

forty, as required by the Act, and thus weed out those that merely exist by force of circumstances, and for the sake of the "spoils"?

This last plan, Mr. Editor, would meet your wishes in respect to lessening the number; but would they prosper? That is the question!

It is evident that Agricultural Associations, as now constituted, are not popular generally. Scarcely one-fifth of the farming community support them;

February 8, 1865.

SIGMA.

NOSES.—The French and English have each nine proverbs relating to the nose. Here follows the nasal wisdom of the vernacular;

AGRICULTURAL ESSAYS.—On Saturday, the 18th instant, a series of lectures, or, to speak more correctly, a series of essays, by Mr. W. Weld, of Delaware, at the Mechanics' Institute, London, C. W.

"That the thanks of this meeting be given to Mr. Weld, for the very interesting and useful lecture with which he has favoured us; and that we hereby express our opinion that such lectures are eminently calculated to arouse the people of Canada to a more thorough development of the resources of the country."

TURF FOR FUEL.—Mr. Hodges, the contractor of the Victoria Bridge, possesses a large tract of land in the Township of Bulstrode, on which there is a large turf bog or Savane.

Markets.

Toronto Markets.

"CANADA FARMER" Office, Thursday, April 27, 1865.

The season, during the past two weeks, has been on the whole favourable, but cold, and the air somewhat frosty. There was, however, almost uninterrupted sun, and fine weather, interspersed with a few wet days and storm.

Flour steady. No 1 superfine at \$4 60 to \$4 75 per bbl. extra \$4 75 to \$5 00, superior extra, no receipts, fancy, nominal.

Barley dull and heavy, at 55c to 65c per bush. L. Oats at 45c to 46c per bushel, from teams and in store.

Provisions.—Butter.—Fresh, wholesale, per lb. 15c to 17c; retail, per lb. 16c to 18c, in tubs, wholesale, per lb. 15c to 16c.

Hams.—Wholesale, per lb. 9c to 10c, retail, per lb. 10 1/2c to 11 1/2c. Fitch Bacon.—Wholesale, per lb. 8c to 9c; retail, per lb. 11c.

Hamilton Markets, April 26.—Flour, firm, on account of the scarcity of wheat, at double extra, \$5 50, extra \$5 00; No. 1 superfine, \$4 50 to \$4 75.

London Markets, April 25, 1865.—Fall Wheat per bush. l. 90c to 95c. Spring Wheat, do. 94c to 97c. Barley, do. 85c to 92c.

Paris Markets, April 26.—Spring Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2 25. Fall Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2 60. Spring Wheat, per bushel, \$7 1/2c.

Guelph Markets, April 25.—Fall Wheat, per bushel, 90c to 95c. Spring Wheat, do. 80c to 90c. Oats, do. 40c to \$4 3c.

Brantford Markets, April 21.—Spring Wheat, 85c. Fall Wheat, 90c to 95c. Flour, per cwt. \$2 25 to \$2 50.

Gait Market Prices, April 24.—Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2 00 to \$2 50. Fall W. A. per bushel, 88c to 93c.

Barrie Markets, April 25.—Fall Wheat, 85c to 90c. Spring Wheat, 90c to \$1. Oats, 55c to 60c. Peas, 50c to 55c.

Owen Sound Markets, April 20.—Fall Wheat, 75c to 80c. Spring Wheat, 70c to 75c. Oats, 50c to 55c.

Windsor Market, April 15.—Flour, No. 1, \$5 to \$5 60; Wheat, Fall, 90c to 95c, do. Spring, 80c to 85c.

Cobourg Markets, April 25.—Flour per Barrel, \$5. Fall Wheat, per bushel, 90c to \$1. Spring Wheat, per bushel, 90c to 95c.

Brookville Markets, April 25.—Flour, superfine, per 100 lbs. \$2 25 to \$2 50. Oatmeal, do. \$3.

Ottawa Markets, April 26.—Flour—Extra \$5 50 to \$5 75; No. 1, \$5 25 to \$5 50. Fall Wheat, per bushel, \$1 05.

Montreal Markets, April 26.—Flour—Receipts, 1,400 barrels; market very quiet and little business doing.

Detroit Markets, April 26.—Flour, quiet and dull. Nominal quotations are Superior \$7 75 to \$8 00, high extra \$7 50 to \$7 75.

Buffalo Markets, April 26.—Flour—The market yesterday ruled quiet, but what transactions occurred were made at a good firm figure.

New York Markets, April 26.—Flour—Receipts, 22,071 bbls. market dull and drooping, sales, 5,600 bbls., at \$7 to \$7 35 for superfine State.

Bull's Head, April 24.—With less than 3,000 head of beef cattle in market, we have another decline of full a cent a pound, and a remarkable dull market—dull and slow at the opening.