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**IMPORTATION OF STOCK.**

HALIFAX, 31st Oct., 1870.

We desire to call attention in an especial manner to the Importation of Live Stock made by the Board of Agriculture, with concurrence of the Provincial Government.

The Board deputed the Hon. R. A. McHaffey and Joseph J Northup, Esq., together with the Secretary, to attend the Provincial Exhibition at Toronto, for the purpose of making purchases. They were successful in obtaining several of the finest prize animals at the Exhibition. The Importation consists of Short Horn Durham Bulls and Bull Calves, Ayrshire Bulls and Calves, Devon Bulls, and Short Horn Heifers; also a fine lot of White Chester and Yorkshire Pigs.

It is believed that the Horned Cattle are superior to any that have ever before been brought into the Province. Their pedigrees have been examined with the greatest care; and it will be found that they are not only thorough-bred, but that

they are of good strains in their respective breeds.

The animals will be sold by public auction at Richmond Depot on Wednesday, 16th November, at 12 o'clock, noon, under the restriction that they are to be retained in the Province for breeding purposes.

In order that intending buyers may have an opportunity of inspecting the animals prior to the day of sale, arrangements will be made for having them located in the neighbourhood of Richmond.

Catalogues with Pedigrees are now ready, and may be obtained on application to Mr. Northup or the Secretary of the Board.

(From the Gardener's Monthly.)

**HINTS FOR THE SEASON.**

**FLOWER GARDEN AND PLEASURE GROUND.**

The remarkably hot and dry season we have had all over the Union, has been singularly unpropitious for fall flowers. Dahlias came into bloom early, and in September when we should have had beauty, found nothing but dried heads

and green leaves. The Gladiolus, however, has done remarkably well. This flower is becoming deservedly popular in American gardening. Seedlings have become so numerous, that first-class varieties are now within the reach of every one at moderate prices. The raising of seedlings is also a very interesting operation. Every one may have some new variety of his own in this way, superior, perhaps, to any of his neighbors. The hot weather was, however, very hard on other flowers.

Fall Roses were simply "nowhere,"—and the Chrysanthemum which makes the fall of the leaf so cheering, rather excites our pity for itself. Those who have depended much on flowering plants for the gaiety of their gardens, have failed in most but Geraniums and Petunias: while those who have rather rested for their success on masses of colored leaves, are triumphant. The Coleus, Achyranthus, Tetranthera, Vinca variegata, Centaureas, and similar things, have gone the drought gloriously; and we have no doubt this species of gardening will be immensely popular another year. We still want more variety among the class of plants. At present, one person's garden is too much a copy of another, where the style of massing with colored leaves prevails.