

The next toast was the "Agriculture of Canada," coupled with the name of the editor of the Farmer's Advocate.

Mr. Weld was warmly greeted. He said he was a writer, and not a speaker. Agriculture had too long stood at the foot of the list of questions agitating our country...

Mr. A. Gibson then sang "My ain Fireside."

"The Dairy and Stock Interests of Canada" was coupled with the names of Messrs. J. McMillan and R. Currie.

Mr. McMillan, Reeve of Hullett, in opening, said he felt diffident in addressing such a gathering. The welfare of Ontario was dependent upon the success of agriculture...

Mr. James Dickson then made a short speech in favor of a county fair, but advised the continuation of township shows.

The toast of the press was responded to by Messrs. Mitchell, T. McGillivuddy and W. T. Whitley.

"The Manufacturing Interests" brought a response from Mr. S. Seegmiller, the well-known chilled plow maker...

Mr. R. Currie, Reeve of East Wawanosh, was pleased to see that the West Riding Society was progressing. He thought that if the small shows fed the larger ones, this society had been pretty well fed.

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Mr. Graham gave notice that he would move at the first meeting of the Council to consider the advisability of abolishing the December meeting of the Council.

The council then adjourned to meet at 10 a. m. to-morrow.

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