

Honourable House may in its wisdom deem necessary.

Your Petitioners, in conclusion, beg to state explicitly their firm conviction, that it is to the practical development, by the aids of science and enlightened systems of practice, of the immense natural resources with which Providence has favoured this land, that we must mainly look amidst the constantly increasing competition of the world, for increase of wealth and progressive advancement as a people.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

(Signed) J. B. MARKS,  
1st Vice-President.  
T. CLARK STREET,  
2nd Vice-President.

(Signed) GEO. BUCKLAND,  
Secretary.

TORONTO, May 20, 1850.

#### MEETING OF DIRECTORS AT NIAGARA.

A meeting of Directors of the Agricultural Association, was held, pursuant to adjournment, in the town of Niagara, on Tuesday, June 4th, for the purpose of filling up the Local Committee, and commencing the necessary arrangements for the next exhibition in September. Present—J. B. Marks, and T. C. Street, Vice Presidents; E. W. Thomson, ex-President; R. L. Derison, Treasurer; Geo. Buckland, Sec'y; J. Lemon, Wm. McMicking &c. &c. The Officers of the Society were met by a number of gentlemen of the town and neighborhood of Niagara, and a strong and unanimous feeling was evinced towards the carrying out of the objects of the Society at the next exhibition, with a zeal and spirit proportionate to the magnitude of those objects. The Secretary read a letter from Mr. H. K. Boomer, of St. Catharines, stating that the grant of £25, made by the Niagara District Agricultural Society, towards the funds of the last Exhibition, will shortly be placed to the credit of the Association. It was determined that the space to be inclosed, with the buildings, offices, &c., should be of greater dimensions than they were at Kingston. The Local Committee will shortly advertise for tenders. The spacious common, adjoining the noble river and steamboat landing, will afford every thing that could be desired for the convenience and comfort of visitors and exhibitors. We give below the names of the gentlemen composing the Local Committee, who will meet, for the transaction of business, every Saturday afternoon, at two o'clock, at the office of the Secretary in Niagara.

#### LOCAL COMMITTEE.

ANDREW HERON, *Chairman.*

R. WAGSTAFF, *Treasurer.* | JOHN SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

Sheriff Kingsmill,  
Judge Campbell,  
W. H. Dickson, M.P.P.  
Dr. Melville,  
John Lemon,  
George Boomer,

William McMicking,  
Richard Heseott,  
William Woodruff,  
John Gibson,  
Gilbert McMicken,  
Dilly Coleman.

#### COUNTY OF YORK (LATE HOME DISTRICT) AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Spring Exhibition of this Society was held in this city on the 8th ultimo. The principal characteristic was the Horses, which were numerous, several possessing very high merits. In horn cattle the Show was rather scanty, but we observed some good specimens of improved and native breeds. Of sheep and implements the stock was small, which was the case with dairy produce, sugar, &c.

The number of visitors was very large, the greater part being citizens. A pressure of work, increased by the peculiarity of the season, prevented the attendance of many from the country. His Excellency the Governor General, attended by Colonel Bruce, &c., came on the ground about two o'clock. We were glad to hear, that, by the zealous exertions of several individuals, the members of this society have of late been much increased, and a considerably larger sum than has been the case for some time past, was awarded on this occasion for premiums. The citizens of Toronto cannot do better than extend to this valuable society a liberal support, by which they will secure one Show at least during the year being held in the city. The removing of the Show into the country, last fall, has been found, in more ways than one, to work well for the funds and usefulness of the Society.

A good, substantial dinner was got up at Elgie's Hotel, Yonge-street, and was well attended. The President of the Society, E. W. Thomson, Esq., discharged the duties of the chair with his wonted good feeling and ability. After the usual loyal toasts were given—including the Governor-General, as Patron of the Society—(all of which, it is unnecessary to say, were warmly received,) the meeting was addressed by Messrs. Robertson and Hind, of the Normal School, who made a strong impression in favor of the improvement and extension of popular education. The Hon. Malcolm Cameron followed with an effective address, on the connection between agriculture and commerce. Col. Thompson, Mr. Buckland, Mr. Atkinson (the Society's Treasurer), and others, severally addressed the meeting; and upon the healths of the two indefatigable Secretaries being given, in highly complimentary terms, Messrs. Wells and Crew returned thanks in a suitable manner. We are restricted, by our limits, to this brief notice.

#### TOWNSHIP OF YORK AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Spring Show of this Society took place at Mr. James Nightingale's, on Yonge Street, on the 7th ult. The show of Horses was good, both in point of number and quality, but in the other departments neat cattle, sheep, dairy produce &c., the entries little exceeded former years, either in number or excellence. This Society has lately more than doubled its numbers; a result so desirable has been mainly accomplished by