

port that in this Section of the County. Hay was above an average crop. Wheat very poor, owing in a great measure to the very wet and cold weather the first part of June—when about one third of the seed perished in the ground. Oats about an average crop, although a very heavy growth of straw. Barley but little sown. Buckwheat about an average crop; Potatoes were over an average crop, and of excellent quality, in some localities they were very much effected with the rot, after they were cellared. Turnips below an average crop, though not much cultivated. All kinds of fruit in this County were a total failure.

The Durham Bull and Leicester rams purchased by the Society last fall in P. E. Island, have turned out well, and proved to be a good investment of the Society's funds. The farmers in this part of the County are beginning to manifest an earnest desire for the improvement of sheep as well as neat cattle. It is our intention to devote our available funds next year to the further importation of neat stock.

We hope at the next Provincial Agricultural Exhibition that this County will be better represented, and that the Central Board will make some provision whereby the farmers of the Eastern Counties may be enabled to forward their stock and produce for competition, without incurring expenses, which would amount to more than the value of them.

We remain,

Your obedt. servants,
GODFREY S. PEART, *Pres.*
WM. HUTCHINSON, *Sec'y.*

Guysboro', Dec. 17th., 1874.

Receipts and Expenditures of the Guysborough Agricultural Society, for the year ended Dec. 1st, 1874.

RECEIPTS.

Rec'd from Central Board, Prov. Grant...	\$ 78 00
" from members for sale of seeds, &c...	50 15
" from 48 members subscription, at \$1.00 each.....	48 00
" for services of Society's Bull.....	16 00
	\$102 15
Bals. in hand of Treasurer	\$ 28 68
" amount due by members for seeds on per notes of hand.....	18 77
	\$ 47 45

EXPENDITURES.

Paid balance due by Society per account..	\$ 16 98
" for wintering Bull 6 months.....	28 61
" for seeds, &c.....	61 24
" for keeping and attending Bull from March 1st to Dec. 1st.....	49 75
" paid expenses of Society, &c.....	15 29
" balance in hands of Treasurer.....	28 68
	\$192 15

GODFREY S. PEART, *Pres.*
WM. HUTCHINSON, *Sec'y. & Treas.*
Guysborough, Dec., 1874.

UPPER MUSQUODOBOIT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

To Dr. Lawson:

REPORT FOR 1873.

SIR,—In making a return of the expenditure of funds in our Society for the past year

we have nothing very particular to note, for in consequence of a purchase of three bulls, and a quantity of grass seeds previous to the past year, our Society was run into debt, consequently the amount in fund for expenditure (after the payment of said debt) was small, not sufficient to warrant the Society in offering prizes, or the purchase of improved stock. And therefore all the available funds of the Society were laid out in the purchase of Northern clover seed and barley.

And this we certify at Upper Musquodoboit, the 1st day of December, 1873.

DAVID ARCHIBALD, *Sec'y.*
THOMAS A. PARKER, *Pres.*

The annual meeting of the Upper Musquodoboit Agricultural Society was held in the Debating house, on the 2nd day of December, 1873, at which meeting the following persons were elected officers for the ensuing year:

Pres.—Thomas A. Parker; *Vice-Pres.*—John Geddes; *Sec. and Treas.*—David Archibald. *Directors.*—David Kent, James Reynolds, Wm. Horton.

The officers elected resolved unanimously to nominate J. J. Northup Esq., Society's representative at Central Board.

The Agricultural Society of Upper Musquodoboit at its last meeting voted the sum of twenty dollars towards the funds of the Exhibition, to be held in the City of Halifax, in October, 1874.

DAVID ARCHIBALD, *Secretary.*

EGERTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, CO. PICTOU.

The annual meeting of the Egerton Agricultural Society, was held in the School House, East Branch East River, on Tuesday, the 1st Dec., the President in the chair.

The minutes of last meeting being read and approved, the accounts were then read and approved.

The following office-bearers were then appointed for the current year:—*President*—Robert McNaughton; *Vice-President*—Alex. R. Grant; *Treasurer*—Thomas Grant; *Secretary*—Peter J. Grant. *Directors*—William McGilvery, Joseph M. Kay, Joseph H. Grant, John McKay, and Alex. J. McKay. To be a member of Central Board of Agriculture, David Matheson, Esq., Pictou.

The accounts are as follows:—
By balance in Treasurer's hands since last year.....\$123 61
" interest on do

To paid for Bull "Captain Jenks," \$100 00
Expenses for do. from Truro..... 1 50
" Joseph H. Grant, expenses 3 00
" R. McConnell for printing. 1 35
" Feeding Bull to Dec. 1st .. 15 00
" Secretary fee..... 3 00 123 85

By balance..... 2 41
By members subscriptions for 1874..... 75 50

Balance in Treasurer's hands..... \$77 91
PETER J. GRANT, *Sec'y.*
ROBERT McNAUGHTON, *Pres.*

ANNAPOLIS AGRI. SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of Members of the Annapolis Agricultural Society was held to-

day, in accordance with the Act for the encouragement of Agriculture.

The President occupied the chair, and at once called the meeting to order, and requested that the minutes of the former meetings for the past year be read, whereupon the Secretary read the minutes as directed, which were approved and passed. The Rev. W. G. Gray, E. E. McDermid, and John H. Pineo, were appointed an auditing committee. After examining the Accounts they reported that they were correct, and properly vouched—that there was in the hands of the Treasurer \$10.

Office-bearers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—*President.*—Geo. Whitman; *Vice-Pres.*—James Horsfall; *Treas.*—Alex. Harris; *Sec'y.*—Stathern Bailey. *Directors.*—Rev. W. S. Gray, J. M. Harris, J. H. Pineo, Charles Whitman, Wm. C. Hardy, Col. Wm. E. Starratt was selected as the representative of this Society to the Central Board. The Society for the past year have 81 paid up members at \$1 per year membership fee. The Society have purchased within the last year one thorough-bred Chester White Boar, at a cost of \$40 purchase price and expenses \$5, making \$45. Also from Hugh McMonagle, Esq., of Sussex Corner, Kings Co., N. B., two yearling rams at \$12 each; two yearling ewes at \$10 each, and one ram lamb at \$8, all pure bred Leicesters. Expenses on the same, from Sussex Corner to Annapolis by rail and steamer, \$3.86, making the total cost to the Society \$55.86. The President purchased for the Society at the Provincial Exhibition in Halifax, last October, one pure bred South Down Ewe at a cost of \$14, and one ram lamb of the same breed at a cost of \$10. Expenses on the same \$2.12, making the total cost to the Society \$26.12. The above stock was sold at public auction after being duly advertised, the purchaser to give bonds to keep them within the limits of the Society for breeding purposes for not less than two years. The boar was purchased by Andrew Le Cain of Rosette, at \$36.50. The sheep were purchased by parties in Round Hill and Rosette, except the Leicester ram lamb, which was purchased by C. B. Whitman, Esq., the purchase price of the lot of sheep only amounting to \$42.40. The Society own two bulls, viz., the thorough-bred Short Horn Durham "General Grant," took first prize in his class at the Provincial Exhibition last October, and the Alderney and Ayrshire bull "General," got by the Society from Nathaniel Spence, Esq., of St. Croix, Hants Co., in exchange for the Society's Short Horn Durham bull "Charles the 1st." The two bulls now owned by the Society were let to the lowest bidder to be kept under the supervision of the Committee for one year, commencing Dec. the 1st. The Durham Bull "General Grant" was bid off by Wm. M. Bailey of Round Hill at \$110 for the year; the bull "General" was bid off by George Hardwick, near Annapolis, at \$100 for the same term. The services of both bulls to be \$1 for each cow served belonging to members, and \$2 for each cow served belonging to non-members.

It was moved by James Horsfall, Esq., seconded by J. M. Harris, Esq., that the general committee be empowered to import seeds for the members of the Society, and that they ascertain from each member what seed they may require, and that the Society