

our means should be so limited, as to prevent the offer of an amount, more in proportion to the rank and usefulness of the Association." Similar sentiments have been expressed by the Secretary of the Prince Edward Society; which, with that of Norfolk and several others, have steadily supported the Provincial Association from its commencement. We hope and believe that there will now be no falling off; but rather an increased, united, and systematic effort to sustain and improve the important interests of agriculture, worthy of the enlightened and advancing age in which we live, and the free and noble country that we inhabit. Canada, like a true scion of the Parent state; "*Expects every man to do his duty.*"

IMPORTANT SALE OF SHORT HORN CATTLE.

We request the attention of our readers to the extensive sale of pure bred short horns, announced on our last page. Mr. Vail has been distinguished for a number of years as among the foremost on this continent in importing and improving Durham cattle; and we are assured by a friend, on whose judgment in these matters, we set a very high value, that on no single farm this side of the Atlantic, had he ever seen so large a number of valuable and pure-bred animals as those possessed by Mr. Vail. We may just mention that Mr. Howitt's celebrated bull, (with which, and its progeny, its owner has such good reason to be satisfied) that won the first prize at the last Provincial Exhibition at Niagara, was bred by Mr. Vail; and that two of our most successful Canadian breeders,—the Hon. Adam Fergusson and the late lamented Mr. John Wettenhall, have bred from Mr. Vail's stock with the most satisfactory results. It is scarcely necessary to say that Mr. Vail's character as a man of business is such, that the fullest confidence may be safely placed in the statements which he puts forth. We shall rejoice to hear that a portion of his herd has been secured to Canada. Very few things we more urgently require.

NEW YORK STATE AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

The Exhibition for the present year will take place at Rochester, on the 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th of September. John Delafield, Esq., of Geneva, an enterprising and intelligent agriculturist, has been elected President.

THE EFFECTS OF TOBACCO.

The cultivation of this weed has already exhausted some of the richest soils on this continent. By merely drawing tobacco smoke into the mouth, without being inhaled into the lungs, it acts principally on the nervous system, and produces the effects of a stupifying narcotic. The chewing of tobacco has a similar effect. Both are practices which admit of no rational defence. The money expended in tobacco and snuff by many individuals, would be sufficient to enable them to collect a useful library; thus enlightening and strengthening their heads, instead of injuriously exciting their nerves and thereby weakening their bodies. If men would consent to the disuse of tobacco, the cause of innumerable accidents by fire, and no small amount of intemperance, which now afflict society, would be removed.

REASONS WHY COFFEE IS SO SELDOM WELL MADE.

1st. The berries are frequently too much and too rapidly roasted, their proper colour being that of cinnamon; 2nd. The coffee is ground too fine; 3rd. Not enough coffee is used; 4th. It is usually overboiled, by which means the bitter principle is extracted from the berries, and little or no pains are taken to clarify it. In teas, as well as coffee, the markets in Canada and the States are always overloaded with inferior, and frequently worthless kinds; from which it is impossible to prepare a wholesome and delicious beverage. Pure water is infinitely preferable.