

Mr. Cheney, in moving the adoption of the report, made some eulogistic remarks concerning it. He reviewed briefly the history of the Society, comparing the low state in which it had once been with its present prosperous and flourishing condition. Not very long ago, in the book issued by the American Pomological Society, a blank was opposite the name of Quebec. That had been filled and our fruit growers had made a standing for themselves. Besides this the Society had taken prizes at the Philadelphia Centennial and the Wilder silver medal at the Boston Exhibition.

Major Latour seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

The election of Directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with and resulted as follows, Messrs. Spriggings and Hamilton acting as scrutineers:—Messrs. C. Gibb, G. Cheney, W. Evans, R. W. Shepherd, J. Doyle, J. Beatrix, R. Brodie, Prof. Penhallow and Dr. Hunt.

Mr. McKenna suggested that the society should do something to encourage floriculture by having discussions and essays on the subject at the meetings and give prizes. This plan had been tried in the States and had proved very beneficial. There were many young florists in Montreal who would like to learn something from their older friends and exchange ideas.

The Chairman thought the idea was an excellent one. In Boston and New York they had monthly meetings, where a friendly talk on the subject took place, and those who had rare specimens brought them to exhibit them.

A discussion then took place as to the advisability of devoting more money to prizes for flowers, but this was also left over for the new Board to consider.

On motion of Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Marler, the following gentlemen were elected a committee to draw up the annual fruit report:—Messrs. R. W. Shepherd, R. Brodie, Jr., Prof. Penhallow, C. Gibb, J. Doyle and J. McKenna.

The election of the Library Committee was left to the incoming Board of Directors.

The Secretary announced that he had received a package of seeds from the Botanical Gardens, Natal. Some of them were not known here, but those who wished to try them should send in their names, and the seeds would be divided among them.

Mr. Cooke protested against the election of the directors as the meeting had been called illegally. The meeting should have been