



Royal Agricultural Society. PREMIUMS FOR THE YEAR 1851.

THE "ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY" offer the following PREMIUMS to be competed for, at the times and places, and for the objects mentioned under the several heads:—

Cattle Shows.

The SHOW in Queen's County, to be held at CHARLOTTETOWN, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of September. In King's County, at the HEAD of ST. PETER'S BAY, on FRIDAY, the 26th day of September. In Prince County, near the CHURCH at PRINCETOWN, on TUESDAY, the 30th day of September.

PREMIUMS:

Table listing premiums for various cattle breeds and types, including Best Entire Blood Colt, Best Blood Filly, Best Entire Colt for Agricultural purposes, etc.

REGULATIONS:

The Colts and Fillies to be Island bred. No imported Stock allowed to compete. No animal, having formerly obtained a first prize, will be allowed to compete. No animal to compete for more than one prize. No competitor to exhibit more than the required number of animals in each class.

Ploughing Matches

Will be held in Queen's County, on Thursday, the 9th October; and in King's County and in Prince County, on the same day and at the same place as the Cattle Shows, when the following PREMIUMS will be awarded:—

Table listing prizes for ploughing matches: First Prize £3 0 0, Second do. 2 0 0, Third do. 1 0 0, Fourth do. 0 10 0.

Fields of Grain and Turnips.

Table listing premiums for fields of grain and turnips, including Best 2 acres of Wheat, Best 2 acres of two-rowed Barley, Best 1/2 acre of Indian Corn, etc.

The Turnips to be inspected during the last week in October, for which purpose one Inspector will be appointed for each County, by the Committee in Charlottetown, to act in conjunction with two appointed by each Branch.

Industrial Exhibition.

An Exhibition of domestic manufactures and agricultural productions, will be held in Charlottetown, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th of November, when Premiums for the undermentioned articles will be distributed, viz:—

Table listing premiums for industrial products: 10 yards Grey Homespun, 10 do. Shepherd's Plaid, 10 do. dyed and dressed, etc.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

Table listing premiums for agricultural products: Best Tub of Butter, Do. Cheese, Do. dozen Swede Turnips, etc.

Manure Heaps.

The Committee being desirous to see introduced among Farmers, a better system of saving and collecting Manures, and particularly as regards the preservation of the liquid manure, offer the following Premiums to be competed for, separately in each of the three Counties, namely:—

Table listing prizes for manure heaps: First Prize £5 0 0, Second do. 3 0 0, Third do. 2 0 0.

In awarding the Premiums, great consideration will be given by the Judges to the cheapness of the contrivances adopted, as also to the means in use for a daily cleaning out of the Stables, &c., and the loading of the vehicles when hauling out the Manure to the field, so as to ensure economy of labor as well as manure—for information so which subject, the Committee beg to refer intending competitors to a small pamphlet, entitled "Hints to Farmers," by Judge Peters. The names of Competitors to be intimated to the Secretary of the Society at Charlottetown, and to the Secretaries of the Branches at Georgetown and St. Eleanor's, on or before the 1st day of August next, and the inspection to take place at such time as may be deemed most advisable by the Committee at each of the above places. The Premiums to be awarded in the Spring of 1852.

By Order, GEORGE BEER, Secretary.

AGRICULTURE.

REPORT

Of the Tryon, Crop and Adjacent Settlements Branch of the Royal Agricultural Society.

GENTLEMEN;

In presenting to you the Report of this Society for the past year, we feel great pleasure in informing you, that it is progressing and gaining strength, although, from its commencement we have had to complain of the coolness and apathy of those, who, we think, ought to be its most strenuous advocates and its warmest supporters.

The Resolution passed by your Committee soon after our last annual Meeting, respecting the necessity of holding Public Meetings at the surrounding Settlements, in order to advocate the cause and to increase the number of Members, has exceeded our expectations, and a number of New Members have been added to the Society; your Committee would earnestly recommend that the same plan be followed up by the Office-bearers of this Society, during the coming year.

The beneficial results of this Branch Society, we think, is discoverable on every hand, so far as its influence has extended; and we trust, that the period is not far distant, when every practical farmer amongst us will think it a stigma on his character as such, not to belong to an Agricultural Society.

Your Committee in reviewing the past year, have to express their gratitude for that measure of prosperity with which the labours of the husbandman have been crowned; for though the average crop might be considered lighter than in former years, still the Farmer has been relieved for the want in the Hay Crop, by an abundant crop of Turnips. Never was there a season to be compared to the last, in the general abundance of this crop. Our Farmers exerted themselves to procure manure from every available source, and they have been abundantly repaid for all their toil. At an early part of the season, doubts were entertained that the Turnip Seed imported by the Royal Society would prove a complete failure, for although the Seed was not what was expected, still the crop was abundant, and the Turnips of an excellent quality. In looking over the Report of the Royal Society, we see that the average increase in the Turnip Crop is stated at 100 bushels per acre. But this is by no means a true average here. It would be much nearer the mark to suppose the average increase as two to one.

Your Committee beg leave to inform you, that the Royal Society have granted £5 to this Branch to be expended in Premiums for grain and turnips, provided we please to add £5 more of our own funds for this object, to which your Committee have agreed. The Royal Society have also made a present of a Cultivator to this Branch, by way of model, so as to introduce it into general use; which implement we earnestly recommend to all the members of the Society.

Your Committee have also to acknowledge the very kind and valuable present received from Judge Peters, of a quantity of copies of his "Hints to Farmers of Prince Edward Island."

Your Committee see the necessity, at an early period as possible, of improving our breed of Cattle, and feel anxious, that this should be commenced on a small scale as soon as possible, still they wish to impress the mind of every Member with the necessity of a better system of feeding, as preparatory to the introduction of better Stock, being convinced, that however good the Stock, if they are to be sustained for one half of the year on straw, the improved stock will soon become no better than the old.

You will, Gentlemen, have perceived by the public Notices, that your Committee have decided on the sale of the Rams, now the property of the Society; not because they have failed to accomplish the desire of your Committee (for during the last two years there has been a manifest improvement in the Sheep stock), but your Committee are of opinion, that it is better to sell them at Public Auction to the highest bidder, than to retain them any longer as the exclusive property of the Society.

In consequence of an increase of Members and the consequent extension of the Society, your Committee found it necessary during the past year to order two additional Drill Barrows, from the Royal Society; but are sorry to say, that in consequence of a misunderstanding on the part of the Secretary of the Royal Society, those Barrows have not come to hand, the want of which has been severely felt by many of our Members, and which inconvenience and loss your Committee have regretted and deplored.

You will perceive, that in order to carry out the wish of many Members of the Society at our last annual Meeting, to reduce the price of Seeds sold to Members below the cost charge, there has been a loss or discount on Clover Seed sold by the Secretary, to the amount of £13 15 s.

Your Committee cannot close their Report without congratulating you on the present very cheering and encouraging prospects of the Crops on every hand. The grain crops are very promising; they will be more abundant than for some years past, while the Potatoes, (the most doubtful part), form a healthy and promising appearance.

Your Committee also beg to lay before you the Accounts of the Society for the past year, which having been carefully examined by the Committee, we hope, will be found correct.

Financial statement table with columns for Dr. (To purchase of 3 Rams, To purchase of 404 lbs Red Clover, etc.) and Cr. (By Cash on hand, By Cash for Red Clover, etc.)

BEGIN EVERY ENTERPRISE WITH ENERGY.—Strike a hoop smartly, and it will sustain itself, and hold its course on, while the effects of the stroke last, and long after it was given. I remember to have been told by a friend, that he could never get the knocker of a door to speak in a tone of true dignity; he wondered how this could be,—how brass in his especial hands should have lost all its brazen quality,—till at last he discovered, that he was too feeble in the onset; that his first stroke was futile, and that all the subsequent ones, as like engenders like, were of the same deplorable insignificance.

Beauty cannot inflame the fancy so much in a month, as ridiculous folly can quench it in a moment. An Evergreen—A man who does not learn by experience.

ADDRESSES

PRESENTED TO HIS EXCELLENCY SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN AND HIS REPLIES THERETO, DURING HIS RECENT TOUR TO KING'S COUNTY.

[Address from the Inhabitants of Lots 42, (Naufrage) 43 and 44.] To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY;

We, the inhabitants of part of Townships 42, 43, and 44, beg leave to welcome your Excellency and Lady Bannerman to this part of the Island; and we also beg leave to state to your Excellency that we hail your arrival among us at this time with more than usual interest, knowing as we do that through your Excellency's straight forward and independent conduct, on your assuming the Government of this Colony, your Excellency canceled a boon long and earnestly prayed for, but so long improperly withheld, feeling grateful for a concession which assimilates our constitution so nearly to that of the Mother Country, which we believe will strengthen that bond of loyalty and attachment which we cherish towards our Sovereign; and we further beg leave to assure your Excellency that our conduct will prove such as will render it unnecessary for your Excellency to apply to Sir John Harvey, or any other Governor, for aid to enforce obedience to the law, which it is our pride to uphold and a moral duty to obey; and that your Excellency and Lady Bannerman's residence among us may prove to yourself the greatest source of health and happiness, is the sincere wish of those who have the high honor of presenting your Excellency with this humble tribute of respect.

ANGUS MCINTOSH, Chairman.

August 27th, 1851.

(REPLY.)

Mr. McIntosh and Gentlemen;

I have been much gratified with the address which you have read to me from the Inhabitants of Townships 42, 43, and 44, and I thank you for the welcome you have given Lady Bannerman and me to this part of the Island. You are gratified you say, for the change of Government which was lately conceded to this Colony. I earnestly hope it may increase in prosperity under the new system. I require, I assure you, aid from no one to administer the affairs of Prince Edward Island, when I find such sentiments as you cherish prevail among you, and when you do not expect, (as a few individuals would have you believe), that I, the Legislative Council, or the Assembly which you have chosen, can perform impossibilities. I was very desirous to visit King's County at this time, and I again beg to thank you for the loyal address which you have presented to Her Majesty's Representative.

[Address from the Inhabitants of Lot 47.]

To His Excellency Sir Alexander Bannerman, Knight, Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY;

We, the Clergy, Magistrates, and other Inhabitants of Lot 47 and its vicinity, have this day with the greatest pleasure assembled to welcome your Excellency to this end of the Island, and we are glad to be entrusted to your wise and prudent administration; and we beg leave to approach your Excellency with every expression of loyalty and attachment to our beloved Sovereign, and of esteem for his excellent Representative.

We are happy to perceive an anxious desire on the part of your Excellency, of acquainting yourself with the condition and resources of the Island; and we sincerely trust that your administration may prove as satisfactory to yourself, as we are sure, it will be beneficial to us—for we have every confidence in your Excellency, and in the efficiency of that system of Responsible Government now in operation.

We also beg most respectfully to thank Lady Bannerman for the honor she has conferred upon us by her visit.

(Signed on behalf of the Meeting.)

EMANUEL MEACHREN, Chairman.

(REPLY.)

Mr. Meachren and Gentlemen;

I feel much flattered by the Address which the Clergy, and Magistrates, and other Inhabitants of Lot 47 have presented to me. Lady Bannerman and I are very sensible of the kind receptions we have met with in every part of the Island which we have visited,—and I only regret that so many of you, with the worthy Clergyman at whose hospitable dwelling we have now arrived, should have put yourselves to inconvenience by escorting us for so many miles. It is always gratifying to the Queen's Representative to hear from her subjects expressions of loyalty and attachment to their beloved Sovereign; and I sincerely thank you for the Address which you have presented to me. Nothing, I can assure you, will afford me greater pleasure than to promote the prosperity of Prince Edward Island,—and I sincerely trust, that those who administer Responsible Government may continue to merit the confidence which you repose in them.

[Address from the Inhabitants of South Lake Settlement.]

To His Excellency Sir Alexander Bannerman, Knight, Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c., &c. Prince Edward Island.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY;

We, the Clergy, Magistrates, and other Inhabitants of the South Lake Settlement and neighbourhood, beg to express our high gratification at your Excellency's visit to this place.

We all rejoice in the establishment of Responsible Government, and apart from all party politics, we assure your Excellency of our devoted loyalty to our most Gracious Queen—of our high esteem for your Excellency, as her Representative, and of our unshaken attachment to the British Constitution; and though your Excellency's Government is to us new and untried, we shall sustain it to the utmost in every measure that can contribute to the honor of the Crown, and to the advancement of the prosperity of the people.

It gives us much pleasure to see Lady Bannerman with your Excellency on this occasion; and while we wish your present journey to be as pleasant to yourself and her Ladyship as it is gratifying to us, it is our earnest desire that in the greater journey of life, your Excellency and your amiable Lady may enjoy the happiness which springs from a consciousness of the Divine approbation—that blessing which maketh rich without sorrow.

(Signed)

JOHN KNOX, Chairman.

(REPLY.)

Rev. Sir and Gentlemen;

The Address of the Clergy, Magistrates and other Inhabitants of the South Lake Settlement and neighbourhood, which you have presented to me, is a very acceptable one, breathing the same spirit of loyalty and attachment to our most Gracious Queen, which I have everywhere found among the inhabitants of Prince Edward Island, from West to East, from North to South. I observe, that you rejoice in the establishment of Responsible Government, and although the system is "new and untried to you," you offer it that generous support, which those who compose the Government must feel grateful for, and encourage them to promote "every measure that can contribute to the honor of the Crown, and to the advancement of the majority of the people." Lady Bannerman's and my visit to this part of the Island has been a very pleasant one, and we most sincerely thank you for your very kind and good wishes towards us.

[Address from the Inhabitants of Souris.]

To His Excellency Sir Alexander Bannerman, Knight, Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY;

We, the Inhabitants of Souris and its vicinity, beg to thank you for this visit, and to offer you and Lady Bannerman a most hearty

and cordial welcome to any of our houses you may please to honor with a call, while you may sojourn amongst us.

Believing that your motives in visiting this and so many other sections of the Island are two-fold—first, with a view to ascertain by personal inspection the appearance, capabilities, and resources of the country, the better to enable you to assist in rendering the people more comfortable and happy; and in the second place, for pleasure and recreation,—we trust that, in the first, your efforts will be successful, and hope that you will not be disappointed in the second.

Convinced as we are, that no people can reasonably ask or expect more of its government than protection of the persons and properties of the lieges, we beg to assure your Excellency that we rely with confidence on the vigilance and paternal care of our beloved Sovereign's protection from any foreign aggression or interference; and feel perfectly satisfied that your impartial administration of the Government here will be ample security against internal violence or depredation.

As far as our limited influence and abilities can go, they shall be exerted to assist your Excellency in maintaining inviolate the supremacy of the law—and also in improving the appearance of the country, and in developing its resources.

That your Government of this Colony may be satisfactory to our beloved Queen—agreeable and pleasant to yourself, and beneficial to the people,—and that Lady Bannerman and your Excellency may long enjoy health and happiness, are our most earnest wishes. (Signed, by order and on behalf of the meeting.)

W. S. MCGOWAN, Chairman.

(REPLY.)

Mr. McGowan and Gentlemen;

Allow me to thank you and the Inhabitants of Souris for the Address which you have presented to me, and to express Lady Bannerman's and my obligations for your kind offers of hospitality in this neighbourhood. From the western extremity of the Island to the East Point, which we passed to day, I have visited many sections of this Colony, and yesterday passed through miles of that dreary wilderness where man hardly earns by the sweat of his brow, his daily bread, and where every encouragement should be given to enable him to perform the Herculean task, which he voluntarily undertakes to accomplish, in a time, often too limited, to reap advantage from his labor. To day I look on a more cheering prospect, and am glad to see so many fine fish drying on the premises of the enterprising Gentleman, Mr. Knight, who is now present. Your neighbours from the United States seem to be aware of the capabilities and resources of Prince Edward Island; a little to the northward I counted forty American fishing Schooners, and at this moment I see, not a mile distant in your beautiful Bay of Souris; as many of those fine vessels; and I understand that several hundreds annually visit your shores and prosecute the fishery with great success,—while I believe, there are not above six vessels belonging to the Island employed in the same branch of trade and industry. Nothing would give me more pleasure than to see the people of this Colony more comfortable and happy; and in my opinion, nothing will tend to promote their prosperity more and enhance the value of Agricultural labor and produce of the soil, than by attention being paid to the hitherto neglected fisheries, by those who possess the means to establish and encourage them, and who have so great a stake in the welfare of the Colony. I again thank you for your loyal Address, and for your offer of support to maintain and uphold the supremacy of the laws; and in improving and developing the resources of the country.

[Address from the Inhabitants of Bay Fortune, Rollo Bay, and Grand River.]

To His Excellency Sir Alexander Bannerman, Knight, Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY;

We, the Inhabitants of Bay Fortune, Rollo Bay, and Grand River, beg leave to approach your Excellency with a due expression of our loyalty to our beloved Queen, and our high esteem of your Excellency, as our beloved Sovereign's Representative.

We hail with the highest satisfaction the appointment of your Excellency to the Government of this Colony; and we cannot but regard the appointment of a gentleman of your liberal principles as a token of Her Majesty's desire to promote and advance the interests of her loyal subjects in Prince Edward Island.

We congratulate your Excellency on that new system, Responsible Government, granted to this Colony under your Excellency's Administration; and sincerely believe, under your wise and liberal Government, it will prove a great means of enhancing the welfare and prosperity of the inhabitants of this Island.

We cannot too highly appreciate the interest your Excellency has already taken to encourage the Fisheries of this Island, which we trust and believe, at no very distant day, will become a source of very great benefit, and advance the general trade of this Colony.

We now beg leave to express to you our very kind welcome of your Excellency to this portion of your Administration; and we cannot but consider it as a convincing proof of your Excellency's desire to become acquainted with its wants and capabilities.

We beg your Excellency to convey to Lady Bannerman our gratification at her visit, and our sincerest wishes for her welfare and happiness.

That your Excellency and Lady Bannerman may long live to enjoy every happiness, is our sincere wish.

(Signed, by order of the Meeting.)

DANIEL FLYNN, Chairman.

Bay Fortune, Aug. 28, 1851.

(REPLY.)

Mr. Flynn and Gentlemen—

I was very desirous to visit this part of the Island, and I have now reached one of the oldest settlements in King's County—a county where the Inhabitants were lately represented to me, to be in no very enviable position, "an object of submission to their Landlords, with no free will of their own." I have come among you to judge for myself, and I am surprised that three individuals could so misrepresent the inhabitants of this County; I have been surrounded by a loyal people only asking me, with the aid of that Government, which they sought for, to promote as far as in our power, the welfare and prosperity of the Inhabitants of Prince Edward Island. The Queen's Representative has heard no sentiment uttered in King's County that might not have been spoken in the presence of the Queen herself, and were it possible for the constitutional Sovereign who wears the British Crown, to visit Her North American subjects, in no colony would she find more attachment to her Person and Throne than in this Island, which bears the name of her illustrious Father. I do, therefore, gratefully thank you for the address which you have presented to me, and Lady Bannerman desires me to say, that she feels very sensible of the trouble you have taken on her account, and for your kind expressions towards her. At Souris, I alluded to the subject in which I am glad to find you take an interest, and I hope that at no distant period, we shall see an Island fishing fleet, along our shores—prosecuting that branch of trade with the success which they will deserve, and which I sincerely wish them.

THE CROPS IN EUROPE.—The ravages of the fly or worm in the turnip crop have elicited complaints from England, Scotland and Ireland. In France, and on the continent generally, although the harvest will not be so abundant as it was last year, there will be, if we may judge from the reports, a fair average yield of grain. The storm and inundations which have recently visited France, Switzerland, Belgium, Italy and Germany have inflicted a good deal of damage; but local losses will, so far as the general market is concerned, be compensated, by more than ordinary productiveness in other quarters. So far as can be seen at present, there is every prospect that the prices of food during the next twelve months will continue to be moderate.

A New York steambot flies a flag inscribed as follows:—"Cuba must and shall be free!"