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Omniium rerum, ex quibus aliquid acquiritur, nihil est agriculturâ melius, nihil uberius, nihil homine libero dignius.—Cicero : de Officiis, lib. I, cap. 42.

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Provincial Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition, Halifax, Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1, 2 and 3.

THE arrangements for the forthcoming Provincial Exhibition are proceeding satisfactorily. The Exhibition Building at Spring Gardens already presents an imposing appearance. Ample accommodation in the form of an improved model of shed is being provided for the large numbers of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, Poultry, and other kinds of live stock that are likely to be exhibited. By the new method, the public will be able to have a better view of the individual animals than at any previous Exhibition in this Province. The various Committees are holding numerous meetings, and carrying out the preliminary arrangements necessary in their respective departments. Prize Lists and Entry Papers are daily flowing through the Post Office to all parts of the country, and Entries are being received at the office in such numbers as to render the success of the Exhibition a certainty. The Agricultural Societies in many of the Counties have sent in their lists of nominees to assist the Committee in the selection of Judges. In Amherst a public meeting has been held and a committee formed to promote the success of the Halifax Exhibition, and the *Amherst Gazette* has published the Regulations and a condensed Prize List. The *Colchester Sun* has an article relating to the Exhibition every week, which is a valuable form of free advertising. The Committee on Machinery have made ar-

rangements for having steam power, so that Inventors and Manufacturers may exhibit their machinery in motion. This will increase the interest of the Mechanical Department. The Executive Committee of the Board of Agriculture will meet on the 14th inst., for the examination of pedigrees of thorough-bred live stock presented for registry in the Herd Books, so as to facilitate exhibits in this department. Some of the Railways have already quoted low rates to the Committee for passengers during Exhibition week, and for freight to the Exhibition. The whole Province appears at last to be aroused, and we have every reason to look for an Exhibition which, in extent, variety, and quality of products, will be far in advance of any previous one.

THE inhabitants of Weymouth, in the County of Digby, have organized an Agricultural Society. St. Clair Jones, *President*; George Dunbar, *V. P.*; N. E. Butler, *Secretary and Treasurer*; E. K. Rogers, John Kinney, W. C. Hawkinson, John Goodwin, and Robert Journey, *Directors*. Number of members, 46.

THE Isle Madame Agricultural Society have purchased from Mr. J. W. Margeson of Cornwallis, the two-year old bull Walter the 2nd, of the Ayrshire breed. He is said to be a fine animal, as is also the Devon bull Grand Master, purchased from Colonel Laurie. Grand Master is two years old.

ALDERMAN FRASER requests us to publish the following list of Special Prizes offered by him at the approaching Exhibition, and to state that the Condiment can now be had of his sub-agents throughout the Province, and at his office, 76 Granville Street:—

For best Milch Cow, fed with the North British Co's Nutritious Condiment.....	\$12 50
For fattest Cow, fed with the North British Company's Nutritious Condiment.....	12 50
For the best and fattest Ox, fed with the North British Company's Nutritious Condiment.....	15 00
For the best and fattest Sheep, fed with the North British Company's Nutritious Condiment.....	10 00
For the best and fattest Pig, fed with the North British Company's Nutritious Condiment.....	10 00

Animals that may compete for or have taken prizes in other classes, are not excluded from competition for the prizes offered by Mr. Fraser; but, in entering for these prizes, the entry paper must be accompanied by a Certificate or Invoice, showing that the Competitor has been using the North British Company's Nutritious Condiment, in feeding the competing animals, for a period of at least two months prior to the Exhibition.

THE latest addition to the Halifax flora is *Viola palmata*, regarded in Gray's Manual as a variety of *V. cucullata*, but apparently a good species. Moreover, *palmata* is the original name of Linnaeus, *cucullata* having been subsequently given by Aiton. *Viola blanda* was first introduced into England by H. R. H. the Duke of Kent, who no doubt obtained it at "The Prince's Lodge," where it abounds. *V. Acadensis* was collected last century at Halifax, by Menzies, who accompanied Vancouver in his voyage round the world, not in the modern fashion of eighty days.