

ably superior, and reflected much credit on the Gardeners and Amateurs who entered their articles for competition in this class. The numerous specimens of apples were without an exception of the most approved varieties, and they were so decidedly superior of their kind, that all good judges of fruit considered this the most interesting department of the show. Only a few specimens of pears were exhibited, but they were of the largest and finest varieties, and assisted considerably in adding to the interest of the display. While upon the subject of fruit, we would state that the Farmers of Canada should engage more largely in the cultivation of the finest descriptions, and supply the home market with every celebrated variety of apples, pears, plums, cherries and peaches. Great improvements have taken place within the last few years in this Province, and if the same ratio of increased improvement should be manifested on the part of the cultivators of fruit, in other ten years, Canada may in favourable seasons, be an exporting country in choice varieties of winter apples and pears.

The vegetable products entered for competition by Gardeners, Amateurs and Farmers, were far superior to articles of the same kind, shown at the last two Annual Exhibitions of the New York State Society. In mentioning this fact, we consider it due the parties who contributed so largely to the Horticultural Department, to state, that owing to the liberality and zeal which they evinced, we shall not fail, if we be spared, to press upon the attention of the Board of Agriculture the importance of giving very liberal encouragement to the productions of the garden and orchard, at the Society's next annual meeting at Hamilton, on the first week in October next.

The dairy products were well represented, and in reading the Report of the Judges, we notice that they are lavish in their praise of many fine specimens of Butter and Cheese, for which no prizes were awarded. All who visited the Dairy Department, were highly pleased with the good taste in which the Farmers' wives manufactured and prepared their dairy products for the Exhibition; and from what came under our notice, we may safely mention that both Butter and Cheese were bought up by the citizens of Toronto with great avidity.

Woollen goods of a very superior quality were exhibited by some of the first manufacturers in the Province, and although we had but little

opportunity to examine them, with a view of speaking of their peculiar merits, still we would fail in performing our duty, were we not to make something more than a passing notice of a superior article of black finished cloth, manufactured at the Barwick factory, of the Township of Vaughan, owned by John Gamble, Esquire. Mr. Gamble is one of the most enterprising men of the Province, and from the lowness of price and superior quality of goods he sends into the Toronto and Montreal markets, we are led to conclude that he has nothing to dread from American competition. The article of black cloth to which we have already alluded, was of rather a heavy staple of goods, considering its fineness in quality, but on the whole, it could not be objected to on that account, because it was well suited for the climate and wants of the country; and was in every respect just such a description of goods as the most tasty farmer in the Province should feel proud in wearing. Some Satinets, manufactured by John Gibson, Esquire, St. Catharines, also attracted our attention. The style in which these goods were manufactured, reflected much credit upon the establishment. In examining the woollen goods, we were forcibly impressed with the idea that it is only folly to expect that woollen cloths can be manufactured of a superior quality, to any considerable extent, so long as the Farmers do not turn their attention to the production of fine wool. This question is now being well understood by many of the wealthy and intelligent Farmers in the Province, and in a number of instances, a cross of the improved Merino Ram with the Leicester and South Down Ewes of the country, have been made with signal success.

Although the number of Farming Implements was far short of what we anticipated, still this department of the show, in our estimation, equalled that of any other. In scarcely any subject is the Farmer more interested than that of a choice selection of Agricultural Implements. The Highland Society of Scotland, and the Royal Agricultural Society of England, have done more real good towards improving the agriculture of the British Isles in the encouragement they have given to agricultural mechanics, than from any other single source. Similar encouragement will doubtless be given this important branch of manufactures by "THE PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION FOR UPPER CANADA."