

## Editor's Notices, &c.

### TRANSACTIONS OF THE NEW YORK STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY FOR 1849.

We are indebted to the courtesy of B. P. Johnson, Esq., the indefatigable Secretary of the New York Society for a copy of this handsome volume. It is truly pleasing to mark the rapid progress which this important Society continues to make; a fact clearly indicated by the higher and more useful character which its published transactions assume from year to year. The present volume is superior to any of its predecessors, not merely in the quantity of its matter, but in the intrinsic worth and practical application of several of its principle articles. We find in it Professor Johnston's address before the Society at Syracuse; also a copious report of his Lectures delivered at Albany, all of which are eminently suggestive and interesting to the thinking farmer. Professor Norton's admirable prize essay on the principles of scientific agriculture is also there, a production which no farmer can carefully study without gaining an intelligible notion of the many why's and wherefore's of his invaluable art. There are several other papers of considerable length of, perhaps, equal value, which we have not space to enumerate. Hereafter we hope to transfer some of the gold from his rich mine to our own colonies. The work comprises about one thousand pages, and is illustrated by a number of engravings. It is printed by order of the House of Assembly at the expense of the State.

### PLOUGHING MATCH AT THE PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

We inadvertently omitted to notice the ploughing match in our general account of the Niagara Show.—Nineteen ploughmen entered above 18 years of age and two under eighteen. The field belonging to John McFarland, Esq., on the Queenston road, not being large enough for the whole of the ploughs; some were started on the farm of R. Hiscott, Esq. The ploughmen, with but one exception, were from the Niagara District, and the work upon the whole was good. The ploughman out of the district was from Scarborough, but he did not succeed in obtaining a prize, arising, we understood, from some informality in the completion of his work. We hear that a contest is likely to take place in this very important art between Scarborough and Niagara. Our own opinion is that a Ploughing match to be much worth, should be a separate thing; such for instance as took place at Pickering and Thornhill. At the Provincial fairs the ploughmen are pretty much confined to the immediate neighborhood; comparatively little interest is excited in consequence of the officers and people generally being so much en-

gaged with the concerns of the Show; so that the ploughing match sinks into insignificance. The ground too, at the season when the Show is held, is usually too hard and dry for the purposes of ploughing. We think the Society would not neglect the interests of Agriculture, and would certainly render the management of the exhibition more simple and perfect if for the future, they excluded both the ploughing match and the public dinner.

### TORONTO INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

This exhibition in connection with the Mechanics' Institute in this city was opened immediately after the closing of the Fair at Niagara. It is not so numerous as might have been expected from the amount of prizes offered; but the quality and workmanship of the leading articles exhibited have been admired for their superiority and high finish. The Governor General distributed the prizes in the City Hall. A number of articles will afterwards be transmitted to the Provincial Exhibition at Montreal, which is to take place next week. We hear that a very numerous gathering both of articles and visitors is expected.

AGRICULTURAL REPORTS.—Owing to our space in the present number being so fully taken up with an account and the prize list of the Niagara Exhibition, the communication from our esteemed correspondent, Mr. Sheriff Treadwell, must stand over till our next.

### Toronto Market.

TORONTO Tuesday Oct. 8, 1850.

The Market was brisk to-day, and well supplied. Flour 19s 3d a 20s per barrel for superfine. Miller's extra superfine, in bags, 19s 6d a 21s 3d per 196 lbs. Farmer's Fine, 16s 3d a 16s 9d ditto. Wheat 3s 7d a 3s 10½, superior samples only reaching the latter figure. Rye 2s 6d per 60 lbs. Barley 2s 6d a 3s. Oats 1s a 1s 3d Potatoes, 1s 10½d a 2s 6d. Peas, 1s 6d a 1s 10d.

### New York Market.

NEW YORK, October 7, 1850.

Ashes, Market steady for Pots, with good demand at \$6,12; Pearls quiet at \$5,87; sales 100 bbls Flour—Less doing in Western firm, in good demand, at rather better prices. Occasional lots are picked up below our figures. Shippers would buy at \$4,50. Sales domestic, 6200 bbls. at \$3,75 a \$4,12 for No. 2 superfine; \$4,56 a \$4,62 for common to strat state; \$4,56 a \$4,58 for Michigan and Louisiana, \$4,95 a \$5,36 for pure Genesee, fancy and extras firm and more saleable.—Rye Flour firm, and in fair demand. Sales 300 bbls. at \$3,12. Corn meal very scarce, sales 100 bbls. Jersey at \$3,12. Grain—A good demand for wheat, but increased receipts; prices easier. The eastern demand is good; sales 300 bush. at \$1,15 a \$1,16½, 2500 bush mixed Ohio to arrive soon, \$1,03; 3500 ditto fair, on the spot, \$1,02; and 1700 ditto good mixed Canadian, in bond, at \$1,05.

### Buffalo Markets.

BUFFALO, October 7.

There was very little business done in Flour to-day, we hear of sales of about 700 bbls at \$4 a \$4 61 for good brands Ohio and Michigan, and \$4,12; for Southern Ohio—holders firm. Grain market—some enquiry for Wheat, at prices below the views of holders, who ask \$2 a \$2½ for good Ohio; sales Wabash about at \$2. Corn in good request, and market firm.