

The chairman then asked if the meeting was prepared to organize an Agricultural Society, and, being answered in the affirmative, there were appointed the following officers, viz., *President*, Mr. James Gunn; *Vice-President*, Joseph Cameron; *Secretary*, Angus Cameron, Esq.; *Treasurer*, Thomas McBain; *Directors*, Angus E. Cameron, Peter Jordain, James McKay, John Fraser and Martin Gunn.

After being thus organized the Society was called the *New Town Agricultural Society*.

(Sgd.) ANGUS CAMERON,
Chairman.
JOSEPH CAMERON,
Clerk.

CONSTITUTION AND BYE-LAWS.

1st. That this Society shall be organized in connection with the Central Board of Agriculture, and in accordance with the Act for the Encouragement of Agriculture.

2nd. That it shall be managed by a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and five Directors, to be hereafter elected at the Annual Meeting on the first Tuesday of December in each year, and that the retiring officers and directors be eligible for re-election.

3rd. That the minimum annual subscription fee per member be one dollar, payable at or before the quarterly meeting in September every year.

4th. That the quarterly meetings of the Society be held on the first Wednesday in March, June, and September; but special meetings may, after due notice, be called when necessary, by order of the President, or on requisition signed by any five members of the Society.

5th. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, keep order, regulate discussions, state and put questions, and shall not permit, or allow any improper remarks of a personal or political character, sign all money orders on the Treasurer, and perform such other duties as belong to his office. In his absence the Vice shall take the chair, and in the absence of both the Society shall appoint a Chairman *pro tem*.

6th. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Society, keep a correct record of all its transactions, collect all moneys due, and pay them forthwith over to the Treasurer, notify members of the Society by postal card, advertisement, or personally, of each meeting, submit at the annual meeting a report of the proceedings of the Society, conduct all correspondence, and perform such other duties as belong to his office; but in his unavoidable absence at any meeting, it shall be his duty to forward all necessary books and papers, and the meeting may appoint a Secretary *pro tem*.

7th. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys paid him by the Secretary, acknowledge receipt of the same, and shall pay over only by an order from the President and Secretary, he shall also submit at the annual meeting a report of his proceedings.

8th. The Board of Directors shall take charge of and keep for the benefit of the Society, all live stock, grain, seeds, etc., belonging to the Society, and shall make such application of said property as a qualified majority of members of the Board present at any regular meeting may determine.

9th. The members of this Society agree to be governed by a vote of the majority of members present at any regular meeting, such votes to be taken by a show of hands, and in case of an equality, the Chairman shall have the casting vote, but shall not otherwise vote.

10th. Every important motion or resolution must be presented in writing, if requested by the President, before it can be debated, and any member speaking at meeting shall address the Chair, standing.

11th. Special Meetings of the Society or Board of Directors, require six days notice from time of posting, said notice to state the special business requiring attention. Any resolution having passed the Society shall not be reconsidered, altered or repealed at such special meeting.

12th. Twenty-one members shall constitute a quorum to transact business at any meeting of the Society, and with said number present the chair shall be taken punctually at the notified hour.

13th. At each Annual Meeting three members, not officers or directors, shall be appointed for the year next following to audit the Societys accounts.

14th. At any regular meeting of the Society the foregoing Bye-Laws may be repealed, altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that three months notice of motion to that effect be previously given, and that the repeal, alteration or amendment shall be approved by the Central Board of Agriculture.

15th. Order of business at Annual Meeting:—

- 1st. Reading Minutes of previous meeting.
- 2nd. Collection of dues.
- 3rd. Report of Secretary.
- 4th. Report of Treasurer.
- 5th. Report of Auditors.
- 6th. Report of Directors.
- 7th. Report of Special Committee.
- 8th. Discussion of questions.
- 9th. Miscellaneous business.
- 10th. Election of Officers and Directors.

ANGUS CAMERON, Sec'y.
New Town, Dec. 27th, 1883.

BALMORAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

NORTH EARLTOWN, Dec. 27, 1883.

At a meeting held for the purpose of organizing an Agricultural Society, David Sutherland was elected Chairman and Hugh Munro Secretary. Speeches were made by different parties, all urging the advisableness of an Agricultural Society. It was then moved and seconded and passed, that the meeting proceed to the election of officers.

Donald Sutherland was elected President; David Munroe, Vice-President; Alex. Baillie, Secretary and Treasurer. The following were elected as Directors:—John McLean, Hugh Munroe, Esq., Hector McLean, Daniel McIntosh, Geo. McIntosh.

The President, Vice-President and Secretary, and Hugh Munroe, Esq., be a Committee to draw out bye-laws for this Society, and have the same ready to submit at the next meeting. The meeting then adjourned to meet on the first Thursday in February, 1884, at 6 p. m.

HUGH MUNROE, Sec'y, *pro tem*.

February 7th, 1884.

Met according to adjournment, the President in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. The Committee then brought the bye-laws before the meeting, they were read clause by clause and adopted. The Secretary being authorized to send a copy of the same to the Central Board, together with a list of subscribers.

ALEX. BAILLIE, Secretary.

West Branch, River John, Pictou, N.S.

REPORT OF THE PROVINCIAL VETERINARY SURGEON.

HALIFAX, 31st Dec'r, 1883.

His Honor the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council, having been pleased to appoint me Veterinary Surgeon for the Province, I waited upon the Hon. C. E. Church, Provincial Secretary, and was instructed to enter upon the duties under the arrangements suggested by the Central Board of Agriculture and approved by the Government.

Under these arrangements, made at a meeting of the Board at which I was present, I undertook to attend at Provincial Exhibitions, and, from time to time, to visit the several Agricultural Districts of the Province professionally, so as to treat causes of Domestic Animals suffering from Disease or accident, or requiring operations performed;—the times and places of my attendance in localities to be arranged and advertised by the officers