

marshes, destroying the grain crops and injuring the hay. We have at a heavy expence repaired the dykes, but the lands overflowed will be injured for three or four years.

The Society being yet comparatively young, and no accumulated funds, and another bull to be bought next season, it has been felt that we were not in a position to make so large a contribution to the Exhibition fund at Halifax as we would have wished.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

For sundries, stock &c.....\$180.35

## RECEIPTS.

Leaving a balance on hand, of... 207.00  
\$21.35

Officers elected for ensuing year are:—  
*Pres.*, Robert Mitchell; *Vice-President*, Charles Baker, 1st; *Sec'y.*, John Hunter, *Treas.*, Rufus Seamen; *Directors*, Steph., Clark, E. Rea, John Kirkpatrick, G. Symes, and Paul LeBlanc.

ROBERT MITCHELL, *Pres.*  
JOHN HUNTER, *Sec'y.*

## HARDWOODLAND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Agreeably to the terms of the act for the encouragement of agriculture, our Society held its annual meeting on the 3rd of December, when the following report was read and unanimously adopted.

We, the officers of this Society have much pleasure in making this report of our proceedings for the past year, and in doing so would gladly avail ourselves of this opportunity of returning our warmest thanks to the Central Board of Agriculture for the deep interest taken in the importation of improved stock and seed wheat, by which this, and other local Societies can get the best breeds of cattle, sheep, swine and seed wheat at home, which must prove very beneficial to the country.

We need scarcely add, that agreeably to the wishes of this Society, the thoroughbred Durham bull was sold—although at such a price as we fear will do us little credit as managers, as will be seen per account. Yet we did the best that circumstances would admit of, in offering him for sale at Richmond, on the day of the Central Board's sale of cattle, and afterwards at home. Yet we could not effect a sale, even to our own wishes. It is but just to many of you as members of this Society to tender you our thanks for the kind manner in which you volunteered to keep him one fortnight in turn, free of expense through the summer season, therefore saving us a good deal of trouble; as well as saving the funds of the Society for more useful purposes.

As the Central Board of Agriculture now offer for sale a quantity of improved seed wheat imported from Canada, we

hope this meeting will not lose the opportunity of introducing it into this locality, as it will (no doubt,) prove very beneficial to us all.

We are happy to add, that agreeably to the wishes of this Society, we have purchased two rams, which we hope will give you all great satisfaction. The one is a Leicester, from Canada, and the other is a Cotswold from the stock of Mr. Decie, of Cornwallis.

Our accounts for the year are as follows:—

Cr.	
To Balance on hand, from 1866.....	\$ 4.18 1/2
Subscriptions of members.....	41.50
Cash for bull sold.....	24.00
Total.....	\$69.68 1/2

Dr.	
By winter keeping of bull.....	\$42.50
Trip to Halifax, and freight on bull and rams.....	4.15
Keeping bull from 1st Sept until sold..	3.50
Loss of rams.....	26.00
Keeping of do., and carrying from station	1.20
Postage &c.....	.50
	\$77.85
	69.68 1/2

Leaving due.....\$ 8.16 1/2  
To meet, which we have, the Provincial Grant and the ensuing year's subscription.

The Society was then called upon by the President to appoint their officers for the ensuing year, when the following were unanimously elected:—*Pres.*, Peter Grant; *Treas.*, E. McDonald; *Sec'y.*, James Orr Fraser; *Directors*, William Withrow, Alex. Ferguson, A. McDonald, P. A. Grant.

It was further agreed, that this Society be kept open to the 1st of March for new members to join, and that all subscriptions be paid against that date. It was also agreed that this Society meet once a month for the discussion of agricultural questions during the winter.

The consideration of getting some of the Wheat from Central Board was then taken up, when it was unanimously agreed to get at least, twenty bushels.

In reference to the crops in this locality, we may add that hay is the only heavy crop grown, and that owing to the wetness of the season it was saved with great difficulty, and in some instances not without loss. Potatoes are not half a crop here—the wetness of ground in spring kept the planting back to a very late season, and the blight struck them very early, and constant wet weather caused a great many of them to rot altogether. Wheat is also a very small crop and of poor quality, owing to the destruction of weevil. Buckwheat promised well at an early stage in its growth, but the heavy winds in August, where grown in exposed places, injured it altogether; while some grown in sheltered places did well.—Of oats there is but a light crop of grain, from the fact of its being put down by the winds before ripening; there is plenty of

straw, generally of a poor quality. Fruit, both cultivated and wild, was very scarce in this neighbourhood, much less than has been these many years past.

JAMES GRAHAM, *Sec'y.*

## YARMOUTH CO. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The first annual meeting of the Yarmouth Co. Agricultural Society was held on Tuesday, 3rd December. Owing to the recent organization of the Society there were no business transactions to report. The subscription list, increased by one name since reported to you, showed 77 names; amount paid up, \$179.50. A subscription list for 1868 was commenced, and signed by all present. I shall see that the number and amount subscribed largely exceed the first list.

The following were chosen officers for the ensuing year:—*Pres.*, William B. Townsend; *Vice Pres.*, William Burrill; *Sec'y. and Treas.*, Charles C. Brown; *Directors*, William Kinney, Henry Burrill, Dennis C. Weston, Enos K. Rogers, Stephen Churchill.

## DARTMOUTH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A meeting of the members of the above Society was held on 3rd December at the residence of Mr. Kuhn, V. Pres. Minutes of last regular and special meetings read and confirmed. The Treasurer's report was as follows:—

Cr.	
Balance on hand last meeting.....	£6 19 6
Received Provincial Grant, 1860.....	12 0 0
“ from 42 subscribers.....	10 10 0
	£29 9 6
Dr.	
Prizes.....	£14 7 0
Printing.....	3 2 6
Collecting subscriptions.....	0 10 6
Incidental expenses.....	1 5 0
	19 5 9

Balance on hand.....£10 3 9

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—*Pres.*, A. Khun; *Vice Pres.*, E. Crosse; *Sec'y.*, A. Tobin; *Treas.*, Thomas Morash; *Directors*, John Bissett, Peter Farquharson, John Settle, P. McNab, John Morash.

J. SHORT, *Sec'y.*

## BADDECK AGRICULTURAL SOC'Y.

The Baddeck Agricultural Society held its annual meeting on Tuesday, the 3rd of December; and after hearing the report of the Directors for the past year, the Treasurer's accounts were taken up and found correct, showing a balance to the credit of the Society, after paying all claims against it, of \$46.17, besides the Provincial Grant for the present year. The meeting was small on account of the inclemency of the weather, consequently