

animal, and have sold him to one of the members, to serve the society one season.

To meet the arrangements of the Board, the society has disposed of the agricultural implements on hand from last year, by public auction, which resulted in a small loss to the society.

The society held its annual exhibition on the 18th of October, the sum of eighty dollars having been voted as premiums on live stock, agricultural productions, and domestic manufactures. Very creditable specimens were exhibited in the various departments, and it was, upon the whole, the best show we have had yet.

Amt. of receipts from last year	-	\$76 67
Provincial grant	-	91 00
Subscriptions of members	-	43 00

\$210 67

Amount of expenditure	-	162 05
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Balance on hand	-	\$48 62
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WM. P. GEDDES, *Pres.*  
WM. CREIGHTON, *Sec'y.*

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

MINUDIE AND BARRONSFIELD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Bye-Laws of the "Minudie and Barronsfield Agricultural Society," passed Jan. 27, 1866.

Art. 1.—This Society shall be called the Minudie and Barronsfield Agricultural Society.

Art. 2.—The objects of this society shall be,—to promote the introduction of improved stock, seeds, roots, improved implements, methods of culture, drainage, orchards, cultivation and improvement of farm buildings, and domestic manufactures; to hold shows and exhibitions, award premiums, and to diffuse information concerning agriculture and horticulture, in such a manner as the society shall determine.

Art. 3.—Any person who shall have signed the constitution, and shall have paid two dollars, shall be considered a member.

Art. 4.—The Secretary, with the consent of the President, may allow persons not considered as farmers to become members, upon the payment of one dollar and signing the constitution.

Art. 5.—The annual payment of one dollar constitutes membership.

Art. 6.—There shall be an annual election of officers on the first Tuesday of December in each year.

Art. 7.—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meeting of the society and its officers, to preserve order, and enforce a strict compliance with the rules of the society.

Art. 8.—It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to discharge the duties of the President in his absence.

Art. 9.—In the absence of the President and Vice-President, the members of the society shall elect a presiding officer, *pro tem.*

Art. 10.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a correct record of all proceedings of the society and of the board of officers, conduct the necessary correspondence, and to draw all orders on the treasury that the board of officers may direct, and the President countersign.

Art. 11.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all monies due the society, pay out of the funds so collected all orders drawn on him by the Secretary, and, at the expiration of his term of office, render to his successor a true record of all monies received and paid.

Art. 12.—The officers and directors shall form a board for transacting all business of the society, and shall, in addition to the ordinary duties of management, present, at the annual meeting in December, a report of the proceedings of the society during the year; in which shall be stated the names of the members, the amount paid by each; the names of all parties to whom premiums were awarded, with the name of the animal, article, or thing in respect of which the same was granted, together with such remarks upon the agriculture of the county as they may be enabled to offer; as also a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the society during the year, which report and statement, if approved by the meeting, shall be entered in the journals, and a true copy thereof shall be sent to the Central Board, within one month thereafter.

Art. 13.—Vacancies occurring at any time through death, removal, or other causes, may be filled by the board of officers at any regular meeting.

Art. 14.—The society at any regular meeting may make, alter, or repeal any bye-laws and rules for the management of the society, which shall, within one month thereafter, be forwarded to the Secretary of the Central Board for its approval.

Art. 15.—The board of officers shall hold meetings, pursuant to adjournment, on any written notice from the Secretary, which shall be given one week before the day appointed, and at any such meeting five shall form a quorum.

Art. 16.—The board of officers, by the direction of the society, may, in connection with the board of officers of other agricultural societies, make any necessary arrangements for holding shows for the exhibition of agricultural and horticultural produce, farm stock, and articles of domestic manufacture, at such time and place as they shall deem most expedient.

Art. 17.—The board of officers, by direction of the society, may expend the funds, together with the provincial grant, in the importation of stock, or in any other way they may think most advantageous in promoting the objects of the

society,—provided notice thereof has been given the Board of Agriculture, and its approval of such appropriation first obtained.

GILBERT SEAMAN, *Sec'y.*

[This society numbers 47 members, from whom the sum of \$74 50 has been collected, and certified under oath, as required by law.]

HALIFAX COUNTY.

EASTERN MUSQUODOBOIT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

An exhibition was held in November, 1865, when the following prizes were awarded:—Imported bull, John Geddes, \$12; do. calf, George H. Parker, \$12; sow pig, Stutely Horton, \$2; boar do. James Reynolds, \$2; bull calf, home raised, George H. Parker, junr., \$2; heifer, do. do. Samuel Henry, \$2; ewe lamb, do. Alex. Parker, \$2; ram lamb, do. Archibald G. Fisher, \$2; do. do. imported, James Henry, \$2, ewe, do. do. Robert Henry, \$2; wheat, George H. Parker, jr., 1st prize, \$2; do. Samuel Hutchinson, 2nd prize, \$1.50; oats, George Parker, 1st prize, \$2; do. John Parker, 2nd prize, \$1.50; barley, Matthew Archibald, \$2; turnips, Alexander Parker, \$2; cloth, grey twill, George H. Parker, senr., \$2; do. women's dress Mrs. R. Henry, \$2.

STATE OF THE CROPS IN 1865.

Wheat was almost a failure in consequence of the ravages of the weevil. Oats early sown were very good in quality, but light in quantity; the greater quantity however, were not sown till late, hence there is a great diminution in the quantity raised. Buckwheat was a very good crop. Barley, but a small breadth sown, grain rather light. Hay an abundant crop greater than has been raised for many years. Turnips, except in some few instances, very light crop, owing to a great drought in the latter part of July and August.

Receipts.

April 4th, 1865. Balance in Treasurer's hands	- - - -	\$85 54
Aug. 17, received for 2 bulls sale		45 00
Sep. 17, for two boars	- - - -	17 00
Annual fees of forty-two members		42 00

Total - - - - \$187 54

Disbursements.

For Clover Seed, freight on do	-	\$41 00
Six copies of Journal	- - -	3 00
Expense of working society	-	2 90
Purchase of Sheep	- - -	49 00
In prizes	- - - -	55 00
Expense attending exhibition	-	1 50

Total - - - - \$152 40  
\$187 54

Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$35 14