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Sackville, N. B., July 10th, 1889.

TO THE FARMERS, STOCK BREEDERS AND HORSEMEN ) OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

GENTLEMEN:-

We beg to submit to you a copy of our journal, the "Maritime Agriculturist," and would respectfully ask you to peruse and examine the same with the view of becoming subscribers from year to year

We claim that it will stand favorable comparison with any journal of an Agricultural nature published in these Provinces, and also those of Ontario and the United States.

As you will observe we are not local, political, or the advocate of any certain creed, but simply devoted to the Agricultural interests, in all its various branches, of the Maritime Provinces of Canada.

With your generous support we are prepared to compete with Canadian and American Agricultural Journals. We are aware that such journals have secured a circulation in these Provinces, and have gained their footing on account of the field being comparatively clear. But the gap is now filled, and the "Maritime Agriculturist" proclaims itself a contemporary of all foreign periodicals.

You are probably aware that thousands of dollars annually leave this I country to enrich the American publishera. It would be as well to keep our dollars within our boundaries and support home enterprise.

With all due deference to foreign periodicals, we say that the measures which they advocate are not applicable to this country. Farming, as carried on in other parts of the world, is quite different to that in vogue in our Provinces. The practice that suits the climate and soil of Ontario and the United States is out of place here. But we are the Agricultural organ for this country, and with the view of being so recognized, have selected a central location for publication, and wish to be considered the property of all three Provinces and not only one.

Our columns may be considered a valuable medium for farmers and stock-raisers to ventilate their ideas, to advocate practical reforms and compare notes as to the difference in their respective practices. Contributions will be always gratefully received by us. We would also draw attention to our advertising columns, and would recommend them to be 'as carefully perused as the body of the journal.

In conclusion we beg to state that we publish once a fortnight and not monthly like the majority of Agricultural journals. Notwithstanding this we only charge one dollar (\$1.00) per annum in advance, and give the sub scribers twenty six copies instead of twelve. We wish to rank first in your estimation, and in order to gain that position will endeavor to satisfy you in every detail, and in return expect to receive your hearty appreciation and support.

Yours respectfully,

Paterson & Gilbert

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