

as to the amount allowed, it was impossible to balance the books.

There are sixty-nine members now belonging to this society, who have paid in \$82; balance from last year, \$61.68. Expenditures about \$300—\$133.90 of which was awarded in prizes, about one half of which has been paid, leaving the Secretary slightly out of pocket. Balance of premiums will be paid immediately on the government grant being paid; also a report of the doings of this society, together with the state of the funds, will be forwarded so soon as we shall be able to ascertain as to the last mentioned particular.

At the annual meeting the following office-bearers were appointed for the ensuing year:—*Pres.*, D. Chisholm, Esq.; *Vice Pres.*, Adam Kirk; *Sec'y.*, C. B. Whidden; *Directors*, A. McGillivray, Esq., James Burnside, J. McDonald, Esq., Alex. McNeil and Colin Chisholm.

Amount of receipts.....	\$320.02½
" disbursed.....	306.30

Balance in hand.....	\$13.62½
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I remain, &c.,
C. B. WHIDDEN,
Sec'y Antigonish Agr. Society.

REPORT OF KING'S COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY FOR 1866.

It is gratifying to report that the society is in a flourishing condition, and numbers some fifty-four members, including honorary members.

The society had no funds in hand at the close of last year, have paid some \$10 for the "Canada Farmer," also \$5 for the "Journal of Agriculture," leaving but a small sum to purchase and keep its stock, and consequently could not make any purchases of the stock imported by the Central Board.

One bull was purchased by the society, which cost \$50. This sum, with the other expenses, will leave the society a little in debt at the close of the year.

A bull which the society has owned for two years, was sold on a credit of six months for a small sum, which will appear in the next account.

The Society now own a bull and two boar higs, besides several farm implements; also one Canadian ram.

Respecting the crops of the past season, the hay was an average crop, a small part of which was housed in good condition, but a large portion was much injured by the frequent rains, some nearly spoiled. A good many of the low meadows were submerged for several weeks, and the crop was not cut, but the surplus of last year will supply the deficiency.

A middling large breadth of land was sown with different kinds of wheat. The winter variety succeeded well; that sown early in the spring was almost entirely

destroyed by the weevil. The late sown escaped the weevil, but owing to the heavy rains was broken down early in the season, and partly overrun by weeds, and the yield will be light.

A large breadth was sown with oats, and notwithstanding the wet harvest, which has nearly spoiled the straw, the yield will be good.

Of rye, but little was sown here. That sown in the fall yielded well; that sown in the spring was not so good.

A middling large breadth was sown with barley, and the yield was good. We have two varieties here, the bald and the bearded.

But little buckwheat was sown here, which yielded well.

A small breadth was planted with Indian corn, and the crop good.

A large breadth of land was planted with potatoes, and those planted in wet soils nearly all decayed in the ground. The crop on dry lands was pretty good, and not so badly diseased as was expected, and the tubers are keeping pretty well in the cellars; but the want of a market for this valuable crop will be much felt by the people here.

A small breadth was sown with turnips, and the yield middling, the season being too wet.

Other vegetables generally good. The fruit crop was very light, especially plums.

Some fifty copies of the "Canada Farmer" were taken by the society, which have been extensively read, and have diffused a vast amount of useful information. Ten copies of the "Journal of Agriculture" were also taken by the society. This paper is highly prized by the people here, and they anticipate much benefit will result from its publication.

The society express their gratitude to the Board of Agriculture, for the deep interest manifested by them in the agricultural interests of the province, by the importation of cattle, horses, sheep, &c.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—*Pres.*, Stephen Gould; *Vice Pres.*, Jas. W. Harris; *2d Vice Pres.*, Geo. E. Cox; *Sec'y and Treas.*, George Hamilton; *Ass't. Sec'y*, Thos. Tuzo; *Committee*, Wm. Stewart, Wm. Falkner, Leonard Newcomb, Charles Reed, Samuel Palmeter.

The accompanying account will show the receipts and expenditures for the year. All of which is respectfully submitted.

STEPHEN GOULD, *President.*
GEO. HAMILTON, *Sec. and Treas.*

FAIR AT BRATTLEBORO, VERMONT.—
We are indebted to H. Davenport, Esq., for the premium list of the Fair of the New England and Vt. Agricultural Societies, held at Brattleboro, on 4th to 7th September, 1866.

OFFICERS OF SYDNEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Sydney, Dec. 7, 1866.

DEAR SIR,—It occurs to me we have omitted giving you the list of office-bearers for 1867. These are:—*Pres.*, Henry Davenport; *Vice-Pres.*, Roderick McLellan; *Treas.*, William Buchanan; *Sec'y* A. H. Bourinot; *Directors*, Alex. Howie, William McLeod, James Muggah, Jacob Ingraham, Patrick Caddigan.

As Mr. Bourinot, our active Secretary, is leaving for Halifax, it gives me an opportunity of rectifying the omission. These societies are not very easily kept in order, and give one a vast amount of trouble in getting signatures and payments in proper time. I ought to have 120 members on my list, yet only 54 signed the roll by 1st Sept, and 77 by 1st Dec; and now, when all for this year is too late, subscriptions are coming in.

I am, &c.,
H. DAVENPORT.

NEWPORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Newport, Dec. 31st, 1866.

The annual meeting of this society was held in terms of the Act, on Tuesday, 4th December. The annual report of the Board was read and adopted, and the Treasurer's accounts reported correct.—Office-bearers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—*Pres.*, James W. Allison, Esq.; *Vice Pres.*, Saml. Chambers, Esq.; *Sec'y and Treas.*, Charles Cochran; *Directors*, Robert W. Allison, John Northup, jr., Israel Sanford, John Burke and Oliver Baxter, Esqrs.

CHARLES COCHRAN, *Sec'y.*

DIGBY CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Digby, December 28th, 1866.

I herewith forward to you a copy of the report presented at the annual meeting held on the 5th inst.

As the number of societies is limited to four in each county, I think it will be found necessary to extend the limits of our society further in two directions; if so, we will require two more bulls, which will take some more of our funds, and I think will be the means of adding to our numbers and helping to create an interest in the improvement of stock, which is very much needed in this part of the Province. If you think this will not meet the approval of the Board, will you please inform me and oblige.

[The Board will no doubt cordially approve of the Society's action in this matter.] Yours, &c.,

JAMES M. AYMAR,
Sec'y. of the Digby Central Agr. Soc'y.