

ALBION FALL SHOW.—The Fall Show of the Albion Agricultural Society, was held at the village of Bolton, on Thursday, Oct. 4th. The day was all that could be desired, and was taken advantage of by crowds of people from the neighbourhood and adjoining townships, who swarmed into the village from early morning till afternoon. The entries in all classes were more than double those of any previous year, and in consequence the officers had considerable difficulty in providing the necessary accommodation. In horses, the principal exhibitors were Andrew McDougall, Wm. Rodgers, Esq., Wyatt Jaffray, John Jaffray, John Colley, and Charles Elliot, of Albion, John Gill of Toronto township, and Rich'd. Thomas and John Ackrow, of Vaughan. In sheep, the docks of John Colley and John Jaffray, of Albion, Samuel Ireland, George Ireland, and John Brooks, of King, and Alfred Jaffray and John Ackrow, of Vaughan, were represented. In cattle, John Gill, John Colley, George Vernor, and Wyatt Jaffray, were the largest exhibitors. And in swine, William Hanna, Esq., Henry Cæsar, Jas. Newlove, and William Caldwell, Esq.

HORE EXHIBITION.—The exhibition is perhaps in some respects, superior to previous ones. The display of vegetables is highly creditable, and favourable comparisons, as regards quality, are instituted between this department of the exhibition and the same department of the Provincial Exhibition, and that too by parties who have witnessed both and are competent to judge in the matter. Potatoes, turnips, carrots, squashes, beets, mangel wurzels, cabbages, cauliflowers, onions, &c., were in nearly every case well represented. Of grain and flour, there are but few entries, but the quality is very superior. In fruit there are but very few samples. Some of these are excellent—especially the prize grapes and the prize apples, as well as some that have not taken prizes. In the ladies' and Fine Arts' department were many excellent specimens of skill and workmanship. As for the live stock, the entries are not very numerous—nor are the animals, generally speaking, of the best class, though there are a number of marked exceptions to this latter ruling. A number of fine sheep and large hogs are on the ground, as well as some few very good cattle and horses, but a great many are very ordinary in appearance. —*Port Hope Guide.*

WESTMINSTER AGRICULTURAL FALL SHOW.—The Agricultural Society of the Township of Westminster held their annual fall show on Thursday, 4th instant, at the Wharnccliffe Inn, three miles from London. The show was in every respect fully up to former ones, and in some departments the best that has yet been held in the township. Mr. Pincombe's Devon cattle deserve special mention; he exhibited some of the finest specimens of Devon heifers and calves that we have seen, indeed, they are said to be the best in the county. In Durham cattle, Geo. Axford exhibited some very fine animals and took two prizes. Mr. Alex. Kerr exhibited some choice Galloway milch cows, heifers and calves. The display of sheep was excellent. In roots the collection presented for competition was astonishing, the turnips, mangold wuzzel and carrots shown by Messrs. George Murray, sen., W. Walker, and others, composed some of the best samples to be seen in the Province. In proof of this we may mention the fact that some samples of Swedo turnips which took a prize at the Provincial Exhibition were not considered worth mention here, and did not even secure a third prize. This is gratifying, especially as it was thought the crop this year was a failure. —*London Advertiser.*

WELLESLEY AGRICULTURAL SHOW.—The annual agricultural show of the township of Wellesley took place at Crosshill on the 3rd instant, and taking it on the whole, was highly successful. The day being fine the turn-out of both sexes was very large, and the Waterloo brass band did much to enliven the proceedings by contributing their excellent music. The show of horses, although good, was scarcely equal to that of last year, except in carriage and draught horses, which in the opinion of some, would not compare unfavourably with those exhibited at the Provincial Fair. The show of cattle was not very large, although we noticed some fine animals. There was a marked improvement in the two year olds over last year. The display of sheep, as regards quality, far excelled any former shows, and would compare most favourably with those of many older townships. The appearance of the floral booth was considerably behind that of last year, yet there was much to admire. There were thirteen entries in spring Scotch wheat, seven in fall, and two in spring club wheat. The display of butter was certainly very creditable. There were no less than twenty-one entries in roll and twelve in firkin butter. The competition in ladies' work was pretty good, especially so in home made woollen socks. We think we are fully warranted in saying that the Wellesley show was as successful as its supporters could wish. —*Berlin Telegraph.*

BRANT AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—The annual exhibition of the Agricultural Association for the West Riding of the county of Brant, was held on the Society's grounds, West Brantford, on Tuesday and Wednesday last. The display of horses, sheep and cattle, was very fair. Notwithstanding that this year was an advantageous one for dairy produce, there were remarkably few entries in butter, and the cheese exhibited was so poor as to be declared unworthy of a prize. The bees have had such a rainy season of it that very little honey has been manufactured, and of so poor quality was the solitary box on exhibition that the judges found it impossible to give any prize. There were few entries of bread and domestic manufactures compared with former years. The show of fruit was very good, though not so large as on former occasions. The roots were well worthy of the reputation of our good county; and the display of home manufactures, both in the building and out of it, including carriages and stove-ware of all sorts and patterns; harness, trunks and upholstery, very creditable indeed. The specimens of the woolly tribe, Leicesters, Southdowns and Merinos, were universally admired, and the sheepfolds were inspected with as much interest as any other department. —*Brantford Expositor.*

PERTH SHOW.—This show opened on the 4th. We cannot assert that the hall had that look of "fatness" which it has had for a year or two back. There was not, however, any falling off in the "quality;" but in most things an improvement. The tables usually filled with fruit were very bare, though what there was on them was excellent. The root crops were first class, and cabbages, cauliflowers, &c., (especially from the Albion garden), would be hard to beat. Squashes ran over 100lbs., and a cabbage was marked 22½ lbs. Field roots were very good. We were glad to see the evidences of attention paid to an important branch of agricultural and manufacturing industry in the growth of flax, one of the samples on view being pronounced the best ever seen in the Province. Domestic manufactures, particularly a pair of blankets, which took the first prize, evinced an improvement over preceding years. Butter, cheese, and bread, go well together and the display was a gratifying proof of what Perth can do in these important requisites. The furniture exhibited by Mr. Inman would do no discredit to Messrs Jacques & Hay; and as for photographs—why, one envied those whose "carries" appeared in the artistic groups of Mr. Hall and Mr. McWinnie, the distinguished honour done them. As to ladies' work, suffice it to say that the fair daughters of Perth combine the charming with the useful in a very high degree. There is a case of bonnets on view which if not entered as of the manufacture of the town, we would have declared to be an importation from Paris. —*Stratford Beacon.*

NICHOL AND PILEINGTON UNION SHOW.—The Union Show in connection with the Agricultural Societies of these townships was held in Elora, on Friday the 5th Oct. The stock, horses, &c., were shown on the ground attached to the Drill Shed, and that large and commodious building furnished ample and excellent accommodation for the grain, roots, dairy produce, &c. The united townships always make up a good show, but this year they eclipsed all their former efforts. Some of the stock exhibited have attained Provincial fame, so it is no wonder that the show in that class was superior. Messrs. J. & R. Hunter, Alex. Watt, John Bonnalie and Alex. McQueen, Pilkington, were leading exhibitors in this class. The sheep, too, were superior and very numerous—there being twice the number of entries compared with any previous show. The horses made a very creditable display. There was not a large show of pigs, but some fine animals were shown, especially those owned by Messrs R. Cromar, George Hirst and H. Larier. There was a much better show of grain than we expected. The white and midge proof samples of fall wheat were excellent, and the barley in color and size was scarcely behind the best samples of previous years. The potatoes made a fine show, there being 33 lots in all. The turnips were also good, considering the season, and the competition was keen, there being 17 lots of Swedes, and 7 of yellow Aberdeen. Other vegetables, particularly carrots and beets, were better than the average shown in the North Riding. But the butter was the great feature of the show. A finer display of fresh or salted butter we never saw before. The cheese was very good, but not many samples were shown. —*Quelph Mercury.*

GARAFRAXA AGRICULTURAL SHOW.—The Fifth Annual Exhibition of the Garafraza Agricultural Society, was held in the village of Douglas, on the 3rd inst. The show was equal in most respects and superior in some to that of last year. This year, however, its partial failure is to be accounted for by the late harvest and not as on a former occasion by the mutual jealousies and local ill feeling of some mem-

bers of the Society. Owing to the almost incessant rains which prevailed during the month of September, many of the Garafraza farmers had not been able to get their crops harvested, heaps of oats, peas, wheat and even barley being lying in the swath or standing in the shock the morning of the Show. The day being favourable for drawing in, numbers remained at home, no doubt, very unwillingly, to complete these harvest operations. Not one farmer in ten had thrashed, and consequently very little grain was presented for inspection. If it had not been for these and similar causes, there is no doubt but the show would have been a great success. As it was, however, hundreds of visitors from all parts of the country appeared upon the ground. There was a decided improvement in young horses, but the show of pigs and cattle was scarcely equal to last year. Some very good sheep, however, were presented for inspection.

There was an abundance of butter of a very good quality but the show of cheese was very meagre. Some socks and mittens of excellent material attracted general attention. A quilt belonging to Miss B. Roy, and a piece of embroidery worked by Miss Mary Ann May, deserve particular notice. There were no entries of implements. —*Cor. Quelph Advertiser.*

PUSLINCH INDEPENDENT FALL SHOW.—The first Exhibition of the Puslinch Independent Agricultural Society was held in the village of Aberfoyle, Oct. 5th. The Show so far as the people and entries are concerned was a complete success—there being no less than 577 entries. Puslinch boasts of having the best horses in the County, and the turn out in this department was ahead of former years, there being no less than 80 entries in horses.

The cattle shown were good. In this department, there is a noticeable improvement at each Show. A magnificent yoke of oxen, the property of James McCaug, which carried off the first prize at Preston, were the best we have ever seen. Mr. McCaug told us that he had refused \$300 for them in the spring. They are perfect beauties.

In sheep the show was large, and a good deal of interest appeared to be taken in the decisions of the judges in this class.—Mr. Kerby's imported stock were on the ground, as well as Mr. Cameron's (Flamboro'), Mr. Easton's, (Nassaga, eye), besides those of Messrs. McKenzie, Clark and Evans. There were no less than 52 entries in sheep. The pigs were of superior quality and breed. In implements the show was better this year than on former occasions. As usual for Puslinch the roots and vegetables were remarkably good. The potatoes were prodigiously large. The entries in this class attest the keen competition that existed. The wheat and peas were beautiful samples. There was an immense lot of butter both salt and fresh entered. In apples, pears and plums there were many entries. In coverlets, quilts, blankets, flannels, mitts, socks, &c., there were beautiful samples shown of the handwork of the thrifty wives and daughters of Puslinch. —*Quelph Mercury.*

A man in New Hampshire had the misfortune to lose his wife. Over the grave he caused a stone to be raised on which in the depth of his grief, he had ordered to be inscribed: "Tears cannot restore her, therefore I weep."

Mrs. Partington says she can't understand these market reports. She can understand how cheese can be lively, and pork can be active, and feathers drooping—that is, if it's raining; but, for her life, she has no notion how whiskey can be steady, or hops quiet, or spirits dull, nor how lard can be firm in warm weather, nor iron unsettled, nor potatoes depressed, nor flour rising—unless there had been yeast in it, and sometimes it would not rise then. —*Boston Cultivator.*

LUCK AND LABOUR.—Luck is ever waiting for something to turn up.

Labour, with keen eyes and strong will, is sure to turn up something.

Luck lies in bed, and wishes the postman would bring him news of a legacy.

Labour turns out at six o'clock, and with busy pen or ringing hammer, lays the foundation of a competence.

Luck whines—Labour whistles.

Luck relies on chances—Labour on characters.

Luck slips downward to indigence.

Labour strides upward, and to independence.