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THE

Restigouche Agricultural Society,

IN THE COURT-HOUSE, DALHOUSIE,

January 3rd, 1854.

ANDREW BARBERIE, ESQ. PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.



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OFFICE-BEARERS,

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PRESIDENT, ANDREW BARBERIE, ESQUIRE.

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COMMÎTTEE, THE HONORABLE WILLIAM HAMILTON, DONALD STEWART, THOMAS MURRAY, CHARLES MALISTER, JOHN M'CORMICK, ESQUIRES.

SECRETARY AND TREASURES. DUGALD STEWART, ESQUIRE.

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THE period having again arrived when your Agricultural Board

are required to render an account of their stewardship, they ber

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Jeave to submit the following Report of their Proceedings during the past year. 'I hay regret that it has been one of disappointment, as respect the importation of Stock, in consequence of the only vessel from the neighbourhood of the place where the large English Bhasp had have formerly dot, sailing too early on both voyages ; the first was unusually so, and considered too great a risk-and the second took place before the grasses and vegetables had arrived at a ste of sufficient maturity to fornish suitable provender for the voyage; consequently those Eheep ordered were not whipped, but are ready for the first safe conveyance.

In respect of the Horse, your Committee viewed the resolution of the Legislature as to youe, uncertain, and incurring so heavy a pecuniary responsibility, that they deemed it most prodent to decline importing via St John, with those intended for other Agricultural Societies in that neighbourhood; but preferred inatituting equifies, in order to obtain the best possible information as to where the most suitable animal was to be obtained, and the readiest way of a schaning and transporting him hither direct — They had too at the same time, a pro-pect of getting a Normandy Percheron I orse, on safer terms, through the kindness of DAVID LEBOUTILLIER, I squire, M.P.P. for the County of Bonaventure, Gaspe, who very generously offered to select, purchase, and bring out one or n ore if required, with one he intends importing to Paspeblic, sheald he neet with any of his ships at home coming out in ballast. Your Committee were not however sufficiently acquainted with the history or description of that bread of Horses at the time, and not wishing to introduce so valoable an enimal as a Horse into the County, without consulting the members of your Society generally, preferred waiting an opportanty for so deing, which this Meeting effords, and they now solieit an expression of opinion on the subject.

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From the history of Canada, your Committee learn, that the far-famed Canadian Pony was from the Normandy Diligence Horse, brought there on the early settlement of the Province by the French; and experience has proved him to be an active Horse of all work, possessed of great strength, and uncommon power af endurance; but it is more in breadth and size of bone and muscle that he excels, than in height. They have also learnt that the highly prized Prince Edward Island Horse was origina by the Canadian crossed by the Duke of Kent's bread from Nov -Scotia.-Fequiries have also been made, as to the size and probable cost of a Dartmoor Horse, the larger English or Clydeedule breads being donsidered too clumsey to be generally wefel.

THE ANNUAL GRAIN SHOW was held on the March, and the following Prizes distributed vis -	. 1	Sch	10	
For the best Wheat, No 25, weighing 664ibs.				
per bushel, to II. Monigomery,	:0	12	6	
Becond ditto, No. 25, 651lbs. to John Murchy,	0	10	0	1
Best Barley, No. 6, 59lbs to John Ferguson,	Ó	10	0	
Second ditto, No. 28, 55lbs. to John M'Cormick,	0	7	6	
Dest White Oate, No. 9, 50 bs. to John Ferguson,	0	7	6	
Second ditto, No. 45, 491lbs. to Ebeneze: Ferguson,	0	5	0	
Best Black ditto, No. 15, 42lbs. 10oz. to P. Hamilton,	0	7	6	
Second ditto, No 19, 424lbs. to William Cook,	0	5	0	
Lest Field Peas, No. 2, 634 be. to Paul Deversuz,	0	7	4	
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Best Timethy Seed, No. 26, 48 lbs. to H. Montgomer	1.70	10	1	
Second ditto, No. 40, 453 ibs. to Robert Blair,	0	7		
Best Clover Seed, No. 8. 6521bs. to John M'Less, Becond ditto, No. 50, 6321bs. to Denald M'Millan,		15	0	
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Best Tursip Seed, to John Rebertson,			•	
Becond ditto, to ditto,		-	6	
Best Hope, to John Ferguson, Athol House,		5	0	
Best Butter, to Mrs. Hamilton, Dalhousie,		10	0	
Second ditto, to John Murchy,	0	7	6	
Best Cheese, to Mrs. Dugald Stewart,	0	39.00	6	
Second ditto, to Donald M'Millan,	0	1.00	0	
Bost Candles, to John Ferguson, Athol House,	0	7	6	
Second ditto, Mrs. Hamilton, Dalhousie,	0	5	0	
Best Scap. Mrs. Hugh Monigomery,	0	7	6	
Second ditto, Mrs. Dugald Stewart,	0	5	0	
Best show of Vegetables, to Charles Stewart	0	7	6	
Second ditto, to John Murchy,	0	5	0	
Best Homespun Cloth, all wool, to Donald Fraser,	0	10	0	
Second ditto, to John Murchy,	0	7	6	*
Third ditto, to James M, Millan,	0	5	0	
Best ditto, cotton and wool, to W. Hamilton,R.Charl	51 × 1014	7	6	
Best Tartan, ditto, to Charles M'Alister,		10	0	
Best Plaiding for drawers, to John Murchy,		10	0	
Second ditto, to John Murchy, (2nd)	0	1999	6	
Best ditto, cotton and wool, to Hugh Montgomery,	0		0	
Best Flannel, all wool, to Paul Devereux,	0		6	
'Best Shawl, to Joseph Pratt	0	10125	6	
Best Plaids, to William Hamilton	0		6	
Second ditto, to Robert Hervie	0	121.70	0	
Best Counterpane, to Alexander Cook	0	7	6	
Second ditto to John Hamilton	0	5	0	
Best B'anket , to John M'Cormick	0	10	. 0	
Second ditto, to Paul Devereux,	0	7	6	
Best Stockings, to John Ferguson, Athel House,	0	. 7	6	
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Best Socks, to John Ferguson, Athol House,	0	5	0	

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THE CATTLE SHOWS followed in their to		Be
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For the best Stallion. to Thomas Marray	0 23	Ber
Best Brood Mare and Feal, to J. Christopher	1 0 0	Bes
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Best Calf, to David Duncan	0 5 0	Bes
Best Milch Cow, to David Ritchie	0 12 6	Best
Second ditto, to Andrew Murray	0 10 0	Bes
Third ditto, to James Gerrard	076	Best
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Best year old ditto, to David Ritchie	0 7 6	Eest
Best Calf, to John Ferguson	0 5 0	Best
Best three years old Ram, to Robert Adams.	0 13 0	Rest
Best two year old ditto, to John Duncan	0 10 0	Best
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Best Bear, to Thomas Murray	0.15 0,	as fc

Best Brood Sow. to John Ferguson		£n	15	
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For the best brood Mare & Foal, to Duga'd Stewert	£1	0	0	
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Best two years old ditto, to John Rubinson			0	
Best year o'd ditto, to Robert Watson	0	7	6	
Best three years old Bull, to P. & D. Stewart	1	2.3.	0.187.0	
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Best Calf, to ditto,	0	5	100	
Best Milch Cow, to William Montgomery	0	12	100	
Second ditto, to P, & D. Stewart	0			
Third ditto, to Dugald Stewart		10.1		
Best two years old Heifer, to ditto	0	10.00	10.00	
Best year o'd ditto, to W. S. Smith				
Best Calf, to William Hamilton	0			
Best three years o'd Ram, to ditto	14.10	1.00	1.71	
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Best Boar, to ditto			1000	
Second ditto, to William Montgomery			1.0	
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Amounting to £15 15 0

And at Colberne, on the 5th, when the Prizes were awarded: as follows : viz --

For the best Stullion, to Peter Connagher	22 0 #	8.
Best breed Mars and Colt, to Michael Shes	1 0 0	T
Best three years old Filly, to Faul Devereux	0 15 .	
Best two years old ditto, to the Rev. A. M'Masters	0 10 0	
Rest year old ditto, to Michael Shea	0 7 .	1
Best Ball, four years old, to Alexander M'Pherson	2 10 0	1 .1
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THE PLOUGHING MATCH by following up the routine first adopted, fell to Dalhousie this season, and was held on the 7th of the same month, but it was the most ill-attended exhibition ever witnessed in the County, shewing a most deplorable lakewarmness that is truly discouraging. The Prizes were adjudged

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 Fer the best Ploughman, to John Miller
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 Second ditto, to William Douglas
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 Third ditto, to Doubld M'Cormick
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Amounting to £3 15

The revised Premium List published immediately after your last Annual Meeting, has had the desired effect in distributing more widely the funds of your Society, and has given general satisfaction, excepting in the sums named for the different samples of Clover Seed, which is thought by some too low to remunerate the producer for the extra gost of threshing and cleaning that article.

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The Grops were all harvested and housed in good condition, and yield in most places a fair average, thereby remunerating the husbandman for his labour, which he has the more reason to be thankful to a bountiful Providen e for, as many other parts of the Province have not been so highly favored. Your Committee have much pleasure in adding, that from the best information, they can obtain, there is in this County an abundance of food for both man and beast; whilst the only grain imported the last serson, appears by the Customs' returns, to be the unusual small quantity of 6500 bushels of oats for lumbering purposes.

Since year last Annu I Mesting, two additional Grist and Oat Nills with Klins have been erected, and in successful operation, affording increased fadilities to the farmer for converting bis grain into bread stuff. Mr. ALLAN VAVONAN, one of the proprietors, has given in a memorandum, containing a very gratifying account of the superior quality of the grain grown in the lower Parishes; he states, that 44 bushels of wheat lately brought to the mill by Mr. JAMES O'NELL, produced 2321bs, of flour equal to the best Candian brand, and 441bs, of seconds, besides bran; that several other samples were of a like quality, one, superior , and that it is not uncommon to preduce 221bs, of meal per bushe i of onts, besides sevels, &c.

The Justices of he Peace at their General Sessions last Janaary, reled "That as ball be allowed to run at large, except these

epproved by your Secretary." He, in consequence, was directed to parchase a thorough bred Ayrshire three year old from Mr. WELEYAR DOUGLAS, and to turn him loose for the use of the public. The animal proves very quist and harmless, and his winter's feed was lot by succien, with the intention of leaving him the next season in the Parish t he is wintered by Mr. Res-

BAT WATSON, and has him now in charge.

Your Accounts having been sudited, show a great balance of 151.2. 18s. 24d. including outstanding debts, amongst which are bad and doubtful, that have been normanisting since the formation of your Society, to the amount of 53.2. 10s. 0d, which being deducted from the balance of last year, under the old regime, will have a reliable balance of 93.2. 8s. 24d. in favour of your Society. The stock of Seeds are in good-condition, and will afford a sufficient quantity for early sowing ; a full supply is expacted in the spring, as heretofore.

Your Committee continue to urge the necessity of erecting a Market-House, for the sale and safe keeping of your agricultural produce. The want of such a building is acknowledged by all, and none experience greater inconvenience than the agriculturistand mechanic.

By Order.

DUGALD STEWART, Scoretary and Treasurer.

Ordered + That the Report submitted, he received and pablished.

Rearlyed -That the thanks of this Meeting are due, and arehereby given to the Office Betters of the past year.

The President having relived, the HIGH SHERIPP was placed in the Clinic, when it was resolved unanimously,

That ANDREW BARRERIE be re-cleated President.

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TROMAS MURRAY, Addington-CHARLES M'ALISTRD, Durham-John M'CORMICE, Coldorne-Donald Stewart and William Hamilton, Dalkquate, be the Committee.

That DUGALD STEWART be Secretary and Treasurer.

Resolved—That the Premiums for Clover Seed be increased to 30s. for the best sample, 20s. for the second, and 15s. for the third; also for Timothy Seed, 15s. for the first, 10s. for the second, and for the third sample 7s. 6d.

That the Normandy Percheron Horse is the favorite.

Ordered-That the Board do import the ensuing sesson in addition to their former order, three pairs of Cheviot Sheep and a pair of Leicesters.

> DUGALD STEWART, See. and Treas.

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ANNUAL SHOW

Grain and Domestic Manufactures,

WILL BE HELD

IN THE COURT-HOUSE, DALHOUSIE, On Tuesday the 30th of March,

Premiums the same as last year, excepting for Clover and Timothy Seed. (see Minutes.)

TO COMMENCE AT TEN O'CLOCK PRECISELY.

GARDEN & FIELD SEEDS

FOR SALE

AT THE AGRICULTURAL DEPOT, DALHOUSIE.

ALSO,

A Cheese Press, Pinions for Threshing-Mills, and Wilkie's Plough Mountings.

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