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The HORSE DISEASE spread from Toronto and Rochester throughout the Atlantic States, Ontario and New Brunswick before it reached our horses here. It was so long in coming that we began to hope that clear cold wintry weather would set in and put it to flight before it had time to settle down in Halifax. As it is, let us be thankful that we have had the benefits of ample warning, of time for preparation, and of other peoples' experience in the course and treatment of the Disease. We have another thing to be thankful for, that, whilst rumours were floating in people's minds, and commonly repeated all over the Province, that the disease had really appeared in Halifax more than a month ago, yet the Editors and Reporters of our newspapers had the good sense to avoid giving them publicity until they were verified by actual facts, and thus we were spared the inconveniences, the losses, and the other manifold evils, of a sudden panic. The Disease at last came upon our Horses, at a time when every owner and groom was prepared for it, when al-

most every horse's general health was being carefully cared for, when every prudent man's stable was clean and warm, and every animal had his rug around him. We now know that in other countries the percentage of deaths is small, that with proper care and treatment the animal speedily recovers; and our Horse Owners, instead of showing alarm, simply release all animals from labour at the first symptom of attack, and place them in clean and comfortable quarters, confident that in most cases recovery is simply a question of time.

Veterinarians in the United States describe the disease as a kind of influenza or catarrhal fever, easily cured if taken at outset when a simple inflammation of the air passages, but liable, if the animals are exposed and kept at work, to lead to lung disease, and to end in death. In all stages, however, there is general debility, loss of appetite, cough, discharge at the nose, increased temperature, weakness of circulation, the pulse sometimes scarcely perceptible, and in many cases, a yellow

appearance of the mucous membranes, especially that of the eye.

From the debilitating character of the disease, it is recommended that there should be no blood-letting nor purgatives, arterial sedatives, setons, &c. The local symptoms of laryngitis should be attended to by anodyne cough mixtures or pastes, mild counterirritants of the throat, such as liniment, mustard applications, and in some cases blisters, fumigations of boiling water, decoctions of poppy head, &c. If there is great loss of appetite and general strength it will be necessary to administer stimulants; carbonate of ammonia mixed with camphor is recommended. Vegetable tonics should also be used, in shape of pills, four or six times a day. To allay the fever, small doses of salt-petre in the drinks or in rectal injections may be given. *Rest is absolutely necessary*; also clean and comfortable stables, not too hot nor too cold, and free from draughts; blanketing; hand-rubbing; bandaging of the extremities; feeding with warm gruel, bran mashes, oats only when mashed with

flaxseed, and roots (especially carrots) if the bowels are not too loose.

Our attention has been called by Mr. Fraser, 74 Lower Water Street, to the beneficial effects of the North British Cattle Company's Condiment. From enquiries made of horse-keepers in this City we find that the Condiment has a marked effect in giving Horses relish for their food and in improving the condition generally. We have, therefore, no hesitation in publishing the following letter from Dr. Kirwin, Montreal, not that we have any special wish to give the Condiment Company the benefit of free advertising, but because we believe the use of the Condiment may be found beneficial in many cases, especially where tonic medicines cannot be conveniently obtained.

"From experience during the last few days I can testify that if Horses are fed on the Nutritious Condiment of the North British Cattle Food Company, they will escape the prevailing disease."

"A few days ago two horses in my stable from Upper Canada shewed symptoms of sickness, and, other remedies failing, I began to feed with this Condiment, mixed with a bran mash and some crushed oats. At the same time I gave the other sound horses the same treatment. The sick horses are now quite well, and the others have escaped the contagion, and remain sound and well, thus showing the excellence of your food as a preventive as well as a cure."

The Report of the YARMOUTH EXHIBITION held on 3rd October, will be found well worthy of perusal. We have on former occasions commended Yarmouth Reports to the attention of Secretaries and Committees of other Counties. The practice followed at Yarmouth of requiring each Prize Committee to furnish a special Report of their department for publication is excellent. Members have thus an opportunity of expressing their criticisms and furnishing valuable practical hints in a tangible form for public record and future use by themselves and others. It appears that there was gratifying improvement at Yarmouth this year, especially in live stock. There were more visitors and more articles from a distance. The exhibition of Granville Factory Cheese suggested the introduction of the Factory System into Yarmouth, and we hope it will be carried out. The Exhibition arrangements seem to have been better than on former occasions, so much so that the haggard Secretary was enabled to spare an hour for dinner, and to say affectionately, as "mine hostess" left the dining room: "Blessed be her heart for she brews good ale." The Horses of the County were not sufficiently represented, and the Committee suggest the purchase

of full-blooded stock. The Neat Stock superior to last year's in every respect. Alderneys and their grades are highly recommended to Dairy Farmers. There was rather a small show of Sheep; Swine very good, White Chesters A. 1. Dairy produce, "a want of interest." Grain, "be more particular in cleaning." Roots good. Vegetables poor. Fruit very much finer than formerly, the quality and variety of local fruit really very fine, but much confusion in names. Fine Arts, low, a first attempt by a boy 14 years of age being "sufficiently well done to merit commendation or at least exception from the general censure." The prize for best painting in Water Colours was gained by Nellie Moody, 12 years old. We might suppose from this that the young ladies of Yarmouth exchange the "fines" for the "useful" arts at any early age; but, alas! in the very next department, "Domestic Manufactures," we find "a small exhibit" reported, except in Yarns and Flannels; "no socks," "no mitts,"—a prospect of cold feet and cold fingers in Yarmouth this winter. Iron Work, a Ship's Tiller, which "will bear comparison with any foreign manufacture." A full length figure of a Highlander of "very creditable appearance" appropriately brings up the rear of the long Prize List, with a supply of Cakes and Crackers, which the Committee found "were really good," and Staves, Shingles and Laths, meriting a special prize.

The Report of the half yearly meeting of the Central Board of Agriculture, published in another column, suggests several topics for extended remark, for which there is no opportunity in our present number. We hope in our next issue, which will be printed as speedily as possible, to overtake several articles that are lying over.

#### CENTRAL BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

HALIFAX, Oct. 30th, 1872.

The Central Board of Agriculture met in the Legislative Council Chamber this morning at 10 o'clock. Present—Israel Longworth, Esq., Truro, Vice-President of the Board, in the chair, John Dakin, Esq., Digby; C. N. Spratt, Esq., Musquodoboit; Hiram Clark, Esq., Amherst; Benjamin Zwicker, Esq., Mahone Bay; J. J. O'Brien, Esq., Noel; John Ross, Esq., M. P. P., Boularderie; D. Matheson, Esq., Pictou; G. S. Brown, Esq., Yarmouth; D. Archibald, Esq., Musquodoboit; Dr. C. C. Hamilton, Cornwallis; George Whitman, Esq., Round Hill, Annapolis; George Cameron, Esq., Milford Haven, Guysboro'; David McNair, Esq., Cape George, Antigonish; Geo. C. Lawrence, Esq., Port Hood; Prof. Lawson, Secretary.

Mr. Longworth, in taking the chair as Vice-President, expressed regret at the absence of Joseph J. Northup, Esq., the President, which was caused by sudden indisposition. As Mr. Northup would not probably be able to leave his room for a day or two, the Board would be deprived of his valuable suggestions and assistance; but he (Mr. Longworth) would endeavor to preside over their deliberations to the best of his ability.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Brown reported on behalf of the Committee appointed to make purchases of thorough bred stock. He stated that considerable difficulty was experienced in obtaining exactly the kinds of stock and precise numbers of each required; but it would be seen from the published catalogue that (with the exception of Durham heifers, which were not procurable at prices at all within reach) the animals accorded very nearly with the list given in the Board's resolution at the March meeting.

Several members of the Board were requested to make necessary arrangements for the sale on Thursday. A letter was read from Colonel Laurie, in reference to the place of sale, but it was thought too late to make any change now, after the sale had been so long advertised for the Grand Parade.

A question having been put as to the restrictions under which animals were sold, it was stated that all animals imported by the Board had been sold under the restriction that they were to be kept in the Province, for breeding purposes. Purchasers have always been required to sign a bond in the auctioneer's book to this effect. So far as known, the rule had been fairly carried out hitherto, except in the case of some horses not imported by the Board, and the Board had power to enforce it if any attempt were made at evasion or violation. On the other hand, where animals proved sterile or became too old for use, purchasers might rely upon the Board relieving them from any unreasonable or unnecessary restriction.

On motion of Dr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, the following gentlemen were appointed a finance committee to audit the accounts of purchases of cattle, and expenses connected therewith, viz.: Messrs. Longworth, Spratt and O'Brien.

Attention was called by Mr. Dakin to the resolution of the Board, passed in March last, to the effect that should the annual grant be raised to \$10,000, the Government were requested to introduce an amendment to the Act, authorizing the Board to increase the proportion of grant to the societies of each county to \$400, no society receiving more than double the amount of subscriptions. Mr. Dakin stated that the societies in his

county expect the larger sum, and their arrangements would be cramped if it were not received.

Mr. Brown stated that he understood the societies in Yarmouth County also expected the \$400.

Mr. Matheson spoke in the same terms for Pictou, and several other members expressed like opinions.

On motion of Dr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, Messrs. Ross and Dakin were requested to wait upon the Provincial Secretary, to ascertain what amount of grant would be available.

Dr. Hamilton moved appointment of Committee to examine returns from societies, with power in special cases to extend the time of receiving returns till 1st December:—Dr. Hamilton, Mr. Matheson, the President and Secretary.

Mr. Longworth called attention to the subject of a Provincial Exhibition, which he thought now desirable. The full consideration of this matter was deferred till more pressing business was disposed of.

The formation of new Societies was authorized as follows: One in N. E. Margaree, County of Inverness; one at Whit-Point, Aspy Bay, County of Victoria; one at Maitland, and one at Newport, County of Hants.

The Board then adjourned till seven o'clock in the evening.

#### SPEAKER'S ROOM, 7 P. M.

The Board resumed business at 7 o'clock. Present: Mr. Longworth, V. P., in the chair; Dr. Hamilton, Messrs. Matheson, Ross, Archibald, Brown, Dakin, McNair, Cameron, Zwicker, Whitman, Black, Sprott, Lawrence, O'Brien, and the Secretary.

Minutes of morning meeting were read and approved of.

The Secretary gave an explanation of the circumstances attending the death of imported horse Netherby Junior. He stated that great difficulty was found in securing sufficiently close cars for the horses during their transit by rail, and Netherby Junior suffered from the exposure. The following report was read from Mr. Hugh McNicholl, 3 Argyle Street:—

HALIFAX, Oct. 16th, 1872.

To Joseph J. Northup, Esq.:

SIR,—Having been instructed by you, on behalf of the Board of Agriculture, to attend the Stud "Netherby Junior," lately purchased in Canada, I beg to report that the death of said animal was caused solely in consequence of inflammation arising from a heavy cold on his journey from Canada. The horse being heavy, and in high condition naturally occasioned congestion of the lungs, to which I attribute his death.

Both lungs upon minute examination

after death, were found to be in a highly congested state.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) HUGH McNICHOLL.

Dr. Hamilton made the following motion:—

Whereas, the Act for Encouragement of Agriculture provides for the holding, every third year or oftener, in some central and suitable locality, a General Provincial Exhibition, and no such Exhibition has been held in the Province since 1868; and whereas such Exhibitions are now considered a necessity in all farming countries,

Therefore Resolved, That this Board take the necessary steps, in accordance with the Act, and make arrangements for the holding of a Provincial Exhibition during the month of October, 1873, in some central part of the Province.

Resolved also, That the Board apply to the Legislature at its next session for the necessary funds to enable the Board to carry out the contemplated Exhibition.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Zwicker, and passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Black, seconded by Mr. Brown, a new society was ordered to be formed at Pugwash.

Dr. Hamilton moved that the Board establish an official Stock Register for Nova Scotia, and that the Secretary act as Registrar.

#### MEETING OF EASTERN COUNTIES FRUIT GROWERS.

(From the Truro Sun.)

SIR,—Pursuant to due notice given through the press, a public meeting was held in the Court House at Truro, at one p. m., this 24th day of October inst., to form a Fruit Growers Association for the Eastern Counties of Nova Scotia. A large number of gentlemen, who take an interest in the subject of fruit culture, were in attendance. Among them I noticed Colonel Laurie, Sheriff Blanchard, John B. Calkin, Major Wm. Blair, Col. Archibald, David Muir, M. D., L. J. Walker, W. B. Alley, L. J. Crowe, Geo. Campbell, Wm. Kent, J. F. Blanchard, Major H. Yeomans, Andrew Moore, John P. Davison and John Black, representing Halifax, Hants and Colchester. The meeting was called to order by Colonel Laurie being appointed Chairman and the subscriber Secretary.

On taking the chair, Colonel Laurie, in the course of a forcible speech adapted to the occasion, alluded in glowing terms to the remarkable success that had attended the labors of orchard-men in the Western Counties, whose fruit, especially apples, ranked in England among the finest in the world. He did not see why like good results should not follow similar

labors in the Eastern Counties, and considered that the time had fully come when such labors should be set on foot, and if success did not follow, it would only be spending a little money and a little time in a cause of so much importance, that he thought all would agree with him that the experiment should be tried, even at the risk of failure. He did not anticipate failure, and, though the East might never rival the West, believed great improvement in Fruit culture would take place in the East if the subject were better understood, and an active Association in operation. He said that Fruit culture is a higher branch of farming, and the difference between a common farmer and a Fruit Grower was the same as between a stone mason and a sculptor; that instances of the capabilities of the Eastern Counties for raising fruit were not wanting, and mentioned the names of gentlemen in different parts, whose names, as fruit growers, were well known. He gave the names of gentlemen at the Albion Mines, Pictou, Antigonish, Amherst, and other places, with whom he had conversed on the subject of the formation of an Association for the Eastern Counties, all of whom spoke hopefully to him about it, and thought a subscription list for such an undertaking would be well received in their localities; and concluded by hoping that gentlemen present would take steps to form the proposed Association, and have an annual fruit show in this part of the Province under its auspices, which at the outset he thought had better be held in connection with some County Agricultural Exhibition, and intimated that he understood such an exhibition would be held annually at Truro; and, with the railway facilities for approaching Truro from the Counties interested in this movement, considered that this place would be looked upon as a common centre for the principal operations of the Association to take place, though this would be a matter for the Association itself to arrange.

John B. Calkin, Esq., then addressed the meeting, and spoke of the profitability of fruit growing, and the desirability of farmers experimenting in planting fruit trees. Suggested that test of membership to contemplated Association should be the planting of a certain number of trees. That in planting trees several kinds should be tried, so that success might be ensured with some sorts, and recommended dwarf apple trees, which matured earlier and took up less ground than the larger trees, and were growing in the estimation of orchard-men in some parts of the Province. Having made some other pertinent remarks, Mr. Calkin moved that a Fruit Growers' Association be formed for the Eastern Counties, to be styled "The Eastern Counties of Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association,"

which motion was seconded by L. J. Walker, Esq., and passed unanimously.

Sheriff Blanchard then spoke favorably of the object of the meeting, and hailed with delight the formation of a Fruit Growers Association for the Eastern Counties, and referred to the run-out orchards of the olden time, that did good service in their day, which the Association would no doubt soon be the means of renovating: and concluded by moving that the fee for membership be an annual subscription of one dollar, which was seconded by George Campbell, and passed unanimously.

At this stage William Kent, Esq., Lower Village, addressed the meeting, and stated his experience in raising fruit for twenty years. Said that he had no success with plums till he applied tincture of iron to the roots of his trees, in accordance with a recipe he had taken from an English magazine. That he had not been so fortunate in growing apples. That the lice were destroying his trees. However, Mr. Kent exhibited some very fine specimens of apples from his orchard—Orange Russets, and an apple not unlike the Gravenstein—that attracted the attention of every one present, and tempted the palates of not a few.

Major Yeomans and Dr. Muir then gave their experience in apple culture, and their mode of dressing trees in the spring, and were followed by J. F. Blanchard, Esq., who spoke at some length, and said that more information on the subject of fruit culture was needed by the generality of fruit growers in this part of the Province, and thought that the Association would prove a great boon to them, and was just the thing that was required. That he had been trying to grow apples for a few years, and found that by cultivating his land too close to his trees, he had destroyed the roots of some trees, and injured others by barking them with the whipple trees in harrowing his land, and had no doubt that when the Association was well under way, he and others would become better instructed in fruit culture, and great good would be the result. He closed by moving that the Association be governed by a President, a Vice-President and a Vice-President for each County represented in the Association by twenty members, a Secretary and Treasurer, and a Council of nine, four of whom shall form a quorum, the officers to be members of the Council *ex-officio*. This motion was seconded by Col. Archibald, and passed unanimously.

It was then moved by Sheriff Blanchard, and seconded by Colonel Archibald, that Colonel Laurie be President of the Association, which motion being put by me to the meeting, received its hearty approval.

The meeting then unanimously appointed John B. Calkin, Esq., Vice-President of the Association and for Colchester County, on motion of James K. Blair, Esq., seconded by Mr. Muir.

James K. Blair, Esq., then moved a resolution to the effect that D. H. Muir, Esq., M. D., be Secretary and Treasurer of the Association, which was seconded by Colonel Archibald, and passed unanimously.

W. B. Alley, Geo. Campbell, Colonel Archibald, Sheriff Blanchard, Majors Yeomans and Blair then successively made motions nominating Vice-Presidents for certain Counties, which resulted in the unanimous appointment of the following persons for Vice-Presidents:—for Pictou—David Matheson, Esq. Cumberland—Col. Chas. Stewart. Hants—Nelson Murphy, Esq. Antigonish—Robt. Trotter, Esq. Island of Cape Breton—Lieut. Col Reid. Halifax—George Creighton, Esq.

The following members of Council were then duly appointed:—Hants—Major H. Yeomans. Pictou—Geo. Johnston, Esq., M. D. Colchester—Major Blair, J. F. Blanchard and Wm. Kent.

It was decided to leave the appointment of other members of Council to the next meeting.

It was then moved by George Campbell, Esq., and seconded by J. K. Blair, Esq., that officers and Council prepare a code of by-laws for the Association, to be submitted to an adjourned meeting, and that meetings of Council, to prepare such by-laws, be called by President, or in his absence, Vice-President, through the Secretary. This motion passed in the affirmative.

An opportunity was then afforded gentlemen present to become members of the Association by paying the dollar subscription to D. H. Muir, M. D., the Sec. and Treas. elect, with whom all wishing to join are requested to communicate.

Major Yeomans was then called to the chair by Sheriff Blanchard, who moved that the thanks of the meeting be given to Colonel Laurie for the great interest he had taken in the subject of fruit culture, and for his efficient services in the chair, which added so largely to the success of the meeting. The motion being seconded by Major Blair, passed by acclamation.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again in same place, at 1 p. m., on Thursday, the 28th day of November next, to pass upon the by-laws to be submitted, and transact any other necessary business, when it is expected that many others interested in fruit culture, not present to day, will put in an appearance and identify themselves with an undertaking of such vast importance, started under such favorable auspices, and destined to prove of

such inestimable benefit to the Eastern Counties of Nova Scotia.

Yours, &c.,

ISRAEL LONGWORTH.

### Communications.

#### BUZZ-A-BUZZ—A QUESTION.

To keep Bees or not to keep Bees,  
That is the question.

To the Journal of Agriculture Editor,—

SIR—I notice in the 75th and 78th numbers of the *Journal of Agriculture*, that a correspondent recommends the keeping of Bees, in terms of high commendation, as a profitable species of farm stock. Bees are certainly very interesting, and, no doubt, some useful hints would be derived from their habits of industry and mechanical skill, as also, the bountiful supply of the delicious "sweets of nature" they are credited with.

I think I may say that I am partial to bees, and should have no objection to avail myself of the advice given in such pressing terms by your correspondent, if some information had been appended to the communication of his personal experience in dealing with such persistent and industrious animals.

For information and mode of management a certain Mister [or Mistress] Queen-bee is recommended as sufficient authority on that head. This savors a small-fee of a bee-line advertisement of the author and his book. As I do not, for a moment, entertain the belief that such was the writer's intention, it would be superfluous to comment further than to remark that others besides myself are not in a position to consult the authority referred to.

The practice of husbandry in Nova Scotia differs materially from that of other countries; and as bees are represented as *stock*, they naturally come under the head of that department of industry, and as the home rule of management is so persistently followed in matters pertaining to the farm, it is more in unison, and would be more acceptable to the majority of farmers, than that of foreign importation. Therefore, it would be very desirable and gratifying to have the practical experience of the writer on this interesting subject, through the medium of the *Journal of Agriculture*.

The point on which your querist is desirous of information is not so much the point of the bee—that is easily ascertained by the sense of touch—as the method of managing these combative terrorists. First in order is the capacity of hive best adapted to the climate of Nova Scotia. The location of apiary—the distance apart the hives should be placed, and their elevation from the ground. The winter arrangement—whether they

should be housed or remain out—if housed in what place—barn, shed, or cellar, and when taken in, and length of time they would endure confinement. I have had the opinion of several persons on this subject, but, like doctors, they disagree, except in one point, and in this they appear to be unanimous—that bees are more plague than profit.

The last person interviewed on the subject was Squire Lupus, a distant neighbour. Now the Squire is generally considered pretty good authority on stock, from a thorough-bred pear and apple stock, and he prides himself not a little on his knowledge. Squire, said I, what is your opinion of bees? "Well," Mr. Crookshanks, "since you have asked me I'll tell you—that I have but a poor opinion of them." I had a notion, I continued, of investing somewhat in that kind of stock, and wished to get your opinion as to the best material for making hives—whether of glass or wood, or both combined. "As to that I'll tell you—it matters but little, hay or straw is just as good as any other kind of lumber—but my good fellow, just one word of advice, if you please—don't have anything to do with them, if you do, you will rue it as sure as rates, and, they are something you may depend on now for certain. There are the poor rates—now we don't mind them so much, because we've got used to them, although they are bad enough—and railroad tax, a piece of iniquity, I call it—a school tax, one-half of that tacked into an enormous county tax so snug that you don't know it's there—and, the whole together is enough to skin you, that is if you are worth skinning. They will eat the blossoms off your pear and apple trees, and your neighbour's too—you'll find it so as I tell you."

You know Squire that it is not my practice to turn stock into the highway to annoy a neighbour by their reaching over his fence, browsing on the shrubbery, and, perhaps, forcing through—poaching up the grounds, and making havoc and destruction all round the premises. I don't go in for that sort of thing, it is a little too mean. And, as bees are a kind of stock not within the pale of the law, or under control when searching for food, there would be difficulty in preventing their browsing on some of your choice trees. Therefore, your last remark in reference to their injuring the blossoms requires some consideration. But it is said not to be the case; that they are rather a benefit, and, in some instances, an essential element. "Don't you believe a word of it, my dear fellow. I know it to be a fact they do. I'll tell you. There's the Widow Chute. She took to keeping bees, and they annoyed me more than her cow did—and that was not a little—they would be on

my trees in blossom time, near about a bee to every blow—and when one of them fellows got through with his pumping business, it wouldn't look like the some flower; when the apples came to grow, if they ever did start, full one-third of them would be blotched, patched, or lopsided, and if pears, stunted and distorted into every shape. I stood it for three years, and could stand it no longer. So one evening I took a walk over to see the widow about her bees. Mrs. Chute, said I, I have come to make a bargain with you, that is if I can. "Thank you Squire—glad to see you." "I am ready for most anything that way—what is your wish." Your bees, Mam, are somewhat troublesome, and, I'd like to make this bargain with you:—If you will send them away I'll pasture your cow, and give you as many apples to peel and dry as will stand you the winter. "Oh," said she "the bees is it—well now." After a long pause, which was a great relief, for I was afraid she was going to hang on to the bees, "Squire, said she, 'say the word in earnest, and being it's you, I'll send the bees away, and the cow to pasture.' Now I have found that, taking it all round, a profitable investment."

There are some orchardists who entertain the belief that bees are to a certain extent injurious to fruit, and it would require no small amount of logical argument to remove the impression. As this is a question beyond my knowledge, and somewhat out of place here, I will dismiss it with the view entertained by Doctor Beesting, a rural M. D. and savan. The doctor says it is all "fudge," that "the bee only extracts the nectar from the cup which is put there for him, and, as for hurting the blossom, it is nothing more than a *whim of a few fussy old farmers.*" But the doctor is a keeper of bees, and the "sweets of nature" have greater charms for him than the fruits, consequently he is disqualified as a jurist.

The number of tons of honey sent to market last season by, "one-keeper from his own apiary," and vouched for by your correspondent, is somewhat astonishing; and the dialectical proof "that there is a bee-pasture surrounding every house in the country," so conclusive, that the most fastidious must accept the "axiom" that there is more money in the *hive* than in the *hammel*.

BUSBEE CROOKSANKS.

SWAMPVILLE, Nov. 13, 1872.

TO GET LARGE ONIONS.—A writer upon onion culture says the best way to get large onions is to tramp and roll beds firmly; the seed is then sown on the compact surface and covered with a rich compost the usual depth.

#### EXHIBITION OF YARMOUTH CO. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The annual Exhibition of the County Agricultural Society was held on Thursday, 3rd Oct., on the Parade Ground and in the Court House, with our invariably royal weather—a perfect day; at dawn cloudless and calm, no dust and throughout attempted to unwonted suavity. The arrangements and provisions of the Managing Committee—Messrs. L. E. Baker, B. P. Ladd and G. B. Doane—proved in every way adequate to the demands of Exhibitors. The grounds having been enclosed by the proprietor, the several Committees, who were unusually prompt in attendance, were enabled to begin and complete their work without intrusion or interruption; and although the usual dilatoriness of some of the Exhibitors delayed the commencement of work, so that the public was necessarily excluded an hour longer than was desirable, the whole work of the day was conducted much more smoothly, and the Exhibition was more satisfactory, than when the whole area was crowded from first to last. Indeed, this one feature of enclosed ground contributed so materially to facilitate the work, that it was well worth the twenty-five dollars paid for the use of the ground, and contributed in no small degree to the success of the Exhibition.

The improvement upon any preceding year in many classes was gratifying; live stock, neat cattle, pigs, poultry, were especially good. Visitors from other Counties admired the large size and fine appearance of our grade Alderneys; they had seen none equal to them in the Provinces. Grades of Durham, Ayrshire, and Devon, the last among the finest oxen, attracted their share of admiration. The most admirable sight throughout the day to the Secretary was that of his old cow, a half Alderney, aged 12 who bore first honors in her prime, standing with a daughter accidentally on each side of her, aged 6 and 7 years, all three in the same section, and the last two bearing first and second prize cards. So much for a study of the "Milk-Mirror" nine years ago, and for breeding to full blood sires.

"Open to the Province," brought three times as many entries as in 1871. One Exhibitor from Granville showed a very fine collection of apples—47 dozens—also several separate dozens, of which the "Gravensteins" will not be much surpassed at the Great Fruit Exhibition at Wolfville, on the 16th and 17th inst., which our Fruit Growers should make an effort to attend. The same Exhibitor showed three samples of Granville Factory Cheese, one of which took second prize. At the close of the Exhibition these Cheeses were sold at auction and brought 16½ cts. per lb. The success of

these Factories in Annapolis County, where they are found so profitable that the number is increasing rapidly, should incite our Farmers not to allow another season to pass without establishing one or more Cheese Factories; the relief to their wives and daughters, with certain profit to the dairy, will be immense, and will give them leisure to show their gratitude by redeeming in 1873 the small display of this year in woman's handiwork.

By 12 o'clock, the books were all returned, prize cards affixed, and bulletin boards posted, so that the Secretary, for the first time on Exhibition Day, felt justified in absenting himself for an hour, in company with one of the hard-working Managers, to test the capabilities of the "United States Hotel" larder to appease a well-earned appetite. Everything about the Hotel was in perfect order; the bell rang to a minute of the regular hour, and even a delicate appetite might have been tempted at sight of the well-conducted table and its burden. The only objection I could make to my dinner was that the ale was considerably better than my own. This may be as irrelevant to an Exhibition Report as a "Horse Trot" is to promote the aims and objects of an Agricultural Society; but on my last term, I think it no harm to indicate to my successor the path to take, since none of the friends of the Secretary of an Agricultural Society think it worth while to feed him; moreover, I don't believe in "dead heads" anywhere above ground. "Pay as you go," should be the Farmer's motto. An eminent American politician once declared in Congress that this motto was the true Philosopher's Stone that would turn everything into gold; but he also affirmed on another occasion, with equal earnestness, that "he would go a mile out of his way any day to kick a sheep."

The Reports of the respective Committees will express their judgment of their several Classes. The Society has on its roll of membership, embracing every part of the County, 153 against 150 in 1871; 94 Exhibitors against 83; and 549 entries against 523. In a few Classes, a great gain was apparent, as in vegetables, 163 entries against 115. Admission fees to the Court House amounted to \$73.18 against \$95.13 in 1871. Outside the Court House, there appeared to be a much larger attendance than before; there were more visitors from adjoining Counties and from abroad. Since the close of the Exhibition, a far greater interest has been manifested, and a determination expressed to make the next Exhibition a marked advance upon any that has preceded it.

With this Report, and with the winding up of the business of the year, the Secretary will close his labors in behalf of

the Yarmouth County Agricultural Society, with the positive determination to hold no office for the future. If his gratuitous services and subscriptions for five years entitle him to an Honorary Life Membership, so much distinction will be accepted with pleasure.

#### PREMIUMS AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:

##### Class 1—HORSES.

18 Premiums—21 Entries.

Committee—J. Lyons Hatfield, Chairman, Oscar Davison, H. A. Parr.

Best Stallion, 4 years old and upwards, "Black Hawk," H. B. Porter.	\$4 00
2nd do., "Bellfounder Morgan," J. D. Archibald,	2 50
Best Mare, 4 years old and upwards, Abram M. Hatfield,	4 00
2nd do., Stephen Marshall,	2 50
Best Gelding, 4 years old and upwards, George H. Lovitt,	4 00
Best pair Matched Horses—No entries,	
Best Draught Horse, N. W. Blethen,	4 00
Best Colt, 3 years old and over, Oliver H. Ellis,	3 00
2nd do., Stephen Churchill,	2 00
Best Colt, 2 years old and over, Stephen Churchill,	3 00
2nd do., Wm. H. Pitman,	2 00
Best Colt, 1 year old and over—None worthy of a prize.	
Best Sucking Colt—No entries.	

#### REPORT.

"Number of Horses on the ground was 21. The Stallions are fair; we would recommend more competition as the County can produce a much better variety. Only two Geldings on the ground, and only one worthy of a prize. Matched Horses none; Draught Horses only one. Only two entries of 3 year old Colts, and only 5 of 2 year ones, and a very poor lot. Two entries of one year old Colts, none worthy of a prize. Sucking Colts none on the ground. The Horses are not groomed as well as they should be. There are two small Horses that should come under the head of Ponies, or light driving Horses, and would recommend a Premium for Ponies or Horses not weighing more than eight hundred, and all Horses should have their breed, age, weight and speed written plainly on their tickets. We would recommend the Society to purchase a full-blooded Mare and Stallion; if not both, a Mare sure."

For the Committee,

J. LYONS HATFIELD.

##### Class 2—MALE NEAT STOCK.

36 Premiums—53 Entries.

Committee—E. E. Archibald, Chairman, John M. LeCain, Angus Walker.

Best Bull, 3 years old and over, Imported Short Horn, G. S. Brown,	\$4 00
2nd do., Imported Ayrshire, Chas. E. Brown,	2 50
3rd do., G. S. Brown,	1 50
Best Bull, 2 years old and over, Imported Alderney, C. E. Brown,	2 50
2nd do., Half Devon, Stephen Churchill,	1 25
3rd do., Half Ayrshire, Jos. Purdy,	75

Best Bull, 1 year old and over, Imported Alderney, N. K. Clements,	2 50
2nd do., John Cann,	1 25
3rd do., Half Ayrshire, Steph. Churchill,	75
Best Bull Calf, Short Horn, H. Temple Brown,	1 25
2nd do., Half Short Horn, G. S. Brown,	75
3rd do., 7-8ths Alderney, E. E. Archibald,	50
Best yoke Working Oxen, 6 years old and over, Ansel Goudey,	4 00
2nd do., Henry Pitman,	2 50
3rd do., Jefferson Corning,	1 50
Best do., 5 years old and over, Frank Killam,	4 00
2nd do., Charles M. Rogers,	2 50
Best do., 4 years old and over George S. Brown,	4 00
2nd do., Eben Rose,	2 50
Best Fat Ox, 4 years old and over, Chris. Strickland,	4 00
Best yoke Steers, 3 years old and over, John Rebinson,	2 50
2nd do., Geo. W. Churchill,	1 25
3rd do., Stephen Churchill,	75
Best yoke Steers, 2 years old and over, Zach. Goudey,	2 50
2nd do., H. B. Potter,	1 25
3rd do., Eben Rose,	75
Best yoke Steers, 1 year old and over, Chris. Strickland,	2 50
2nd do., Zach. Corning,	1 25
3rd do., Robert A. Sims,	75
Best Steer Calf, Stephen Churchill,	1 25
2nd do., Stephen Churchill,	75
3rd do., Chris. Strickland,	50

#### REPORT.

"The Stock on Exhibition in our department, was superior to last year in every respect, particularly Bulls, the Short Horn Durham making the best show as regards breed."

For the Committee,

JOHN M. LECAIN.

##### Class 3—FEMALE NEAT STOCK.

27 Premiums—54 Entries.

Committee, John Cann, Chairman, Jefferson Corning, Wm. P. Churchill.

Best Fat Cow—No entries.	
Best Cow, 6 years old and over, † Alderney, L. E. Baker,	\$4 00
2nd do. do., Chas. E. Brown,	2 50
3rd do., † Alderney, Geo. Trask,	1 50
Best Cow, 5 years and over, Grade Durham, Geo. S. Brown,	4 00
2nd do. do., Jacob Silver,	2 50
Best Cow, 4 years and over, Grade Alderney, Wm. Burrill,	4 00
2nd do., Grade Durham, E. E. Archibald,	2 50
3rd do., † Alderney, Wm. Corning,	1 50
Best Cow, 3 years old and over, Grade Alderney, G. Washington Sanders,	4 00
2nd do. do., Imported Short Horn, Henry Temple Brown,	2 50
3rd do. do., † Alderney, Chas. W. Smith,	1 50
Best Heifer in Milk, 2 years and over, † Alderney, Wm. D. Killam,	3 00
2nd do. do., Grade Alderney, Geo. Trask,	2 00
3rd do., Half Devon, Alvin Churchill,	1 00
Best Heifer Dry, 2 years old and over, 15-16 Alderney, Carlton Club,	2 50
2nd do., Grade Ayrshire, Henry Temple Brown,	1 25
3rd do., Half Devon, Alvin Churchill,	75
Best Heifer, 1 year old and over, † Alderney, Benj. Murphy,	2 50
2nd do., Imported Alderney, N. K. Clements,	1 25
3rd do., † Durham, R. Balfour Brown,	75
Best Heifer Calf, † Ayrshire, William Robertson,	1 25
2nd do., † Durham, Geo. S. Brown,	75
2nd do., Grade Durham, Henry Burrill	50

REPORT.

"Your Committee find a larger number of entries than last year, and the four improved breeds were all represented; some of the young animals were very fine.

The Alderneys and their grades being superior for dairy purposes, as the Dairy forms a very important branch of Farming, Farmers will find it to their advantage to improve their Dairy Stock by using pure bred bulls of this celebrated breed, and those who wish to rear and keep a Dairy Breed in anything like perfection, must supply their Stock with an abundance of such food as is suited to the production of Milk, when they are young, when they are full grown, when they are in Milk, and when they are dry.

Exhibitors would save their Committee trouble, and themselves disappointment by being more careful in labelling their Stock."

For the Committee,  
JOHN CANN.

Class 4—SHEEP, SWINE AND POULTRY.

38 Premiums—55 Entries.

Committee—Hugh Cann, Chairman,  
Ansel Goudey, H. B. Porter.

Best Ram, Grade Southdown, Geo. Israel Allen,	\$3 00
2nd do., Jefferson Corning,	2 00
Best Ewe, Wm. Corning,	3 00
2nd do., Jefferson Corning,	2 00
Best Fat Wether, Grade Southdown, Ebenezer Harris,	3 00
2nd do. do., Ebenezer Harris,	2 00
Best Ram Lamb, Jefferson Corning,	1 25
2nd do., Norris Reynard,	75
Best Boar, Chester White, Charles W. Smith,	3 00
2nd do., E. E. Archibald,	2 00
Best Sow, Imported Chester White, C. W. Smith,	3 00
2nd do., Daniel McMullen,	2 00
Best Barrow, 1 year old and over Jacob Silver,	3 00
Best Spring Pig, Chester White, C. E. Brown,	3 00
2nd do., Hugh Cann,	2 00
3rd do., Chester White and Yorkshire, Wm. Burrill,	1 00
Best Pig, 4 mouths old and under, Chester White, Jacob Silver,	2 00
2nd do., Angus Walker,	1 00
Best Litter Sucking Pigs, Chester White and Yorkshire, Daniel McMullen,	2 00
2nd do., Grade Chester White, E. E. Archibald,	1 00
3rd do., Wm. H. Pitman,	50
Best Pair Turkeys, Samuel Barrill,	1 25
Best Pair Geese, Stephen Churchill,	1 25
2nd do., Eben Rose,	75
Pair Wild Geese, Special Premium, Henry G. Moody,	1 00
Best Pair Ducks, Robert A. Sims,	1 25
2nd do., Henry G. Moody,	75
Best collection Pure Bred Fowls, H. G. Moody,	3 00
2nd do., Daniel McMullen,	2 00
3rd do., Thos. B. Brown,	1 00
Best Pair Fowls, H. A. Parr,	1 25
2nd do., Henry G. Moody,	75
Best Pair Spring Chickens, Daniel McMullen,	1 25
2nd do., Henry G. Moody,	75

REPORT.

"The whole entries of Sheep, 17, a rather small show; we think the attention of the Society should be directed to the breeds of Sheep; there was one fine Ram, marked Leicester and Southdown, the best on Exhibition.

"The Swine were very good, Chester Whites taking first and all the premiums, one litter (10) sucking pigs, weighed from 26 to 31 lbs.

"In Fowls there was a good show; three collections of pure bred, one of nine, one of eight, and one of five different breeds. The Spring Chickens were very fine. To a fine pair full blood 'American Wild Geese' we awarded a special prize. We think the Exhibition an improvement on last year."

For the Committee,  
HUGH CANN.

Class 5—DAIRY PRODUCE, &c.

13 Premiums—31 Entries.

Committee—A. C. Robbins, Chairman,  
Thos Allen, Jr., William Law.

Best Crook or Tub Butter, 40 lbs. or more, Alvin Churchill,	\$3 00
2nd do., Jefferson Corning,	2 00
3rd do., David Carey,	1 00
Best 5 lbs. Butter in Rolls, David Carey,	2 00
2nd do., Eben Rose,	1 00
3rd do., Alvin Churchill,	50
Best Cheese, 20 lbs. and over, John Cann	3 00
2nd do., Granville Factory, Delaney Harris,	2 00
3rd do., Stephen Churchill,	1 00
Best ½ Quintal Largo Shore Dry Codfish—No entries.	
Best ½ Quintal Table Fish.	

REPORT.

"The Committee have to report a want of interest in this department. There was not as large a quantity of Butter as they would have desired to see, and not quite as good as they expected to find, hence, there being some room for improvement, it is desirable that the competitors will be more numerous and the quality better next year.

"The Factory Cheeses were handsome and compared favorably in quality with the best of our own county. The number of entries was very few. We do not know why the County of Yarmouth should not compete favorably with other Counties in establishing Factories for the manufacture of Cheese."

For the Committee,  
A. C. ROBBINS.

Class 6—GRAIN AND SEED.

25 Premiums—25 Entries.

Committee—Jacob A. Flint, Chairman,  
William Corning, Alexander Crosby.

Best bushel Wheat, Golden Straw, Robt. A. Sims,	\$1 50
2nd do., Byron C. Sims,	1 00
Best bushel Barley, two rowed, Byron C. Sims,	1 50
2nd do., Jefferson Corning,	1 00
Best Rye, William H. Pitman,	1 50

Best Oats, Black, Alexander Crosby,	1 00
Best Buckwheat, no entries,	
Best twelve Ears Corn, Delancy Harris,	1 00
2nd do., Joseph H. Porter,	50
Best bushel Beans, ( Jos. H. Porter,	1 50
do., equal in merit, } Alex. Crosby,	1 50
" " " } Carlton Club,	1 50
2nd do., Byron C. Sims,	1 00
Best bushel Peas, Edward B. White,	1 50
Best bushel Timothy Seed, no entries,	
Best bushel Clover Seed, no entries,	
Best bushel Turnip Seed, Nelson Corning,	1 00
2nd do., Nelson Corning,	50
Best col. Vegetable Seeds, no competition,	
2nd prize, Nelson Corning,	2 00

REPORT.

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows:—The number of entries about the same as previous years, quality as a whole superior. We recommend Exhibitors to be more particular in cleaning Grain for Exhibition.

For the Committee,  
JACOB A. FLINT.

Class 7—VEGETABLES, ROOTS, &c.

53 Premiums—163 Entries.

Committee—Clarence Christie, Chairman,  
James Jeffrey, Byron C. Sims.

Best col. Vegetables, 12 varieties, Nelson Corning,	\$3 00
2nd do., 10 varieties, Wm. Corning,	2 00
3rd do., 6 varieties, John Cann,	1 00
Best 6 varieties Potatoes, Early Rose, Breese's Prolific, Pogies, Sebec, King of Earlies, Davis' Seedling, Alex. Crosby,	2 00
2nd do., Jackson, Breese's Peerless, Prolific, Early Rose, Early Blue, King of Earlies, Robert A. Sims,	1 00
3rd do., Climax, Prolific, Peerless, Excelsior, King of Earlies, Early Rose, Henry Temple Brown,	50
Best bushel Table Potatoes, Early Blue, Robert A. Sims,	1 00
2nd do., Early Rose, E. B. White,	50
Best bushel Potatoes for Stock, Early Rose, Wm. H. Moody,	1 00
2nd do., Jefferson Corning,	50
Best 6 Turnip Blood Beets, Robt. A. Sims	1 00
2nd do., Nelson Corning,	50
Best 6 Long Blood Beets, Hugh Cann,	1 00
2nd do., Stayley Brown,	50
Best 6 Mangold Wurtzel, Long, Hugh Cann,	1 00
2nd do., Charles W. Smith,	50
Best 6 Mangold Wurtzel, Globe, Carlton Club,	1 00
2nd do., Jacob A. Flint,	50
Best 6 Carrots, Stayley Brown,	1 00
2nd do., Wm. H. Moody,	50
Best 6 Parsnips, L. E. Baker,	1 00
2nd do., C. E. Brown,	50
Best 6 Turnips, L. E. Baker,	1 00
2nd do., Henry Burrill,	50
Best 2 Cabbage, Drumhead, F. Killam,	1 00
2nd do., James Jeffrey,	50
Best 2 Cabbage, Savoy, David Carey,	1 00
2nd do., Wm. H. Moody, jr.,	50
Best 2 Cabbage, Red Dutch, David Carey,	1 00
2nd do., Charles E. Brown,	50
Best 2 Cauliflowers, Wm. D. Killam,	1 00
2nd do., David Carey,	50
Best 2 Squash, Hubbard, Henry G. Moody,	1 00
2nd do., Wm. H. Moody, senr.,	50
3rd do., Chris. Strickland,	25
Best 2 Squash, Boston Marrow, Nelson Corning,	1 00
2nd do., L. E. Baker,	50
3rd do., Freeman Gardner,	25
Best 2 Squash, any other than above, L. E. Baker,	1 00



2nd do., George M. Rose,	50
3rd do., George Trask,	25
Best 2 Pumpkins, Jacob I. Philips,	1 00
2nd do., James Rose,	50
Best 12 Onions, W. H. Moody, senr.,	1 00
2nd do., Alex. Crosby,	50
Best 12 Tomatoes, Carlton Club,	1 00
2nd do., Oliver H. Ellis,	50
3rd do., L. E. Baker,	25
Best 6 Heads Celery, L. E. Baker,	1 00
Best Braze Cucumbers, General Grant,	
L. E. Baker,	1 00
2nd do., Oliver H. Ellis,	50

## REPORT.

"The Exhibition in this department was good, and we think better than it was last year, with the exception of collections of Vegetables, which were very poor."

For the Committee.

CLARENCE CHRISTIE.

## Class 8—FRUIT AND FLOWERS.

28 Premiums—33 Entries.

Committee—Wm. H. Moody, jr., *Chairman*, James C. Farish, Joseph B. Bond.

Best col. Apples, named, 12 each, 9 varieties, Chas. DeWolf,	\$4 00
2nd do., not named, 12 each, 12 varieties, Wentworth Wyman,	2 50
3rd do., Norris Reynard,	1 25
Collection from Granville, 47 doz., special prize, Delaney, Harris,	4 00
Best doz. Apples, Gavel Pippin, Jos. H. Porter,	1 00
2nd do., Fall Jenetting, Carlton Club,	50
3rd do., Rice Sweet, Alex. Crosby,	25
Special Prize, 1 doz. Gravensteins, from Granville, Delaney Harris,	1 00
Best doz. Pears, Duchess D Angouleme, Wm. H. Moody, senr.,	1 00
2nd do., Norris Reynard,	50
Best doz. Plums, Magnum Bonum, Wm. H. Moody, jr.,	1 00
2nd do., Imperial Gage, Wm. H. Moody, senr.,	50
3rd do., Purple Egg, Jacob Silver,	25
Best Specimen Plants, in Pots, but one entry, no prize awarded.	
Best Bouquet Flowers for Vase, C. E. Brown,	1 00
2nd do., Wm. D. Killam,	50
3rd do., Wm. H. Moody, senr.,	25
Best Hand Bouquet, Chas. E. Brown,	1 00
Best col. Dahlias, W. H. Moody, senr.,	1 00
2nd do., Charles E. Brown,	50
Best col. Verbenas, Wm. H. Moody, sr.,	1 00
Best do Pansies, R. Balfour Brown,	1 00
2nd do., Stayley Brown,	50

## REPORT.

"The display of Fruit was very much finer than in previous years, not only on account of the fact that for the first time Apples from another County were exhibited, but because the quality and variety of local fruit was really fine—we noticed some fair specimens of Northern Spy, Keswick Codlin, Green Sweet, and Wagener, proving that these varieties are adapted to our climate. We would recommend that individuals should endeavour to make themselves acquainted with the true names of their Apples, as except in the case of seedlings, which of course the producer has a right to name, all kinds of fancy nomenclature seem to be much in vogue, to the great confusion of the uninitiated.

"The show of Plums was fair, there being six varieties exhibited, including Magnum Bonum, Imperial Gage, Purple Egg, &c.

"Of Pears there were but two entries, which would seem to indicate that we have not yet found the varieties which can be successfully grown in our County

"The Flower show was not in extent what ought to be expected in a town like Yarmouth, where evidences of taste in this direction are on every hand. The Dahlias were very fine, though it is possible that the best of the season has passed. There was but one entry of Verbenas, which ought not to have been the case, and the Pansies were rather inferior, owing no doubt to the lateness of the season."

For the Committee;

Wm. H. MOODY, JR.

(To be Continued.)

## EGERTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S EXHIBITION.

The Exhibition of the Egerton Agricultural Society was held at Hopewell, on Wednesday, Oct. 9th. The day was fine, and the best of good order and harmony prevailed throughout. The show of stock was perhaps better than we have had for some time, and several of the prizes in the industrial department were sharply competed for. We also observed a few bunches of grapes, exhibited by Robert Fraser, Esq., Middle River, which deserve honorable mention. They were grown in the open air.

The following is a list of the names of successful competitors:—

Best Stallion—James H. Stewart, Middle River; 2nd do.—P. R. McDonald, M. River.
Best Breeding Mare—Thomas Grant, Fish Pools; 2nd do.—Robert Gordon, Glengarry.
Best Horse for general purposes—James McKay, Fish Pools; 2nd do.—N. Sutherland, Mill Brook.
Best Bull, 3 years old—N. Sutherland, Mill Brook; 2nd do.—Wm. Cameron, Glengarry.
Best Bull, 1 year old—James McKay, Fish Pools; 2nd do.—A. G. McKay, Fox Brook.
Best Bull Calf—James McKay, Fish Pools; 2nd do.—Rev. John McKinnon.
Best Milk Cow—Robt. R. Grant; 2nd do.—Jas. McKay, Fish Pools.
Best Heifer, 2½ years old—John McKay, Fish Pools; 2nd do.—John McDonald, Middle River.
Best Heifer, 1 year old—A. G. McKay, Fox Brook; 2nd do.—Robert R. Grant.
Best Heifer Calf—Robt. McNaughton; 2nd do.—John McKay, Fish Pools.
Best Ram, 2 years old—Rodb. McKay, Fox Brook.
Best Ram, 1 year old—John McDonald, M. River; A. J. McKay, Fox Brook.
Best Ram Lamb—A. J. McKay, F. B.; 2nd do.—John McDonald, M. R.
Best pair Ewes, 2½ yrs old—J. McDonald, M. R.
Best pair Ewes, 1 year old—John McDonald, Middle River.
Best pair Lambs—John McDonald, M. R.; 2nd do.—John McDonald, M. R.
Best half bushel Spring Wheat—Joseph McNaughton; 2nd do.—Jas. McKay, F. P.
Best half bushel Prairie Wheat—Jas. McKay, Fish Pools.

Best Norway Oats—Rodb. McKay, F. B.; 2nd do.—Joseph McNaughton.

Best Black Oats—A. J. McKay; 2nd do.—Rodb. McKay, F. B.

Best White or Yellow Oats—Jas. McKay, F. P.; 2nd do.—Rodb. McKay, F. B.

Best half bushel Barley—John McKay, F. P.; 2nd do.—A. J. McKay, F. B.

Best half bush. Peas—Duncan McDonald, M. River.

Best half bush. Hay Seed—W. Logan, F. P.; 2nd do.—Robt. R. Grant.

Best peck White Beans—Robt. McNaughton; 2nd do.—Jos. H. Grant.

Best peck Flax Seed—Rodb. McKay, F. B.; 2nd do.—A. J. McKay.

Best 8 yds. Men's Wear, dressed—Alexander Fraser, M. R.

Best 7 yds. Women's Wear, (union)—Robert McNaughton.

Best 8 yds. Shirting—John McKay, F. Pools.

" 10 " Carpeting—Rodb. McKay, F. B.; 2nd do.—John Culton, Stellarton.

Best Piece Fancy Wool Work—Wm. Logan, F. P.; 2nd do.—John A. Fraser, Linnesy.

Best Patch Quilt—D. McDonald, M. R.; 2nd do.—Wm. Logan, F. P.

Best Hearth Mat—D. McDonald, M. R.; 2nd do.—R. R. Grant.

Best pair Mittens—John Culton, Stellarton; 2nd do.—A. J. McKay, F. B.

Best pair Gloves—R. McKay, F. B.

" " Socks—John Culton, Stellarton; 2nd do.—Jos. H. Grant.

Best tub Butter—Rodb. McKay, F. B.; 2nd do.—Jas. McKay, F. P.

Best Cheese—Wm. Turnbull, McLellan's Brook; 2nd do.—Wm. Logan, F. P.

Best dozen Turnips—Daniel Cameron, F. P.; 2nd do.—James McKay, F. P.

Best dozen Carrots—Wm. Logan, F. P.; 2nd do.—Robert R. Grant.

Best half doz. Cabbage—Daniel Cameron, F. P.; 2nd do.—Wm. Logan, F. P.

Best quart Damson Plums—Jas. McKay, F. P.; 2nd do.—Wm. Turnbull, McL.'s Brook.

Best quart Gages—Jas. McKay, F. P.; 2nd do.—Robert McNaughton.

Best doz. Summer Apples—Paul R. McDonald, M. River.

Best quart Crab Apples—D. McDonald, M. R.; 2nd do.—Robert McNaughton.

Best doz. Tomatoes—D. McDonald, M. R.; 2nd do.—Robert R. Grant.

Best 3 Squashes—D. McDonald, M. R.

" " Pumpkins—John A. Fraser, Linnesy; 2nd do.—Thos. Grant, F. P.

Best dozen Onions—Jos. H. Grant; 2nd do.—Wm. Logan, F. P.

Best doz. Potatoes—Jos. H. Grant; 2nd do.—John A. Fraser, Linnesy.

Best doz. Beets—John Culton, Stellarton; 2nd do.—Robt. R. Grant.

† ISAAC McNAUGHTON, Sec'y.

Hopewell, Oct. 14th, 1872.

## "LORD LISGAR."

The Thorough Bred Ayrshire BULL, "LORD LISGAR," recently imported by the Board of Agriculture, and purchased by the Halifax Agricultural Society, may be seen at the barn of Mr. Edward Smith, Rosebank Farm, North West Arm. Members of the Society and others desirous of improving their stock, may procure his services by applying to Mr. Smith.

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