto.  
 Fruit Growers' Association—D W Beadle, St. Catharines.

### European Grain Markets.

English papers speak of the prices of grain, and of wheat especially, as having still a tendency to rule low. From a recent issue of the *Mark Lane Express* we learn that, in England, a large breadth of spring corn has been well got in, as well as of potatoes, and after all past vicissitudes, the aspect of the country has a seasonable character for the time of year. The wheat trade has again lost ground, London, as usual, sounding the key note, which has been answered in the country by a decline of 1s. to 2s. per quarter, though the general condition of samples has improved. In fact, the downward course that prices have taken since last harvest has driven out all spirit from the trade. The heavy losses sustained by the whole corn trade have entirely banished confidence. But in proportion as English orders fail, importations must diminish, and thus it appears that a series of fluctuations are probable up to next wheat harvest, unless marked events produce a total change. The wheat trade in France, which was lately rising, appears to have felt English influence, Paris and many other places having given way about 1s. to 2s. per quarter, while the drought in Spain, which was to have made that country the land of Ophir to expectant shippers, has hitherto given very little en-

couragement, the Spaniards appealing to live upon their new liberties and leeks. Belgium has become dull and drooping, but not so Holland, and Germany keeps dull, having lost the upward movement at Dantzic. New York has fluctuated. The contemplated abolition of all duty on corn, while encouraging imports, is against prices.

### Monthly Financial Statement.

The following is the Treasurer's abstract statement of receipts and payments of the Agriculture and Arts Association of Ontario, for the month ending 30th April, 1869 :—

| Dr.   |            |
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| To balance last month.....                      | \$1,244 44 |
| To cash received .....                          | 35 50      |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | \$1,279 94 |
| Cr.   |            |
| By cash paid on account of premiums .....       | \$ 110 00  |
| By cash paid on account of Board Expenses ..... | 420 00     |
| Do. do. do. Salaries.....                       | 30 00      |
| Do. do. do. Miscellaneous .....                 | 2 00       |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | 562 00     |
| By balance to next month.....                   | 717 94     |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | \$1,279 94 |

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### Agricultural Items.

A gentleman in Guelph is importing thirty pairs of house sparrows this spring to exterminate the insects.

It appears that the cattle plague is still widely diffused in Eastern Europe, very little diminution having taken place in the number of cases, in either Galicia or Hungary.

Small pox in sheep is still very far from being exterminated in many parts of the continent. It is admitted that the malady prevails in two or more of the provinces of Holland.

SEPARATE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE.—English Agricultural Societies and papers are urging the establishment of a separate Government department for the benefit of the agricultural interests of the kingdom, the same as the Board of Trade for the commercial and manufacturing interests.

A recent number of the *Farmer* (Scottish) says that there are sixty-six vessels now en route to Great Britain from San Francisco, with cargoes aggregating 1,700,000 sacks of wheat, besides eight vessels for domestic Atlantic ports, with 165,000 sacks of wheat, and ten vessels for Rio de Janeiro, with 51,000 barrels of flour. The Californian flour and wheat now afloat for China and other countries aggregates 2,300,000 sacks of wheat, valued at \$1,000,000.

Among the items of Mr. Lowe's Budget is the repeal of the present import duty on corn. One shilling a quarter seems little better than a merely nominal impost, but it has produced no less than £900,000 per annum, and it has, of course, hitherto, to a certain extent, acted as a protection of the British grower against foreign competition.

The U. S. Woollen Manufacturers' Association of the North west have decided to hold their annual Exposition at Cincinnati, Ohio, on the first Tuesday in August next, to continue four days. A cordial invitation has been extended to wool growers to take part, and furnish samples of the produce of their flocks.

A HAM FAIR was recently held in Paris, continuing open several days. More than three hundred dealers from Belgium, England, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Switzerland, and from about forty of the French departments, were on the ground exhibiting their wares, consisting of bacon, pork, hams, sausages, &c. The fair was supplied with upwards of three hundred thousand kilos of eatable produce.

UNIVERSAL EXPOSITION OF INDUSTRY IN NEW YORK.—The U. S. Congress has adopted a resolution instructing the committee on manufactures to enquire into the propriety of rendering Government aid to the project of the American Institute to hold an International Exhibition of the industry of all nations in New York in 1876, the centennial anniversary of American independence.

Western grumblers about the high price of hay, may find consolation in the statement of the *Armstrong Times* that on the Upper Ottawa hay has reached a fabulous price: even in Pembroke it readily brings \$40 a ton. We learn that one gentleman in the village of Cobden has been offered \$100 a ton delivered at the Mattawan, about 100 miles above Pembroke. Hay recently brought \$35 a ton in Ottawa.

The Guelph April Fair was held on the 7th. The *Advertiser* says the influx of country people was more than usually large. The quantity of beef that was on the ground was of a very fair description. Charles Casley, of Eramosa, had 2 steers for sale, aggregate weight 2,800 lbs., and E. G. Tolton, of Erin, a thorough-bred bull, weight 1,830 lbs. M. McShane, from Montreal, who is a very extensive cattle-dealer, purchased three carloads of cattle between here and Elora, at prices ranging from 4½ to 4¾ per lb. Alfred Reeves, of Toronto, who is likewise engaged in the same line of business, bought from 70 to 80 head, paying as high as 4¾ per lb. The milk cows numbered from 25 to 30 and of medium quality, averaging from \$25 to \$40; while one, the property of W. Steel, brought as high as \$58. James Walsh, of Toronto, bought 20 head of cattle at \$48 per head. Edward Thomas of Nassagaweya, had 1 bull, 2 steers and 1 cow for sale. A. W. Atkins, of Toronto, bought 30 head at \$50 each. Jackson C. Price do, 16 head at \$48. Mr. Isaac Simpson, of Guelph Township, sold 6 fat cattle for \$500. Mr. Sutton, of Everton, sold 5 head for \$270. Arthur Jones, Eramosa, 5 head at \$4½. Although the fair may be considered rather dull, there was nevertheless a large quantity of cattle on the ground.