

quality of the soil equal for ploughing. There were eight ploughmen from Quebec, (five English and three Canadians) the former of whom objected to any alteration being made in the time allowed for ploughing, and in consequence, refused to start with the other ploughs. The ploughmen having drawn lots for the divisions of land that were to be ploughed, proceeded to their work at twenty minutes before eleven o'clock. The Quebec ploughmen belonging to the English class, consented subsequently to plough a small lot each, and commenced about twelve o'clock.

There were about fifty ploughs, (all swing ploughs of wood or iron,) of which an equal number were entered in the English and Canadian classes.

The spectators at the Ploughing Match were very numerous, and as might be expected, were chiefly agriculturists. No doubt the attendance would have been much more numerous, if a steamer had started from Montreal at a later hour the day, and returned from Varennes at four o'clock. We have not, however, witnessed in America a Ploughing Match so well attended, or where there were so many ploughs, and men able to manage them. The scene, altogether, was most delightful and animating, and farmers might, indeed, be proud of it. Although the ploughing was generally good, it was not all equally so, and this difference afforded an opportunity of seeing the superior excellence of what is considered perfect ploughing compared with that which is not so. Many of the ploughmen who competed at Varennes may challenge all America for good ploughing. We were much gratified to see the interest excited amongst Canadian farmers who were present at the Ploughing Match. They appeared to be quite convinced of the advantage of straight furrows and good ploughing, and we have no doubt the meeting at Varennes will have a most salutary influence. Several of the Directors of the Lower Canada Agricultural Society were present:

Major Campbell and John Yule, Esqs., Members of the Executive Committee; Alfred Turgeon and P. L. LeTourneau, Esqs., Vice-Presidents of the Society; J. Hurteau, David Laurent, and F. Armand, Esqs., Directors, and Wm. Evans, Secretary and Treasurer. All these gentlemen were actively occupied in superintending the business of the day. There were several Clergymen of the neighboring Parishes on the spot. We were glad to see three M. P. P's. present, George Cartier, Esq., M. P. P., for the County of Verchères, Dr. Davignon, M. P. P., County of Rouville, and P. Lacoste, M. P. P., for the County of Chambly. It would occupy too much space to name all the respectable parties who were present at Varennes. We therefore only mention those who may be considered official personages, and amongst these we should have named A. Montreuil, Esq., Secretary of the County of Montreal Agricultural Society. At half past one o'clock dinner was prepared at Madame Girard's, when a large portion of those who were only spectators retired from the field to partake of a most sumptuous dinner, served in the greatest profusion, roastbeef, turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls, hams, &c., literally covered the tables. It is only in the country, and at an agricultural dinner that such abundant and excellent fare would be provided, and it was done ample justice to by a numerous company. The after courses were as abundant and in greater variety than the first. Although the company were very temperate in the use of wine, beer, and spirits, these good things were to be had by any party who desired it, and all of the very best quality, including Champagne. They were not such filthy trash as are frequently brought forward at large meetings. We have been at several agricultural gatherings, but have never seen a better or more abundant table provided for farmers. We have had experience of high prizes and very poor fare, at many of these places, (we do not refer to Ploughing