

Machine that could be procured in England. When you pass by my office, we will arrange when and where to send the Machine.

I am, my dear Sir, your's respectfully,

FRED. WIDDER,
Commissioner.

GEORGE BUCKLAND, ESQ.,
Secr. Board of Agriculture, Toronto.

Resolved.—That the Board thankfully accept the Flax Machine offered by Mr. Commissioner Widder—assuring that gentleman that they will do every thing in their power to forward the important views of the Canada Company, in sending the Machine to this country.

The Board afterwards inspected that portion of the University ground set apart for an Experimental Farm, in company, (by special request,) with David Buchan, Esq., Bursar of the University.—A site for the House and out buildings having been agreed on,—subject to such modifications as subsequent arrangements may render necessary, the Board adjourned to next morning, at 8 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, June 22.

The Board met at 8 o'clock A. M. The same members present as attended yesterday.

The first business which came up was the publication of the Reports, Prize Essays, and other communications, which are sent to the Board, from time to time. Much of this kind of matter has hitherto been published in the *Agriculturist*, but as materials are increasing, it was felt that a monthly periodical, consisting of only one sheet, would not be adequate, and that an annual volume should be prepared and published by authority of the Bureau of Agriculture. It was, therefore,

Resolved.—That the following letter on the subject of publishing reports and transactions, be sent to the Minister of Agriculture; and that the existing arrangements with the proprietor of the *Agriculturist*, be continued to the end of the year, and then to terminate.

To the Hon. MALCOLM CAMERON, &c., &c., &c.,
Bureau of Agriculture, Quebec.—

SIR.—The Board of Agriculture now assembled, in pursuance of adjournment, regret that official engagements have deprived them of the pleasure and advantage of your presence.

Among many important matters at present under consideration, there is probably none which may be attended with more permanent advantage to the Farmers of Canada, or secure greater credit and confidence to the Department of Government, over which you preside, than a satisfactory mode of communicating to Agriculturists, and to all connected with agriculture, the results of those experiments, enquiries, and details, which are procured from time to time, and at present sent out in the *Agriculturist*.

It appears to the Board that, however ably and anxiously conducted a monthly periodical may be, it cannot take the position or serve the important end which a carefully arranged and well-got-up annual volume, published by order of Parliament, would assuredly enjoy. It would be premature at this period to enter upon the discussion of details, but the Board can see no insuperable difficulty in carrying out such a measure, and that with more advantage to the

Agriculturists of Canada, and with high credit to the Bureau, under whose auspices it would be issued.

The Board will therefore anxiously desire to obtain at your earliest convenience, some communications from you upon this subject; and will only add their hearty pledge for a willing co-operation on their part in carrying out a measure of such high importance to the Province.

The Board have therefore appointed a Committee to confer with you on the subject when it suits your convenience to meet them; such Committee to be composed of the Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer, of the Board.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

[Signed] F. W. THOMSON,
Chairman.

The Secretary having stated that it was not in his power to discharge the increasing duties of the Secretaryship with satisfaction to himself, owing to the multiplicity of other important matters in his hands, it was

Resolved.—That Mr. Hugh Thomson be appointed Assistant Secretary until the 25th of March next; and that the sum of £200 be allowed for this duty:—£75 to Mr. Buckland, and £125 to Mr. Hugh Thomson.

With a view of showing our respect for, and interest in, our fellow subjects of Lower Canada, the Board appointed E. W. Thomson, Esq., Wm. Maubie Esq., Mr. Sheriff Treadwell, Baron de Longueuil, John Harland, Richard Jackson and Angus Cameron Esqs., to represent the Board and Agricultural Association of Upper Canada, at the Exhibition of the Agricultural Association of Lower Canada, to be held at Montreal in September next.

It was agreed that £25 be granted for the purposes of the Library, and votes of thanks given to the following gentlemen for donations to the same:—Hon. Adam Ferguson, for two colored engravings, illustrating the points and anatomical structure of the Horse; Wm. McDougall, Esq., for the American Herd Book; Henry Imlach, Esq., for Dixon's System of Agriculture—2 vols. quarto.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with B. P. Johnson Esq., Secretary of the New York State Agricultural Society, with the view of obtaining Judges on blood Horses and the improved breeds of Cattle.

Resolved.—That three auditors be appointed to audit the Treasurers' accounts, and report to the Board at the next meeting; and that G. P. Ridout, Esq., M.P.P., the Chairman, and Secretary be such auditors.

After the disposal of several matters, involving points of mere detail, more particularly relating to the management of the next Exhibition, plans of the grounds &c., having been received from the Local Committee in Hamilton, the Chairman was requested to attend the next meeting of said committee, to make final arrangements as to fencing, buildings, and other necessary preparations for the approaching Show in October.

The Board then adjourned.

[Signed.] E. W. THOMSON,
Chairman.