

It was moved by William C. Olding, and seconded by David Huggan, and unanimously resolved, that David Matheson be elected by this meeting to represent this County at the Central Board of Agriculture.

ROBERT MCNAUGHTON, Chairman.  
DAVID MATHESON, Secretary.

KEMPT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

CONSTITUTION.

Art. 1st. This Society shall be called the Kempt Agricultural Society.

2nd. This Society shall consist of such persons as are engaged in the cultivation of the soil wholly or in part for a livelihood, who shall become members by subscribing and paying into the funds of this Society annually no less than one dollar.

3rd. The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and five other members for Directors.

4th. There shall be held in each year four meetings of the Society, viz., on the first Tuesdays in March, June, September, and annually on the first Tuesday in December, of which at least six day' notice shall be given by advertisement. Special meetings may be called by the Secretary at the instance of the President, or at the written request of five members.

5th. The President shall act as Chairman at all the meetings of the Society, call special meetings when he may deem necessary, with all other duties customarily assigned to such office.

6th. The Vice President shall assist the President, and in his absence act in his place.

7th. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Society's meetings, and an account of the receipts and disbursements, carry on the correspondence of the Society, and perform such other duties as may be required in furtherance of the objects of the Society.

8th. The Treasurer shall keep the funds of the Society and disburse on the order of the President and Secretary, and report to the Society at the annual meeting in December.

9th. The officers and Directors shall take charge of and keep for the benefit of the Society all horses, cattle, sheep, pigs, plants, seeds, &c., and all articles that may belong to the Society by purchase or otherwise, and shall make such application of the said property as a majority of the Society at any regular meeting or special meeting may determine, and report at the annual meeting in December the proceedings of the Society during the year, with such remarks upon the agriculture of the district as they may be able to offer, and to recommend any measures they may deem expedient to advance the interests and objects of the Society.

10th. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular or quarterly meeting of the Society.

BYE-LAWS.

Article 1st. The objects of this Society shall be to promote the introduction of improved stock, seeds, roots and implements, methods of culture, drainage, orchard cultivation, and domestic manufactures, to hold shows and exhibitions, and to diffuse information concerning Agriculture and Horticulture.

2nd. The subscription of members, together with the Legislative Grant allotted the Society, shall be a general fund for the furtherance of the objects of the Society.

3rd. Any member or number of members may be allowed the benefit of that portion of funds of the Society to which they would be entitled by an equitable division of the same for any purpose not contrary to the provisions of the act for the encouragement of agriculture.

4th. Nine members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any legal meeting of the Society.

WM. E. FREEMAN, Sec'y.

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RIVER JOHN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

RIVER JOHN, Dec. 15th, 1871.

In compliance with the Act for the improvement of Agriculture, we forward a brief Report. The annual meeting of the River John Agricultural Society met at time appointed, and constituted by the President taking the chair. The office-bearers submitted a report of proceedings during the year. Treasurer submitted his report, which was received and adopted, viz. :—

To cash paid for County Exhibition.....	\$50 00
By cash, Members' dues.....	42 00
Incidental expenses.....	3 00

The following were duly elected for the current year:—*President*, Jas. Stramberg; *Vice Pres.*, John McKenzie, Esq.; *Treas.*, John Holtaes; *Sec'y*, Robert Sutherland; *Directors*, Nelson Sutherland, Thomas Mitchell, Jas. Longill, A. Chisholm, Jas. Sutherland.

ROBT. SUTHERLAND, Sec'y.

EGERTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

FISH POOLS, EAST RIVER, PICTOU, }  
December 5th, 1871. }

The annual meeting of the Egerton Agricultural Society was held, according to law, on Tuesday, the 5th of December; the President in the chair, when the following were elected officers for the ensuing year:—*President*, Robt. McNaugh-

ton, Hopewell; *Vice Pres.*, Roderick McKay, Foxbrook; *Secretary*, Isaac McNaughton, Hopewell; *Treas.*, Finlay Cameron, Fish Pools; *Directors*, John McKay, James McKay, Thomas Grant.

The minutes of last meeting being read and approved, the accounts being examined and found correct, the following resolutions were passed:—

That the President meet the delegates from the other Societies at New Glasgow, on Friday, the 18th December, to appoint a member to the Central Board.

That the meeting be adjourned to the 3rd Tuesday of January, 1872; and that the Secretary give notice of the meeting by posting up handbills.

We would respectfully direct the Central Board to the award of prizes published by the Secretaries of the Pictou Exhibition.

In regard to the state of crops,—hay good; wheat above an average; oats not so good as last year; root crop, on account of dry fall, not an average; fruit, especially stone fruit, almost a failure.

ROBERT MCNAUGHTON, Pres.

ISAAC MCNAUGHTON, Sec'y.

HOPWELL, Dec. 19, 1871.

MAXWELTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The work of the year, though not of a very important nature so far as the expenditure of funds and the introduction of stock and seeds is concerned, was still to your committee, in consequence of the difficulty and in some cases the disappointment attending the procuring of improved stock, &c., one of no ordinary trouble.

Early in the year one pair of White Chester pigs, from stock imported by the Central Board last year, were purchased and sold to members under restrictions, and which now promise fairly.

After considerable delay and disappointment, your committee succeeded in obtaining one bushel "surprise" oats and half a bushel "excelsior," from which a very satisfactory yield has been obtained, fully demonstrating their superiority over the old varieties. These oats remain in the hands of the committee to be distributed to members before seed time.

After considerable time had been spent and trouble involved in negotiating for a bull, a superior grade animal was obtained, from stock imported by the Board of Agriculture, which has given great satisfaction in the section of the Society in which he is located; and the demand for another bull of superior breed to supply the requirements of other sections of the Society is much felt, and should be met early in the ensuing season.

A quantity of Northern Hill clover seed was purchased for the benefit of