

Mr. Massey, of Newcastle. The two latter are after Manny's patent, with several important improvements.

The Reapers, as we have said, were not tried in the field. The competition was very close, as all, with two exceptions, were unquestionably good machines. A new machine was exhibited by Mr. Lefler, of Streetsville, displaying ingenuity and skill in workmanship, but the Judges objected to the mode in which a third wheel was attached, and considered it doubtful whether the machine would *turn* with facility in the field. Messrs. Patterson took the 1st prize for Reaper. Mr. Watson, of Ayr, the 2nd. Mr. G. W. Goodall, Brantford, the 3rd. The machine exhibited by Messrs. Johnson, of Toronto Township, and also that of Mr. Bell, St. George, were highly spoken of, but as there were only three prizes, they had to be passed over. The third prize machine was what is called Burrell's patent with self-raker. The Judges differed as to this machine; some objecting to it altogether, and others regarding it more favourably, because they had used it. The Seymour and Morgan machine, which has been the model for most of our Canadian manufacturers, is taking the lead of all others, and seems as near perfection, when well made, as such machines can be. The Ayr machine has an ingenious contrivance for elevating the finger-bar from the drivers seat, while the machine is in motion. This may sometimes prove useful. Upon the whole the exhibition of agricultural machinery is most encouraging, and gives promise that *labor* will be *saved* ere long in every operation of the farm.

We must leave other departments of the show for comment in a future number.

MEETING OF THE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the several officers and members of the Association and others was held in the Town Hall. On the motion of Col. Thompson, the President took the Chair. He was supported on his right by D. R. Stevenson, Esq., M. P. P., and Col. Thompson; and on his left by Jas. Ferguson, Esq., and by David Christie, M. P. P. Among the gentlemen present were J. B. Marks, Esq., J. McBeth, M. P. P., Mr. Buckland, Ex-Sheriff Jarvis, George Campbell, Messrs Wade, Storm, and other eminent farmers. Mr. Ferguson was appointed Secretary. The President stated they would remember that it had been decided that Wednesday and Thursday evenings should be devoted to discussions among the farmers upon any interesting subject that might be brought before them. For that purpose they had now met together, and it was of great importance that these great social meetings should be well kept up. He did not intend to take any part in the discussion; but there was one point to which he would call their attention, and that was the Educational department in the floral hall. He then went on to speak in high terms of the Educational system of the country, and especially the public Libraries connected with them.—He concluded by stating that the subject chosen for discussion for the evening by the Local Committee was this:—"In what manner this Provincial Show may be carried on in the manner best calculated to advance the Industrial and Agricultural interest of the country." Mr. McDougall had been selected by the Committee to give a paper upon this subject, and he now called upon him to come forward.

Mr. McDougall expressed his opinion that although the Provincial Shows had so far been highly successful, and would compare with any Exhibitions held on this continent, yet there were some points in which he thought they might be made more generally useful. One point in which he thought they were deficient was, that there was no proper provision made to record the results. He thought something might be done with regard to animals, by taking likenesses of the best of the several breeds. In this way they could form better ideas of the improvement that had been effected. No one could obtain the