

cured, in the spring, three superior animals of the Durham breed, whose progeny, it is confidently anticipated, will make a change for the better in the appearance of the stock of the country.

One of these having a lump grown on his under jaw, which threatened to be serious in its consequences, was sold at a meeting held in October, resulting in a loss of \$50 to the Society. His place, however, was supplied, at the same time, by the purchase of the full-bred Durham "Sir Gaspard," from the Society of East Cornwallis. The services of these animals are given to members at fifty cents, and to non-members at one dollar.

Their cost and maintenance, as will be seen from the subjoined statement, have more than absorbed the whole funds of the Society. Arrangements were made, however, at the meeting in October, by which the keepers have agreed to take the proceeds of service, at the rates above named, as remuneration in full for cost of maintenance for the year commencing at this date; so that, but for the present debt, the whole funds of the coming year would be available for further improvement, in such way as the Society might determine. We would recommend to your consideration the propriety of making a change in the breeds of sheep and swine.

The directors acknowledge with thankfulness the generous aid rendered by the Central Board of Agriculture, by their special grant of forty dollars,—manifesting thus their sincere desire to encourage us in our efforts.

RECEIPTS.

Subscription from members.....	\$77.00
Provincial grant.....	40 00
Proceeds of Bull sold in October.....	10.00
For service of Bulls.....	129.50
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	\$256.50

EXPENDITURE.

Cost of three Durham Bulls in April.....	\$176.00
" one " in October.....	50.00
Expenses of maintenance to date.....	123.00
Books for Secretary and Treasurer.....	0.80
Interest on money borrowed.....	2.25
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	\$352.05

Deduct receipts.....	256.50
Balance due from Society.....	\$95.55

At the meeting this day a splendid Boar Pig—three-fourths Berkshire and one-fourth Suffolk—recently brought from Halifax by one of the directors, was purchased for the use of the Society—and located for the season.

Thirty-four new members joined the Society.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are:—*Pres.*, John B. Dickie; *Vice Pres.*, Robert Sutherland; *Sec'y.*, George F. Crowe; *Treas.*, Silas Clark; *Directors*, William Blair, Hugh Dickson, T. Perley Putnam, William Lynch, Daniel Ross.

JOHN B. DICKIE, *Pres.*
GEORGE F. CROWE, *Sec'y.*

December 4th, 1866.

THE ANNUAL FAIR AND CATTLE SHOW AT WINDSOR.

Windsor, October 30, 1866.

The Annual Fair and Cattle Show of the Windsor Agricultural Society was held on Tuesday the 9th inst. The attendance was better than for several years past. There were several pairs of very fine fat oxen on the ground. The number of working oxen was large and some of them very good.

There was a very good show of bulls and cows; some of the latter particularly fine, comprising specimens of most of the best breeds in the province.

The young stock in two year old heifers, yearling heifers, bull and heifer calves, were very creditable to the breeders and owners.

An unusual number of sheep were on the ground, the whole of which were good, some superior, and affording proof that this description of live stock is properly appreciated, and receives a fair share of attention from the farmers and stock breeders of the district.

The show of pigs was large and all in fine condition and attracted much attention.

The luxuriant growth of after grass enabled the farmers to get their stock in high condition and added much to the general appearance.

The quantity of grain exhibited was much less than usual, the unfavorable state of the weather for harvesting making it a difficult matter to secure grain of any description in proper condition.

The show of roots in turnips, mangel wurtzel, carrots, &c., was respectable in quantity and very good in quality, while the increased breadth of ground under green crop proves that roots as winter food for live stock are beginning to be estimated at their proper value.

I am, sir, your obd't serv't,
SAMUEL PALMER,
Sec. Windsor A. S.

LIST OF PREMIUMS OFFERED FOR COMPETITION AND PAID BY THE WINDSOR AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, ON TUESDAY THE 9th OCTOBER, 1866.

NAME OF SUCCESSFUL COMPETITORS:

Best breeding Mare, John Lawrence.....	\$5 00
2nd do., John Wallace.....	4 00
Bull, Dr. C. C. Hamilton.....	5 00
2nd do., John Lawrence.....	4 00
Bull Calf, Wm. Haley.....	1 50
Cow, J. P. Pellet.....	4 00
2nd do., A. C. Thomas.....	3 00
3rd do., A. C. Thomas.....	2 00
Pair Oxen, John Alison.....	5 00
2nd pr. do., John Alison.....	4 00
Pair Working Oxen, Nathaniel Sm. d.....	4 00
2nd do., John Reden.....	3 00
3rd do., John Kehoe.....	2 00
2 yr. old Heifer, Timothy Kerr.....	3 00
2nd do., John Smith.....	2 50
Yearling Heifer, John O. King.....	2 50
2nd do., James Dill.....	2 00
Heifer Calf, Charles Sandford.....	1 25
Ram, Robert Bacon.....	3 00
2nd do., Lewis W. Hill.....	2 00
Ram Lamb, Robert Bacon.....	2 00
2nd do., Samuel Mumford.....	1 00

Ewe, Hon. R. A. McHessey.....	2 00
2nd do., John Wallace.....	1 50
Ewe Lamb, John Wallace.....	1 50
2nd do., Samuel Mumford.....	1 00
Pair Wether Sheep, David Scott.....	1 00
Boar, John Kehoe.....	4 00
2nd do., Robie McLatchy.....	3 00
Sow, A. C. Thomas.....	3 00
2nd do., James Dill.....	2 00
Best 2 bushels Wheat, Nathaniel Smith.....	2 00
do James Alison.....	1 50
2 bushels Oats, John Wallace.....	1 50
2nd do., John Mixer.....	1 00
2 bushels Barley, John Mixer.....	1 50
2nd do., Charles Sandford.....	1 00
2 bushels Buckwheat, David Scott.....	1 00
2nd do., John O. King.....	0 75
Peck Peas, John Mixer.....	1 00
Peck Beans, James Alison.....	1 00
Peck Onions, Joseph Alison.....	1 00
Dozen Indian Corn, John Wallace.....	1 00
do Parsnips, Samuel Palmer.....	1 00
do Swedes Turnips, James Reden.....	1 50
do Mangel Wurzel, P. S. Burnham.....	1 50
do Yellow Carrots, Samuel Palmer.....	1 00
do White Carrots, J. M. Geldert.....	1 00
do Beets, P. S. Burnham.....	1 00
Pair Geese, John O. King.....	1 00
Pair Ducks, Samuel Palmer.....	1 00
Dozen Fowls, David Scott.....	1 00
20 lbs. Cheese, John Mixer.....	2 00
30 lbs. Butter, Nathaniel Smith.....	2 00
2nd do., John Smith.....	1 50
10 yds. Woollen Cloth (men's) Jn. Alison.....	1 50
2nd do., Samuel Mumford.....	1 00
10 yds. Wool. Cloth (women's) Jn. Alison.....	1 50
2nd do., Samuel Palmer.....	1 00

SAMUEL PALMER,
Sec. Windsor Ag. Soc.

RAGWORT OR STINKING WILLIE, FINE BEANS, COURASEMO PIGS, AND BAD POTATOES.

HALIFAX, 27th Nov., 1866.

To the Editor of the Jour. of Agriculture.

SIR,—Having read some of the articles in your number for this month with great interest, I had resolved to send you a few lines under the above rather formidable title. Subsequently I found that you had anticipated me, to some extent, by giving the readers of your Journal the benefit of valuable remarks on that most pernicious weed—Ragwort. In the prosecution of my late official tour to the eastern portion of the province, the first town I visited was Pictou. I had not been many hours there before making the acquaintance of "Stinking Willie." Indeed, the impudent fellow would not permit me to take a quiet stroll in the neighbourhood, without intruding himself upon my notice at every step. He was dressed in anticipation of my visit, I presume, in his gayest habiliments, and I fancied he smelt strongly of brimstone—an indication of the place of his birth. I was informed that the botanical name of this special favourite of the good people of Pictou, whom they have been entertaining for the last fifty years with the utmost hospitality, and who is likely ultimately to become sole proprietor of the soil, is not as you have it, *Senecio Jacobææ*, but *Senecio Balsamitæ*. No matter, however, what name the rogue may assume, his character is ever the same. As a rose would smell as sweet by any other name, so would "Willie" stink as pungently! But I must cease to be personal, and go on to say that the result