

upon to be highly disreputable, and should not any longer be suffered.

That breeders should be eager to obtain Premiums, is not to be wondered at, not for the sake of the Premium alone, but because in the sale of their spare stock their success at competitions is a guarantee for high prices. This laudable ambition to maintain a high character for all kinds of stock, is a fertile source of improvement; and under the improved management now about to commence, cannot fail to produce many beneficial results.

It may be thought ungenerous to make some of these remarks, but the whole scheme of the Agricultural organization, as a Provincial Association, and as County and Township Societies, is so noble a design on the part of the people of this Province, and its good working is of so much importance, that every well-wisher of his country should lend a hand to point out, and thereby rectify any abuse, which can be suspected of retarding its growth in the confidence of the country, or diminishing its usefulness in any way whatsoever.

TOWNSHIP OF WOLFE ISLAND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

1851.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions, - - - - -	16	15	0
Government Grant, - - - - -	15	0	0
Balance last year, - - - - -	9	13	8
	41	8	8

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid in Premiums, - - - - -	36	19	6
Treasurer and Clerk's Expenses, - - -	1	15	0
Balance in hand, January, 1852, - - -	2	14	2
	41	8	8

In offering a remark or two on the Agriculture of the Township, I can only say that our improvement is but small in comparison with some neighbouring townships; nevertheless, a considerable advance has been made during the past year more especially; the farmers in general having paid better attention to the improvement of their stock and farms, and we have now a fine assortment of horned cattle of several breeds, mostly imported, as well as some excellent native cattle of the country. We have also a very superior kind of sheep to anything I have hitherto seen in the country; but the improvement in Horses is not what I could wish it to be, mainly in consequence of not having a good stallion, otherwise I consider the Township to be in a satisfactory and flourishing condition.

H. O. HITCHCOCK,
President.

Wolfe Island, Feb. 18th, 1852.

The following Townships of the United Counties, have organized under the new Agricultural Statute:—

Township of Kingston;—Loughborough; Amherst Island; Camden; Richmond; Portland; Wolfe Island; and Pittsburgh.

UNITED COUNTIES OF MIDDLESEX AND ELGIN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

To the Board of Agriculture of Upper Canada.

Agreeably to the Statutes cap. 127, 14th and 15th Victoria:

We, the President, Vice-Presidents, and Board of Directors of the Agricultural Society for the United Counties of Middlesex and Elgin, beg leave to report as required by the 7th sec. of the said Act, and refer the Board to the papers marked No. 1—the names of members and amount of their several subscriptions.

No. 2. Prize List or Premiums awarded to animals and various other articles, as well in the spring as in the autumn of the last year.

No. 3. A detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Society during the said year, and also the accompanying Reports received from Township or Branch Societies for the present year.

In making this Report, your Board have to state, that, previous to the present year, only three Branch Societies had been formed, viz., Malahide, St. Thomas, and Adelaide, and from which no Report for the last year has as yet been received. At the same time, it will be proper to remark, that other Townships are taking the advantage of the above recited Act in forming themselves into Township Societies.

Your Board would further remark, that it would have been a matter of gratification to have embodied in this Report a full and accurate statement of the Agricultural statistics of the said United Counties, had it been in the power of the Board to have furnished it, but inasmuch as the Census Commissioner is not yet in the possession of the necessary information, your Board will avail itself at a future time of the liberty of transmitting to the Board of Agriculture as full and correct an account of the Agricultural products of the said United Counties as the said Census Commissioner can furnish, with such further observations as may present themselves to the said Board of Directors.

Your Board would further Report that it is a deep and settled conviction with its several members that Model Agricultural Farms wherever practicable, would be one of the best and most effectual means of increasing true and correct information in the theory and practice: