

be purchased to suit any party. Again, we consider a change of President as essential to the prosperity of this Society—we require a farmer, or one that will not hold his head too high to speak to a farmer. We will now state a little incident that will show this plainly.

The other day as we were passing along the side-walk on Talbot-street, we heard a voice say Mr. Weld. On turning we saw the President behind a wagon on the street. We left the side-walk and went into the street to ascertain what he wanted. He asked us what we meant by drawing his name so personally in our exposition of the management of the Provincial Exhibition. We told him we did not consider that he had acted properly in Hamilton. He said "it was false, it is untrue." We told him if it was, he had the Press at his command, and could reply.

He answered, "I will not lower myself to reply."

He spoke in a very over-bearing, tyrannical manner, and we left him. Now gentlemen, we require a person that is not too haughty to speak to a backwoods farmer in a civil manner. We want fair play and fair treatment, and we have the means, the ability, and the spirit among the farmers of this County to conduct the County exhibition, and to establish the Agricultural Emporium. Then in our Report I hope to see exported from this Country to California, New Brunswick, and every State in the Union, stock for breeding purposes—then we may have something to be proud of, and a profitable market. It only requires unity. Rally to the standard—onward is our cry. Persevere and succeed is our motto.

Mayor Glass said that the highest compliment that the Directors could pay to Mr. Weld would be to copy some of his articles. If, therefore, they had done so, he should not complain. He was in favor of adding to the report that a short expression of approval of Mr. Weld's efforts to improve Canadian stock be embraced in the report.

Mr. Magee also spoke in favor of the efforts put forth by Mr. Weld. They should assist each other in every manner possible.

Mayor Glass then drafted the following, which was added to the report:—"We have much pleasure in directing your attention to the establishment and progress of the 'Farmer's Advocate,' published by Wm. Weld, Esq., of Delaware. We would respectfully recommend the farming community generally to give their patronage and support to that paper, as it will no doubt be of much service in the advancement of Agriculture generally."

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:

Mr. G. G. Magee, President; Mr. Wheaton, 1st Vice President; Mr. Rowat, 2d Vice President; Mr. Alex. Kerr, Treasurer; Mr. Henry Anderson, Secretary.

The following gentlemen were appointed Directors:

Mr. Alex. McKenzie, London Township; Mr. John Nixon, Westminster; Mr. James Craig, North Dorchester; Mr. Alex. McKenzie, Nissouri; Mr. Jas. Smith, McGillivray; Mr. John Elliott, City of London.

The following gentlemen were elected

representatives to the Board of Agriculture:

Messrs. G. G. Magee, David Glass, Jas. Johnson, and Col. Askin.

We consider the newly elected office bearers for the County Exhibition the most efficient staff that London has had for some time, and hope to see the farmers now come forward and show a greater confidence than heretofore. We see nothing to prevent Middlesex from becoming the head centre of Agricultural improvement. The late President, Mr. Johnston, retired without a vote of thanks, had there been one attempted we should have proposed a vote of censure.

We omit the long report as the substance of the most useful part of it appeared in one of our previous numbers.

As we seconded the resolution about the land question, at the meeting in harvest time, desiring the subject to be brought before this meeting, we did it for the purpose of making enquiries, and to give time to consider what should be done.

You are aware that there are two pieces of land in this city that have been occupied at times for agricultural purposes, but in what way we held them we did not know. We enquired of the President at the meeting, and he read to us an arrangement made between the Agricultural Society and the City, but did not show us what claim the city had on the lands occupied by the Provincial Agricultural Buildings. We believe we can be disposed of that land, and we have not the control over it, while the other land on which the County building is erected we have a proper title for. We do not consider it judicious to part with land that we hold a proper title for, until we have a right claim on another tract of land as suitable.

We think if the President had shown as much interest in the proper management of the Agricultural Society's affairs as for friends, or the city interest, we should not have those unnecessary printers bills to pay. We think no farmer would have allowed a meeting to be called in the midst of the most expensive and precarious harvest that we have ever experienced. We well knew that very few farmers could attend, therefore we came to the meeting to endeavor to maintain our rights.

In the Society's books, you may there find a minute even of last year, asking permission of the military authorities to use the land occupied by them, and by

the Provincial Agricultural buildings. The question is, who does the land belong to? We do not require two. Is it ours or is it not?

The land is not to be sold unless we obtain a much more satisfactory tenure of the Provincial grounds than we now have.

The Report and discussions occupied such a length of time, that many became hungry and weary, and were leaving. At this time two important resolutions were put and carried. One, the nomination of Delegates for the Provincial Board, G. G. McGee, Jas. Johnson, Col. Askins and D. Glass, Esq., were the persons appointed. We do not consider they would have all been appointed had the subject been agitated. They are all what we may term City men. Have we not a farmer in the County fit to represent us.

The next was appointing a committee to confer with city men about the establishment of free fairs, or monthly markets. Also to take into consideration the holding of the Provincial Exhibition in this city.

Questions for the Canada Farmer.

As he proposes to give general Agricultural information, will he be kind enough to answer the following questions for the information of the public:

Why has he not noticed in his paper the sales of some of Mr. George Robson's celebrated herd? Mr. J. Pincomb's cattle sold at from \$100 to \$400. Mr. Friendship has purchased two Durhams from other parties, paying \$300 and \$400 each for them. High prices have been realized for horses raised in this County. Sheep and hogs have been purchased at higher prices in this County than those taken notice of. Why are we overlooked? Would he favor us with an account of the cost of the erection of the Agricultural Hall in Toronto, and the amount paid for salaries of persons attached to it? Also a short account of the receipts and expenditures of the Provincial Agricultural Association, and why exhibitors that have been awarded prizes are not paid? Why has he not given us a good truthful account of things of great importance in regard to the Provincial Exhibition? Why has he rejected useful communications? Why would he not give fair play to a farmer whose name he inserted in his paper? If he refuses to answer our questions this time, we will have a word with his master in our next paper.

One of our sons met with an accident, which caused the loss of a front tooth. We applied to Mr. Perrin, a Dentist of reputation in this city, opposite Strong's Hotel, who dexterously placed a china tooth in the vacant spot.