

depend. What would Northumberland now be in comparison to what it is, had an equal, or but half the attention been paid to agriculture that has been devoted to lumbering pursuits? Other countries have been enriched with the means which should have been permanently invested here, and so it will continue to be until an adequate supply of bread stuffs, and other necessaries of life, be raised in the country. What may be inferred from the fact, of one lumberer during the past season, being supplied by his merchant, for consumption in the woods, with *Oats* to the extent of *one thousand nine hundred bushels*? Let farmers shew that they are capable of producing from our soil, not only *Oats*, but potatoes, flour, beef, pork, butter, and the other necessaries of life, and they need not look abroad for a market.

Statistics have frequently been given in the Reports of this society, showing the enormous drain of cash caused by the neglect of this branch of national prosperity. The society, therefore, deeply impressed with the absolute importance of agriculture, would deem it an abandonment of the vital interests of the county, were they to discontinue their exertions to promote the cause in every way they consider most desirable. The tillage of the soil must become the main-stay of the county, and the sooner this truth is made manifest the better. This society has been among the first, if not the very first, to take the field in the northern section of the Province. Other counties have followed with laudable ardour, and have organized similar societies, from a conviction of their importance. This society, as is well known, has hitherto been kept up by the indefatigable exertions and attention of a few gentlemen of intelligence and public spirit; but chances have occurred to deprive it of the advantages of the services of some of these individuals, which can only be replaced by the united and cordial co-operation of practical Farmers, and friends of the institution throughout the country. It is a very mistaken idea, that a few individuals can long sustain any institution in a state of efficiency, with any gratuitous exertion they may be capable of extending. The board therefore, makes sure of the zealous co-operation and countenance of agriculturists generally, and of those friendly to the cause.

The society looks forward with interest to the period, which they trust is not far distant, when the county will not only have to boast of its annual Show of Live Stock,—of Grain, of articles of Domestic manufactures, of the produce of the Dairy, and of the Plowing competitions, but also to its Annual or Semi-Annual Fair, where the above may be profitably disposed of, or exchanged, as may best suit the convenience of the possessors, and as a Trysting place for farm servants.

Your Committee would beg to recommend the formation in every district in the County, of Agricultural Associations, governed by its own local regulations, to co-operate with this Board. This measure is perfectly practicable, highly desirable, and would be productive of infinite advantages. As for instance, Auxiliary Branches in Glenelg, Tabusintac, Burnt Church, the upper districts of Northesk, the upper part of Nelson, Blackville, Ludlow, and Blissfield; all of which districts could participate in the grant from Government in proportion to their respective subscriptions contributed; and the members would once a year have an opportunity of meeting for purposes of mutual advantages, alternately at Newcastle and Chatham, with specimens and samples from the several district. Thus, a spirit of keen competition and

commendable rivalry would be the result—animating and cheering to the respective competitors, and profitable to the county at large.

Onions yield much better when sown for many years successively on the same ground. We know not the reason of this. But potatoes will not yield so well when the same plant is planted for several years in succession. The tops are much more liable to rust.

A CATTLE SHOW AND FAIR

IS to be held at McLean's in Mauderville, on Tuesday, the 8th day of October next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, when the following Premiums are offered for the following Stock, viz:—

For the best BULL, of any age,	£1 0 0
For the second do. do.	0 15 0
For the third do. do.	0 10 0
For the best COW,	0 15 0
For the second do. do.	0 12 6
For the third do. do.	0 10 0
For the best RAM,	0 15 0
For the second do. do.	0 10 0
For the best BOAR,	0 15 0
For the second do. do.	0 10 0

And for Domestic Manufacture, viz:—

10 Yards best Homespun Fulled Cloth,	£0 12 6
Second best do. do. do.	0 10 0
10 Yards best Homespun plain Woollen Cloth,	
either coloured, figured, or white,	0 10 0
Second do. do. do. do.	0 7 6
12 Pairs of best Mittens,	0 5 0
12 do. do. Socks,	0 5 0
6 Best hand Hay Rakes,	0 6 0
6 Best Hay Forks, with handles,	0 7 6
6 Best Manure Forks,	0 10 0

And for the best sample of Produce, viz:—

Best quantity and quality of Indian Corn, from a quarter of an Acre,	£1 0 0
Second, do. do. do.	0 15 0
Third do. do. do.	0 10 0
Best of Potatoes, from half an Acre,	0 15 0
second do. do.	0 10 0
third do. do.	0 5 0
Best quantity and quality of Turnips, from a quarter of an Acre,	0 15 0
second do. do. do.	0 10 0
third do. do. do.	0 5 0
20 lb. Clover seed,	1 0 0
second do.	0 10 0
2 bushels of the best Timothy seed,	1 0 0
second do.	0 15 0
third do.	0 10 0

No animal or article exhibited to be entitled to a Premium unless considered worthy of such.

All animals and articles exhibited for a Premium are to be owned by the members of the "Sunbury Agricultural Society," and to be marked by a number attached them previous to the exhibition; the number and name of the owner to be kept by the Secretary.

Persons competing for produce and fulled cloth, to acquaint the Secretary on the day of the cattle show, and be prepared to satisfy the Judges on the last Saturday in December.

CALVIN L. HATHEWAY.

Sec'y & Treasurer.

Sunbury, May 24, 1844.

BOOTS AND SHOES FOR COUNTRY WEAR.

THE Subscriber has just received a large lot of Men's, Women's Girl's, Boy's, and Children's strong BOOTS and SHOES, suitable for Country wear, for sale at very low prices for Cash, at

FOSTER'S Cheap Shoe Store,
Queen Street.

Fredericton, June 14, 1844.

FRESH GARDEN SEEDS.

THE Subscriber has just received his usual Supply, which are of last Year's Growth.

JAMES F. GALE.

Fredericton, April 25, 1844.