

I am sorry to state that the gale of the twenty-fourth August last destroyed the grain crops to a certain extent in the County of Guysboro, likewise blowing down barns and dwelling houses, and destroying crops that were already housed, to the misfortune of the farmer, mechanic, merchant, and fisherman, the latter in many instances losing all they possessed in the shape of seines, nets, boats, &c., and are now in a state of destitution, owing to the failure of fall fishing along part of the shores; and where fish did strike no means to take them. The farmers in nearly all cases have erected buildings to answer their purposes for the present winter, but it will be some years before the county will assume its former appearance.

The potato crop in many instances was no more than half a crop, especially on the sea board, causing a still further distress to parties employed in farming and fishing. In all, the year 1873 will be remembered by many for its destruction of life and property.

THOMAS McDONALD,
Secretary.

WEYMOUTH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

We beg to submit the following report for the year ending 1st December, 1873: The Society was called to meet at J. S. M. Jones's. After the accounts were submitted and passed, the officers were appointed for the year 1874.—*President*—A. D. Hoyt, Esq.; *Vice-President*—Wm. H. Dahlgreen; *Sec'y.* and *Treasurer*—J. S. M. Jones; *Committee*—Jeremiah Dahlgreen, Chas. Jones, Jacob Wyman, Edw. Hogen, George Taylor; John Dakin was appointed for the Central Board.

The letter from the Board of Agriculture requesting our Society to contribute something toward the Agricultural Exhibition to be held in Halifax, 1874, was submitted. The Society is sorry that they are not in a position to give anything out of its funds for that purpose. We are so situated that we could not receive any benefit from the Exhibition, and by giving we would have to deprive ourselves of the use of stock that is much needed in the Society.

A. D. HOYT, *President.*
J. S. M. JONES, *Secretary.*

WEYMOUTH, Dec. 3, 1873.

ENFIELD, HANTS COUNTY,
April 4th, 1874

A meeting of persons desirous of forming themselves into an Agricultural Society was held in the School House on the 4th inst. Mr. Thomas B. Donaldson was appointed Chairman, Mr. James McKenzie, Secretary. A declaration and schedule had been signed by forty-three persons, but the evening being stormy

only twenty-six of those who signed attended the meeting. After a conversation on the objects of the Society, the following resolutions were passed unanimously.

1. That the Society be called "The Enfield Agricultural Society."

2. That the annual subscription be two dollars a year.

3. The officers for the ensuing year were chosen each by an unanimous vote.

President—Thomas B. Donaldson; *Treasurer*—Andrew Howe, jr.; *Secretary*—James McKenzie; *Directors*—James Howe, James Brown, Donald McDonald, Robert A. Ross, Donne Benery.

Thirteen members paid their subscriptions to the Treasurer at meeting, and it was agreed to hold another meeting that night week, when all the subscriptions were requested to be paid in. It is expected that the Society will commence with over fifty members.

T. B. DONALDSON, *President.*
JAMES MCKENZIE, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE NINE MILE RIVER AND HARDWOODLAND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, CO. HANTS.

DECEMBER 26TH, 1873.

The annual meeting of the Nine Mile River and Hardwoodland Agricultural Society was held, in accordance with the act, on the first Tuesday of December, 1873.

The meeting was well attended, nearly all the members being present. The accounts for the year were presented, approved, and paid, which are as follows:—

EXPENDITURE.

Paid for 110 lbs. Clover Seed.....	\$13.25
" for 34 bushels Barley.....	34.00
" for keeping of Bull.....	50.50
" for Sundries.....	12.15
	\$118.90

RECEIPTS.

Cash in Hand.....	\$57.90
Government Grant.....	35.62
Subscriptions of Members.....	51.50
	145.02
	118.00
	\$26.12

Leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands of \$26.12, without the Government grant for this year.

We then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year:—*President*—Alexander McDonald; *Vice-President*—John Grant; *Secretary*—William J. Withrow; *Treasurer*—James Orr Fraser; *Directors*—Herbert Fraser, Peter A. Grant, Alexander Ferguson, Alexander Moxom, James Fraser.

After discussing the matter of giving something to the Provincial Exhibition prize fund, it was unanimously agreed to give \$15.00.

Our crops in this locality were good. Hay, Oats, Barley and Buckwheat an

average crop. Potatoes above the average, and of good quality.

All respectfully submitted,

DONALD FERGUSON, *President.*

WILLIAM J. WITHROW, *Secretary.*

N. B.—I did not receive your letter respecting the appointment of a suitable person to Central Board until after our annual meeting. I laid it before the officers of our Society at the earliest opportunity. They agreed that I. Longworth, Esq., was a suitable person to the appointment as member of Central Board.

W. J. WITHROW, *Secretary.*

UNION AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF DIGBY, ST. MARY'S BAY.

To the Secretary of the Central Board of Agriculture.

DEAR SIR,—The officers of the Union Agricultural Society beg to submit the report as follows:—That on account of some mismanagement in the affairs of the Society, its membership is very small. At a meeting of the officers and directors, held in March last, it was resolved that the funds of the Society be appropriated to the purchase of stock. The President and one of the directors were appointed to purchase the same. In May they went to Yarmouth County, and purchased a yearling Bull, for which they paid \$28.00. They undertook to drive him home, and while doing so he got extremely cross, and they sold him for \$9.50. The bill rendered for their expenses and the loss on the sale of the Bull makes us minus \$29.88, hence only ten have paid their annual subscriptions, amounting to the small sum of ten dollars.

Treasurer's Report as follows:—

Balance on Hand from 1872.....	\$ 40
Government Grant for 1872.....	60 50
Cash for Goods sold.....	10 99
Subscriptions for 1873.....	10 00
	\$81 89

To Blank Books, Postage, &c.....\$ 21
Loss on purchase of Bull & expenses. 29 88 30 09

In Hands of Treasurer.....\$51 80

Pursuant to notice, a few of the members met to hold the annual meeting; the attendance being so small it was adjourned from time to time. On Monday the 5th inst., we succeeded in appointing our officers as follows:—*President*—John S. McNeill; *Vice-President*—Wm. H. John; *Secy.* and *Treasurer*—Joseph S. McNeill; *Directors*—Chas. Bent, George Saxton, Asa Porter, jr., Wallis Denland, and Bernard McNeill.

John Dakin, Esq., was nominated as a representative to the Central Board. The sum of eight dollars was subscribed towards the prize fund.

JOSEPH S. MCNEILL,
Secy. and Treasurer.

ST. MARY'S BAY, January 7th, 1874.