

**EDITORIAL NOTICES.**

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, TORONTO.

PROFESSOR BUCKLAND has commenced a Course of Lectures on SCIENTIFIC and PRACTICAL AGRICULTURE. Fee for the Course \$2. These Lectures are open to occasional Students, who can enter the class immediately or at the commencement of the New Year. A Prize of the value of £6 10s., has been offered by William Mathie, Esq., President of the Provincial Association, to the Student in the Agricultural Class, who shall pass the best examination; and a second Prize of the value of £3, is likewise offered by a member of the Board of Agriculture.

December 1st, 1853.

**LIST OF HORTICULTURAL AND AGRICULTURAL BOOKS FOR SALE, BY JAMES FLEMING SEEDSMAN, TORONTO.**

- Gardening for Ladies. By Mrs. Loudon..... 6s. 3d.
- Breck's Book of Flowers..... 3s. 9d.
- Buist's Kitchen Gardener..... 3s. 9d.
- Buist's Flower Garden Directory..... 6s. 3d.
- Bridgeman's Young Gardener's Assistant..... 7s. 6d.
- Flouist's Guide..... 2s. 6d.
- Kitchen Gardener's Instructor..... 2s. 6d.
- Fruit Cultivator's Manual..... 2s. 6d.
- Downing's Fruits and Fruit Trees of America 7s. 6d.
- Coles Fruit Book..... 2s. 6d.
- The Gardener's Text Book. By A. Schenck. 2s. 6d.
- The American Kitchen Gardener..... 1s. 3d.
- The American Rose Culturist..... 1s. 3d.
- Every Lady her own Flower Gardener..... 1s. 3d.
- Domestic Powl and Ornamental Poultry..... 1s. 3d.
- Elements of Agricultural Chemistry and Geology. By Professor Johnston. New Ed. 5s. 0d.
- An Essay on Manures. By S. L. Dana..... 1s. 3d.

[Among the several excellent works in the above list, that of Professor Johnston's "Elements of Agricultural Chemistry," is deserving of the special notice of young and enquiring farmers. It is an exact reprint of the last (the 6th) English edition, and is offered at a price which places it within the reach of all. We know of nothing more important to farmers than the proper selection of a few really good books for their own and family's reading.—EDITOR.]

**SCOBIE'S CANADIAN ALMANAC, AND REPOSITORY OF USEFUL KNOWLEDGE, FOR 1854. TORONTO: HUGH SCOBIE.**

The eminent and deserved success which has attended this most useful and valuable publication for several years past, is a sufficient guarantee that the Almanac for 1854 will sustain the high character of its predecessors. In looking over its pages we find them crowded with matter, which every man of business must have frequent occasion to refer to; while its general and scientific information is of a kind that cannot fail to interest all classes of the community. Nearly ninety octavo pages of the exact information with which it is everybody's duty and interest to become familiar, collected and condensed at much labor and expense, together with a well executed map of a portion of the Province, for the marvellously low price of 7½d! No family ought to be without it.

**THE POPULAR EDUCATOR: A. H. ARMOUR, TORONTO.**

This cheap and excellent monthly serial well sustains the important position which it assumed at its commencement, and will doubtless prove a useful auxiliary to such young persons as are pursuing a course of study, unaided by a teacher, as well as to domestic and school education. The widest possible diffusion of publications of this sort, cannot fail to prove an inestimable blessing to society.

We have received the FIRST REPORT of the Secretary of the Board of Registration and Statistics, on the Census of the Canadas for 1851-52. We are indebted to M. r. Hutton, the able and indefatigable Secretary of the Board, for the above interesting Report, to some of the results of which we may hereafter refer.

**AGRICULTURAL PRIZE.**

We publish with pleasure the following communication. It is gratifying to see Mr. Harrington's interest in the progress of Agriculture displayed in this tangible form. The gift is not only valuable in itself, but is beneficial as a stimulant to others to look around them to see whether they can in any way lend a helping hand to progress. In these days we stand not still, and it is well to move in an honest, upright course:

Toronto, 9th Nov., 1853.

Dear Sir.—I was much pleased with the late Fair of the Township of Etobicoke, as well with the exhibition of the products of the soil, cattle, horses, implements, &c., as with the men, whose energy, good will and ambition, were so easily seen.

As a small token of acknowledgment of such very good qualities, I will be happy to give, as a premium, one of Grey's double-mounted iron Scotch ploughs, to be competed for by farmers or their sons, in a ploughing match, to take place at the time of holding your next Fair, leaving the matter in the hands of such zealous friends of the farmer, as yourself and the other officers of the Township Society, to arrange.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

JOHN HARRINGTON.

Edward Musson, Esq.,  
President of the Etobicoke Agricultural Society.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Agricultural Society of the Township of Etobicoke, held at Mr. Thomas Smith's Inn, Mimico, Dundas street, on the 11th instant, it was moved and carried unanimously,

That the thanks of this Society be returned to John Harrington, Esq., of Toronto, for his very handsome present, to the said Society, of one of Grey's double-mounted iron Scotch ploughs, as a premium to be competed for, at a ploughing match to be held the ensuing season, to be left in the hands of the present President and Directors of the Society, as they may think proper.

By order of the Board,

ALEX. CAMPBELL,  
Secretary E. A. Society.

Etobicoke, 26th Nov., 1853.