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A REPORT ON THE STATE OF AGRICGLTCRE IN TIIE GOUNTY OF WELLINGTON, 1852. JY JOLAN HARLAND, GUBLPII.
to which was awanded the prize of twenty founds, offered by the board of agmicul.ture.

The County of Wellington (one of the United Counties of Wellington, Waterloo and Grey) is composed of thirteen Townships, viz., Guelph, Eramosa, Nichol, Puslinch, Erin, Garafrasa, Filkington, Peel, Minto, Maryborough, Arthur, Luther and Amaranth, and occupies a surface of 600,000 acres of land, which is neither flat nor hilly, but gently and beautifully rolling. 340,212 acres are in the hands of actual settlers.
The County commences about fifteen miles north-west of Lake Ontario, and extends in that direction to within forty miles of Owen's Sound, on Lake Huron.

The climate is decidedly healthy, but nevertheless it is subject to great variations.
The soils are some what irregularly distributed. Loam, clay ard gravel may be found in almect every Township; but a rich, deep ?oam predominates, and it generally rests on a bed of limestone or gravel.

The whole County is singularly well adapted for cultivation.
The Townships of Eramosa, Guelph, Erin, Puslinch, Nichol and Garafraxa, have each been partially settled from twenty to thirty years, and are now thickly inhabited.
Arthur, Maryborough, Peel ànd Pilkington, are rapidly settling.
Amaranth, Minto and Luther, are yet in their infancy, and as the land in the two former Townships is not inferior to any in the Province, they offer a wide and advantageous field for the operations of enterprising and industrious emi-
grants. The Township of Luther is almost entirely swampy.
Water is exceedingly pure and plentifu? throughout the County. Creeks of living water are in abundance, and never failing wellis may be obtained at a depth averaging less than twenty feet.

The Grand River, the Speed, the Canistuga, and the Eramosa Liver, intersect the County; upon each of which are many excellent mill privileges, great numbers of which are yet unappropriated.

Upon these Rivers are situated the Town of Guelph (the capital of the county) and the flourishing villages of Fergus, Elora, and Rockwood. These and all other running waters in the County are literally alive with a very delicious variety of Trout, which afford much sport to the anglor and a great treat to the epicure.
Property is very much divided, being gencrally held in Lots of from 100 to 200 acres. Mr. Howitt of Guelph is probably the largest proprietor, and Mr. Laidlaw of the same place the largest Farmer.

Several proprictors in Guelph and Eramosa cultivate their land to the extent of 150 acres, or more, but the average size of cleared Farms in these Townships docs not probably exceed 80 acres. In the more recently settled Townships the clearings will not amount to so high an average, although even in them many extensive farms may be met with.
It is utterly impossible to give a correct idea of the value of Land throughout the county. It may however be stated that a Farm consisting of 100 acres, 80 acres of which are cleared, and upon which is situated a good Frame House, barn, stables and sheds was sold a short time ago for $£ 1200$ cash. This farm is situated about a mile and a-half from Guelph. . Very ferv persons who possess 100 acres of Land; with 70 or 80 of them cleared, and in a proper state of cultivation, and having comfortable
buildings thereon, and situated within a dozen miles of Guelph, would like to dispose of it for less than $£ 1000$. There are however many instances of persons being necessitated to take much less; and in situations more remote from market, so high a price would probably scarcely be asked.

Wild Land may be purchased in $1 /$ Maryborough and other distant Townships at an average of about 12s. 6 d . per acre.

There are in the County at this time about 2000 Freeholders.

The Buildings here were originally composed of unhewn logs, but within the last five years immense improvements have taken place. The log barns and stables have in many cases entirely disappeared, and have been replaced by extensive piles of frame buildings, which are generally arranged in such a manner as to alfiord a degree of comfort and convenicuce almost unknown to the great majority of Farmers in Circat Britain.

Shanties are things which may be remembercel by the old settlers, but it is long since they were replaced by comparatively comfortable wooden houses, and these houses are in their turn giving way to mansions composed of the more durable materials of brick or stone.

Wells of water under cover, stone dairies, wood houses, smoke houses, ice houses and bathing houses, are amongst the conveniences and luxuries by which the Farmer begins to surround himself, and they certainly indicate a degree of prosperity which it is truly delightiful to contemplate.
Farm IIouses are however almost invariably built too near a public road, which deprives the occupier of the privacy to which every landed proprietor is entitled, and subjects him to many annoyances which might be avoided by selecting a location nearer to the centre of his domain. Gardens and orchards, the necessary appendages to a farm house, are subject to great depredations when near a public road, from which they would be nearly, if not wholly exempt, if placed at a reasonable distance from it. Besides when a house is built close to, and fronting a public road, the occupants are doomed to the disagreeable necessity of overlooking the property and proceedings of their neighbour, instea.l of haring a constant opportunity afforded them of surveying their own, than which one would imagine nothing could be more delightfu!, particularly if a little care was bestowed upon improving the prospect by planting useful and ornamental trees in every convenient spot, a mode of improvement which it is to be regretted is so much neglected.

* Persons who are styled farmers here, are a very different class of men to those who follow
the same occupation in the British Isles. It is true that numbers have settled here who were brought up to the plough, but the great majerity of those who now live by cultivating the soil, were educated to sume variety of trade, but nevertheless many of them manage their farms in a most creditable manner, and are men of ingenuity and persevering industry, who have seen much of the world, and have profited by experience; they are superior to narrow prejudices, and will not persist in doing wrong because their forefathers did so; but they are anxious to acquire infornation, even though it should be conveyed to them through the medium of a printing press. They have an idea of commerce, and generally decline selling their produce to an old customer if a new one will offer them a higher figure; and if they succeed in obtaining a better price than their ncighbour, they do not from motives of contemptible jealousy conceal the fact in the hope of monopolizing a market, but they at once prochim it openly and aloud; so much so indeed that an advance of a penny per bushel in the price of grain at Guelph, is known in every part of the County within twenty-four hours of such advance taking place. These persons are not afraid of their clisdren becoming lazy on account of acquiring knowledge, but they exert every means to make them wiser and better men than themselves, and it is devoutly to be wished [without entering upon politics] that they may so succeed in their praiseworthy efforts as to qualify the sons of farmers to be the legistators for a purely agricultural community.

After the above description of the cultivators of the soll, it will not be expected that a:y perfect idea of the mode of management can be given, for probably no two farmers adopt precisely the same system; indeed, in' a County like Wellington, the oldest part of which has so recently been recovered from the Forest, situations and circumstances so greatly vary as to render systematic management almost, if not altogether, impossible. The whole County is certainly not cultivated like a well liept garden, but the reporter will venture to assert that he can point out many farms in various parts of it, which, for neatness and cleanliness, would not suffer by a comparison with the best managed farms in England or Scotland.

Wheat, peas, oats and karley, are the chief crops cultivated. Fall wheat is sown upon suminer fallow, or pea stubble; summer fallow produces the best crop, but pea stubble frequently produces the finest quality. Cars is generally taken by the best farmers to avoid taking two white crops in succession off the same piece of land
Of tl produce of grain per acre, throughout
the County, it is equally difficui. to speak with certainty as of the mode of managel.int; the returns of the Census Commissioner by no means give a perfect idea of it. A good farmer would consiler 30 bushels of wheat, 30 of peas, 60 of oats, and 35 of barley, about a fair average on his own farm; but it is quite probable that his next neighbour, in consequence of slovenly management, would not in the same season realize more than half that quantity.

Spring wheat, which a few years ago was the staple commodity of the County, is now very unfashionable. Fall wheat was at that time almost certain to be much injured, if not entirely destroyed by rust, or mildew ; whilst Spring wheat was considered tolerably certain of producing a crop;-but, by some unknown agency, a great change has taken place, and Fall wheat is now cultivated extensively and with very favourable results.

Peas have become a very favourite crop; they are readily harvested by a horse-rake; they have hitherto been chiefly used for the fattening of hogs, but they have now become an important article of export, and they are regarded as being an excellent preparation for Eall wheat.

Turnips are not grown to any great extent in consequence of the expense of pulling and storing them; James Wright, Esq., the President of the Agricultural Society, has however inrented a machine for cutting off the tops and turning out the roots, which he confidently anticipates will effect a great saving of manual labour: it will be worked by one or two horses, and will be in operation next season.

Potatoes, which used to be somewhat extensively and profitably cultivated, have of late years been almost a general failure, and few persons at the present time risk the planting of more than to produce sufficient for their own culinary purposes. Many experiments have been tried to restore this raluable esculent to its original quality and abundant yield; the most successful and certainly the most simple of which has been to plant on a virgin soil. It is said that potatoes which have been left in the ground through the winter, produce an abundant yield and an excellent quality the following summer: if this is really the case, it obviously points to the propriety of planting in the autumn.

The cultivation of hemp and flax has been tried upon a small scale, both of which appear to grow luxuriantly.

There are some fine fields on the baaks of the River Speed, which afford a rich natural herbage for cattle, and it is on them that the cows are fed which produce the Stilton Cheese for which Mr. Parsons has rendered the County of

Wellington so celebrated;-and it is also on them that the splendid Durhams were chiefly fed which were so successfully exhibited by MIr. Inowitt at the Provincial shows held at Toronto, 1 lamilton, and Niagara.

The artificial grasses used are almost exclusively clover and timothy, both of which, in ordmary seasons, produce abundantly.

Upland grass is usually broken up about the third year, and wheat or peas sown upon the first furrow.

Dairying is not yet carried on to any great extent, but the good wives of Eramosa have already justly obtained a great local celebrity for the quantity and quaiity of the butter which they produce, and cheese making is steadily on the increase.

Portable thrashing machines of almost every variety may be met with, and each variety has its advocate. Winnowing machines are in the hands of every farmer, but none of the varieties in use approach perfection. The wheel carriages and sleighs in use are well adapted to the present circumstances of the County. Cultivators have been introduced with good effect, but their constructica is defective, and their price is excessive as compared with the price of grain. The samt remarks may with justice be applied to straw cutters. The Scotch irpn plough is in the hands of many of the best ploughmen, and a very superior description of wooden plough is manufactured in the Township of Eramosa. A very great improvement has taken place in the construction of harrows, and the great clumsy and almost useless things, to which nothong less. than a yoke of bulls ought ever to have been hitched, are fast giving place to light, lively working, and effective implements.
Revolving horse rakes are manufactured in Guelph, and are fast coming into favour ; it is certain that no jucicious farmer will long be without one. Grain ciadles of the best description are manufactured in the County. Scythes, hand hay rakes, pitch forks, dung forks, scoops, shovels and spades, which for lightness and utility perfectly astonish an old countryman, are to be found in the possession of all prudent farmers.

Orchards are being generally planted throughout the County; it having been fully demonstrated that with proper attentiongevery variety of apple tree will grow as luxuriantly and produce fruit in quantity and quality very little, if at all inferior, to any in the Province. An extensive Nursery has been established in Guelph, which is abundantly stocked with choice varieties of thrifty trees, and the farmers will grossly neglect their interest if they do not take proper and speedy means to have lorge quantities of them transplanted to their Jwa estates.

The art of gardening is cultivated by amateurs, who produce specimens of onions, carrols, parsnips, asparagus, and celery, of a size and quality which can scarcely be excelled. A Horticultural Society has for some time been in existence in Elora, and another one has recently been established in Guelph. Such Societies, if: well conducted, must be productive of much good.

Fences are almost exclusively composed of Rails, placed in the rig-zag form; in many cases, however, a vast improvement has been made in the method of constructing them. The stakes at the corners are now placed periectly upright, and are secured at the top with a cap; in this way they occupy less ground, are much stronger, more durable, and less ugly than when made on the origina! plan. This kind of fence might be much improved in appearance by an ornamental tree being planted in the corner of every third pannel. Post and rail, post and board, and stone fences, are used, but not generally.

Those horrid nuisances, bars, are used instead of gates, but fortunately gates are becoming more fashionable than formerly.

The horses are of no distinct sariety, but they are tolerably active and hardy: means are being taken by the Agricultural Dociety to effect an improvement in the breed by offering large premums for the introduction of superior stallions.

To horned cattle of this County is perhaps unrivalled in the Province, and for its pre-eminence in this respect, it is indebted to the extensive importations of pure Short Ho:ns by Rowland Wingfield, Esjl, and the ITon. Adan Fergusson. The herd of the former gentleman was purchased by Mr. Howitt, a gentleman of large fortune, and a skilful and enthusiastic breeder, residing at Guelph (irange. Mr. Howitt bought one of the Hon. A. Ferguscon's imported cows, and a bull, which was bred by that gentleman; he also bought a bull from MIr. Vail of Troy, which was bred directly from the highly celebrated herd of the late Mr. Bates of Krrkleavington. Mr. Howitt's stock has rendered itself so conspicuous, wherever it has been exhibited, as to need no further comment on this occasion.

A very superior bull was also imported from England, by a Mr. Atkirson of Guelph, which has effected a marked improvement in the young stock of his neighbourhood.

A number of cattle have descended from the herds above mentioned of a quality so good that the uninitiated may well be excused for mistaking them for thorough-bred.

A great number of Leicester and Southdown
sheep, from the most improved English flocks, have been imported into the Comity, and ten years ayo it had as high a character for sheep as for cattle; but the wool carters were clamorous for fine wool, and the farmers wanted a heavy llecce; so, by way of compromise, tincy crossed the Leicesters with the Downs, and then bred from the oflispring, and by persisting in this perncious course for a few years, they searcely got any wool at all, and very nearly lost the carcase of the sheep into the bargain. The farmers have, however, long since discovered their error; a more judicious system of breeding has been adopted; fresh Leicester blood has been procurell, and it may reasonably be expected, as it certainly is hoped, that shortly a respectable breed may be restored.

An excellent breed of hogs exists in the Comnty, but the farmers must be cautions of breeding from mongrels, or their hogs will become as much deteriorated as their sheep.

Deer are plentiful in a wild state, but the time for domesticating them in larks has swarcely yet arrived.

Goats are discouraged on account of their mischievous propensities.

The same remark will apply to Rabbits.
Poultry of every varicty may be reared is abundance and if properly housed during winter, and well fed, they might be made profitable.

Pigeons are kept more for ornament than for prolit.

Bees are not very generally kept, but sone good housewives make a considerable addition to their pin money by taking care of them.

In addition to the improvements which have taken place in buildings, fences, and implements, it is proper to mention that under-draining has been practiced by some farmers in Guelpla and Eramosa to a considerable extent, and, as the benefit arising therefrom is most manifest, the example will doubtless be followed.

The chief manure used is that which is produced in the stables and barn yard, from whence it is carted early in the summer and deposited in a heap in the immediate vicinity of the spot where it is to be used, and is there Ieft $t$ fo ferment. It is usually applied to summer fallow, and is ploughed in with the last furrow as speedily as possible after it is spread, in order to prevent evaporation. Its application is always attended with good effect.

Buckwheat, clover, \&c., are occasionally ploughed in, whilst in a green state, but the experiment frequently proves unsuccessful. Lime has been tried, but not on a scale sufficienily large to warrant any one in speaking positively as to its results. Marl is found in several parts
of the County, but is not used. Gypsum is the favourite manure for grass land.

Labour is rery scarce and dear. Good serviouts are scarce, and bad ones seldom stay long in a place. Landowners ought to build cotiagrs on their farms and attach a garden to each, by which meaus labouring emigrants might be induced to enter into ther employment, until they became in some degree initiated into the customs of the country, instead of running the risk of slarvation by at once penetrating into a dene forest in search of subsistence. A farmer would find it much more to his advantage to employ a man with a family to do the work of lis farm, than a single one; as a married one, having a cottage and garden found him: would naturally take an interest in what was going on about him, his wife would be found of great serice at bucy seasons, and even children inight be made useful. Another adrantage would obviously aice from employing a man with a family, and that is that he would gladly take a great portion of his wages in the produce of the Farm, whilst an ummarried one almost invarably requires payment in cash.

Four years ago, the inhabitants of this County had jusi reason to complain of the great dificulty of reaching a market, in consequence of the almost ingramable state of the roads; but, in the course of that four years, an excellent gravel road has been constructed through the centie of it, which has given them ready access to the port of IIamilton at all seasons, and has had the effect of reducing the cost of transport fully cent. per cent. The road in question commences at the City of Ilamilton, passes through the 'Tow. of Dundas, tie 'Townstips of Flamboro' and Puslinch, the 'Lownship and Town of (ruelph, about four miles North-west of which it diverges on the one hatd to the village of Elora on the route to the Saugeen. and on the other to the village of Fergus on the direct road to Owen's Sound, to which it is highly probable that in four years more it will be completed. In addition to this vast improvement it is conlidently anticipated that in less than three years from the present date (1852) a Railroad will be in full operation from Guelph to.'Toronto, on the one hand; and from Guelph, through Galt, to Hamilton on the other.
The great obstacles to improvement in Agriculture, are want of knowledge and capital, the low price of produce, the extravagant price of labour, and the long duration of winter.

The first of these may be removed by reading and study; the second by careful management and persevering industry; the third by obtaining reciprocal trade with the United States, or protection in the British Market ; and
the fourth by building cottares on Farms as previously pointed out, and by aftording increased facilities for Emigration from Europe.

The means of acquiring a tolerable edu ation is now placed within the reach of all, as Common Schools are numerous, and the system of education has been much improved.

An Agricultural Society was lormed here in 1841. The objects of which have been to encourage the importation and improvement of farm stock and produce; the improvement of tillage, agricultural implements, \&ic., the encouragement of domestic manufactures, of useful inventions, and generally of every branch of rural and domestic economy ; and, in the attainment of these oljects, it is not too mach to say that it has been eminently successfal.

The first year of its existence it consisted of 102 members, but its numbers continued steadily. to increase until the last year, when it numbered 648 members. Its management was popular and effective. At the annual general meeting a President, four Vice-Presidents, and a Secretary and Treasurer were elected from the mass of subscribers; then each Township or union of Townships, furnishing seventy-five members, selected live Directors from amongst themselves. These together formed the Comity Board, who managed the general affirs of the Society. The Directors of each Township Society had the power of electing a local Committee to assist in managing the affairs of their own Society : they hat at their command the whole of their subscriptions, and one half of the amnual Legislative Cirant duly apportioned to the anvunt of their subscriptions. The other half of the Legislative Grant was devoted to the support of the County or Parent Society, out of which were paid the premimens at the General Show, the salary of the Secretary and Treasurer, (who acted for the whole of the Townships, as well as for the County) and all other general expenses of the Society.

The following Table will show the amount subscribed by each Township Society for the year 1851 and the proportion of the Legislative Grant which was awarded to each, and the total amount which was placed at their disposal for the purposes of a Township Show:

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| Guelph, | 50 | 5 | 0 | 38 | 15 | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ | 89 |  |  |
| Eramosa, | 33 | 5 | 0 | 25 | 13 | 14 | 58 | 18 | 13 |
| Nichol, | 27 | 10 | 0 | 21 | 4 | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ | 4 S | 14 | 41 |
| Puslinch, | 26 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 1 | 23 | 46 |  | 23 |
| Pilkington an Elora, .... | 25 |  | 0 | 10 |  |  | 44 |  | 10 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The County Sbow was held immediately after
those held in the Townships, and each person who subscribed one dollar towards the fundis of any Township Society was entitled to exhibit stock or produce to any extent, at the County Show, without being required to make any further payment. This system had the effect of bringing all the best stock and produce in the County into direct competition, and was attended with the most gratifying results, and gave entire satisfaction to all parties concerned.

The following Table will show the amount of Premiums offered in each class, throughont the County, in the year 1851, and the number of Lots entered to compete for each:


The County Society has been re-organized - under the Statute 14، and 15 Vic. cap. 127, and the following is a list of the officers elected:

President.
James Wbigit, Esq., of Guelph. Vice-Presidents. $J_{\text {ames }}$ Cowav, Esq., of Waterloo. Lazarus Parkinson, Esq., of Eramosa. Secretary and Treasurer. John Harland, of Guelph.

## Directors.

John McCrea, Esq., of Guelph.
Alexander Harvey, Esq., of Fergus, in the - Township of Nichol.

James Ross, Esq., of the Township of Pilkington.

Wm. Clark, Esq., of the Township of Erin.
David Stirton, Esq., of the Township of Puslinch.

Guelph, 20th March, 1852.

## Lambton agricultural society.

Sarnia, April 2nd, 1852.

To the Secretary of the Board of Asriculture.
Sin:-The Lambton Agricultural. Society not having been formally organized, as such, till February last, the Directors have not deemed it necessary to present a formal Report. Nevertheless, as many of the members of this Society were formerly members of the St. $\mathrm{C}^{1}$ air Agricul-
tural Society, we have thought it proper to present, through yon, to the Board of Agriculture, a brief statement of our position and prospects in reference to Agriculture.
This and the neighbouring Townships began to be settled about 1834 or 1835 . For a long period the settlers were very widely scattered, and as in all new localities, they had many and great difficulties to contend with. Determined perseverance, however, in time, overcame many of these difficulties, and the more enterprising began to think of further improvements. In Dec. 1843, the St. Clair Agricultural Society was formed, and continued in operation till it was superseded by the formation of the Lambton Agricultural Society. This and the neighboring Townships have been much benefited by the Agricultural Society. Stock has been much improved, especially cattle and shיep. A spirit of enterprise and emulation has been excited among farmers, which, while it tends to develop their own individual powers, tends also to bling to light the latent resources of the country.
At the annual Show of the St. Clair Agricnltural Society, held in October last, we had a very creditable exhibition of Agricultural produce.Some very good horses were exhibited, a number of excellent cattle, both of the Durham and native breeds, as also some very superior sheep. The wheat crop having been abundant in this locality, a great many excellent specimens were exhibited. Roots of various kinds were well represented. There were also some fine specimens of apples and other fuits. 1 great variety of articles of domestic manufacture were also exlibited. The amount of premiums awarded at the Show was f29 12s. 6d.

Our Society, as now organized, consists of one hundred and thitty members. Our finances are in a flourishing condition, there being in the Treasurer's hand at present the sum of $£ 75$.

We are now directing our efforts to the improvement of our breed of horses, and hope that we shall succeed. We are also endeavouring tg obtain improved implements, and improved varieties of the different kinds of grain; all matters of the greatest moment.

Our section of country is yet new, and in many respects far behind, but we will do our best to follow the older and more advanced sections of our country.

All which is respectfully submitted.
Robert Sims, President.
Eben. Watson, Secretary.

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## RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Extract from the By-Laws of the Association :-
The members of the Agricultural Societies of the several Tomnships within the County or United Counties, wherein the Annual Exhbition may be held, and the members of the Society of the said County or United Counties, shall be also members of the Association for that year, and have badges accordingly: provided the Agricultural Societies of the said Townships, or the Society of the said County or United Counties shall devote their whole funds for the year, including the Government Grant, in aid of the Association; and that the office-bearers of the Societies of other Townships in other Counties, and the oflce-bearers of the Societies of such Counties as shall have made donations or shall have contributed towards the Provincial Show, (in the case of Townships not less than 110 , and in the case of Counties not less than $£ 25$, ) for that year, shall also be furnished with badges of membership, and shall hare free entry into the grounds of the Exhibition.

1st. The payment of 5 s . and upwards constitutes a person a member of the Agricultunal, Association of Uprer Caiada for one year; and Two Pounds Ten Shillings for life, when given for that specific object, and not as a contribution to the local funds.
2. No one but a member will be allowed to compete for prizes except in Classes $R, U$, and $W$.
3. All Stock and Articles intended for Exhibition, must be entered in the Secretary's Books at. Toronto, before 8 o'clock on Tuestay Evening, the 21st of September; if by letter the postage must bo paid, andi
the person entering musu remit 5s. being the amount of subscription coastituting a member.

1th. Badges from the Treasurer's Office will be furnished Members, which will admit th $m$ and their Ladies and children under 14 years of are in carriages, free to every department of the lishibition, during the Show. Life Members admitted with their families free.
Sth. Tickets for admission to those who are not members 7id. cach time admission. Carriages including drivers 2s. 6 d .; passengers to pay 7 'd, each. Horsernen, not members, to pay 1s. 3u. each admission.

6th. Every article exhibited for competition, must be the growth, produce, or mannfacture of [pper Canada, except Class W. Live Stock for breeding zmust be the property of persons residing in Upper Canada. All praniums for articles entered in cum-- petition are to be awarded to the producers only.

7th. Discretionary premiums will be awarded for such articles as may be considered worthy by the Judges, although not enumerated in the list, and the Committee will determine the anount of premium.

8th. In the absence of competition in any of the Classes, or if the Stuck or Articles Exhibited be of inferior quality, the Judges will exercise their discretion as to the value of the premiums they award.

9th. The Judges, Competitors and Officers of the Association only will be permitted to enter the show Grounds, until iwo oclocls, P. M., of Wednesday the 22nd September, at which hour members will be admitted. Non members will be admitted on Thursduy morning at 8 o'clock.

10th. No Articles or Stock exhibited will be allowed to be removed from the grounds till the awards are made, or without the permission of the President, ander the penalty of losing the Premiums. An Auctioneer will be on the spot after the premiums are announced, and every facility afforded for the transaction of business.

11th. Delegates, Judges and members of the Press are requested to report themselves at the Secretary's Office inmediately on their arrival.
12th. The Judges to meet at the Secretary's Office on the Grounds, on Wednesday mornine, to Breakfast, at $80^{\circ}$ clock precisely, to make arrangements for entering immediately upon their duties.

13th. It being essential to the satisfactory working of the Exhibition that all articles be entered and forwarded in reasonable time; all such as arrive on Wednesday morning and not previously entered, will be charged an entrance fee of 5 s . each. All entries will posilively close on Wednesday morning ut 9 o'clock. Articles arriving afterwards will be admitted into the Show Grounds; but they will be entitled to compete only for Discretionary premiums.

14th. Arrangements will be made for Agricultural Lectures or discussions during the evenings of Wednesday and Thursday of the Show week.
15th. Erery effort will be made for enabling the Treasurer to commence paying the Premiums as early as possible.
The Local Committe will make arrangements with Steamboat and Railway proprietors for the transit of visitors and articles for the Show, at reduced rates; also with the Hotel3 and Boarding house keepers for accommodating visitors at their ordinary fixed *harges.


Best Saddle Horse,
$2 \mathrm{~d} \quad$ do
3d $\quad$ do
$\quad$ Class G.-blood horses.

Best thorough bred Stallion,
2d do
3d do

3est thorough bred 3 year old Stallion, $\begin{array}{ll}2 \mathrm{~d} \\ 3 \mathrm{~d} & \mathrm{do} \\ \text { do }\end{array}$
Best thorough bred 3 year old Filly,
2 d do
Best thorough bred 2 year old Filly

| 2d do |  |
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| 3d | do |

Best thorough bred Mare and Foal, 2 d do do

Pedigree to be produced.
class H.-sheer.
Leicesters.
Best ram, two shears and over,
$2 d$ do
3 d do
Hest sheariing Ram,
2d do
$3 d$ do
Best 2 Ewes, two shears and over, 2d do
3d do
Best 2 shearling Ewes,
$2 d$ do
3d do
Best 2 Fwe Lambs,
2 d do
$3 d$ do
southdowns.
Best Ram, two shears and over,
2d do
3d do
Best sheariing Ram,
ed do
3d do
Best Ram Lamb,
2 d do
2d do
Mest Ram Lamb,
$2 d$ do
3d do
Best two Ewns, 2 shears and over, 2 d do
3 do
Best 2 shearling Ewes,
2d do
3d do
Best 2 Ewe Lambs,
2d do
$3 d$ do
MIERINOS AND SAXONS.
Best Ram, two shears and over
2d do
3d do
Best shearling Ram,
ed do
$3 \mathrm{~d}^{\mathrm{d}} \mathrm{do}$
Eest Ram Inamb,
2 d do
$3 d$ do
Best 2 Ewes, two shears and over,
2d do
3d do

| £2 0 | Best 2 shearling, Ewes, |  |
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| 110 | 2d do |  |
| 10 | 3 d do | 10 |
|  | Best 2 Ewe Lambs, |  |
|  | 2d do | 110 |
| $\begin{array}{rrr}7 & 10 \\ 5 & 0\end{array}$ | 3 d do | 10 |
| 210 | Fat sheer. |  |
| 50 | Best two Fat Wethers, | 3 |
| 30 | 2 d do | 20 |
| 10 | 3 d do | 10 |
| 40 | Best two Fat Ewes, | 30 |
| 210 | 2d do | 20 |
| 110 | 3 d do | 10 |
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|  |  |  |
|  | Class I.-pigs, (large breed.) |  |
|  | Best Boar, 1 one year and over, | 30 |
| 3 1 0 | 2d do | 20 |
|  | 3 d do | 10 |
|  | Best Breeding Sow, 1 year and over, | 30 |
|  | $2 d$ do | 20 |
|  | 3d do | 10 |
|  | Best Boar of 1852 | 20 |
|  | -d do | 110 |
| £4 0 | 3 d do | 1 |
| 20 | Best Sow of 1852 | 2 |
| 10 | 2d do | 110 |
| 210 | 3 d do | 10 |
| 110 | SMAI.L BREED. |  |
| 40 | Best Boar, 1 year and over, | 30 |
| 30 | 2 d do | 20 |
| 110 | 3 d do | 1 |
| 30 | Best Breeding Sow, I year and over, | 3 |
| 20 | 2d do | 20 |
| 10 | 3 d do | 10 |
| 110 | 13est lloar of 1852, | 20 |
| 10 | 2 d do | 110 |
| 10 | 3 d do | 1 |
|  | Best Sow of 1852, | 20 |
| 40 | 2 d do | 110 |
| 20 | 3 d do | 10 |

In this class the precise age of the animals is to be stated on the cards.
class J.-poultry.
Best pair of Dorking Fowls,
2 d do
5
Best pair of Poland Fowls, 10

| $2 d$ do | 5 |
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| Best pair of Large Breed fowls, | 10 |

2d do 5
B3est pair of Turkeys, 10
2 d do j
Best pair Large Geese 10
2d do
Best Pair Topknot Ducks, $\quad 10$
$\begin{array}{lr}\text { Ud do } \\ \text { Best Pair Muscovy Ducks, } & 5 \\ \text { But }\end{array}$
2d do 5

IBest pair Common Ducks, $\quad 10$
2d do 1 est pair Guinea Fowls, 10
2d do 5

Best iot of Poultry owned by Exhibitor, 10
ciass K., agricul.tural moductions.
The Canark Company's Prize of $£ 25$.
For the hest $2:$ busiels of Fiall Wheat, the
$4 \begin{array}{ll}4 & 0 \\ \text { produce of Cimadit West heing the }\end{array}$
30
growth of the year, 1852 . The prize to
be awarded to the actual grower ouly of


| Best Grapes, hot house, 4 bunches | S0 7 | 6 | Best Floral Ornament | £1 0 |  |
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| 2 d do |  | 6 | 2 d |  |  |
| $2 d$ do | 5 | 0 | 3d |  |  |
| Best Black Grapes, grown in open air, 4 b | ches 10 | 0 | Best Canada Coffec, 12 lbs. |  |  |
| 2d do | 7 | 6 | 2d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best Water Melon |  |  |
| Best white Grapes grown in open air, 4 b | hes 10 | 0 | 2d do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3d do |  |  |
| 30 do | 5 | 0 | Best Musk Melon of any sort |  |  |
| Best two Pumpkins, | 10 | 0 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best and largest collection of Dahlias | 10 |  |
| Best 4 Syuashce, for Tablo | 10 | 0 | 2 d do ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 10 |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3 d do | 7 |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best and greatest, variety of Green Mouse |  |  |
| Best 12 Tomatoes | 10 | 0 | Plants | 10 |  |
| 2 d do |  | 6 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | 3 d do |  |  |
| Best 4 heads liroccoli | 10 | 0 | Best and greatest variety of Yegetables |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 2d do |  |  |
| 3d do | 5 | 0 | $3 d \mathrm{do}$ |  |  |
| Best 4 heads Cathiflower | 10 | 0 | llest and heaviest 2 bunches of Grapes |  |  |
| 3 d do | 7 | ${ }^{6}$ | 2 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | 3 d do |  |  |
| Best 4 heads Cabbage [Summer] | 10 | - | Best 20 Roots of Chicory | 10 |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best 20 lbs of Chicory, manufactured from |  |  |
| Best 4 beads Cabbage [Winter] | 10 | 0 | roots grown in the Province this season | 10 |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | i | 2 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 |  |  |  |
| Best 12 Carrots for Table | 10 | 0 |  |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | crass M., agriculturay. implemen | NTS. |  |
| $3{ }^{\text {d }}$ do | 5 | 0 | Dest Wooden Plough, |  |  |
| Best 12 roots of White Celery | 10 | 0 | 2 d do |  | 10 |
| 2d do | 7 | c | 3 d do |  |  |
| $3 d \mathrm{do}$ | 5 | 0 | leest Iron Plough, |  |  |
| Best 12 ronts Red Celery | 10 | 0 | $2 d$ do |  | 10 |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best subsoil Plough, |  |  |
| Best dozen Capsicums | 10 | 0 | 2 d do |  | 10 |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best pair of Ifarrows, |  |  |
| Best 6 ligg plants, purple | 10 | 0 | 2 d do |  | 15 |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3 d do |  | 10 |
| 3d do | 5 | 0 | Best Fanning Mill, |  | 10 |
| Best 12 Bloo? Deets | 10 | 0 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3 d do |  | 10 |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best Horse power Thrasler and Separator, |  |  |
| Best peek of White Onions | 30 | 0 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3d do |  |  |
| $3{ }^{3 d}$ do | 5 | 0 | lest. Grain drill, |  |  |
| Best peck of Yellow Oninns | 10 | 0 | 2d do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 3 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best Seed Drill or Barrow, |  |  |
| Best peek of Red Onions | 10 | 0 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | ${ }^{6}$ | 3 d do |  | 10 |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Best Straw Cutter, |  |  |
| Best half bushel White Turnips, Table | 10 | 0 | 2 d do |  | 15 |
| 2 d do | 7 | B | 3 d do |  | 10 |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | Bust Smut Machine, |  |  |
| Best Peck of White Beans | 10 | 0 | 2 d (ib) |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | Best Portable Grist Mill, |  |  |
| 3d do | 5 | 0 | 2d do |  |  |
| Best dozen Dahlias, named | 10 | 0 | $3 d$ do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | Best Grain Cracker, |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | $2 d$ do |  | 10 |
| Best Bouquet of Cut Flowers | 10 | 0 | 3 d do |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | ${ }^{6}$ | Brst Corn and Cob Crusher, |  |  |
| 3d do of Gran Mouse planto | 5 | 0 | 2d do |  | 15 |
| Best collection of Green Mouse planta, n than twelve specimens, |  |  | 3 d do |  |  |
| 2 d than twelve specimens, | 10 | 0 | Best machine for cutting Roots for Stock, |  |  |
| 2d do | 15 | 0 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 10 | 0 | 3 d do |  | 10 |
| Best collection of Amuals in bloon | 10 | 0 | Best Cluver Machine, |  |  |
| 2 d do | 7 | 6 | 2 d do |  |  |
| 3 d do | 5 | 0 | 3d do |  | 10 |


| Best two Horse Waggon, | £3 0 | The cheese in both cases to be the make of 1852. |  |  |
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|  | 20 | Best Butter, not less than 201bs in Firkins, Crocks |  |  |
| 3 d do | $1 \begin{array}{ll}1 & 0\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Best Hurse Cart, | 110 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { or Trubs } \\ & 2 \mathrm{do} \end{aligned}$ | 1 |  |
| 2 d do | 10 |  | 0 | 10 |
| 3 d do | 010 |  | 1 | 0 |
| Best Horse Rake, | 10 | 2d do mate sugar | 0 | 10 |
| 2d do 3 d do | 015 | 3d do | 0 | 5 |
| 3d do Best Metal Roller | 010 |  | 1 | 0 |
| Best Metal Roller, 2d do | $2 \begin{array}{ll}2 & 15 \\ 2\end{array}$ | 2 d do Beet Root Sugar, | 0 | 10 |
| Best Wooden Roller, | 210 | 3 d do | 0 | 5 |
| 2 d do | 15 | Best 20 lbs Corn Stalk Sugar, | 0 | 15 |
| Best Reaping Machine, |  | 3d do | 0 | 10 |
| 2 ddo |  | Best Sugar made by Indians | 0 | 15 |
| 3 d do | 20 | Best sugar made by maians |  | 10 |
| Best Stump Extractor, | 20 | 3d do | 0 | 5 |
| 2 d do | 10 | Best Starch | 0 | 15 |
| $3 \mathrm{3d}$ do | 010 | 2d do | 0 | 10 |
| Best Mowing Machine, | $\begin{array}{ll}5 & 0 \\ 3 & 0\end{array}$ | Best Soaps [collection assorted] | 0 | 15 |
| 2 d do |  | 2 d do | 0 | 10 |
| 3d do Best lotato Digger, | $\begin{array}{ll}2 & 0 \\ 0 & 15\end{array}$ | Best caudles [collection] | 0 | 15 |
| 2d do | 015 0 | 2d do | 0 | 10 |
| 3 d do | 05 |  |  |  |
| Best Thistle Extractor, | 010 | class 0 1.-do.mestic manufactures. Leather and Furs. |  |  |
| 2 d do |  |  |  |  |
| Best Farm Gate, | 015 | Best Side Saddle | 1 | 0 |
| 2 d do | 010 | 2nd do | 0 | 15 |
| 3 d do |  | Best Specimen of Whips and Whip |  |  |
| Best Cultivator, | 110 | [collection assorted] | 1 | 10 |
| $2 d$ do | 10 | 2 d do | 0 | 15 |
| 3 d do | 010 | Best 3 Hogskins, | ま | 0 |
| Best Machine for making Drain Tiles, | 210 | 2 d do | 0 | 10 |
| 2 d do | 110 | Best set of Farm Harness |  | 10 |
| Best Brick-making Machine, | 210 | 2 d do | 1 | 0 |
| 2 d do | 110 | 3 d do |  | 10 |
| Best set of Horse Shoes, | 015 | Best set of Pleasure Ilarness |  | 10 |
| 2 d do | 010 | 2 d do | 1 | 0 |
| 3 d do | 05 | 3d do | 0 | 10 |
| Best half-dozen May Rakes, | 010 | Best Saddle and Bridle | 1 | 0 |
| 2 d do | 07 | 2d do | 0 | 15 |
| 3d do | 05 | Best Travelling Trunk |  | 10 |
| Best half-dozen narrow Axes, | 015 | 2d do | 0 | 10 |
| 2d do | 010 | 3 d do | 0 | 5 |
| 3d do | 05 | Best side of Sole Leather | 0 | 10 |
| Best half-dozen manure Forks, | 015 | 2 d do | 0 | 15 |
| 2 d do | 010 | 3 d do | 0 | 5 |
| 3 d do | 05 | Best side of Upper Leather |  | 15 |
| Best half-dozen Inay Forks, | 015 | ed do | 0 | 10 |
| 2d do | 010 | 3 d do | 0 | 5 |
| 3 d do | 05 | Best Skirting Leather |  | 15 |
| Best half-dozen Scythe Snaiths, | 015 | 2 d do | 0 | 10 |
| ed do | 010 | $3 d \mathrm{do}$ | 0 | 5 |
| 3 d do | 05 | , Best Calf Skin, Dressed | 0 | 15 |
| Best Ox Yoke and Bows, | 015 | $2 d$ do | 0 | 10 |
| 2 d do | 010 | 3 d do | 0 | 5 |
| Best Grain Cradle, | 010 | Beet Side of Haruess Leather | 0 | 15 |
| 2 d do | 05 | 2 d do | 0 | 10 |
| Best half-lozen Grain Shovels, wood, | 013 | 3 d do | 0 | 5 |
| 2 d do | 010 | Best Fur Hat |  | 15 |
| 3 d do | 05 | 2 d do |  | 10 |
| Best half-dozen Iron Shovels, | 0 0 15 | 3 d do | 0 | 5 |
| 2 d do | 010 | Hest Fur Cap | 0 | 15 |
| 3 d do | 05 | $\begin{array}{ll} 2 \mathrm{~d} & \text { do } \\ 3: \mathrm{d} & \text { do } \end{array}$ | 0 |  |
| ctass N.-datry mroducts, sugar, \&c. |  | 13est Fur Sleigh Robo |  | 15 |
| Best Firkin of luutter not less than 56lbs. | £2 10 | 3 d do | 0 |  |
| 2d do | 110 | 3d do en Bootmakers work | 0 | ${ }_{15}^{5}$ |
| 31 do | 10 | Best specimen Bootmaker's work | 0 |  |
| Brat cheese not less than 30lbs. | 210 310 | 3 d do | 0 |  |
| $\begin{array}{ll} 2 \mathrm{~d} & \text { do } \\ 3 \mathrm{~d} & \text { do } \end{array}$ | 110 10 | 30 - |  |  |
| Best 2 Stilton cheese not less than 12 lbs cach | 210 | O2.-manuractures in |  |  |
| 2 l do | 110 | Best Portable Sterm Engine, [ope |  |  |
| 3 d do | 10 | compctition] Diploma, and | 5 | 0 |




| cimen of Seal Engraving, Diploma |  |
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| Stuffed 13irds.... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  |
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| Picture Frame, gilt. ......................... |  |
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| Stained Glass, .......................... ... |  |
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| Dentistry, Diploma and....... |  |
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All articles exhibited by Judies to be almitted frec All articles entered must have been executed sinee the last Exhibition of this Association.
class T.-bookbinding, paper, \&o.

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| Best ream of Writing Paper |  |
|  | 2d do.. |
|  | 3d do |
|  | Best ream of Printing Paper |
|  | 2d do.............. |
|  | 3 d do........ |

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## chass U:-mphav prizes.

Best Bark Canoe, .............................................. 1


2d do......................................... 010
Be-t pair Snow Shues, (cummon :ize).
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2d do............................
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2d do.................................. io 5
Best Tobaceo Pouch worked with Porety ine Quills
${ }_{\text {Best Pipe of Peace }}^{2 d}$
$0 \quad \pi$
2d do..................................................
Best Pipe of War ................................ 0 is
2d do.... ............................... 010
Best pair of Moccasins (plain)................ 0 o
$2 d$ do.................................. o 3
Best mir Moceasins [worked with Porelipine
Quills]... .....................................

Best pair Moceasins [worked with Beads] .... 0
2d do
Best Fruit Basket.
Best Clothes Baske.
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2d do. ..................................... 0 5
Best IIand Basiet
2d do..... .............................. 0
All articles cahibited by Indians, admitted free.


Best Stallion for Agricultural purposes.


## cuass V.-pottery.

Best specimen of Pottery, ................................ 0
2d do...................................... 015
$3 d$ do..................................... 010
Best specimen draining Tile ..................... 10
2d do...................................... 015
3d do......................................... 0 . 10
Best dozen Bricks.................................. . . 010
2d do...................................... 0 . 5
Best Water Filter. ................................... 015
2d do...................................... 0 5
class W.-forelgn stock and mplements.
Premiums for Stock and Implements belonging to persous residing out of $L^{-p} p e r$ Canada. Exhibitors in this class are admitted free of any charge.
Best Durliam Bull not over flve years, . . . . . Diploma
ad and................................... 210
2d do ............................ 210
Best Durham Cow................. Diploma and 110

2d do...................... . 210
hest Ayrshire Cow................Diploma and 110
2d do ............................ 110
Best IIereford Bull................... Diploma and 210
2d do....................... . 210
Best Mereford Cow...............Diploma and 110
2d do..................... . 10
Best Devou Bull. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Diploma and 210

Best Blood Stallion.................................... 30


bent two Leieester Ewes......... Diphoma and 110
2d do ............................ 10
Best Southdown Ram............ Diphoma and 10
2d do.........................
lest two Southdown Ewes......Diphoma and 110

lest Merino and Saxon Ram.....Diploma and 110
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Bust breeding Sow ............... Diphouna and 110

agricultural mplements.
Best llough..................... Diploma and $\mathcal{L 1} 0$
"Subsoil Plough............Diploma and 10
« pair Harrows.............................. 10
" Fannine Mill................ Dploma and 10

* Horse Power Thrasher and Separator

Diploma and 210
". Seed I) rill or Barruw, ........)iploma and 10
:: Straw Cut:cr.................................. 1
"Smut Machine,................................. 10
$\therefore$ Portable Grist Mill, ..........Di lomatand 210
" Grain Gracker............................. 10

" Corn :nd Cob Crusher.................... 10
"Clover Machine.............Dinoma and 20
"Reaping Machine...........Diploma and 210
" Cuhtivator.....................Diphomand
" Assortment of Agricultural Implements
and Eidge Tools ........... Diploma aud 50

## PREMIUMS

FOR AGRICUI,TURAI, MEIPRRTS OF COUNTIES IN CPPER CANADA, FOR 1853. OY\& N TO GESDRRAL COMperition.

For the best County Report (Wel-
$\left.\begin{array}{lclllll}\text { limgton and Hantings excepted) } & \text { e20 } & 0 & 0 \\ 2 d & \text { Do. } & - & - & - & - & 15 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 d & \text { Do. } & - & - & - & - & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 t h & \text { Do. } & - & - & - & - & 5\end{array}\right)$
These Reports, ia addition to the usual information requined respecting the condition of Agrichlaral Societies within their bange, should de-ribe the varions soils of the County; motes: of Farming; value of land; amoum of hllane and average of crops; breds of live stock; inplements and marlines in use: methods of preserving and applying mannes; -kelch of pa-t prowtes, with suagestions for futher inprovement. The manatacturing and commercial condition and rapabilities of the Commy shond lihewise be stated, fogether with any other facts that would illustrate its past history or present condition.

All statistical information shouhl ber comensed as much as possible, and when practicable, put into a tabubated form. The man object of eash report should be to afford any intelligent stanger that might read it, a concise, yet an adequately; truthfill view of the Agricultural condition and, Industrial pursaits of the Comaty. Whim all : unnecessany panticulars ane to be aroided in the preparation of these Reports, completeness should as much is possible, be constamly hept in view.

The Reports must be sent in to the Seeretary of the Board of Ayricultuse, accompanied by a sealed mote comaining the name and atdiess of the writer, on or before the 1 st of A pril, 1853 ; and wo report will be tecesved atter that date. Such reports as obtain premitans will become the property of the Board.

## BUTCIIERS PRIZES FOR FAT CATTLE.

The Bunchurs' of Tono: to offer the two fotlowing prizes, to be awaded by Julacnpumbed by the Association, at the nexi Exhibition; vi\%:-
N. B.-Exhibitors caia compete for the above prizes, and hkewise for those offered for Fat Stock by the Association.

## SALE OF STUCK.

Parties attending the Exhibition having Stock to diepose of, can have entries made of the same in the Books of the Sombely, free of charre, hy applyme al the Ser remys? Otfice, where those desifoll of becoming furchasers can inspect the list.

## FARMERS AND STO K BREEDERS

Will beran in mind that L. C. Morris' third Annual Sale of Domestic Animals will come off
at Mount Fordham, on the 9 th of Jure, at 12 o'elock, A. M. The sale, and all mansactions connected therewith, will iake place at the Farm House.

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## PROVINCIAL AGRICILICRAL ASSOCIATION.

We invite the spectial attention of our readers to the List of Premiums for the prenent year, contained in previous pages. A number of new prizes have been added to the list; and although it is wholly impracticable to include every article that may be exhibited and detmed worthy of a reward, yet it is expected that the hitherto large amount of exira or discretionary pri\%es, which have occasioned much inconvenience in former years, will hereafter be kept within narrower limits.

The munificent prize offered by our much esteemed President, with the patriotic view of improving the breed of IIorses, for general purposes; together with those announced by The Canada Company for Wheat, Flax, and Hemp ;-articles for the production of which, the soll and climate of Canada are peculiarly adapted, will, we trust, so awaken public attention as to induce an extensive and spirited competition. Swine have been arranged under two great natural divisions, the Large and the Small breeds, and the amount of premmins to this important branch of farmers' live stock, ha, been consequently doubled. Several additions have likewise been made to the Mechanical department, in which the fortlicoming Exhibition is espected to be particularly instructive and extensive. In the Fine Arts, too, it will be seen that an Amateur's List has been adopted; -an arrangement much needed, and which cannot fail to render this hitherto interesting department, yet more attractive.

The Directors have abolished the nanal Entry fers, so that members of the $A$ ssociation can hereafter exl ibit as many articler as they choose, without any additional charge. The Plourfhing Mruch, too, is to be discontimued. as it has hitherto heen found on these occasions to occupy a very subordinate phace, and to have been com-
paratively neglected. Ii must not be inferred from this change that the liirect.rss are insensible to the great importance of good ploughing in any system of improved husbandry, but they think the object can be much more effectually accomplished by County Ploughing matches, and devoting a whole day exclusively to the exercise of the ploughman's skill and the judyment of the spectator.

The total amount of the Prize List is little short of $£ 1500$, exclusive, of course, of extra or discretionary premiums which always amount to a considerable sum. To enable the Directors to sustain the Association and increase its usefulness, the aid of induriduals, as well as Agricultural societies and public bodies, is most respectinlly and urgently solieited. We hope to be able, in our next publication, to report progress, both in reference to subscriptions and the arrangements of the Local Committee, who, we are sure, will devote their best energies to the work they have undertaken; and we trust that the citizens of Toronto will not be wanting on this national occasion, in their characteristic public spirit, sustained, as no doubt they will be, by the country at large.

As the annual Exhibition of the Association has now been held in all the principal cities and towns situated on the shores of Lake Ontario and the St . Lawrence, and is again returning to the point from which it originally started, gaining, upon the whole, strength and usefulness in its progress, it is much to be desired that no effort should be spared to make the next exposition of Canadian Industry and Enterprise still more worthy of our young and rapidly improving country, and the no less rapidly advancing City of Toronto. The eyes of the great neighbouring Republic,-our friendly and pushing ri:osls in the race,-as well as those of British America, will be upon us. We therefore urgently call upon Farmers, Mechanics, Ianufacturers, ILorticulturists, Artists, \&c., to unite with a determination of purpose worthy of a great national object, to make the next Exhibition what all true friends of their country must ardently desire, viz., as full and porfcot an exposition of our industrial progress and social civilization as possille. In this connection the invaluable aid of the Lamies of Canada is carnestly in-voked;-an aid which, on all previous occasions, has been cheerfully given, and has rendered cer-1 tain departments of our Exhibitions so lighly graceful and attractive.

We will close these few remarks by again entreating all clases of our young community to do what they can towards carrying out the valuable objects of this great and patriotic un-dertaking;-reminding them of the desirableness of commencing and completing their pre-
parations in proper time, and of leaving nothing to the last moment that can be better and more satisfactorily done before.


UNIVERSAL PLOUGII.
The forms and varieties of Ploughs are getting almost endloss, and many alterations in, and additions to, this most important Agricultural Implement, daily experience shows to be anything but improvements. Still, upon the whole, the construction of ploughs has of late years, like other mechanical inventions, been very much advanced, and the implements have become both lighter in draught and more effective in working.

The above cut represents a Plough, manufactured by Messrs. Barrett \& Exall, of Reading, in Jinglard, that has been highly spoken of in several quarters where it has been used. It is said to be a very useful as well as economical implement ; having, as the cut shows, one wheel, and by the application of a right handed mouldboard, it forms an expanding earthing up Plough; and by remoring both mould-boards and attaching a bar to the beam, and two hoes, [which are supplied with it,] it forms a good horse hoo. Three important implements may thus be combined in one, which is a matter of economicat consideration in these days of improved tillage and cheap produce. This plough we should think would form a useful appendage to the implements of the Canadian farmer. The price in England is £4 sterling.

## FOOT ROT.

This disease has been the dread and scourge of farmers everywhere, and has been the means of discouraging a great many from growing wool. It has also been the fruifful source of any quantity of quackery. We will engage to cure every sheep in the C'nion and warrant them for twenty-five cents per head.

Take about four ouncers of the sulphate of cormer, or as it is hnown at the shops bluc citrol, dissolve in a quart of rain water: Cuttle your affected sheen, pare the hoof away from all the part affected; be stire of that, cven if it takes it all off. Then apply the solution to every part of the foot, car:fully and theroughly. If well dune, thic cure is perfected.Ahout a wel after examine the fuot, lest yon may not have thorunghly pared off all the hoo from the affected part. The sheep ought to be kept in a dry pasture for a week or so atter the appleation.-Wiool Grower.


TIIE SIIEPIIERD'S DOG, OR COLIEY.
The genuine original Shepherd's dog is now nearly altogether confined to Scotland, where he is called the "Colley." IIe stands about twenty-one inches in height at the shoulder; is very gracefully shaped; muzzle pointed; ears half erect; coat loing, but fine and silky; tail and hams fiinged with hair; colour usually black and $\tan$, or sandy yellow.
This animal is remarkable for his sagacity ; and his disposition to tend sheep appears to be inherent and hereditary. The late lamented Hogg, better known as the "Ettrick Shep herd," had a dog of this breed, named Sirrah, to whom, from his extraordinary intelligence, one would almost be disposed to allow the possession of reason. Mr. Ilogg has immortalized his favourite; and, perhaps, the following anecdote may not prove uninteresting to the reader:
On one night, a large flock of lambs that were under the shepherd's charge, startled at something, scampered away in three different directions across the hills, despite his efforts to keep them together. "Sirrah," said the shepherd, " they're awa!"
It was too dark for dog and master to see each other at any distance apart; but "Sirrah" understood him, and set off after the fugitives. The night passed on, and IIogg and his assistant traversed every reighbouring hill in anxious but fruitless search, but could hear nothing of either lambs or dog; and he was returning to his master with the doleful inteiligence that his charge were lost. "On our way home, however," says he, "we discovered a lot of lambs at the bottom of a deepravine, called the "Flesh Cleuch,' and the indefatigable Sirrals standing
in front of them, looking round for some relief, but still true to his charge."

Mr. W. Kidd, who has been supplying the Gardener's Chronicle with a series of articles on the instinct of birds and animals, writes, "Of the dog we can all be eloquent; and I can relate ' true anecdotes' of some of my canine friends that would iardly be credited. Still, with all my success in teaching dogs to do marvellous things, I never condel teach them that when they jumped up with dirty fect there was an injury done to my clothes. When they obeyed the command of 'Down, sir!' now and then enforced by a gentle coup de main, they could never reason about the 'why and because.' Nor have I ever yet met with any dog, or ever heard of any dog, that could be 'argued with' on these moral proprieties and observances. Talking of the memory of dogs, one of mine, Dash by nume, was once stolen from me. After being absent eighteen months, he one day entered my office in town with a long string tied round his neck. He had broken away from the fellow who held him prisoner. Our meeting may be inagined. I discovered the thief, had him apprehended, and took him before a Mlagistrate. He swore the dog was his, and called witnesses to bear him out. 'Mr. Kidd,' said Mr. Twy-ford-I see him now-addressing me, 'Can you give us satisfactory proof that the dog is your property? Placing my mouth to the dog's car, first giting him a knowing look, and whispering a little masonic communication, known to us twa only, Dash immediately reared upon his hind legs, and went through a series of gymnastic mancurres with a stick, guided meanwhile by my eye, which set the whole Court in a roar: My evidence needed no further corroboration; the thief stood committed ; Dash was liberated; and amidst the cheers of the multitude we baunded merrily homewards."

## HEREFORD BULLL

We present our readers this month with a cut, copied with grat tidelity from an excellent Steel Engraving in the March number of The Farmer's Mugazine, of the Hereford Bull, "Walford." the property of the Right Hom. Lord Berwick, of Cronkhill, near Shrewsbury, bred by Mr. Thomas Lourmore, of Walford, near Ludlow, to which the finst prize of 40 sove, eigns was awarded at the Royal ingricultural Society's Show, held at Windsur, in July 1851.

In Septemher, 18:49, at the Ludlow Agricultural sucety", Heeting, "Wallord" was the wimer of thr prainm ton Buls, haviurg been shown with toun on tur ollipprater nider one year old. In Septemb.r, 1850 , at Ladlow he won the Sweepstaher, witu fuctuty Sonereigns added by the Ladlow Aericultural Sivecely for Stock Bults whic.n Swap-ithins wee upen to all England.
"Wialurd" is by the same sire as the Hereford Ox, the phopetty of Mr. Edward Longmore, of Adtombon, neal Ludhow. whien obtaned the tirst prize of Thirty Surerigns and silver Medal at the Smintield (athe Show in December last.
\& FEW Gi.\Drid. remakhs on hereford tattle.
We combrace the present opportunty of stating a few tatts and whervathons on tho meteresting and impontant beed ot Catte. Its ongm, lake many vither thinss, it is now impossible 10 ascertam, and ns carner history is exceedingly diticult to race. The pobbabliniss however are that the present di-tinct and ciadactenistic breed of cathe, wheh ahmost exclusively uecupy the County of llereford, and which have been slowly but progesingely evten led to other desticts, originated foom improvements made on the native breeds of ceatle, wheh were onsimally spread over that lentice and beantitul tact of countiy, y ing alone the bate of the Welsh momatains.

The expmeral eharacterivic of this beed at the prestent day ac w-ards culurr, is a linat or dark sed, whin white ta $\cdot$-, - a colon that is ulten found, more or low, on th. ntech, athorg the bach and the ander patic of the haly. The ord herefords were of a redilinh browa without any white whatever: and there are yet to be finnd families of this breed poseresiner the same characreristios. At what prom watue faces were inturluced is notenactly known, but they have not constituted a mark of what may be called the impruved or modern type of llenford, for a much longer peyool than half a century. The horns are of a medium lencth, well spread: sometimes, however, quite shor in Bulls; the forehead broad, the expression of the countenance mild and pleasines. with an usually deep, biond chest. In the form of the shouldens rany judges consider this breed to exed all others, and whem well fatsed, but litle coarse meat is found ahout that part. The hips, loin and rump are generally good, with perhaps, ribs less spiinging than most other breeds. In all the im;roved families oxen come to early matirity, and readily lay on fat. Steers are usu-
ally sold in Smithfield at two yeans old, and the beef is exceedingly well mottled and esteemed of excellent quality. The Hereford cow has generally been regarded as of inferior size, posisessing little beanty of form, and yielding but a small amount of milk. In their native county they have been hept for breeding mather than the dairy, but where proper attention has been paid to the latter condition, there have been several instances of Herefords making grood milkers, and of the other defects referred to having beea currected.
How far this breed would be adapted to the climate, partures and markets of Canadi, remains to be proved. We think it well woith a full and an impartial trial. We are anoner those who beheve that Providence in its wiodem and goolness, has ordained varieties in the animal, as well as veretable woild, adiat tad to the vatieg conditions of the earth's ciimate and sullace, and of the wants of man, to whose intellmenee and industry belongs the power of great'y mulifying those varteties, and thus better adaptine them to his purposes. As yet we have no Henelonds in the country woitn mentioning, and it will be no eany that to displace the Durhams; at least where ordinary attention bas been pand to the breeding of the latter. We see no groml reavon, however, why these two distinguishe I breeds should not run quitily, side by side, in a fanendly race of competition; much to the sari-faction of their respective owne's, and the implovement of this importint depatment of the weanh and ural economy ol the country.

We shall close these few remarks with a quotation from Phofessor Low; than whom a better quatilied or more unpuejudiced authonty, it would not be eany to cite:-
"The Hereford breeders naturally set a high -value ap a their breed. They esteem it to be the finest in England. It has, indeed, many excellent propentes tor the grazier; but the general judgment of the breeders has long been prowneed in tavor of another breed, lihewse pert.ected by the shill of the breeder-llee suth-homed Teeswateri, on, as it is now frequentiy temed, the Durhum Breed. 'i his has tor maty years been prustessively extemdins, and bern canted even within the native distacts of the $1 \mathrm{H} \cdot \mathrm{n}$ tomes. The heretuds will fiequentis pary the obtaters better than the Duthams; but the walue of a beeed is to be determined not by the prolit wath it yichls between buying and seling, but by that which it yields to the breeder and the reeder conjoiatly from its binh to its maturity; and laking into decount the early maturity of the Shont-ho.ns, and the weight to whech they arrive, it may without enror be asserted that they merit the preterence which has been given to them. The two breeds have been sometimes crossed with one another; but, alt: ough fine animals ate produced by a first cross, the hiture progeny rarely equals the parents of pure blond. Uniless, themore, the Herefords were to be crossed until they becarne short-horns, the proper coarse seems to be to pieserve the two breeds in a state of purity, the breeder and the grazie contenting themselves with the excellencies which each has acquired."

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## Important precaution in milking cows.

We find in a recent report of the proceedings of the Council of the Royal Agricultural Suciety of England, the following communication of T. L. Holges, Ekq., M. P., the perusal of which will not be dev vid of interest, and useful, practical surgestions, to many of our readers.
"I regret extremely that I camnot possibly be present at the Council to-morrow, when the very interesturg subject of Dairy Management will be again under consideration. If I could have been present, I should have mentioned a fact that I believe is litle known. I forget the name of the party, but a dairyman who occupies an establishment built by Lord Bristol, at Kemp Town, Brighton, and who keeps 50 to 60 cows for dairy purposes constantly under that roof, has in one or two places where these cows are milked, cisterns with fresh water running into them, and provided also with soap and towels, in order that the men who milk the cows may wash their hands after milking each cow; because these men found that where any cow's teats were diseased, though at first so slightly as not to be perceivable, they nevertheless carried the infection on their hands and inoculated other cows. Now, in order to make this serious inconvenience, which gives the men so much trouble to cure, impossible, ther very willingly obey this order to wash their hands; and there is another reason for their doing so, because in warm weather their hands often perspire, and the milk frequently coming in contact with their damp hands, it becomes tainted in consequence. With regard to the form of the milk pans, there carnot be a doubt that sides as nearly upright as possible must cause the largest amount of cream : the depth of the milk is a matter easily determined by observation, because the weather, the nature and quantity of the folder, and the breed of the animals, may prevent, I should think, any precise rule on this head being laid down."

Facts About Milk.-Cream cannot rise through a great depth of milk. If, therefore, $\mathrm{mi}^{1} k$ is desired to relain its cream for a time, it slould be put inio a deep, narrow dish; and, if it be desired to free it most completely of cream, it should be poured into a broad, flat dish, not much exceeding one inch in depth. The evolution of cream is facilitated by a rise, and retarded by a depression of temperature. At the usual temperature of the dairy - 50 degrees Fahren-heit-all the cream will prubably rise in thirtysix hours; but at 70 degrees, it will, perhaps, rise in half that time; and, when the milk is kept near the freezing point, the cream will rise very slowly, because it becomes solidified. In Wet and cohl weather, the milk is less rich than in dry and warm; and, on this account, more cheese is obtained in cold than in warm, though not in thundery weather. The season has its effects. The milk, in spring, is supposed to be best for drinking; and hence it would be best suited for cheese ; and, in autumn,--the buter keeping better than that of summer,-the cows less
frequently milked give richer milk, and, consequently, more butter. The morning's milk is richer than the evening's. The last drawn milk of each milking, at all times and seasons, is richer than the first drawn, which is the poorest.

## township of hamilton farmers' Club

## DRII.L HUSBANDRY.

From the Cobourg Siar.

## [CONClUDED FROM OUR LAST.]

Mr. Bourn said there was one thing with regard to turnips-he would advise Mr. Wright to be cautious how he tried the turnip on the level of his land; he had tried them and found that they took too much labour that way-far more thail in dills, and that the weeds even when out, almost smothered them. He thought that sowing grain with the drill would not answer in all cases, as a great part of our sceds was sown along with the spring wheat, and people could not horse hoe where the grass seed was sown, and he thought the greatest part of the advantage of the drill was lost, if we did not follow up with the horse hoe.
Mr. Wade. in summing up, said, that although the subject of Drill Husbandry might in sorne measure seem a hacknied one, after its almost universal adoption in Great Britain and many other countries in the old world, yet from its very partial trial in our country, its discussion may be to us a matter of considerable importance. And ne would beg leave to congratulate the club, not only for the interest mani'ested, but also for the very satisfactory way in which the subject had been handled. Mr. Wright had most ably introduced the topic by an claborate essay embracing most of the prominent points of a.vantage, which drilling obtains over broad-cast sowing. He bowever confines himself more particularly to green crops, as he candidly states that his own individual practice has been confined principally to that part of the subject. He, however, from his somewhat unsuccessful attempts, in cultivating the turnip, upon the drilled or ridged surface, thinks it would be better to sow in rows upon the level one. Mr. Wright's opinion is however cailed in question by Mr. Bourn and others, admitting it to le an advantage in the retention of moisture, a difficulty arises in the management oi the crop, should the plants be dilled on the level surlace, as by hoeing out the weeds from the rows, and thimning out ine plants, a ridge accumulates between each row makiug it difficult to run the horse hoe between, without smothering or burying the turnip. He was also of Mr. Bourn's opinion, and considered that Mr. Wright upon trial, would find that the level surface would not be of the advantage he might suppose. Although it might seem by raising the surface into riliges, the soil would be more exposed to the sun as it certainly was, yet it is also a fact that the greater the depih of pulverized soil below the plants, the less it suffers from drought. And as there were so many counteracting principles in nature, it behoved every man enga; culture, before he departed from the general
practice, on account of his own non-success to weigh the subject in all its bearings.
It is well known that moisture is absorbed from the atmosphere, in a comparative ratio, to the amount evaporated by the sun, and also as the amount of absorption, must be in proportion to the amount of surtice exposed, the real difference between the ridged and level surface was still a matter of question, in that respect, but with regard to the merhancal operation of horse or hand hoeing, the difference was decidedly in favour of of the ridged surisce. As Mr. Wright and most of the Gentlemen present have coufined their remarks principally to green crop. Mr. Black's observations on wheat drilling are of great importance, and calculated to take up the subject more fully, and as Mr. Black and humself occupied adjoining farms, and he was in the habit of seeing Mr. Black's operations, he could most satisfactorily endorse liss statements, and had home witness to the difference in a field of wheat of his, between drilling and broadcast sowing with respect to winter killing, the difference in favour of the drilled part being not less than fifty per cent.
The Drilling Machine not only puts in a given quantity of seed at regular intervals, and at an uniform depth, but it leaves a narrow ridge of earth between each row of wheat, which not only forms a protectinn to the plant, by breaking off the wind and holding on the snow ; but it also keeps the plant earthed up by the crumbling down of this ridge by the action of the frost and rain, and all but providing a remedy for what is called heaving out.
As the preceding remarks on grain drilling have been confined to Winter wheat ; he would also state his observations with regard to drilling spring grain. The same advantage in saving seed obtans, in this department as much as the other; and while the advantage of the ridge of earth as a protection was not required at this season : yet the greater facility afforded for the extirpation of weeds either $3 y$ the hand or horse hoe, iendered drilling of quite equal importance; and he knew of no other way to combat the foul weeds to which we are so much liable, than by cutting or pulling them up; and if the grain is not in rows, it is almost destroyed in the operation. His intemtion in futurc even on lea or green sad turned over, (and which was considered if properly ploughed, to furnish the best kind of seed bed,) was to sow his Peas by the drill after scarifying and harrowing the surface as much as possible without disturbing the sod, he was quite satisfied of the benefit of harrowing, tried it for the last two years. The Pea was the most difficult of all seeds to cover by the harrow, and he was satisfied that not less than twenty-five per cent of the seed was usually lost, by either being buried too deep or left uncovered on the surface, in the common manner of sowing broadcast and harrowing in. Another remarkable advantage drilling possessed, was this, that plants sown thickly together, have the properly of forcing each other forward. As proof of which, it was only necessary to notice clumps of grain, or seeds, which may have been spilt on the ground in sowing or in any other way. This fact has been takeıs advantage of in turnip sowing; as the most
successful means of combating the ravages of the insect, which preys on the plant at its germit.ation. It is now almost the universal paictice in Britain to sow three pounds of turt.ip seed to the acre, when as many ounces would furnish plants enough for a crop, if nothing was in the way to destroy them, and it is done quite as mueh nom the circumstance just mentioned, as from the fact, that should there be a given amount of insects on every acre, there would be a better chance to save a portion of the plants for a crop if a large amount was supplied for their consumption instead of a small one. And further as this insect can only materially injure the plant while in the seed leaf the sooner it is fored out of that sate the better, and this is decidedly produced by thick sowing.
And with respect to wheat, this fact is of considerable importance, that is if by placing the same amount of seed ustually scattered all over the surface of the land in rows nine or ten inches apart, the same principle is made use of. And as rust is the most forr idable enemy wheatgrowers have to contend with in this country, and as it is universally allowed that the earliest crops are the least subject to its ravages ; it follows that should drilling be found the means of forwarding its maturity only three or four days, the advantage would be almost beyond calculation.
A vote of thanks was given to Mr. Wright for his excellent Essay.

The next meeting was appointed to be held at Wilson's Imn, Court Ilouse, on Saturday, April $24 t h$, at 2 o'clock. The Subject for discussion to be on the adapteduess of the improved breeds of neat cattle to the wants and circumstances of this country.

Mr. J. Wade to introduce the subject by an Essay.

WALTER RIDDELL,
Secretary.
Hints for mprovement in farming.
(To the Editor of the Canadian $A_{\text {griculturist.) }}$
\{ South Cayuga, near Dunnville, April 24th, $185 i$.
Dear Sir:-In these times of great distress amongst the honest, industrious men engaged in Agricultural pursuits (the most honourable that I know of) permit me to address you with the few following lines, under the impression that. the greatest proluce of every kind ought now to be raised at the least possible expense of money and time, that no unnecessary uaste of money or labour should be committcd.- I do not mean to say that any one, after having got his farm into a proper state of cultivation, to produce a gool average routine of crops of grain (not straw alone) for 7 years, or any longer pcriod (which is so rarely seen here) should, by neglect or improper treatment, run it down to poverty (as that would most likely run him into poverty also); but I mean that the land, of
whatever kind or quality, should be kept up to a fair standurd of vegetative power, and free from uecels, to ensure a good crop, as lar as man can do it in this or any other climate. I know, Mr. Editor, that many object to what is called a nolked fullow, or resting and cleaning the land by thin means for ons year, but I have never seen a better plan to begin with (I mean a fallow of moulls, not large blocks of clay) and it has been generally admitted to be as good as a coat of manure in most cases; except good land lying near a tuwn, as Mr. Mores of Albany, for instance, which he gardens and farms alno, which can seldom be dote. Indeed I have not met with a man who could carry on a large scale of sound practical Horticulture and Agriculture to adrantage; nor is it absolutely necessary; and as labour is too dear here, and money very scarce, I think a farmer need not fill his buildings with 100 much complicated and expensive machinery, such as require many men and horses, with an engineer also [as Mr. Miechi of 'liptree hall does, ] I think a half or whole drill of Mr. Smith's, of suffolk, a two or four horse power thrashing machine, a good fanning mill, a set or sets of lihomb harrows, with good ploughs, am' double ones for horse hoeing corn, grain or potatoes, with a good set of scarifiers 10 save ploughing and to put in spring grain with, fitted up with wrought iron which will last his life time [for I used them 37 years with little cost] and grect suving of labour. I think the above all the implements necessary for good cultivation on these lands, with a grood quentity of seed also, which is here, I observe, often scanty and sometimes not good. l observe a correspondent recommend the Prescott plough as one of the best. Could you favour your readers with a drift or sketch of one, with its dimemions? I have not seen a good one here; for a short beam, a short botom and short han:lles, never mate a good ploush yet. 1 think I bought the lirst patent plough that Merors. Ransome of 1 pswich made on the 22nd of Aug., Ise9 or ${ }^{`} 10$; the plan was good, but the plough has been much strengthened and improved since, and I helinve is in generaluse. I prefer a plough with a beana 7 it .4 in . long, the botton 3 fi .10 in . Inons, handes $\overline{5} \mathrm{ft} .3 \mathrm{in}$. long, the end oi the beam to be what is called pitched 1 ft .2 m . from the ground, so that the mechanical or straight line of draught gors from the point of the share, or coulter if fixed on it, to the end of the heam and thenre to the hook of the hame. which keres the plough to a steaty uniform depth, and a small wheel, or even two, keeps it more so. The phoughs made here have a very shori mould board suddenly turned, which break the clay land up inin large heavy blocks, whirh, when dried by the sum and wind, destroy all powers of vegetation eren of weeds, spoil the
land in fallowing, and, when sown, produce only half a crop of bad grain and take a year or two of rain and frost to pulverize them again, and a coat of manure aiso; whereas, with moderate ploughing, scarifying twice or thrice at a cost of 1s. 6d. per acre, would prepare the ground for a good crop.

I know of no clay land being ploughed for spring grain in England, for the last fifty years. I am very glad the mode! farm is to try fleet, moderate, and deep ploughing; as I have seen the latter double the labour, grow sometimes a rank straw, but never saw it produce a grod and great crop of grain, but have seen the dry grain taken from under the clods in harvest time, before 1 got the scarifier, but not after. As grain sells so low, I believe the Dairy' would pay much better, if we had some good Dairy maids. Would you be so kind as to inform your readers at what degree of heat good butter and cheese are made with any certainty? I think cream should be warmed up to 62 degrees to make butter, and new milk warmed to 92 degrees to make good cheese; but as you, or your numerous correspondents could give the desired information, you would be doing great and good service by doing so, as many thousand dollars annually go over into the States to buy cheese, which might be laid out in buying useful articles here, such as free trule prevents our buying.

1 regret that I do not see what used to be called a regular, permanent, and gool routine system of cropping these clay lands, as I have been, at heart. a practical Horticultural and Agricultaral man for 50 years, and shall always remain a lover of them; but I do not like to see a free trade manufacturer make himstif a pauper by wishing to be fed by the farmer for nothing; this is unchristian avarice. Now, with respect to cropping clay land, at taking a fammout of order and in a poor state, gencrally the case, we began a fourth of the land with a good fallor with moulds, not with large blocks of clay, in which no weed could vegetate; this was sometimes manured and sown with wheat, except where mildew was feared t then with peas, beans or barley, afterwards with oats or liarley; but where mildew was feared, the wheat, oais and

[^0]barley crops were reversed, that is taken first ! hat salt allowed in quantity is highly prejndicial to instead of last, and the manure laid on lor peas, beans or rlover; this system well ן ursued for four years, the land was much improved, and, after the second fillow, in did not cost much for weeding. I reduced weeding from 16 s . per acre to 6 d . per acre in this way. Only th of the land was usually sown with clover, as this plant sown every four years, being 18 months in the groum, rooting deep, and thereby lining the land, and often producing only half a crop or a failure, endangered the wheat crop grown after it, if sown every four years, except twice or dhrice plonghed, which was too expensive. I observe here, that even with a large quantity of Timotly seed [the best for this land] the clover when saved two or three years [except constantly fed] is heaved up by the frost and produces but litule, and is not sn good in quality for hay, although it always does best on new hand.
I thuk, Mr. Editor, a plain, strong scarifier, such as used in Suffolk forty years ago, meght be strougly recommended here, even in these enligiteved times. I had two, and wish I had used four, as they used to do six acres or more in a day each; they were made with wrought iron, stecled; they would materially assist in making a good fallow by cutting up weeds and tearing up grass; they prepared the land for spring sowing; and, by shifting the blocks and hons, they would horsehoe 6 acres of wheat, peas or beans, in 7 or 8 hours, and mould them up at the second time; they would also mark out the ground for planting potatoes, corn, \&c., after they had scarified it; so that a double plough would hoe and mould up the plants like a garden. In short, I have these things now to cultivate the land well and cheaply; the scarifier cost 16 dollars for iron and steel work. If you think these few lines, without theory, car be of any use to your readers, I shall be glad, and remain,

Yours very sincerely,
Robert F. Cooke.

STATE AGRICULTURAL FAIRS, $18: 2$.
Ganaia West, at Toronto,........Sept. 21 to 24
New-York, at Utica, .............Sept. 7, 8, 9, 10
Texas, at Corpus Christi,......... First week in May,
Ohio, at Cleveland,................ Sept. 15, 16, 17
Michigan, at Detroit. .............. " 22,23 , 2.
Vermont, at IRuthand, ................ " 1, 2,3
Pennsylvamia, .................. Oct. 20, 21, 23
Wisconsin, at Milwaukic, .........." " 6, 7, 8
Georgis....................... " 18 to 23
Rhode Island Socicty of Improve-
ment, at Providence,............ Sept. 15, 16, 17

## - salat for cattle.

The W. R. Farmer and Dairyman publishes the following remarks from the pen of Professor Robin80n:
"I have for many years been periectly convinced
all breeding animals, is it has a direct intluence in greatly diminishing the necessay supply of milk for the immediate sustename of the joung animal ; hence salt is the best medicine to 'dry' a cow of her milk, and ewes would also be benefitted by the aecess to this substance, for one week, when the hambs are taken from them. I am aloo convinced that salt has the dffect of diminishing the secrecion of the liver, and that it is from this canse that the goond eflects of salt are so obviods in the feeding of ammais. It is Well known that incipient disases of the herer are favorable to the production of fat. Wha lambing ewes are allowed a large quantity of tmapis, with but a small amount of other toud throrgh the winter, abotion is a frequent occurrence; their supply of milh is very deficisat. and their lambs are dropped of various sizes, and far from healthy. If the ewes are alhowed free acress to salt, the lambs will he still more unhealdy; and may die of inti-estion and di-ense of the liver. The murtality of the hambs, in the se cases, may, I think, be fairly attibuted to the amount of solt taken by the dam; for, admiting that a small portion caly is diectly gren them, the qumaty positwely tahen in their food, in turnips, is somewhat considerable. This is a point-the aominal or natural quantity of salt containad in the different roots, \&c., consumed by animals as fond-wnich wit throw much light upon this most important branch of agriculture. That the use of salt is highly bencfictal at certain seasons there camot be a dowidt ; but, from my own knowledge, it is no lese equally true that the tou free and indserminate uec of it to all stack, and at all times, is highly prejudichal."
Animals know their own wants much betier than we $d o$, and all they require of us is, to place a lump of rock salt in a poition where they can regale themselves at their leisure, and they will take what they need; seldom, if ever, taking too much.-Velerinary Journal.
period of gestation of domestic anlmals.

It is often important for farmers to know the exact length of time that the different domestic animals go with their young. The following table contains the times of those which most concern hm, as near as we can ascertain them:


Tue Cattle Controversy.-Mr. Parsons, we regret to learn, in consequence of evere sickness in his family, has not been able to complete his reply to Mr. Sotham, which we had fully calculated on publishing in our present number, but prefer waiting till the next, that the whole may appear together.

The Purik Shiep of Thibet.-A ram and thee ewes of this breed have been recently sent to Enyland, where they have proved themselves wonderfully prolilic. They attain early maturiy, and when grown, weigh 30 to 40 pounds. They are harily and casily reared, and are commended as excellent substitutes for the poor mim's dog.
Mr. Moorcraft, who travelled extensively in their native country, some years since, thus describes their pet-iamiliar habits:
"The Purik sheep, it permitted, thrusts its head into the ecoking pot, picks up crumbs, is eager to dink the remains of selted and buttered tea or broth, and examines the hands of its master for lattro (baley tlour) or for a cleanly-picked bone, which it disdains not to nibble. A leaf of lettece, upading vi tunip, the shin of an apriect, ale alow its .unvilus. "-Danglish puper.

Laosemess in Surefr, or Scours, is one of the most sudden and rapid disorders that attacks them; especialls thin sheep and lambs. It is generally caused by cating mat or carly ent hay. The best method to prevent and to cure is, to give them daily, a fewmesses of wheat in the sheaf, a reguiar quantity of salt at all times. If it oceurs in the winter, bme ripe hay seed: whent chatfis gool, so is a small quantity of oats, and a fery pine or hen 'uck tops. Keep them a few days on ripe hay or corn fodder.

Growis ans temerners Foon.-In a commumication from the Suciety of Shakers at Lebanon, N. Y., in the Patent Olice Repcrt, we find the following:
The experience of more than 30 years leads us to estimate ground corn at one-thurd ligher than unground as cattle food, sud especially for fattening pork; hence it has been the practice of our suciety for more than a quarter of a century to grind all our provender.
The same cxperiment induces us to put a higher value upon cooked than upon raw meal; and for fattening animals, swine particularly, we consider three of cool: ed equal to four of raw meal.
Until within the last three or four years our society fattened ammally for 30 jears, from 40 to 50,9001 nounds of pork, exclusive of lard and offal fate num it is the constant practice to cook the meal, for which six or seren potillh hettles are used.
The Shakers are a close, observing, calculating people, and go in for the partical realities of life, and therefors in the econoniny of food, must be presumed to be good judges.

Yeast.-The bitterness of yeast, which is often a cause of complatut, may be temoved by straining it through brat, or hy dipping red-hct charcoal in it. But the most effectual and easily available remedy is to put the yeast in a large pan and cover it with spring or well-water, changing it every thesec or four hours. The bran seems to impair the strength and
coal sometimes stains it, but the water purifies it in color and taste.
The mode of using water for keeping and purifying yeast, has been adopted by some of the American housekecpers with entire success.-Gariener's Chronicle.

## Richmond Gill Fair.

The annual Fair and Cattle Show of the Yonge street Agricultural Society, was given in Richmond Hill, on the 25 th instant. The following account of it is from a correspondent. "There were a great concourse assembled fiom the surrounding townships, also many gentlemen from the City of Toronto, known to be staunch friends of the cause. The competitors for prizes were ummerons, and the weather being exceedingly favorable, there was nothing required to make ur all that could be desired for the occasion. As our suibscrip;ion list is very numerously signed, and our fuuds in a flouishing condition, I would hene mention that this Society has always made good its engagements, by paying the prizes awarded, immediately after the day on which the Fair is held. After the judges had made their athard for the different classes entered for competition, about one hundred and fifty gentlemen sat down to an excellent dimer, served up in Mr. Dalby's usual style. Having done every justice to ourselves and the good things laid before us, the cloth was removel, and the President of the Society, George P. Dickson, Esq., enterprising proprietor of Elgin Mills, rose-and, after making a short but very appropriate speech, proposed the following toasts, which were received with enthusiastic cheering:-"The Queen," "Prince Albert and the Royal Faniiy," "the Governor General of Camada." Besides the above, there were a number of volumeer toasts, many of which were responded to with cloquent speeches from different gentlemen present-a report of which I am not prepared to send you, nor could it be expected that yon should have your paper filled up exclusively with the proceedings of our Fair and dimer-but knowing that the Colonist has a large circulation in this part of the country, I take the libenty of sending this to yon, in order that those who could not make it convenient to attend, may know what took place. The day's proceeding; closed with foot-races amongst the juvemles. The following is a list of the prizes awarded.
Draught Stallions.-1st prize George P. Dickson's "Champion"; 2d. J. \& W. Crawford's "Farmer's Blossom;" 3rd, James Bell.
Stallions for (General Purposes.-1st, Nathaniel Davis' "Perfection"; 2d, Jolm Borthwich's "Flower of the Forest"; 3d, Gcorge Sheppardson's "Volunteer."
Brood Mares.-1st prize, T. Martiu, of Markham; 2d, T. Armstrong, of Vanghan; sd, R. Armstrong, of Martham.
Entire Colts, dropyed in 1850.-1st prize, William Cherry of Markham ; 2d, Peter Musselmary, Yaughan; 3a, C. E. Lawrence, Vaughan.
Filly or Gelding, dropped in 1850.- list prize, Robt. Armstrong, of Miardiam; 2d, Fetcr Mussclman, Vaughan ; 3d, D. Bloomfield, Markham.

Horse, Colt or Filly, dropped in 1851.-1st prize, William Cherry, Markham ; 2d, Joln Cox, Markham, 3d, Ashton Fletcher, Whitchurch.

## HORNEDCATtye.

Prize for best aged Bull, JacobSmith, of Vaughan; lst prize for Bull under three years old, Nathaniel Davis, of York; 2d, Nathanicl Davis.
Milch Cows.-lst ptize, Nathaniel Davis, of York; 2d, George Priest, of Vaughan.
Heifers, 2 years old and under.-1st prize, George Preist, Vaughan; 2d, Nathaniel Davis, York.
Prize for best pair of Fat Cattle.-Gcorge Ratcliff, of York.

SWINE.
Ist prize for best Boar, George P. Dickson; 2d, Jacob Kirts, of York.
Brood Sow.-1st prize, Christopher Smith, of Whitchurch; 2d, Amos Wright.

## DAIIF PRODUCE.

lst prize, best 10 lbs. butter, Robert McNair, of Vaughan; 2d, R. C. Gapper; Markham.

FABMING LMPLEMENTS.
Prize for best Fanning Mill, Lewis Hooke, Markham; prize for best Iron-headed Plough, Edmund Bennets, Chinguacousy; prize for lst best Wonden Plough, William Matthewson, Vaughan; prize for best Ribbing Plough, W. G. Hingston, Markham; prize for best Washing Machiue, Thomas Shaw, Vaughan."-Colonist.

## HORTICULIURE,

## TIIE SCIENCE AND PRINCIPLES OF GARDENING.

## NO. VI.

manciples of culitiyation.
It is of little use to know of what plants consist, and how they live, and to what influeuces they are subjected, if the means by which this knowledge is to be gererally acted upon and applied be not also understood. The former may be the basis, the latter must be the superstructure. And although sundry processes may already have been incidentallynoticed or explained, they either require fuller elucidation or putting in different lights.

## 1.-Draining.

This may almost be called a modern practice, for it is but lately that it has come at all conspicuously into vogue. It is, however, one of the most decided advances which recent art has made, and its advantages will be incalculable. It will not be every garden that requires draining. Some may be composed of soil that is very light and dry, and others may have a sufficient slope to carry off all surplus waier. But where the ground is flattisth, and has the slightest tendency to stiffness, draining will produce an immense improvement to the crops, and to the comfort of working and walking in the garden.

The first point to be attended to is to drain pretty deeply. Shallow drains are never satisfactory, and often come in the way of the spade. Three feet, or even three feet six inches will be about the right depth, with the main drain three
inches lower. The drains should follow the natural fall of the land, and have a tolerably guod fall, which can be obtained by cutting them a little deeper at one end where there is no slupe in the land. They ought to be three inches wide at the bottom, and fourteen or fifteen inches at the top, the main drain (which may discharge itself into the house drain or any other outfall that can be had) being made a little widerWhere tiles can be procused, those with a flat bottom are the best, otherwise they will require a slate sole to rest upon. 'Inles of two inches diameter, and three inches for the maia drain, will be sufficient. In the absence of tiles, each drain may be filled to within fifteen inches of the surface with o!d brick rubbish that is not too small, rough stones, broken earthenware, cinders, strong gravel, or broken rock or rubble in a rocky district. A few branches may then be laid over each, and the same materials should be placed over tile draius to within a like distance of the surface. The drains may be four or five yards apart, in parallel lines, and the main drain along cue boundary.

Plants in pots requite special attention as to draining, for they are in a more atilicial state, and are liable to be mach injured by superlluous water. In addition to putting plenty of dainage iu the bottom of the pois, a few small pieces of broken stone or brick, with lumpy fragments of decayed turf or peat, may be mixed sparingly with the soil, to perfect the drainage.

## 2.-Opmating on Sule.

Trenching sinould always follow draining, or the latter will act but partially. Unless the xyound be stirred pretty deeply, half the effect of draining will be lost. Both must be done in the autumn or early part of the wiuter, and the ground will then be in a good state for cropping in spring. These and all other operations on ground should always be done when it is in a moderately dry state. If it be worked and trampled while wet, especially when it is of a stiff nature, it will coalesce into a kind of crust which will greatly spoil its texture.

Manuring may be done in early winter when the ground is somewhat frozen; as the material can then be wheeled on with greater ease, and the ground and paths will be less cut up. But the manure should be dus in ditectly the frost is sufficiently gone, or it will lose much of its virtue by the exposure. Digring should always be deep and thorough, since it changes and meorporates the soil better, and allows the air to pass among it more freely. Whatever ground falls vacant in autumn, ought always to be dag up in ridges, unless it be very light and shallow, that it may derive all the benefit of the winter frost and snow. The difference in the ease of working in the spring, soil that has been thus exposed and such as has been left untouched, is most most marked and striking. Hocing, at least among growing vegetables, should be deep, and stir the ground well, this being quite as important as killing the weeds. Raking is alpays bad, unless where wholly unavoidable, for it tends to encrust over the sarface of the grourd, and render it hard and close.

## 3.-Watering.

This ought to be done with the spout of a can for individnal plants, or with a rose for a mass of them. Tou watering-pot must be held as low as possible during the operation, that the particles of the earth may not he washed into a caust. When watening with a ose, ton, it will be necessary to stir the sultace of the ground occasionally, or it will beesme baked, and impervious to both air and moisture. Watering or syringing over the head of plants is an important part of the process.

After watering has once been begun with any out-door plants, it will be proper to continue it regulary until rain occurs; otherwise the plants will suffe: almost more than if they had been left eatuely to themselves. If there is no danger from fort, the eveniar is the best period for wat tering phans, as it allows them the whole night for the purpose of imbibing and profiting by it. The early mormine is the safer at other seasons, Plants in pols will reguire to be watered with ${ }^{\text {i }}$ great coutancy, but discrimination; giving 10 earinonly jus what it is seen to need. They sionld be watered solely in mild weather durmes whter, as wetars: condaces to injury by frost.Kenp's Principle of Gurdening.

Soap Stos for Vines-A. J. Downing, editor of the IImticulturish, say; "I have scea the Isabella grape produce three housand fine clusters of wellripened fruit in a season, by the liberal use of manure and suap, sud- from the weehly wash."

## SCIENTIFIC.

## VENTILATION.

## To School Musters and the Parents of School Children throughout Canada:

Now that the necessity of the ventilation of School housec is beginning to be felt as well as read abou, it is only necessary for me to remind you that our Schools are the nurseries of most of the diseases: which affect the adult population of our land. I have areat pleasure in now informing you that 1 have found a remedy, and that ofter cish years of incessant labour, and the expenditue of many thonsands of dollats in experiments, I have rednced spontaneons or matural Ventilation to a science-in unerring and universal system, which has never before been ac:complished by any man. As some evidence of this, I beg to reier you to the two subjoined locuments.

This Sehool-honse is the only building which has ever been built for the purpose of carrying out my system.

As humireds of Schnol-houses must of necessity be erected. .very year, and as the building season is rapidly advancing-I take the earliest opportunity of appising you that no, building can be ventilated unless it is expressly built for it ; and I think that, considering the public importance of the subject, I may fairly call upon the Press of the Poovince to and me in spreading this information before the public.

As much of my time as my business will admit of, will cheerfully be devoted to the instructing of builders as to the mode of buidinge for this purpose; and I think I may venture to say, that I can make myself understood by any practical man of good julgmen, merely by wriling. And further, ] will do my utmost to find time for a personal inspection of the work, if wihtin any rea sonable distance of this plare and water communication, during this summer.

> Your obedient servant,
II. RUTTAN.

Coburrs, 5h May, 1852.
P. S.-Tu save time, send me a rough plan of the building you want. H. R.

## Testimonials from Lynn, Massarhusetts. Lswn, Apil lǐh, 1852.

Henry Ruttan, Esr.,
Dear Sir,-Sunce you were here and viewed the working of your system of Ventilation in my School-loune, and informed ne that it was the first building in the United States ventilated pipon your principle, it occurred to me that it might be useful to you to have my testimony in its favor. for you to refer to; and therefore I cheerfully enclose you the following:

## I'o II. Rultan, Esq.

Sin,-I have been a Teacher many years and fund myself fast wearing ont withont reflecting upon the real canse. I find now, afier having thaght one winter in a $V$ Ventilated rown (for after experiencing your system 1 do not call ansthing I have hitherto seen ventilation), I feel as if I had a new lease of my life, and hope to end my days in my loved avocation, instead of feeling at night, as formerly under the hot air and stove system in winter, almost used up, if I may so express myself, with head-ache, a soreness of the throat, and general depression of spirits, I feel as if I thad at the end of each tay enjoyed a holiday, atid what is of more impontance sitll, I see the same joyous cxpression upon the faces of my hundred pupils.

As it respects the warming, the economy in fuel of your system over that of all others is quite apparent. This I attribute to the exhaustion of the air under the floor which not only draws off the cold which is always found between the joists, but selves the purpose of warming the fleor boards on. the under s:de as well as the upper.

You may make what use you hike of this.
Yours truly,
JOHN L. SHOREY,
Principal of the Howard School.
N. B.-Boston is supposed to have the best ventilated school-houses in the Union, but thers is nothing there to be compared with yours.
J. L. S.

City of Lynn, Mass., April 15, 1852.
Dear Sin,-Mir. Johu L. Shorey is, and has been for eight years past, a teacher of one of the principal Schools in this city.

His School occupies the new house erected the last year, 10 which your system of Ventilation was applied.
1 consider his opinion in regard to the advantages of your system, as entitled to great weight from his seientific knowledge, long experience, and intelligence. I concur fully with him in his views of the superiority of your system over all othens. Indeed I do not thmk I shatl state the matter too strongly, when I say that it is the only efticient plan yet devised for the ventiation oi publie and picate buildings.

1 am Sir, with gieat raspect,

> Your obd't servant, GEOR(EE HOOD, Muyor.

## H. Ruttan, Ficg.. \&c., \&e. ? <br> Cobcurg, Canada.

## CHEAP WASH FOR COTTAGES.

For the ousside of wooden cottages, barns, out buildinge, fences, \&ce, where ecollomy is important, the following wash is recommended:
Take a clean barrel tinat will hohd water. Pat in it half a bushel of fresh quicklime, and slake th by pouring over it bailing water suffiecent to cover it 4 or 6 inches deep, and stiming it till stahed.
When quite slaked dissolve in water, and add two lbs. of sulphate of rinc, (white vitiol) which may be had of any of the druguists, and which in is lew weeks, will catae the white-wash to buden on the wood-work. Add sulicient wat.rp 3 buing it to the consistency of thick whitewash. this wash is of course white, and as white is a for which we think should never be used exept upon buildings, a good deal surionnded by ues, so as to prevent ils glare, we would make :a fawn or drab color before usimes it.
To make the above wash a pleasing cream Jur atid 4 lis. sellow ochre.
For a fawn color, take 4 lbs umber, 1 lb . Inian red, and $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{lb}$. lampblack.
Lampblack, when mixed with water colors. :ould first be thooughly dissolved in alcohol. Hhow ortre, Hedian red, \&e., are all sold in y powders at a few cemeper pound.
To make the wash grey or stone color, add I .raw umber, and two lbs. lampblack.
The color may be put on with a common whiteWh brash, and will be foumd mach more durable at a common whitewasin, as the sulphate of csets or hardens the wash.
:heup wash for Cottages of brick, stone, stucor rough-cast. Take a barrel, and slake f a bushel of fresh lime as before mentioned; fill the barrel two-thirds full of lime. water oolve in water and add three pounds of sulle of zine. The whole slould be of the hness of" paint, ready for use with the brush. wash i- improved hy the addition of a perk inite sand stirred in'just before using it. The is a pale stone-color, nearly white.

To make it fawn color, add 1 lb . yellow ochre, 2 lbs. raw umber, 2 lbs . Indian red.
To make it a diab, add 1 lb . Indian red, 1 lb . umber, 1 lb . lampblack.
This wash, which we have tested thoroughly, sets and adheles very firmly to brick work or stucco, is very duable, and produces a very agreeable effect.-Dorwing's Architecture.

## MODES OF CURING ILAM

The-Maryland Agricultural Socisty awaided four premiums to the fullowing Recipes for cuing Hams; a process of Domestic Economy for which Viroitia as well as Maryland has become dietingrished.
T. E. Hamiltoa's Recipe-First Premizm.To every 100 pounds pork tahe $S$ pounds of G. A. sat, 2 ounces saltpetre, 2 pounds bown sugar, 1! vumers of polasth, and 4 qallions of water. Blix the above, and pour the brine over the meat, atter it has lain in the tub for some two days. Let the hams remain sis weeks in brme, an! then dried several days before smeking. I have genemally had the neat rubbed with tine salt when it ie packed down. The meat should be pertectly cool before packing.
J. Green's Recipe.-Second premium.-To 1000 pounds of pook, take half a bushel and half a peck of s lt , 3 ounces of saltiperre, 3 pounds of sugar. and 2 guarts of molasses. Mix- rub the bacon with it well; keep on tor three weeks in all; at the end of nine days take ont the hams, and put those which are at the top to the bottom.
R. Books, $\mathrm{J}_{1}$.'s Recıpe.-Third Premium.One bushel of fine salt, half bustel ground alum, salt, one and a halif pounds to a thousand pounds of pork; left to lie in pickle four weeks; hang up and smoked with hickory wool until the rind becomes a dark brown.
C. D. Slingluff's Recipe.-Fourth Premium. -To 100 pounds green hams, tahe $S$ pounds $G$. A. salt, $\mathfrak{2}$ puands brown sugar, or molaseses equi-. valent, 2 ounces pearlashes, 4 gallons water; dissolve well, skimming of the scum arising on the surface. pack the hams compactly in a tight vessel or cask, rubbing the fleshy pait wiha fine salt. In a day or i,vo pour the above pickle over the meat, taking care to keep it covered with pickle. In four to six weeks, according to the size and weight of the hams, (lhat is to say, the longer period for heavy hams,) hang up to smoke with green hickory wood. I have put up hams for the last twelve or fifteen years by the recipe with uniform success, equal at all times to the sample now presented.

Invention.-The Oswego Times says that a Mr. Weeks of that cily, has invented a paddil. wheel for :teamboass. called the "Abligus Padile wheel," which it is beli-ved by gooll joutses will entirely supersede those now in use. The advantage of this wheel consists in the shane of the pacidles. They are angular, and instead of striking the water with a surcession of flat jarino blows, they come in contact with it obliquely and, without losing any of the motive miner, exert an equal continual force, which at once acceler-
ates the speed, saves a large amount of wear and tear to the machinery; and almost entirely obviates that un-plea-ant jarring seusation, which no doubt has been telt by all travellers on Steamboats. The Northerner, one of the Ontario and St Lawrence Steamboat Co's. best boats un this lake, has hat Mr. Weeks' newly invented whee!s in pperation since the opening of navigation ; the experiment has fully satisfied the most sanguine expecatioris of the inventor, and gives great satisfaction to the officers and owners of this justly celebrated Steamer.

> FLOWERS.
from cmambers' pocket moceldany.
Wildings of nature, or cultured with care, Ye are beantiful, beautiful everywhere! Gemming the woodland, the glen and the glade, Drinking the sunbeams or courting the shade; Gilding the moorland and mountain afar, Stining in glory in garden parterre.
Yo bloom in the palace, ye bloom in the hall,
Ye bloom on the top of the mouldering wall;
Ye bloom in the cottage, the cottager's pride-
The window looks cold with no flowers by its side; Ye twine up the trellis, ye bloom in our bowers, Ye carpet creation, ye beautiful flowers !

Did angels descend from their home in the skies, To pencil those petals with exquisite dyes? To store in your cells the rich odours of heaven, Was employment so meet unto seraphim given? Ye answe: me: No; 'twas an Almighty hand That clothed you in beauty, and bade ye expand. Rich gems of creation, that ravish the sight, And pour on the senses superna? delight; Wildings of nature, or cultured with care, Ye are beautiful, beantsful everywhere!

When morn's early beams gild the glorious east, Your incense ascends unto Nature's Iligh-Pbiest; Wher sunset fureshadows the day's dewy close, Ye fold up your petals for welcome renose. Your odours impregnate with health every breeze, Ye furnish a feast for the banqueting bees; Ye promise in eloquent language, though mute, Boughs beading with offerings of delicate fruit; Ye tell, when your glory and fragrance is o'er, That Autumn shall come with his rich gushing store.

Sweet'ners of life, ye are infancy's play;
To boyhood's bright dream, 0 what charms ye display! In years more mature we but love you the more, As tracing veiled beautics undreamt of before. To childhood, to marhood, to age ye are dear; Ye are strewn at the bridal and streivn on the bier; Fair flowers even there soothe the lone mourner's woes, And hallow the turf where loved ashes repose. Wildings of nature, or cultured with care, Ye are beautiful, beautiful everywhere!

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Anann, July 11, 1851.
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Devon Gattle in Ghonoin. - The edifor of the Southern Gultivator says, "The climate of the south seems especially adapted to the growth and development of the Devon, and we shall probably see, ero long, some noble animals of this breed from the tino herds now among us. Geogia is at present far in advance of her sister states of the south in this matter; and it her enterprising importers and breeders are true to themselves, and continue to press forward as they have begun, she cem, at no distant day, justly lay claim to the title of the Deronshire of America."

Carse of Tubenches in Cows. If young and healthy cows be brought from the country into the city, and confined to stalls attached to duiries, they at first become fal and sleck; but after some time, several of them are observed to grow thin, become unhealthy and if not speedily removed, fall into a state of marasmus. After death, tubercles are found in several textures of the carcass.-Andral.

The Ileman Family.-From an interesting statistieal digest just published, it appears that the human family numbers $700,000,000$, and its annual loss by death is $18,000,0000$, which produces 624,400 tons of animal matter, which, in turn, generates, by decomposition, $9,000,000,000,000$ cubic feet of gases, which are cleared away from the atmosphere by vegetable matter decomposing and assimilating them for their own ases.-Eclectic Journal.

To Fatten Poultay.-Shut them up in the dark, gorge them with boiled food, and allow them a small quantity of charcoal daily. Fvery meal that a man makes on such food adds a nail to his coffin.

Agricultural Comene. - We learn that a course of instruction in agriculture is now in progress at Western Reserve Conlege, Jefferson, Ohio, under Professor liorrest Shepherd.

## Answers to Correspondents.

Received.-" Proceedings of the Agricultural Suciety of the United Counties of Frontenac, Lennox and Addington," Major Lachlan's Lecure before the Natural History Society of Monreal; a Circular on Butter making from W. M., Brockville; and a letter of the late Mr. Snythies, from Mr. Sotham;-ali of which shall receive attention in our next.

Ventilating Stables.-Tyrowill find some remark on the qualities and methods of fixing Ammoniac. Gas in Professor Croft's paper in our last numbe: that will facilitate his enquiries. There can be n doubt whatever that this yolatile gas injuriousl affects the sight of horses, and induces disease, whe they are exposed to its influence in close, hot stable Cleanlincss and a free admission of fresh air, are. necessary to the health and well-being of domestic. ted animals, confined within buildings, as to m: Sulphate of lime or Plaster, [not common lime, or $t$ Carbonate $]$ moistened with diluted Sulphuric Ac [0il of jitriol] and sprinkled daily over the fioor the stable will readily absorb ammonia, and chan it into a solid. form; which compound, by the bye, an excellent manure. Charcoal, whether obtait from wood or peat, broken fine and applied in
same way, will produce a similar effiect. Carbon possesses the power of absorbing and deodorizing a rast quantity of ammonia, and the materiuls as in the former case, form a very powerful fertilizer, adapted alike to the farm or the garden. Enough has been written of late in our columns on the importance and general principles of ventilation to induce our readers to eutertain this vital question in an enquiring and carnest spirit; and we think if our correspondent carries into practice, in a common sense way, the few hints we hare oflered, he will soon have no occitsion to complain of the injurious effects of Ammonia in his stable. His other questions involve considerations in relation to mode:n reteriuary practice, which we cannot answer at the moment, or without the advice of a practitioner.

Proper Age of Preedivg Cattle-Taurus-You are quite right ; both bulls and heifers are commonly used for breeding much too early in this country, to the irreparable injury of their growth and constitution, and consequently of their progeny. It is doubtful whether bulls ought to be used at all before they are tro years old, and heifers most assuredly ought not to be before that period. Perhaps some of our breeders will favour us with an article on this subject, and the general management of breeding stoch, as suited o Ganada, on which our correspondent seeks information.

A Lover of Flowers.-There are now extant areral excellent manuals of botany, and like many ther questicns, it is difficult, or rather impossible, to ay which is absolutely the best. Something will epend on the price you are disposed to give, and the there and extent of your enquiries. Dr. Lindley's yrics, commencing with "School Botany," is the ost complete; constructed on the natural sjstem, id brought down to the latest improvements and scoveries in the science. Professor Balfour's introaction (of Edinburgh) is excellent: and Professor my's Botanical Text-Book (of Harrard, Boston) suld be found both cheap and well-adapted to beaners. The works on Agricultural Botuny publishin the old country are expensive ; the only one we : acquainted with as issuing from the American as, and at a low price, is Darlingtou's, published Sewman of New York, which our young Agriculal readers, desirous of becoming acquainted with : delightful department of organic nature, may use with both pleasure and profit.

- P., Bond Head. -We are not aware of any "Oat ca Bruiser" manufactured in this country. The rican Corn Crusher, made, we believe, either at lester or Albany, N. Y., would probably meet - wishes. It is an effective machine, usually hed by horse-power, and can be so adjusted as ack corn, peas, barley, \&c. We do not know ricc. Rapalje of Rochester, or Emery of Albany d doubtless give all necessary information.

Experience has now sufficiently proved the advantages of bruising grain for horses, sheep and cattle; a practice which materially aids mastication and facilitates digestion.

Prepamatios of Flat.-We have reccived several enquiries of late relative to this subject. Improvements in Flax machinery are in constant progress in Englaud, and we ferceive that the Hon. I. In. Clive, M. P., was about to bring a statement before the Council of the Royal Agricultural Society on the mecbatical preparation of flax from the straw by simple machincs adapted for the use of farmers. An economical and efficient Farmers' Flas Mill has long been felt as a dearderatum, that is now in conse of being supplied; and we will lose no time in making our readers acquainted with the purport of Mr. Clive's repurt, as soon ats it reaches us. Mr, Commissioner Widder, a warm and steadj friend of Canadian Agriculture, has dispatched orders to England for the most improved fiax-dressing machine adapted to the wants of this country, which he hopes to receive in tine for our Provincial Exhibition, in September next.

Beet-Root Slgar.-W. H.-We are directing attention to the matter, and shall shortly have something to communicate that will meet your wishes.
Our Engrayer.-It is with much satisfaction that we refer our subscribers to the Fllustrations of Animals [Hereford Bull, Shepherd's Dog, and Leicester Ewes] in our April and present number. The cuts were executed by Mr. Allanson of this city, who has had . much experience in his art, both in Englata and on the continent of Europe. As the quality of the paper we use, improres, [which is a 'loronto manufacture] our illustrations will appear to better advantage.

## TEE CANADIAN "FAMILY HERALD."

We have to acknowledge the receipt of several numbers of this interesting and instructive Periodical. The articles, whether original or selected, are pleasingly treated and varied, so as to gratify a wide range of tastes;-those on Art, Literature and Natural History, we have been pleased particularly with. The work as it progresses, fully sustains its title, and is admirably adapted to farnily reading; it being wholly free from any objeetionable bias or peculiarities of a political or religious natare; while it is conducted in the spirit of a sound christian morality and of an enlightened patriotism. We regard the extensive diffusion of a cheap and wholesome literature among the great body of the people, as one of the greatest blessings a nation can enjoy. The Hercla is neatly printed, and published in weekly numbers, by Mr. Fletcher, Bookseller, of this City, at the very low price of one dollar per annam.

TO BREEDERS OF MPROVED STOGK.
We have received from Lewis G. Morris, Esq. the followng announcement of his next annual sale, which such of cur subcribers as are desirou- of improving their stack could not de better than attend. Mr. Morris's sound judzment, sreat in 'usiry and enterprise in his particuliar department coupled with his high standing for honotable dealing, fairly entitle him to the conblence and suppoit of a discirning public.-EditisC. $A$.

## lewis g. morris'

Third Antual Sale, by Auclion, of improvㄹ Breeds of Domestic Animals, will tule phare at Mount Forim hain, Wevtchester County, ( 11 milcs from the City Ifoll, Neny York, ) on We'neslay, June 0 , 1s52.Jumes M. Miller, Auctioncer.
Applicaron need not be made at private sale, as I decline in all cases, so as in matie it an aloject for persons at a distance to attend. Sale positive to the highest bidder, without reserve.

Numbering about fifty head of horned stock, including a variety of ares and sex consisting of pure bred shoit homs, Devons, and Ayreshures; Soulhdown buck lambs. and a very few ew s; suff.th anc Essex swine. Catalogue, with full peligtees $\mathcal{E}$, will be ready for delacey on the first of Nlay-to be nttained trom the nub-criber, or at the offices of aty of the principal Anricultural Journals or stores in the Union. This sale will offer the best opportumty to obtain very tone antmals I ever have given, as I sh II reduce my herd lower than ever belore, contempla ing a trip to Europe, to be absent a year, and shall not have another sale nntil 1851.

It will be seen by reference to the proceedings of our State Agricultural Society that I was the mot suceessful exhibitor of domestic animals, at the late state Fair.
It uill also offer a new fcature to American Breeders -one which works well in Europe; that is, letting the services of male animals; and will solicit propositions from such as see fit to ary it. Conditions-The animal hired, to be at the risk of the owner, unless by some positive neglect or carelessuess of the hirer ; the expense of transpurtation to and from, to be borne jointly; the term of leling, to be one year or less, as parties agree; price to be adjuted by parties-to be paid in advance, when the bull is taken a way ; circumstances would vary the price; animal to be kept in accordance with instructions of owner. before taking him away.
1 offer on the foreroing cunditions, three celebra'ed prize bulli, "Majwr," a Devon, nine years old; "Lamartme," short horn, four years old; "Lord Eryholme," short hurn, three ytals old. Pedigrees will be given in catalogues.
At the time of my sale, (and I would not part with them before) 1 shall have secared 2 or 3 yearly setts of their progeny; and as I shall send out in August next a new importation of male animals, I shall not want the services of either of these next year. I would not sell them, as I wish to keep control of their propagated qualities hereafter.
I also have one imported bark, the prize winner at Rochester last fall, imported direct from the celebrated Jonas Webb; and also five yearling bucks, winners also, bred by me, from bucks and ewes imported direct from the above celebrated breed $r$; they will be let on the same conditions as the bulls, excepting that I will keep them until the party hiring wishes them, and they must be returned to me again on or about Christmas day. By this plan, the party hiring gets rid of the risk and tronble of keeping a buck the year round. All
rommunications by mail must be prepaid, and I will prepay the answers.
L. G. MORRIS.

Mount Fordham, March, 1852.

## DE.ITH OF FR.INKIIN JACKES, ESQ.

It 18 our painful duty to record the decease of thit la mented genteman from an attatk of amall pox, it his residence, on Youge strect 'noar this city, on the 16th ultimo. Dr. Jarkes was only 48 years of age, and has left a widow and thirteen children, with a large circle of sorrowing friends, to lament his loss. He commenced lifn in this city ay a baker, wheh no other capital than sober industrious habits and a high moral character, all of which he retaned to the last. About fifteen years ago the retured from business in the city, after accumulating constderable capmal, und adopted a nell pursuit, - for the succossful prosection of which his observant and active habits pecuharly fitted . m. - that of Agrice ture. Mr. Jackes to $k$ a leading part in the management of Agricultural Sucteties, beth of the County and 'Township in whech he resided. Is late Warden of the County and an ${ }^{\text {P }}$ acuve Hagistrate, the survices he renderud socicty were of great value and mpurtance, and the large number who followed his remans to their last resting place, consisting of men of all ranks, parties and creeds, forming a procession nearly a mile in length, fully testitied that those services were nut unapprecinted.


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[^0]:    - I do not lize these greaf tender Durhann Cows: they cest too much to kerpi for the milk they give. I prefer the native Cows-they are more 1 ardy and pay hetter; but l think the (Balloway and durushiza Oxen and Cows would do better and fitt faster.

    I I have known a farmer entirely cuined by constandy laying on ashes for wheat; it made the straw too rank, and it mildewed cery yenr. I think ploughing in a large crop of elower or buckwhat would do the same. Ifime, so bus. per acre, prevents it on clay land, and 14 bus. of salt per acre, prevents it on sandy land.

