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We observe from a report of meeting at Truro, transferred to our columns from the *Sun*, that efforts are being made in Colchester to present to the Board of Agriculture a strong claim to have the PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION OF '76 held in that County. Whether such Exhibitions should be held in a city or a country town,—whether Kentville or Lunenburg is the more eligible locality,—these, and like questions, are all susceptible of solutions as diverse as the nature of the solvents that may be applied to them. It would be hopeless to expect that anything like unanimity would be arrived at if such questions were discussed. But, fortunately, there is no need to discuss them. There is no need to stir up demons of local jealousy. The Legislature has, with great wisdom, laid down a simple principle that enables us to bury all local jealousies and all conflicts of local interests. The Exhibition is to be held in that County which presents, in its plans, arrangements, and resources, the best guarantee that it will be carried out with success, and benefit to the country. If Colchester comes forward with a well-considered scheme that commends itself to the Board as the best, then the Board will be constrained to fix upon Colchester as the County for the Exhibition, but if some other County presents a better scheme, then that other County will, of necessity, have the preference. We do not expect that any other County in the Province will be able to compete successfully with Colchester this year. There has, indeed, been such a show of spirited enterprise in general agricultural progress in Colchester, that we earnestly hope the efforts now being made to have the Exhibition there will be crowned with success. The mere holding of a Provincial Exhibition might give an impetus to rural improvement, the beneficial influences of which would be carried forward into a long course of future years. At the same time we consider it our duty to point out clearly to the public that the choice of locality does not depend upon any mere whim of the Government or the Board of Agriculture, or upon political or other pressure that may be exerted by any particular County, but is to be determined solely by the earnestness of purpose of the Farmers themselves, as shown by their preparation and organization for carrying out the Exhibition to a successful issue.

We are desirous of publishing Lists, as well as any other particulars of interest, of all Herds of Thorough-bred Live Stock in the Province, so that our farmers everywhere may know what is being done for the improvement of Stock. We begin with a List of Colonel Laurio's famous Devon Herd at Oakfield:—

| No. | NAME | Strc. | Dam. | When calvcd. |
|-----|-----------------------------|--------|------------------|------------------|
| 101 | Cow Lady Anne..... | " 156" | " 244" | May 12th, 1865 |
| 102 | " Primrose..... | " 261" | 101 | June 8th, 1869 |
| 103 | " Lady Pink..... | " 261" | 101 | May 6th, 1869 |
| 104 | " Maid of Miller Hill..... | " 261" | 101 | April 26th, 1871 |
| 105 | Heifer Blossom..... | 81 | 119 | Nov. 3rd, 1871 |
| 106 | Bull H-velock..... | " 441 | (254) | June 25th, 1869 |
| 107 | Feifer Violet..... | 81 | 103 | Dec. 26th, 1872 |
| 111 | " Geranium (dead)... | 81 | 102 | April 11th, 1873 |
| 109 | " Buttercup..... | 81 | 101 | June 16th, 1873 |
| 110 | " Mayflower } twins | 81 | 104 | July 28th, 1873 |
| 108 | " Daisy..... | 81 | 104 | July 28th, 1873 |
| 112 | " Rose..... | 87 | 103 | Jan. 15th, 1874 |
| 113 | " Lily..... | 106 | 105 | May 4th, 1874 |
| 114 | " Verbena..... | 106 | 101 | June 9th, 1874 |
| 115 | Bull Wellington (sold)..... | 106 | 102 | May 2nd, 1874 |
| 117 | Heifer Tulip..... | 106 | 104 | Dec. 1st, 1874 |
| 116 | Bull Sir Hastings..... | 103 | 103 | Nov. 2nd, 1874 |
| 119 | Cow Margaret..... | " 261" | 101 | April 26th, 1870 |
| 121 | Heifer Miss Grant..... | 81 | 119 | May 1st, 1873 |
| 120 | Bull President..... | 87 | 119 | June 2nd, 1874 |
| 118 | " Lord Clyde..... | 106 | 103 | April 20th, 1875 |
| 126 | " Sir Chas. Napier..... | 106 | 107 | May 26th, 1875 |
| 127 | " Sir John Moore..... | 106 | 105 | June 2nd, 1875 |
| 123 | Heifer Orango..... | 106 | 101 | July 12th, 1875 |
| 129 | " Kalmia..... | 87 | 119 | Sept. 7th, 1875 |
| 131 | " Pansy..... | 106 | 104 | Nov. 12th, 1875 |
| 130 | " Snow-drop..... | 106 | 103 | Nov. 13th, 1875 |
| 122 | Bull Prince Alexander.... | [888] | $\frac{1645}{2}$ | Sept. 18th, 1874 |
| 124 | Heifer Princess Dorothea | [888] | $\frac{2426}{6}$ | June 28th, 1874 |
| 125 | " Princess Victoria.. | [888] | $\frac{2717}{2}$ | July 29th, 1874 |

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