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And Messrs. Gibb and DeBlois were appointed a Committee to represent the Board of Agriculture at Quebec.

Rules and Regulations for the Exhibition were then adopted and ordered to be printed with the List of Premiums. It was also decided that the Exhibition should take place at Quebec on the 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th days of September next. The meeting adjourned at 6 o'clock to the following morning at 9 o'clock.

#### WEDNESDAY, May 10th, 1854.

The Board assembled this morning. Members present, the same as yesterday.

The Board proceeded to consider several Petitions, for the establishment of Sectional Agricultural Societies, in Counties where one or more Societies have been already organized, and, after careful consideration, came to the following decision—

1. Naperville asking for another Agricultural Society in the County of Huntingdon.—Approved. Nos. 1 and 2 being already organized, and in operation, this Society must be No. 3.
2. Yanichiche, for another Society in the County of St. Maurice. Approved—to be Society No. 2.
3. St. Jude, for another Society in the County of Richelieu, two Societies having been already organized and in operation in that County. Approved—to be Society No. 3.
4. Melbourne giving notice, that the Society authorized by the Board last year as No. 2, in the County of Sherbrooke, proposed to go into operation this year.—Approved.
5. Clarenceville—for another Society in the County of Rouville. The published Regulations of the Board not having been

complied with, the Board declined to sanction the formation of a third Society for this year.

6. Milton, for another Society in the County of Shefford—refused upon the same grounds as Clarenceville.

7. North Georgetown, County of Beauharnois, ditto ditto.

8. Lachute, County of Two Mountains, ditto ditto.

9. Shipton, County of Sherbrooke, ditto ditto.

The Board decided to increase the salary of the Secretary and Treasurer to £125 per annum, to commence the 1st of January last, 1854, and to appoint an assistant for the French language at £50 per annum. The sum of £25, was voted for the services of a Clerk during the late Exhibition at Montreal.

The Board discussed the Prize List for the Agricultural Sections, to a late hour, and then adjourned to the next morning at ten o'clock.

#### THURSDAY MORNING, May 11, 1854.

The Board met this day, the same Members present as yesterday, and decided upon the Premiums to be offered in "Part First" or the Agricultural Sections of the Prize List. It was then decided, that the "Second Part" of the Prize List comprising, the Horticultural, Poultry, and Industrial Sections, should be left to the arrangement of the Local Committee at Quebec, under the control of the President of the Agricultural Association, James Gibb, Esq., and E. J. DeBlois, Esq., appointed a Committee to represent this Board at Quebec, and that the said Committee should be authorized to offer Prizes in the above Sections to the extent of three hundred pounds currency, but not to exceed that amount, and the Secretary was instructed to communicate to Mr. Gibb, the decision of the Board, in regard to the "Second Part" of the Prize List, and to request that as soon as the Local Committee had decided upon the Prizes to be offered, the list might be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board, in order to have it published with the "First Part" or the Agricultural Sections.

The "First Part of the Prize List" was then finally approved and the Board adjourned.

By order,

WM. EVANS,  
Secretary & Treasurer Board of Agriculture.

Subsequent to the adjournment of the Board, a letter was received from Dr. Taché, M.P.P., Rimouski, a member of the Board, expressing his regret that he was unable to attend in consequence of the notice not reaching him in time, although written and mailed on the 29th April.

The attention of parties wishing to form Sectional Societies in those Counties in which Agricultural Societies are already in operation is particularly asked to the following resolution, which was adopted by the Board in December last, and published in the number of the *Farmer's Journal* for that month? No application will be entertained by the Board unless it be made in conformity to this Resolution.

*Resolved.*—That any applications for the confirmation of a new Agricultural Society in a County, must be made previously to the 1st March in each year, and in all cases proof must be adduced to the satisfaction of the Board that due notice has been given to the Society or Societies existing in the County, of the intention to make such application.

WM. EVANS,

Secretary & Treasurer, Board of Agriculture.

We are very sorry to say, that we cannot publish a letter from a Correspondent, who gives us his name, relative to some awards of prizes for wheat.

It is not the business of the *Farmer's Journal* to mix in controversy. We neither attack nor answer.

In this case, the proper appellate jurisdiction is the Agricultural Society, that is, if there is any wrong to complain of.

Our business is simply to give information, and not to mix in local disputes.

We observe in the Irish papers a confident announcement that the potatoe disease has ceased, that the crop is broad and the produce promising.

We shall be very glad to know that this is the case, but we have great doubts.

The potatoe disease appeared in Lower Canada along with ourself, in the year in which we first knew it, 1843. That was a year before it appeared in Europe, over which it spread from the Shannon to the Neva and the Rhine.

Nobody regretted the matter more than we did, on grounds purely selfish, for there is no article of food we are so fond of as a