



"Agriculture not only gives Riches to a Nation, but the only Riches she can call her own."

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Grand Provincial Exhibition.

OUR friends in various parts of the Province, who had not the opportunity of witnessing the great display of the choicest products of the land, as exhibited at the Government House on the 21st and 22nd ultimo, doubtless expect that we shall furnish them with a few particulars in this month's *Cultivator*. Owing to the active part we had to perform in the arrangement and general management of the exhibition, it is scarcely to be expected that the whole of the details, worthy of being noticed in the public prints, should have come under the writer's notice, but much, however, was to be seen that could not have escaped the most careless observer. Before we enter into the details of this great provincial movement, we would beg to digress a little by briefly stating the probable effects that will be produced therefrom, both as it regards its influence upon the productive interests of the province, and the future management of District Agricultural Societies.

All who visited the Fair have had the opportunity of beholding many of the choicest productions of western Canada, and from the fact being fairly illustrated that Canada is capable of producing as choice a collection of fruit, vegetables, grain, agricultural implements, articles of domestic manufactures, and the various descriptions of improved live stock, &c., as can be found on the continent of America, every individual who had

a spark of patriotism, will return to his home, not only well satisfied with what has already been done, but also determined to excel, if possible, his more fortunate neighbour at the next grand Provincial Exhibition. The most ardent friends of the cause only claim credit for the first performance, in having made a successful beginning;

The prize list for the next Provincial Exhibition will be published at least six months previous to the period at which it will take place, and as it will be entirely under the controul of the District and County Societies, there can scarcely be a doubt but that its management will command the respect, and obtain the liberal patronage of an enlightened public; and that its influence will be powerfully felt by every productive interest in the province. The benefits that will emanate from this national movement, if we may be allowed the use of the term, will be apparent to all; it will be especially productive of good in the well-working of District and County Associations. At present, some of the Township Societies can of a truth boast of exhibiting better stock and a greater display of choice agricultural products, than are to be seen at the District Societies' exhibition. This should not be the case, and we opine that a reform in this respect will take place as soon as the Provincial Board of Agriculture shall have an opportunity of informing the public mind on the best methods of managing District and County Societies. As the conductor of the only journal