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We are advocating the establishment of an Agricultural Emporium. We are exposing the mismanagement of the Provincial Agricultural Association, and shall bring forward the plan for a Farmer's Bank. We shall advocate the interest of the farmers in every proper manner—useful and practical hints will appear in our columns. All the members of Parliament, Mayors of Cities, Wardens of Counties, Reeves of Townships, and intelligent farmers that we have met speak favorably of our undertaking. Act as your own judge. Will you be amongst the foremost in a useful, beneficial and profitable undertaking.

Gentlemen to whom this paper is sent are respectfully requested to subscribe for it, or place it in the hands of those that wish for the prosperity of the Agriculturists of Canada. You all know that ours is a necessary, useful and beneficial undertaking. It is also expensive, and your small subscription may be the means of putting hundreds of dollars in your pockets when our plans are carried out, which we have not the slightest doubt will be. You may then say that you were among the first in your section to advance the interests of the Farmer's Advocate and the Agricultural Emporium.

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EAST MIDDLESEX AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.**

Was held in the Court House on the 15th of January. We consider it would have passed off in the usual quiet listless manner, had we not been there to put a little leaven in the meeting. The Report was read and seconded when we asked

the President if we should be allowed a voice in the meeting, and equal privileges with members in the East Riding, as we belonged to the Society, and also an exhibitor at the Exhibition, although not a resident of the Riding. The President in reply, considered that we were entitled to every privilege, equal to any other member. We then stated that we objected to that Report being passed:

1st. Because it is not a correct statement. We have not imported any thorough bred horses that we are aware of.

2d. The cattle and sheep that have been brought into the country are not as many in number or of sufficient importance, to compare favorably with our imports in previous years.

3d. Our wheat crop has been very deficient.

4th. Our County Exhibition has in some classes shown a deficiency as compared with other years.

5th. I believe the majority of this meeting wish success to the Agricultural paper that is now published in this County, and as such should be of great importance to the Agricultural prosperity of the County, it deserves a notice as much as the importation of stock, especially as the object of the Editor is the establishment of an Agricultural Emporium which must at once appear of great utility to every reflective mind.

6th. The report is far too voluminous. A greater part of it would be well enough for a President's address to the members that have not read the *Farmer's Advocate* for last year. A great portion of it is evidently only a copy with alterations, and has long since been forwarded to

Toronto. What is necessary for the report is plain statistics and short remarks on any subject of importance; or any useful suggestion might be recommended. After which we read the following nearly as it appears here:

GENTLEMEN: We do not approve of any one retaining office to rest in ease, especially one that has acted detrimentally to our interests. We allude to the steps Mr James Johnson, recent President of the Provincial Agricultural Association, has taken, or omitted to take, in regard to the establishment of an Agricultural Emporium. It is admitted by every man with whom we have conversed that the establishment of such an Institution would be of very great utility to the country, and especially to the county in which it might be established, yet these plans and suggestions have been treated by him with scorn and contempt. There may be some in this assembly that noticed his conduct when we first introduced the subject publicly in the Mechanics Hall in this city. It was then remarked to us by a disinterested gentleman, that it was a shame that he should have acted in the manner he then did. In Hamilton we consider those plans and suggestions would have been examined, had he brought the subject up in a proper manner. This annual Report would not have been attempted to be passed even here without a few appropriate remarks about it, had he been watching the interests of agriculturists of this county. We believe that he has viewed the project with envy and jealousy, and has been looking on it from a political point of view, and aiming at higher offices, knowing that we never have been able to