

(*Primrose 9th*, by Mr. Carr's PRINCE OF THE REALM) Mr. Cochrane describes as "a perfect gem."

Early in the present year Mr. Cochrane, whose tastes were now inclining towards Shorthorns of the Booth type and character, made overtures to Mr. Campbell for the purchase of the animals which he had obtained from Warlabby, and succeeded in buying *Bride of the Vale*, a daughter of LORD OF THE VALLEY, and the Royal prize cow *Soldier's Bride*, by WINDSOR; *Merry Peal*, by the Royal prize bull COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, and from *Lady Mirth*, of the "Bliss" family; her daughter, *Merry Bride*, by ROYAL BENEDICT; her son, ROYAL BRITON, and two cows of shorter pedigree, *White Rose* and *Royal Rose*, the price paid for the batch being £3500. *Merry Peal* proving not in calf, Mr. Campbell, with his usual conscientious desire to act squarely in all his dealings, and give measure for measure to his customers, took her back at her full price, 4000 dollars, though no such condition had been stipulated for, and she has since become the property of Mr. Carr. Meanwhile, fresh argosies of horned beauties were on the tide for Hillhurst and the passengers of the good ship Vicksburg had an opportunity of enlivening the tedium of a sea voyage by the study of Shorthorn points and perfections between decks, where in blooming array stood Mr. Stratton's prize darlings, *Village Rose* and her companion *Innocence*, Mr. Wiley's *Louise* and *Ladybird*, and Mr. Torr's *Fair Napier*. All had gone well through the the passage. They were off Riviere du Loup, the pilot on board, weather foggy, when ser-r-unch! bump! bang! and ser-r-r-unch again, and the custodian of the precious live freight woke up to the appalling apprehension that Neptune and his sea dogs were going in for English beef. The vessel was grinding on a rock, and the sea pouring in eager to swallow up the bovine voyagers. The water being soon up to their knees, ropes and tackle were hastily attached to the heads and horns of the animals and they were hauled up by their necks to the main deck, where the poor beasts fell down shuddering and moaning with pain and fear. In a few hours they were transferred to a tugboat and safely landed. The only other Shorthorns Mr. Cochrane has ventured to import in this year of foot-and mouth disease were *Vernal Star*, by the SUTLER, of Mr. Bruere's "Vesper" tribe (her price being 400 gs.), and *Wave Swell* by PRINCE OF WARLABBY, of Mr. Torr's "Waterwitch" family. The latter of whom it might not unnaturally be supposed that "her home was on the deep," found a grave in it, going overboard with 200 gs. "on her head;" the former, a massive cow of fine proportions, and her two months old heifer calf, weathered the

stormy Atlantic, and live to share in the bountiful provision made for man and beast at hospitable Hillhurst.

Agricultural Reports.

ST. ANN'S AGRICULT. SOCIETY.

SOUTH GUT, ST. ANN'S,
3rd December, 1872.

The Annual Meeting of the St. Ann's Agricultural Society was held this day in terms of the Act for Encouragement of Agriculture. All the Officers of the Society were present. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The Treasurer's accounts for the year were examined and found correct. On motion of D. Morrison, Esq., seconded by Mr. John Campbell, the Officers were continued in office for the ensuing year.

The Directors having submitted their report for the year, it was found that the sum of \$130 had been expended in purchasing seeds and implements for the use of the Society, which, together with the working expenses of the Society, left a balance of \$30 in the Treasurer's hands. Respecting the crops in this agricultural district, the hay crop was a good average, also the potato crop was above average; turnips, and all root crops gave satisfactory results. All the grain crops proved below average.

Charles J. Campbell, Esq., M. P. P., was nominated to represent the Society at the Board of Agriculture.

JOHN MORRISON, *Secretary*.

MILFORD HAVEN AGRIC. SOCIETY.

In drawing up this Report the Society is happy to congratulate the Board on the agricultural prospects of this County, as compared with the past five years.

Although the Spring was backward all the crops have been tolerably good. The potatoes are of an excellent quality. Wheat has been decidedly better, and sown to a larger extent than heretofore. Hay in some parts of the County has been very good, whilst in other parts it has been something below an average. Oats have not yielded so well as in former years. The Buckwheat has been much better than in former years. Turnips have not been sown to a very large extent last year.

The certificate of the subscriptions of this Society, required by law, has been forwarded to enable this Society to draw the Annual Grant for the past year. Since the formation of this Society we believe it has done important service in the County for the improvement of agriculture. It now numbers 96 members.

Annexed is a statement of accounts of expenditure for the past year.

This Society has nominated Mr. Geo. Cameron as their delegate or representative to choose a representative for the County for the formation of the Central Board.

The Officers for the ensuing year are as follows:—*President*, Wm. Tory; *Vice President*, Jas. R. Atuatu; *Secretary*, Thos. McDonald; *Treasurer*, James Marshall; *Auditor*, Colin Chisholm; *Directors*: Joseph Tory, Alex. Maury, William Nash, William McKay, John W. Bruce.

Dr.	
To 20 White Chester Pigs.....	\$ 45.30
" 33 bushels Seed Wheat.....	48.00
" 259 " Black Seed Oats.....	150.40
" 16 " Grass Seed.....	52.20
" Cash paid on house.....	33.66
" Incidental Expenses.....	45.83
	\$374.99

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Amount due on Castings.....	\$ 17.00
By Promissory Notes for Seeds.....	77.52
" Notes given for Pigs.....	13.42
" " for two Mowing Machines.....	126.40
" Amount of old notes on hand from 1871.....	31.35
" Cash in Treasurer's hands.....	51.04
" Subscriptions.....	96.00
" Provincial Grant.....	110.00
" Due on house rent to January 3rd, 1872.....	9.00
	\$531.43

Balance.....\$156.44

JOHN A. STEELE, *Secretary*.

MANCHESTER, *Jan. 7th, 1873.*

CORNWALLIS CENTRAL AG. SOC'Y.

Officers and members elected at Annual Meeting, December 6th, 1872:—*President*, William Chase; *Vice Pres.*, Henry Pelton; *Secretary and Treasurer*, Henry Lovett; *Directors*: Robert W. Beckwith, Wm. Burgess, Melbourne Marchant, Harding Sweet, Lawson Rockwell.

DEVON BULL WANTED.

MILFORD, HANTS Co.,
February, 1873.

SIR,—Colonel Laurie requested me to ask you to insert an advertisement in the *Journal of Agriculture*, to say that he wanted a Devon Bull, for Oakfield. And also, if he can get a Devon, he will sell his Ayrshire Bull, aged 3 years next spring, and 2 Heifers, aged 2 years, with calf, and 2 yearling heifers.

Truly yours,

H. S. YEOMANS.

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