

to stand by and see a fine animal writhing in agony, yet be utterly unable to do anything for its relief? A human being can tell where his pain is, and even a child can give some notion of its ailment, so that, even if we do not get a physician we can do something to relieve it. An animal, however, is helpless. Some practitioners try everything they can think of, others guess at the complaint, and administer just the right thing or just the wrong thing, as they happen to guess rightly or wrongly. Now this is too bad. I know an old cirony of a blacksmith who calls himself a farrier; true he can draw blood and give a ball or glyster, but he cannot tell "when to do it or when to leave it alone."

In conclusion, Mr. Editor, allow me to state the great benefits enjoyed by farmers and others resident in this city and its neighborhood, in having at command the services of Mr. Waddell, a most distinguished veterinary surgeon, of the London and Edinburgh colleges. His abilities as a physician and surgical operator have been most satisfactorily established by the successful results of his practice, and the performance of several very difficult operations on the horse, such as "neurotomy" and "tracheotomy," operations which until his arrival, had never been successfully performed by any one in this city.

I remain, &c.,

MATTHEW DAVIDSON.

Quebec, April, 1861.

[In regard to the foregoing, we may observe that the Board of Agriculture of Upper Canada has been for some time in correspondence with parties with a view of obtaining from Europe a thoroughly qualified veterinary surgeon, to reside in Toronto, give lectures, undertake the treatment of diseased animals, &c., under the sanction of the Board, and establish in fact what would become the nucleus of a veterinary school. We have every expectation that this project will be carried into effect at an early day.—Ed.]

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

SIXTEENTH EXHIBITION OF THE PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION, TO BE HELD AT LONDON, ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 25, 26, & 27.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

"The members of the Agricultural Societies of the several Townships within the County, or Electoral Division or United Counties, wherein the Annual Exhibition may be held, and the members of the said County or Electoral Division Society, shall be also members of the Association for that year, and have member's

tickets accordingly; provided the Agricultural Societies of the said Townships, or the Society of the said County or Electoral Division or United Counties, shall devote their whole fund for the year, including the Government Grant in aid of the Association. The Office-bearers of all County Societies shall have tickets of free entrance during the show.—By-Law."

1. The payment of \$1 and upwards constitutes a person a member of the Agricultural Association of Upper Canada for one year; and \$100 a life, when given for that specific object, and as a contribution to the local funds.

2. No one but a member shall be allowed to compete for prizes except in classes, 29, 39, 48, and 59.

3. All entries must be made on printed forms which may be obtained of the Secretaries of Agricultural Societies, or of Mechanics' Institutes, free of charge. These forms are to be filled up and signed by the exhibitor, enclosing a dollar for membership, and sent to the Secretary of the Association, Board of Agriculture, Toronto, ON or BEFORE SATURDAY, AUGUST 31st, after which no entries can be taken except in the Horticultural and Ladies' Departments, and Foreign classes.

Exhibitors in these Departments may enter articles up to Monday Evening of the 4th week, when the Books will be finally closed.

4. *Blood Horses, and thorough-bred Cattle* will be entered, and have their full pedigree properly attested and sent to the Secretary in Toronto not later than Saturday, August 24th. No animal will be allowed to compete as pure-bred unless they possess regular Stud and Herd Book pedigrees, or satisfactory evidence be produced that they are directly descended from such stock. In the class of Durham cattle, particularly, no animal will be entered in competition, unless the pedigree of the animal be first inserted in the English or American Herd Book, or in the Upper Canada Stock Register, kept at the office of the Board of Agriculture.

5. Tickets from the Treasurer's Office will be furnished each exhibiting member, till Monday evening, Sept. 23rd, which will admit him only, free to every department of the exhibition during the Show. Life members admitted throughout the Exhibition.

No members' tickets will be issued after Monday evening, but those issued up to that time will be good till the close of the show.

Necessary attendants upon stock and articles belonging to exhibitors, will be furnished with admission tickets with their names written on them, which ticket will be good at the Ex-tors' Gate only.

6. The admission fees to non-members: Tuesday and Wednesday, will be half-a-dollar and on Thursday and Friday, a quarter-dollar each time of entering through the gates.

Tickets of admission to those whose members, will be issued on and after Tuesday morning, at 25 cents each,—two such tickets to be given up at the gates each time of admission, on Tuesday and Wednesday, and