

as a guarantee fund for the expenses to be incurred in the management of the Provincial Exhibition in King's County this autumn if required. A written guarantee to the Board having been prepared, was signed by a number of substantial farmers present. At the conclusion of the meeting, a subscription paper was drawn up, and active steps taken to canvass the district. Mr. Eaton, after thus explaining the proceedings at Kentville, urged the advantages of that place as a central locality in a rich agricultural district, of easy access, and with every prospect of ample accommodation to exhibitors and visitors. He concluded by placing in the President's hands a guarantee signed by the High Sheriff, the Custos, the Prothonotary and eleven other gentlemen of standing in Kings County.

Colonel Laurie, President, explained the relative positions of the Board and the Counties, in regard to the Exhibition. He stated that one object of the Board was to encourage the erection of permanent exhibition buildings in the several counties, and therefore that any county owning buildings would receive a preference by the Board in the selection of a locality for the Provincial Exhibition.

Mr. Longworth pointed out, in detail, the various steps that had been taken in connection with the Exhibition in Truro, and showed the advantages, in several respects, of the offer made by the Colchester committee.

Mr. Eaton then withdrew.

Major Blair was invited to attend, and stated, in reply to enquiry of the President, that the Colchester Committee, adhered to their offer made at the previous meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board, and had nothing further to add. About \$1,300 had already been collected to improve the ground; \$4,000 would be expended by the County in erecting the necessary buildings, and the guarantee fund to meet other expenses was swelling up to a large sum.

Major Blair then withdrew.

The Hon. Daniel McDonald moved, Mr. Matheson seconded, and the Executive Committee unanimously

Resolved, That after full consideration of the offers presented to the Board, the offer of the Colchester Exhibition Committee to hold the Provincial Exhibition of 1876 at Truro be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Starratt, seconded by Mr. Longworth, the committee further passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That where advantages equal to those offered by any other locality are obtainable, it is the opinion of the Committee that the principle of holding the Exhibitions alternately in some central point of the Eastern and of the Western Districts of the Province will be most advantageous, and likely to confer the greatest benefit on Agriculture, and thus to obtain the objects sought by the Legislature.

The Secretary submitted the list of grants to Societies for 1875 as finally adjusted, which was approved of and sanctioned. It will be found in another column of this *Journal*.

Mr. Longworth stated, on behalf of the committee named to suggest necessary amendments of the Agricultural Act, that they would be prepared to report to the general meeting of the Board in time to bring the proposed amendments under consideration of the Agricultural Committee of the House of Assembly.

A letter was read from Cyprian Ballard, Esq., Middleboro', County Cumberland, in reference to a new society in course of formation there, which had been started in March, 1875. The Secretary was directed to correspond with Mr. Ballard, and to give any necessary information and assistance with a view to the society's claims for future recognition being brought before the Board at next meeting.

A letter was read from J. A. Halliday, Esq., Berwick, King's County, in reference to the formation, on 15th December last, of a new society there. The letter and accompanying papers were laid over for future consideration. In the meantime the Secretary was directed to obtain additional information through correspondence with Mr. Halliday.

A letter was read from Aubrey Blanchard, Esq., Secretary of the Windsor Agricultural Society, accompanying return of the Windsor Society for 1875. After full consideration of the case it was agreed that the explanation offered be received, and that the Society be recognized as entitled to its grant for the year as usual.

Moved by Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Starratt, and

Resolved, That the Colchester Exhibition Committee be requested to prepare their Prize List and Regulations, and send the same to the Secretary of the Board for submission to the Board of Agriculture and the Governor in Council, in terms of the Act.

The Committee arranged that the President should call the new Board together in March, in accordance with the Act.

Adjourned.

It is highly gratifying that the Farmers of most of the Counties are becoming keenly alive to the importance of establishing Agricultural Societies. But the results are, in some of the Counties, becoming embarrassing to the Board. At present the Act does not limit the number of Societies, but merely the amount that is to be distributed among those of a County. A correspondent expresses very well sentiments that we have heard in other quarters:—

"We learn that another Agricultural Society has been formed in our County.

Is there any limit to the number of Societies in each County? The question arises under these circumstances whether such new Societies are to receive a proportion of the grant previously apportioned to the Societies of this County, or will the new Society receive an additional grant? The feeling is here that if the older Societies are to have the small amount previously allowed reduced and curtailed, that some of them will certainly be obliged to succumb. We will, however, still hope that the Government through the Central Board, will deal fairly in the matter. We, in this County, are very strongly of the opinion that each Society in the Province should receive a rateable proportion of Agricultural grant in proportion to amounts raised and paid in, and not an equal amount to each County whether there be one Society or six. We do not wish to present difficulties in the way of the Central Board, but this is a question which we humbly think should be legislated upon and have due consideration."

THE following is from the Lieut. Governor's Speech at the recent opening of the New Brunswick Legislature:—"Since your last meeting agricultural matters have had my attention. Regulations have been passed under the authority of the act of last session, and during the summer, a large importation of stock was made from Ontario, Quebec and, the State of Illinois. At the sale of such stock in Fredericton in October the expenses of the importation were largely met, and the stock was fairly distributed over all parts of the Province. It is to be hoped that the results may encourage and justify recourse more frequently than heretofore to this mode of advancing an interest so important to the country.

I am pleased to see a growing feeling amongst the farmers of the Province in favor of more frequent association and communication upon matters connected with the improvement of farming."

LAST year I grew 300 heads on the 1-8 part of an acre of the Marblehead Mammoth Cabbage, which is 5400 to the acre. They averaged 7 lbs each, which is nearly 19 tons per acre. My mode of culture is to plow greensward the first of June, harrow it well, then with a hoe open hills large enough to hold a forkful of hog manure or a large spoonful of Brodby's Superphosphate of Lime, sprinkle a large spoonful of salt on each hill and cover at once. When the plants are large enough, which should be from the 10th to 20th of June, set them in the hills. Hoe frequently and there will be a good crop of cabbage.—*Weekly Monitor*.