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HIRAM BLACK, Sec'y.

Amherst Agricultural Society, Amherst.

FENWICK AGR. SOCIETY OF NOEL.

NOEL, Dec. 1st, 1873.

The officers and Directors of the Fenwick Agricultural Society, at this your eighth Annual Meeting, beg leave to submit the following report:—

The past has not been a very prosperous year with the Society. We purchased one hundred and twenty bushels P. E. Island oats, eighty-five pounds Alsike clover seed, eighty pounds Northern red clover seed, and five bushels barley, all of which were sold to members at cost and charges.

The Bull owned by the Society, a grade Alderney, was kept by Robert Faulkner, Esq., for the use of members.

The hay crop was about average, and harvested in excellent condition; wheat and barley good; oats less than average; buckwheat about half a crop, being injured by the August gale; potatoes above average, but rotting considerably in the cellar in some cases; other root crops about average.

The following officers were appointed: *President*, Alexander Densmore; *Vice-President*, J. J. O'Brien; *Treasurer*, Thos. Hunter; *Secretary*, Uniacke Densmore; *Directors*, Richard S. Blois, Albou S. Main, Samue' O'Brien, Robert Faulkner, Jacob Henig-r.

Member of Central Board, Israel Longworth, Esq.

The sum of twenty-five dollars was unanimously voted towards the funds of the Provincial Exhibition of 1874.

Balance in Treasurer's hands Dec. 3, 1872. \$ 70.91
Receipts for 1873. 157 50

\$228.71

Expenditure for 1873. 157.37
Balance in Treasurer's hands, Dec. 1, 1873. 78.34
Cash due the Society Dec 1st, 1873. 116.60

ALEXANDER DENSMORE, Pres.

UNIACKE DENSMORE, Sec'y.

PORT HOOD AND MABOU AGR. SOCIETY.

Annual Report of the proceedings of the Port Hood and Mabou Agricultural Society, for the year ending December 1st, 1873.

The Officers and Directors of the Port Hood and Mabou Agricultural Society beg leave to submit the following report of the proceedings of this Society, during the year ending 1st December, 1873:

As during the past few years, the Society has been confining its attention principally to the improvement of cattle and sheep, the good effects of which are quite manifest; and, as it appeared at the last Annual Meeting to be the general sentiment of the Society, that its attention should be directed towards the improve-

ment of the horses of our district, your Directors made an effort in the early part of the season, which resulted in the purchase of the celebrated horse "General Williams," at a cost of Five Hundred Dollars. He was sold at Public Auction under the restrictions that he stands four Seasons in the District, realising Two Hundred and Eighty Dollars, Two Hundred and Twenty Dollars less than cost price. This being a considerable drain on the funds of the Society, your Committee thought it best not to make any further outlay this season, but rather to hoard up their funds in case a fresh importation of stock should be made by the Central Board the coming season.

The following is a statement of the pecuniary affairs of the Society for the year ending 1st Dec., 1873:

Agricultural Society of Mabou and Port Hood, in account with L. S. McKeen, Treasurer.

1873.

By balance in fund from last year. \$336.00
Annual subscriptions. 45.00
Nett proceeds of sale of horse Gen. Williams 230.00
To paid for horse General Williams. 500.00
" cash in funds. 160.00

\$660.00 \$660.00

Officers elected 1st December, 1873: *President*, John McKeen; *Vice-President*, Robert McDongal; *Secretary and Treasurer*, L. S. McKeen; *Directors*, E. D. Tremain, Edward Dulhanty, Walter McDonald, William Murray.

UNION AGR. SOCIETY OF PUGWASH, CO. CUMBERLAND.

The Annual Meeting of the Union Agricultural Society of Pugwash, was held in the Bergman School House, on the second day of December, according to law.

After last year's expenses were paid off, there was not much in the Treasurer's hands to begin this year with. Last Spring the Society bought a Grade Durham Bull, for Fifty Dollars, and Grade Devon Bull for Forty Dollars. Two of the members kept them for the Summer for Twenty Dollars each.

The Society also bought a quantity of Red Clover seed, which was sold to members at cost and charges. The Rams bought last Fall from Henry Longworth, Esq., P. E. I., were sold in Nov. 1873, to members of the Society for the use of the Society for that season, afterwards to become the property of the purchaser.

The bulls are now in winter quarters, and are to be kept in the Society for another year. There is a falling off in the membership for this year, the reason, we think, is that some people want their money back with compound interest, in a few months, and will not give the Society time to prove that it is going to be a benefit. The Society appointed a Committee to canvass and urge the necessity of keeping it flourishing for a time, hence the benefits will be largely seen, and not by merely one year's trial.

The grain crops this year promised well, but the storm of 24th August, injured them considerably. The hay is good, and got in good condition. Potatoes abundant, and quality excellent. Officers for the ensuing year are as follows: *President*, Simon Fraser; *Vice-President*, Jas. Chisholm; *Secretary*, Thos. A. Fraser; *Treasurer*, John Stewart; *Directors*, Robt. Smith, Richmond McCurdy, J. Cummings, Wm. Ginderson, Hugh McDonald.

By order,

THOS. A. FRASER, Sec'y.

Pugwash, 2nd Dec., 1873.

MAHONE BAY AGR. SOCIETY.

Mahone Bay Agricultural Society, in account with Jacob Ernst, Treasurer, for the year ending Dec., 1873:

1873.

To paid for Agricultural Journal. \$ 4 00
" Amount of Stock purchased \$160, less 5 p. c., \$8. 152.00
" C. A. Zwicker, travelling expenses, &c., to Halifax, and back to Mahone Bay. 13.50
" Purchasing Stock. 65 33
" for Wintering Bull. 60.00
" keeping Bull Summer term. 9.00
" Sec'y. for postage, stationery and service 1.00
" L. Knaut for rent of Hall. 304.83

To balance due Treasurer. \$ 50.14
1873.

By balance on hand last year, Dec., 1872. \$ 50.69
" service of Bull. 18.00
" Government Grant. 122.00
" By Annual Subscriptions received from Members. 64.00

\$254.69

By amount charged on acct. bal. due Treas. 50.14

The officers of the Mahone Bay Agricultural Society beg to submit the following report, and regret to say that they are not in a position to show much progress in the Society for the year ending. This was owing in a great measure to the low state of financial matters; they are brightening up with the hope, ere the close of another year, to be on good solid financial ground again. In members we increased a few. Respecting the white Chester pigs purchased in 1871, we must say that with attendance and good feed, they give very good return; we notice with them as with other, the more and the better you give them, the more and better returns you receive back; we notice that with those of the W. C. pig that Mr. Simon Burguine got into his possession he raised the best we have seen yet. Respecting the crops, as follows:—Hay, in abundance. Grain good, of all kinds. Potatoes good, or better than for the past few years. Cabbage, good. Roots of all kinds good. Apples and plums fair average, the latter rather better.

Officers elected for the ensuing year as follows:—*President*, R. Zwicker; *Vice-President*, Joseph Mader; *Treasurer*, Jacob Ernst; *Secretary*, H. Schnare; *Directors*, E. B. Hyson, John Mader, Chas. Zwicker, David Veinot, Alexander Ham.

R. ZWICKER, Pres.

H. SCHNARE, Sec'y.