

## THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

After the minutes of the last annual meeting were read the Treasurer's report was presented as follows :

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	\$ c.		\$ c.
Balance on hand last audit.....	231 86	Plant distribution .....	291 86
Members' fees .....	2,012 35	Canadian Horticulturist.....	1,598 01
Government grant .....	1,800 00	Chromo lithographs .....	233 00
Advertisements.....	296 87	Electrotypes .....	73 78
Back numbers and bound volumes of the Canadian Horticulturist.....	43 18	Directors' expenses .....	464 36
Petty receipts .....	1 17	Express and duty .....	230 45
		Printing and stationery .....	76 38
		Postage and telegrams .....	85 61
		Commissions .....	85 08
		Care of rooms at meetings .....	12 60
		Stenographer .....	128 15
		Discounts .....	14 05
		Exchanges .....	4 60
		Advertising meetings .....	3 00
		Salary Secretary-Treasurer, Editor and office clerk .....	1,000 00
		Balance on hand.....	84 50
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*To the President and Directors of the Fruit Growers Association :*

GENTLEMEN,—We, the undersigned, appointed to audit the receipts and disbursements of the Secretary-Treasurer for the year ending December, 1890, beg to present the following report :

We have examined the vouchers, compared them with the items of expenditure, and find them correct, showing a balance deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Hamilton, of \$84.50.

Your auditors wish to bear testimony to the careful manner in which the books of the Association are kept.

JAS. GOLDIE, }  
J. M. DENTON, } Auditors.

HAMILTON, December 16th, 1890.

Upon motion the treasurer's statement and the audit thereof were duly adopted.

## THE PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

GENTLEMEN,—In pursuance of a time-honored custom it becomes my duty to review the labors of another year, or in other words to give an account of our stewardship, and to present some thoughts upon horticultural topics that may be of interest. Although the origin and advancement of our association has frequently been alluded to in the annual addresses of my predecessors in office, I feel that it would not be out of place in again meeting here in the birthplace of our society, to glance a little farther back than over the year which has just passed, to the time when our existence began and note the progress and advancement we have made.

Nearly thirty-two years ago, or, on the 19th of January, 1859, in the board room of the Mechanic's Hall in this city, was organized what was then called the Fruit Growers' Association for Upper Canada; which name was afterwards changed to the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario. The late Judge Campbell of Niagara was its first President. He died within a year and there was no re-election of officers till the 16th of

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