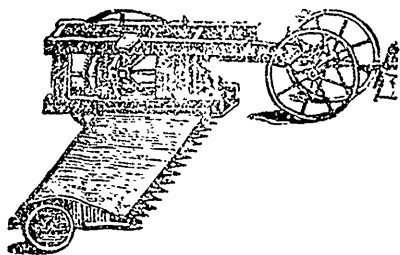


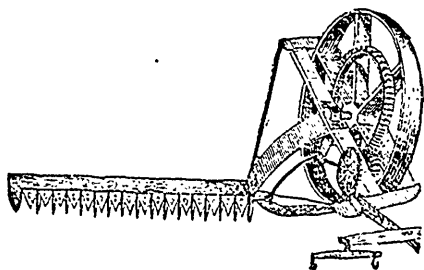
tracted considerable attention and were subjected to several trials. It was there decided that McCormick's Reaper performed its work best. The grain was heavy, and on one occasion wet; the surface of the field was also uneven, and under these adverse conditions, it is possible that McCormick's Reaper is superior to the other. It was alleged, however, that Hussey's was not properly managed. We are not inclined to place much dependence on these trials as a guide to the Canadian purchaser. We have seen one of Hussey's machines work well, and one of McCormick's very ill. The surest plan is for each purchaser to satisfy himself by personal inquiry. We should think the Board of Agriculture might with great propriety—indeed this is one of the duties the Legislature has prescribed for them—import a sample of the various Reapers in use among our neighbors, and subject them to a fair trial on Canadian ground. The result of such a trial might prevent much loss and vexation to the farmers of the country.

HUSSEY & BURRALL'S IMPROVED REAPING MACHINE.



The above is a cut of Hussey's Reaper, for which orders may be left at McIntosh & Walton's in this city.

KETCHUM'S MOWING MACHINE.



A good Mowing machine is nearly as great a desideratum as a Grain Reaper. The above has now been some time in use by the farmers of New York State, but as it is only adapted to a very smooth surface, it has not fully met public expectation. Perhaps no machine can be better adapted to a rough surface than the "Crooked Seythe." The following is the manufacturer's recommendation of this machine:—

"This machine has been recently very much improved, and its simplicity and efficiency seem to mark it as peculiarly fitted for a farmer's implement.

"It is not well suited for a rough surface; but it will work well on rolling land, or even side hills, if smooth. It will cut an acre and a half of grass an hour, smoothly and evenly; that is an acre in forty minutes.

"The whole Machine weighs less than 500 pounds and is easily drawn by two horses.

"Two sets of knives are usually sold with a Machine, so that when the farmer is grinding one set when dull, the Machine can be at work, not losing any valuable time while he is in the greatest hurry.

"A large number have been sold the past year, and give universal satisfaction.

BRANTFORD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A taste for horticultural pursuits is steadily progressing in most of the old settled portions of the Province. It would be strange, were it not so, since Agriculture is making rapid strides, and its natural ally—horticulture, cannot lag long behind. The county of Brant, can claim many enterprising and successful farmers. A County Agricultural Society, has been recently organized there, and the town of Brantford is now among the foremost in the rate of advancement. We take the following from the *Courier*, and heartily wish the new Society every success.—

HORTICULTURE.

The formation of a Horticultural Society in this Town, and the approach of the period for the Annual Exhibition, naturally leads us to make a few remarks upon this interesting, innocent, and at the same time ennobling and refining science. We congratulate the town and this vicinity, upon the ready mind exhibited, and the views entertained, which led at once, upon the arrival of a fit time, to promptness of action, and to the establishment of the Society in question. This step was not taken at the instance of excitement, or through the promptings of vain emulation in reference to the existence of the Society itself; but was the result of a refined taste and the desire to encourage and cultivate extensively this branch of science so admirably calculated to raise the mind of man "from nature up to nature's God." In no part of the physical world are the evidences of the handiwork of the Parent of all good more strikingly portrayed than in the hues and tints, and delicious odors, as well as in the organic structure of the beautiful inhabitants of the gay parterre. Depraved, indeed, must be that mind and insensible that heart which cannot be delighted and interested in the productions of the cultivated garden. An extract from a late number of *Blackwood*, places this subject in a just light. "Perfect wisdom," it remarks, "placed the perfect man in a garden, to dress and keep it. The place and the duty must have been divinely congenial with the exercises of an unclouded reason an unprayed heart. The love of man's primeval calling seems yet to linger fondly in the bosom of the exiled race. The first pleasure of children is to gather fresh flowers from the daisied mead, or to ply their little hands in the allotted patch of garden ground. "Heaven lies about us in our infancy"—some faint visionary gleam from Eden seems yet to rest on the infant soul, and with the