

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT

OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE OF LOWER CANADA.

Meeting of the 23rd of January, 1860.

Mr. De Blois presiding in the place of Mr. Turgeon.

The President, after opening the meeting, announced the names of the new members elected by a majority of the votes of all the County Agricultural Societies.

Messrs Casgrain, (of l'Islet) Farmer and Proprietor, President of the Agricultural Society of the County of l'Islet.

“ Pomroy, (of Compton), Farmer and Proprietor.

“ Taché, Knight of the Legion of Honour.

The new members took their seats, and the meeting proceeded to the election of President and Vice-President for the year 1860. Messrs Turgeon and De Blois were reelected unanimously, and the meeting resumed under the presidency of Mr. Turgeon.

Mr. Turgeon (of Terrebonne), President of the Board.

“ De Blois (of Quebec), Vice-President.

“ Campbell, Knight of the Order of the Bath, Farmer and Proprietor, St.-Hilaire.

“ Casgrain (of l'Islet), President of the County Agricultural Society.

“ Dostaler, (of Berthier), Farmer and Proprietor.

“ Pomroy (of Compton), Farmer and Proprietor.

“ Taché, Knight of the Légion of Honour.

“ Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education for Lower Canada.

“ Dumais, Professor of the Agricultural School of Ste.-Ann.

“ Leclerc, Professor of Agriculture, College of Terrebonne.

“ Ossaye, Professor of Agriculture, Jacques Cartier Normal School.

The President reported the principal features of the management for the past year. He stated that the finances were in a prosperous condition, in spite of an unfortunate diminution of the grant voted last year to meet the expenditure of the Board. He then read the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer on his visit to some of the Counties to the South of the St. Lawrence; on the General Trial of Machines and Agricultural Implements at Montreal, and on other questions of particular interest. These reports were received by the Board.

The President then took up the discussion of the question of the employment of the funds, voted by Parliament; and to the purchase of seeds of forage plants and plaster, to be distributed amongst the members of the county agricultural societies, and the Board came to the following conclusion: that it recognises the great importance of popularising the sowing of the forage plants not only in the pastures, but in the meadows, in obedience to the precept of the Great Sully: “Elevage et paturage sont les deux mamelles de l'Etat”—it recommends both the use