

virtually abrogate their functions for the year. [It is not correct to say that the Board "abrogated their functions for the year." They were legislated out of office, were told that they could not act as a Board, could not borrow money to make importations or deal with any public funds, and were therefore compelled to relinquish any importation for the year. —ED. J. A.] Action has at length been taken for the formation of a new Board, and it will be a part of the business of today to elect a Member of the Society as a Representative.

With this explanation of the diminution of Treasurer's account, as compared with 1870, the Society may be fairly rated as in a healthy and flourishing condition. The list of members includes every settlement in the County, and will certainly be larger in 1872 than in any previous year. That the Exhibition in October was a success, is attested by Mr. Swain's photograph, which is also satisfactory evidence that we have reached our limit of expansion, and that ampler accommodation is imperative.

Our importations of Stock have been invariably successful in effecting improvement, and however discouraging our sales of expensive animals may be, the only course is to persevere, content to submit to immediate loss in the certainty of a rapid advance in value, through constantly increasing demand for superior cattle for the market and the dairy.

At the quarterly meeting in February, members should attend with memoranda for anything required in Seed Fruit Trees, Stock, Machinery, &c., for the year. Our financial condition will then be established, and funds can be distributed.

The Apple Trees imported as Root Grafts in 1869, and sold at \$1.00 per hundred, have done remarkably well; wherever properly cultivated they will average, according to variety, from four to six feet in height, and some varieties will bear fruit next year. The plum trees have also done well. Pears were a failure.

It remains with the Members of the Society to distinguish the coming year by contributing each for himself his share all through the year towards further progress by considering and advocating the most useful employment of the funds, and by attending regularly and punctually at the meetings.

An annual Exhibition is essential to continued success. Interest in the Society is so chiefly maintained, and it would be unwise to forego for a single year this measure and comparison of improvement. For the Committee,

CHARLES E. BROWN.

Annual meeting. Vice-President in the Chair. The day being stormy, a small attendance.

Minutes of quarterly meeting, Treasurer's account, and annual report adopted and passed.

Subscription list signed by thirty-six (36) members, amounting to one hundred and sixty-two dollars (\$162.)

Officers elected—Charles E. Brown, President; Dennis C. Weston, Vice-President; L. E. Baker, Secretary and Treasurer; Benj. Killam, J. W. Moody, Charles W. Smith, A. C. Robbins, Henry Burrill, Managing Committee; George S. Brown, Representative for Central Board.

CHAS. E. BROWN, Sec. pro tem.
Yarmouth, Dec. 5th, 1871.

YARMOUTH TOWNSHIP AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

I beg to submit the report of the annual meeting of the Yarmouth Township Agricultural Society, together with financial statement for the past year.

Meeting was held on Tuesday, Dec. 25th, in accordance with Act. Vice President, R. K. Rose, in the chair. Reports of Secretary and Treasurer presented and passed. Officers for ensuing year were elected as follows:—Pres., John Patten; Vice-Pres., Robt. K. Rose; Treas., G. Washington Sanders; Sec'y, James Crosby. Directors, Wm. Murdhy, Stephen Churchill, Charles Cahan, Jr., John McCormack, Lemuel Crosby. Premiums awarded at the Society's Exhibition in October were then paid to all persons.—The Secretary was appointed, in compliance with amended Act, the Society's Representative to meet with representatives from other societies of the County, to elect a member to the Agricultural Board.

JAMES CROSBY, Sec'y.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

1871.	Dr.	
To Cash fees of Membership from 80 Members		\$ 80 00
Earnings of Bulls		67 00
Cash from Sale of Bulls		81 00
	Cr.	\$228 00
By Cash balance on Ayrshire Bull paid S. Churchill		\$ 9 46
Wintering Bull		20 00
Keeping Bulls, Summer		30 00
Paid for Premiums		102 50
Advertising		3 75
Postage, Rent, Stationery, &c		2 37
		168 07
Balance on hand		59 93
		\$228 00

DIGBY CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

In reporting to you our proceedings during the past year, we beg leave to remind you that at the close of the last year the two bulls belonging to the Society were sold at public auction, which

left the Society without any bulls for the present season.

At a meeting held on the 15th of April last it was decided to purchase a pure bred bull for the Society, and one hundred and twelve dollars was appropriated for that purpose. The Society appointed Messrs. John Dakin and John Walsh, who proceeded to New Brunswick, where they obtained a very fine animal, two years old, for seventy dollars and fifty-three cents, including expenses.

The Society made arrangements with Mr. Emory Turnbull to keep the bull for one year, for forty dollars, under certain restrictions.

It will be necessary for our successors in office to consider the propriety of getting another bull, as the distance is so great (about 14 miles) that one will not be sufficient.

Owing to a Society being organized at St. Mary's Bay last spring, our Society has been deprived of several members, therefore our Society at present only numbers fifty-three members (being five less than last year), who subscribed and paid sixty dollars.

The following are their names, and the amount subscribed and paid by each:—

William T. Turnbull \$1, Francis Rice \$1, Alexander Turnbull \$1, Robert J. Turnbull \$1, James H. Roop \$1, James W. Poole \$2, John Dakin \$2, Charles T. Potter \$1, Benjamin Hardy \$1, Charles E. Ware \$1, James H. Marshall \$2, John Nichols \$2, Charles S. Cosett \$1, William Aymar, J. P., \$2, William O'Dell \$1, Marr Porter \$1, Edward G. Woodman \$1, John D. Bacon \$1, James E. Cosett \$1, William M. Jones \$1 Wm. Edward Dunn \$1, John Welsh, J. P., \$1, James Lambertson \$1, John Abbott \$2, Mrs C. Roop \$1, Albert Peck \$1, Jesse K. Warne \$1, William Hunt £2, Abraham Spurr \$1, Charles Bell \$1, Charles Hineman \$1, Josiah Purdy \$1, Jeremiah Potter \$1, Benjamin Hunt \$1, Caleb Sulis \$1, Richard Morgan \$1, Benjamin Rice \$1, Edward H. Nichols \$1, Rev. John Ambrose \$1, George Henderson, J. P., \$1, William H. Taylor, J. P., \$1, Elisha Payson \$1, John J. Franklin \$1, Alfred Rice \$1, George Cosett \$1, Albert Purdy \$1, Nelson Miller \$1, Abraham Nichols \$1, James A. Nichols \$1, Solomon Marshall \$1, Lauchlan McKay, J. P., \$1, George H. Hardy \$1, Thomas Hill \$1.

At a meeting of the Officers and Directors, held on the 29th April last to take into consideration and adopt some means to fill up the Society and place it in a position to draw the Government grant, it was resolved that in the opinion of the Officers and Directors present, that the only way to fill up the Society was to have an Exhibition. It was therefore decided to hold an Exhibition on Wednesday, the 11th day of October, which was