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THE COBOURG EXHIBITION.

The Tenth Annual Exhibition of the Agricultural Association was held at Cobourg, on the 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th of last month, according to announcement. In some respects it was superior to any of the previous exhibitions; while in others it came short. These variations must be looked for, especially under the moveable or itinerant system which the Association has adopted. Several departments of the Show must always be contributed from the locality; and these will vary according to the habits, tastes, and pursuits of the people. Our country is now so large and so well-developed that the peculiarities of its townships, cities, and neighbourhoods, are sufficiently marked for observation. While the country was new, and the virgin soil yielded abundantly to the most careless cultivation, there was neither occasion, nor room for much diversity of system or practice in Agriculture. But after a few crops had exhausted the richness, distributed by nature, in its forest leaves, with so even a hand, the peculiarities of the subsoil became apparent and demanded special treatment.—The crops and mode of culture adapted to the east, will not answer in the west, and thus a diversity has sprung up of which the Provincial Show is at once the record and the result.

In the vicinity of Cobourg for instance, judging from what we saw, the wheat crop produces an inferior sample as compared with some other parts of the province. The Canada company's prize was carried off by F. W. Weese, of the county of Prince

Edward whose wheat was by no means extraordinary. We should not wish to see it sent to a world's fair as a sample of the best that Canada can produce. The other entries for this prize were quite inferior and would hardly command a medium price in the Toronto Market. The quality of the spring wheat, however, grown in the neighbourhood of Cobourg was very good. On the other hand the display of field-roots, was, considering the season, very superior. The soil of the townships in the rear of Cobourg seems well adapted for turnips and root crops. We had the pleasure of visiting the farm of Jno. Walton Esq, near Peterboro', and on our way was surprised to see fields of 4, 5 and 6 acres well covered with turnips, that had escaped the fly, drought, and all other enemies. Mr. Walton farms admirably. He carried off the first Prize in the class of aged Durham Bulls, and exhibited also a good herd of thorough bred cows. He says that if it were not for his turnip crop he could not raise stock profitably. His summer pasture is poor but he makes up the deficiency during winter. Here then we have a different system of culture indicated a different rotation rendered practicable, from that which prevails on the clay soils of this neighbourhood and further west.

We must refer the reader to the Prize List which is published in full in this number, and as finally corrected by the Secretary, for information as to the persons and localities to whom and to which prizes were awarded. We have room for a few general remarks only. In cattle, horses, and sheep, we think this exhibition was an improvement on its predecessors. We never saw so large a show of Devons at any previous exhibition