

Editor's Notices, &c.

ENGLISH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

The Royal Agricultural Society of England has elected for the third time the Duke of Richmond as President. The report of the Council was very satisfactory, showing the great good which is being effected by this important Society. The next Exhibition of live stock will take place in Hyde Park, at the World's Exhibition, but the Society will hold no separate show for implements, &c., which will be incorporated with that of the great Industrial.

The Smithfield Christmas Cattle Show of fat Stock appears to have been equally well sustained as in former years; in some respects, indeed, improved. The prizes have been much enlarged both for cattle and implements; the latter now forms a great addition and attraction. The quality of the animals, of all kinds, is highly spoken of, not being so exorbitantly fat as formerly. The Duke of Richmond is President, and the show was visited by the Queen and Prince Albert, who was as usual, a successful competitor.—The prices obtained for meat are loudly complained of by graziers as being wholly unremunerative, 4s. per stone of 8 lbs., being the top quotation for the first quality.

The Birmingham Christmas Cattle Show, which was founded in 1818 for the Midland district, would seem to have been eminently successful. A capacious hall has been erected at a cost of £6000, and both the Exhibition and arrangements are highly spoken of.—The Show of poultry of all kinds, ducks, geese, turkeys, &c., both as to quantity and quality is said to have scarcely been equalled before in England.

ADELAIDE ACADEMY, TORONTO.

It affords us much pleasure to state that this excellent Academy is in the most flourishing condition. Professor and Lady, the Principal and Preceptress, have long been known to the Canadian public as instructors of youth, and we can confidently recommend their establishment to parents desirous of giving their daughters a thorough and accomplished education. The number of pupils in attendance is larger than at any previous time. The next term commences on the 3rd of February, a most favourable time for pupils to enter.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AND AGRICULTURE.

Lord Elgin has just given another proof of an enlightened desire to promote the welfare of the country he governs. His Excellency has caused to be written, and circulated among the French Canadian farmers, a suitable pamphlet, embodying the results of practical experience, with the patriotic view of restoring the already exhausted lands of the Lower Province. More of this in our next.

AGRICULTURAL CHAIR, IN THE UNIVERSITY.

The Senate, we understand, has passed the statute, introduced a short time since by Professor Nicol, authoris-

ing a Professorship of Agriculture in the University, and portion of the grounds to be set apart for an Experimental Farm in connection with the Board of Agriculture. The emolument of the office is left to be decided by the Commission of Visitation.

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

The Secretary of the Provincial Association, begs to acknowledge a donation of books, from Professor Nicol, for the proposed library of the Board of Agriculture. It consists of a complete set, in quarto vols. of the Transactions of the original British Board of Agriculture, under the able presidency of the late Sir John Sinclair. Donations of this kind will be thankfully received.

To our Brethren of the Press. We shall feel much obliged to those of our cotemporaries who will notice our January number, stating our terms, &c., for the information of their readers. Agricultural Societies or Clubs subscribing for 25 copies and upwards, will be supplied at half-a-dollar each. Single subscriptions, one dollar, always in advance.

The Agriculturist has proved an annual loss to the proprietor since its commencement, besides the time and labor bestowed upon it. Last year it nearly paid expenses, and we hope to realize hereafter something like remuneration for the heavy outlay we have incurred. We trust Societies and others intending to subscribe will forward their orders as soon as possible, we will thus be enabled to determine the size of our Edition, and not incur the loss of too large a surplus.

THE MARKETS AND WEATHER.

Agriculturist Office,

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The "January thaw" has spoiled the roads and consequently our markets are sparsely supplied. Yesterday evening sharp flashes of lightning and heavy peals of thunder startled the citizens. Rain fell during the greater part of the day and night. The wheat and flour market made a slight advance within the last week, as high as 4s. was paid for good samples of wheat. The Oswego millers are in the market, but they say they can't afford more than 3s. 9d. Those who can afford to hold their grain will not we think be wise to sell for less than four shillings.

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| Flour, $\frac{1}{2}$ brl 196 lbs. | 16 | 3 | @ | 18 9 |
| Wheat $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel 60lbs. | 3 | 9 | @ | 3 10 |
| Barley $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel 48lbs. | 2 | 8 | @ | 3 9 |
| Rye $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel 56 lbs. | 2 | 3 | @ | 2 6 |
| Oats $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel 34lbs. | 1 | 1 | @ | 1 2 |
| Oatmeal $\frac{1}{2}$ bbl 196lbs. | 17 | 6 | @ | 20 0 |
| Pease $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel 60lbs. | 1 | 6 | @ | 2 0 |
| Potatoes $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel. | 1 | 3 | @ | 2 0 |
| Beef $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. | 2 | 0 | @ | 0 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| Beef $\frac{1}{2}$ 100lbs. | 10 | 0 | @ | 17 6 |
| Veal $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. | 0 | 2 | @ | 0 4 |
| Pork $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. | 0 | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | @ | 0 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| Pork $\frac{1}{2}$ 100lbs. | 30 | 0 | @ | 28 9 |