

abuse that gentleman, and who no doubt had been thoroughly trained by his old masters, as to the particular expressions to make use of.

But, moreover, unlike the Clergy Reserve meeting to which we alluded, and at which the feeling was so strong against Messrs. Brown, Burns & Co., that no order could be restored, Mr. Cameron was listened to with marked attention, and as we have said, with enthusiasm; the reason being, doubtless, that the farmers at the meeting were so large a majority, that Mr. Orr, and any friends who might have desired to encourage him, did not dare to interrupt while the hon. gentleman was speaking. After a great flourish of trumpets by Mr. Smith, about the farmers in his county, who had but one opinion in the matter—and that opposed to the Bureau—and a feeble attempt to make out that Ministers had read their own bill, and therefore knew nothing of its provisions, Mr. Street obtained the floor, and in his usual lucid style, so cornered the hon. lawyer from Frontenac, that he had not a word to say for himself. Mr. Street is himself an agriculturist, the President of the Board of Agriculture in Upper Canada, and decidedly the most prominent and influential man among the agriculturists of Upper Canada.—Such a person, we should judge, is fully competent to form an opinion as to the wishes of the agriculturists in this matter; and he stated distinctly that so far as the views of the different Agricultural Societies—so far as the opinion of the *Agriculturist*, the only legitimate organ of the farmers in Upper Canada, could be taken as expressive of the wishes of the farmers—there was not a single dissentient voice from the principles of the Bill before the House. Mr. Street taxed hon. gentlemen with opposing this bill, merely because it emanated from the Ministry, and challenged them to produce a single tangible reason why it should not pass; whereupon Mr. Smith said, that according to the provisions of the bill, the amount to be paid to local agricultural associations was reduced from £17 10s. to £10. Ah, said Mr. Street, that shews the hon. gentleman knows nothing about it. And indeed it did shew it pretty clearly; for according to the system at present in force, township associations are obliged to deposit £17 10s. before they can attach themselves to the general board, and the new bill proposes to reduce that deposit to £10, thus making it more easy for township boards to become incorporated with the general board. The argument, that the farmers of Upper Canada were opposed to the establishment of the Bureau, having been completely set aside by the statements of Mr. Street, another argument had to be hunted up; and it fell to the lot of Mr. Robinson to come out with one of the greatest absurdities of the evening. He asserted that the agriculturists had but one view of the case presented to them, while, at the same time, he read a host of extracts from Upper Canada papers, papers that are read by nearly every farmer in Upper Canada, in which the Bureau is denounced with the most determined hostility. Mr. Brown followed in the same strain. Oh, said he, if both sides of the question were fairly laid before the farmers of Upper Canada, the result might have been different. That gen-

tleman paid himself a very poor compliment by the assertion; for if the farmers have not had reasons laid before them why the Bureau should not be established, it has not been the fault of the editor of the *Toronto Globe*, a paper which boasts of being read by 15,000 farmers. If but one side of the question was represented to the farmers that side was the one opposed to the establishment of the Bureau. It is certainly amusing to hear lawyers and editors get up in the House and declare that the agriculturists don't want a Bureau of Agriculture, while the farmers themselves in the House, and, if we may judge from their expressions, the farmers out of the House, declared themselves, not only in favour of the new Office, but anxious for its establishment. *Ne sutor ultra crepidam*. The farmers do not require to be told by the legal gentlemen of the House what are their requirements. We fully concur with Mr. Street in the opinion that the same reasons which induced certain persons to disturb the meeting at Toronto, is the only motive which induces hon. members in the House to oppose this bill—that is, because it emanates from the Government.

#### ANALYSIS OF THE EXHIBITION.

The following analysis of the Provincial Exhibition, recently held in Toronto, has been carefully copied from the Judge's Books, analysed and classified by E. W. Thompson, Esq., who kindly acted as one of the Committee. It presents a very interesting table for future references.

Statement relative to the late Provincial Exhibition, showing the amount of competition brought out by the liberal prizes offered, the number of entries made, the number and class of prizes awarded, and the amount of the same, under each heading, the total in each class, and the whole total in all the classes.—The Judges have not in all cases adhered strictly to the number of premiums laid down in the published prize list, but have in a few discretionary instances changed them slightly, making them fewer or more as the case may be. For the exact amount offered in each class of prizes under each heading, refer to the printed list published before the Fair.

The figures, 1, 2, 3, &c., in the column just to the left of the column of Pounds, denote the number and class of prizes awarded under each heading, whether first, second, third, &c., as the case may be, or all of them. Where no entries have been made it does not arise in all cases from the absence of the articles in the country, but rather from the accidental circumstance of the owners or producers not happening to offer them for competition, either through indifference or inattention. Where entries have been made, and no prize awarded, it has arisen, in some cases, from the want of merit in the articles, or in others from some objection on account of non-compliance with some rule of the Association, or in other cases, possibly, from oversight or being too late upon the ground, &c. The Diplomas awarded are not mentioned here, being given along with the names of the parties in