

whose proceedings in relation thereto shall be subject to the approval of the Governor-in-Council.

"I certify the same to be a correct copy.  
" (Signed,) S. H. HOLMES,  
" Clerk Ex. Council."

8. Letter from W. F. McCurdy, Esq., dated 15th May, 1880, notifying Board of action taken by Agricultural Societies in Cape Breton Island in relation to the Island Exhibition.

4. Minutes of meeting of delegates representing the Agricultural Societies of the Island of Cape Breton, held at Baddeck, 14th May, 1880, when, by a majority of two, including the chairman, who requested his vote to be recorded, Baddeck was chosen as the locality for the Exhibition.

5. Letter from George C. Laurence, Port Hastings, urging Board to confirm choice of Baddeck for Exhibition.

6. Minutes of meeting of Cape Breton Agricultural Exhibition Committee held at Whyocomagah, 11th June, 1880, when J. S. Hart, was appointed Chairman, George C. Laurence, Secretary, and a Committee of seven gentlemen resident in the County of Victoria, were appointed to prepare a prize list and submit the same to the Central Board for approval:—A. F. Haliburton, Wm. F. McCurdy, Albert J. Hart, A. A. McGillivray, John Morrison, L. Geo. Campbell, Joseph H. Hart. A motion was also passed requesting the Central Board to confirm the appointment of one member of each Agricultural Society to form a General Committee for the management of the Exhibition, with power to add to their numbers and to appoint sub-committees.

7. Draft prize list prepared by North Sydney Exhibition Committee, and submitted by Hon. H. F. McDougall.

The above-mentioned documents, and relative correspondence, having been read and considered, the following motion by Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Longworth, was passed:—

"The majority of the representatives of Cape Breton Agricultural Societies, assembled in convention, having selected Baddeck as the place for the Agricultural Exhibition, but apparently under a misunderstanding as to the amount of aid to be received from Government,

Therefore resolved, that the accessible members of the Baddeck Exhibition Committee be telegraphed to, to ascertain whether they are prepared to carry out the Exhibition, as the Legislature has provided that aid shall only be given to the amount (dollar for dollar) actually subscribed by the locality for prize list."

SPEAKER'S ROOM, 22nd June, 1880.

Present—Colonel Laurie, President, in the Chair; David Matheson, Pictou; Israel Longworth, Truro; Jonathan Rand, Cornwallis; Hon. H. F. McDougall, Christmas Island; John Ross, Boulardarie; Professor Lawson, Secretary.

The Secretary read telegrams from Mr. John McKeen, Mabou; Mr. George C. Laurence, Port Hastings; Mr. Jacob S. Hart, Whyocomagah; and Mr. W. F. McCurdy, Baddeck, in reference to the Cape Breton Exhibition. Mr. McCurdy's

telegram read as follows: "The offer we made you of one thousand dollars for prize list, in addition to Government grant, we cannot promise to exceed. If your decision cannot be altered we can only offer a prize list of two thousand dollars, still strongly claiming Exhibition located here, and full amount of grant. W. F. McCurdy."

Hon. David McCurdy, Baddeck, attended the meeting and gave a statement of the steps taken with a view to carrying out the Cape Breton Exhibition at Baddeck. He pointed out the local advantages of Baddeck, in its proximity to the richest agricultural districts of the island, its central position and ease of access from all the Cape Breton counties.

Moved by Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Longworth, and

"Resolved, That the President and Mr. Ross be requested to wait upon the members of the Government for the purpose of ascertaining the terms upon which the grant for Cape Breton Exhibition is to be given."

Mr. Matheson read a telegram from Mr. Thos. A. McDonald, Durham, Pictou, inviting the Board to send a committee to see his crop of prickly confrey. On motion of Mr. Longworth, seconded by Mr. Rand, Mr. Ross was requested, when on his way home to Cape Breton, to join Mr. Matheson at Pictou, and visit, with him, Mr. McDonald's confrey field, and report to the Board.

Colonel Laurie read a letter from Prof. McEachran, very favorably recommending Mr. Jakeman, a graduate of Montreal Veterinary College, who had commenced practice in Birmingham Street, Halifax.

Mr. A. Cowan, of Galt, one of the Dominion Arbitrators now in the city, attended the meeting, by invitation, and gave valuable information regarding short-horn cattle, with the view of facilitating arrangements for an importation from Ontario.

The Board then adjourned, but resumed business at half-past 2 o'clock.

Mr. Kitchin, of River John, attended the meeting, and laid before the Board correspondence in reference to pedigree of Short Horns from Prince Edward Island.

Colonel Laurie and Mr. Ross reported the results of their interview with members of the Government in relation to Cape Breton Exhibition. The Government had remitted the matter to the Board, and had full confidence in their judgment; and, finding that so much interest had been aroused in Cape Breton, they felt that a liberal interpretation should be placed upon the report of the Committee of the House, recommending the appropriation, whilst the Board would no doubt see that the Exhibition was conducted throughout with due regard to economy

Moved by Hon. H. F. McDougall:—

"Whereas, The Legislature in recommending a grant towards an Exhibition in the Island of Cape Breton imposed the condition that a similar sum should be subscribed by the Exhibition Committee, to entitle the Island to the full amount of \$1,500.

Whereas, Although the offer made, and the inducements held out by the Baddeck Committee, are of a reasonable nature, and fully in accordance with the means at their disposal, yet the Board is of opinion, and, after fully considering the inducements offered and advantages to be gained;

Resolved, That the agricultural and other interests connected with the proposed Exhibition would be best subserved by holding the Exhibition at North Sydney, in view of the liberal offer held out by that locality, together with other superior advantages in regard to arrangements for transit and exhibits, buildings and accommodation for visitors."

The motion was not seconded.

Mr. Longworth moved:—

"Whereas, Two localities in Cape Breton have made application for the Exhibition, and have both presented liberal offers, and whereas a majority of delegates of societies have decided in favour of Baddeck, the Board, whilst regretting that it is not in their power to satisfy the wishes of both localities, think it right to locate this first Island Exhibition at Baddeck, and accordingly resolve to accept the offer contained in Mr. W. F. McCurdy's telegram of 19th June of \$1,000 for prize list in addition to Government grant—the total prize list to be not less than \$2,500."

Mr. Ross seconded the motion, which was put to the meeting and passed, Hon. Mr. McDougall dissenting.

Moved by Mr. Longworth, seconded by Mr. Rand, and passed:—

"That the Hon. H. F. McDougall, Mr. Ross and Mr. Matheson be a Committee to act on behalf of the Board to supervise the conduct of the Cape Breton Exhibition and arrangements connected therewith."

On motion of Mr. Longworth, seconded by Mr. Ross, the Executive Committee of the Board were authorized to make arrangements for the importation of short horn cattle, in accordance with the recommendation of the Agricultural Committee of the House of Assembly.

SPEAKER'S ROOM, 23rd June, 1880.

Present—Colonel Laurie, President; Hon. H. F. McDougall, Messrs. D. Matheson, John Ross, Jonathan Rand, and Professor Lawson, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Hon. Mr. McDougall, Colonel Laurie's name was added to the Board's Committee on Cape Breton Exhibition.

The Draft Prize List received from the Cape Breton Committee was referred to the Board's Committee.

Moved by Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Ross, and

"Resolved, That applications for registration of thoroughbred cattle must be given in to the Secretary of the Board at least fourteen days prior to the meeting of the Board at which they are to be considered."