

charge them cost and charges for what they order. Passed unanimously.

Notice was given the collectors for the current year to have all moneys collected and paid in, in time for the Treasurer and Secretary to have their books balanced one week before the next annual meeting, as from the late date they are in the habit of paying in their collections, it is impossible for the Treasurer and Secretary to fully make up their books, so as to make as full a report of the proceedings of the Society as they would desire.

STATHERN BAILEY, Sec'y.  
Annapolis, Dec. 1, 1874.

**SHUBENACADIE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.**

Report of the Auditing Committee of the Shubenacadie Agri. Society.

We your Committee beg leave to report as follows, viz :

We have examined the accounts of the managing committee, the Treasurer's account and the books of the Society, find them correct, and as follows :

We find the Society owed the managing Committee, at the annual meeting of 1873, \$146.37.

Treasurer received since from 40 members.....	\$40 00
From railway depot for ram killed by railway.....	32 00
For bull sold to S. Frame.....	35 00
For prize on Ayrshire bull.....	15 00
For provincial grant of 1873.....	38 19
	\$150 19
Further we find the committee paid for bullring.....	\$ 50
Sundry expenses.....	9 00
To John McDonald for expenses of bull to Exhibition.....	11 17
	20 67

In hands of Committee.....\$133 52  
Shubenacadie, Dec. 1st, 1874.

The bulls belonging to our Society, namely, Durham "Duke of Cardwell," Ayrshire "Bangor Duke," are to be kept free of expense to the society, and for its use for one year. Passed by resolution, that Mr. Wm. Blair, of Onslow, Colchester Co., be recommended to fill the vacancy in the Central Board of Agriculture.

Hay was above an average crop this season. Grain an average. Roots of all kinds poor, and potatoes almost a failure in some places.

DAVID MOORE, Secretary.  
Shubenacadie, Dec. 28th, 1874.

**AYLESFORD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.**

Aylesford, Dec. 1st, 1874.

The annual meeting of Aylesford Agricultural Society was held in the Dampsey corner schoolhouse, on Tuesday, the 1st of December, Johnson E. Patterson, Esq. in the chair.

The Directors report the financial state of the Society as follows :

Paid for keeping bulls the winter term.....	\$66 50
Do. for summer term.....	90 00
For purchase of stock.....	40 00
Sundry other items.....	4 00
	\$201 00
Receipts for services of bulls past summer.....	\$50 00
For the ensuing year 59 members.....	65 00
	\$109 00
	\$ 92 50

On account of not drawing last year's grant we are in debt ninety-two dollars and fifty-cents.

The following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year:—*President*.—Johnson E. Patterson; *Vice-Pres.*—Leonard Fitch; *Treasurer*.—Eugene Fitch; *Sec'y.*—F. A. McMahon. *Directors*.—Samuel Bowlby, Wilsby Parker, Nelson Patterson, Ingerson Patterson, Augustus Wallis. *Auditors*.—Jas. Patterson, Edward Bremman, Charles Taylor, Esqs.

The estimate of the crops in this vicinity may be classed as follows:—Hay, very good. Potatoes, about an average. Wheat, very good, the most raised for some years. Oats abundant. Barley and buckwheat, fair. Corn, like turnips, an average. Apples, abundant.—We think there is a great mistake in not sowing more wheat.

F. A. McMAHON, Sec'y.  
Aylesford, Dec. 14th, 1874.

**MORRISTOWN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, CO. ANTIGONISH.**

Held annual meeting, Dec. 1st, 1874, at Archibald McGillivray's store. Statement of funds for ensuing year 1875 :

Society funds on hand, including 70 subscriptions amounting to \$94, an increase of 19 members over 1874, and cash to amount of \$21 more than 1874, total funds declared by examining committee.....	\$134 84
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Dr.	
Bill presented for purchase of bull from Mr. Longworth, P. E. I., and expenses here.....	\$63 81
Donald McDonald for extra feed to Bull William.....	5 00
Alex. Chisholm, Secretary, postage..	25
	\$ 69 09
	\$ 65 73

R. Trotter's executors have to file account of summering gone bull, also Geo. Wilkie, Cape George, of keeping a second one, both the accounts not presented will amount to about \$35.00.

Stock on hand paid for in full. Bull marked in herd book "William," cost \$99.75. No pedigree. Imported from Canada last Provincial importation, and David McNair Cape George purchased him, he has proved a failure; second bull, one year and seven months old, purchased this fall from Mr. Longworth, P. E. I., no pedigree, cost \$63.81. Claimed to be very fine by Mr. Longworth; third and fourth, two bulls purchased in this county, sired by a grade Durham Bull bought in Shubenacadie three years ago by 12 men, dam's common stock of this county. Those two bulls cost \$72. Total purchase cost of all four bulls \$ 35.56. The three last mentioned bulls are fair animals for the class they belong to, but in my opinion, where Societies draw Government grants, they should be strictly enjoined to purchase thorough-bred. Having no thorough-bred heifers, stock deteriorates very fast even to purchase the highest class bulls that can be found.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—*President*.—Robert McDonald, Cape George; *Vice-President*.—John C. McDonald; *Treasurer*.—A. McGillivray; *Secretary*.—Geo. G. Henry. *Directors*.—D. McNair, David Sinclair, Malcom McGillivray, Allan Smith, Moses Summers. Representative to Agricultural Board, Geo. G. Henry.

**CROPS.**

Hay, staple article of production of this county and of the very richest quality, a very

abundant crop, in haymaking time only worth \$6 to \$7 per 2000 lb., abundance to be had now for \$8: But speculation completely discouraged here in hay as any county not supplied with marsh mud or mineral manures, cannot export hay and improve in farm culture. I unhesitatingly state that this county has the richest manures, is the best watered, and not second to any other in this province. Wheat, last season grew and filled well, but very little compared with 8 or 10 years. Farmers have failed to trust providential guidance in blessing their labours. Oats, good average crops in quantity and quality. Potatoes below average, and quite a quantity rotted after digging. Buckwheat, very little grown in this county. Turnips, medium. Beets, carrots, and parsnips, good growth, but only cultivated for home use, none for exportation.

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Wellington Tannery, Nov. 10th, 1874.

**To the Presidents of Agricultural Societies, &c.**

In accordance with the strongly expressed wish of the Central Board of Agriculture, the Proprietors of the Wellington Tannery have purchased the Bone Mill formerly owned and worked by the late Mr. Stanford, and propose to manufacture both half inch and fine ground Bone, in order to supply the demand for this much needed and very valuable manure.

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WELLINGTON TANNERY,  
Oakfield, Halifax Co.

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