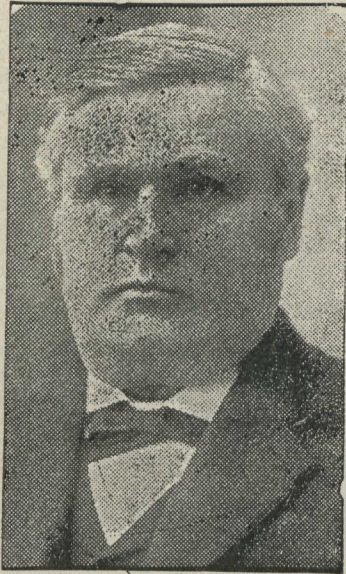


# The Horticultural Societies of Ontario are Active

THE Windsor, Walkerville and Sandwich Hort'l Society held its annual meeting on Jan. 9, elected officers and transacted other important business. The treasurer's report showed that there was \$383.44 cash on hand. It was decided that the premium magazine which is given for a year to each mem-



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ber be changed from *The Garden Magazine* to the home paper, *THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST*.

Plans were discussed to make the city of Windsor one of the beauty spots of Essex. Two or three public meetings will be called during the winter when lectures will be given and matters discussed whereby the society can accomplish the most good in this direction.

The following officers were elected: Hon.-pres., S. Lusted; pres., Archibald McNee; 1st v.-pres., C. J. Stodgell, Walkerville; 2nd v.-pres., Geo. Lanspeary; sec., John O. Cheyene; treas., J. T. J. Reynolds; auditors, Messrs. Holton and Templeton; directors, Messrs. Shepherd, Sweeney, Diesburg, Nairn, Bushell, Purcell, Lusted, Powell and Smith.

## THE WOODSTOCK SOCIETY

At the annual meeting the reports demonstrated that the society has done good work during the past year. The president for last year, R. W. Woodroffe, read an address, in which he outlined the work of the society for the year. The sec.-treas.'s report showed that the receipts were \$308.81, and the expenditure, \$213.06, leaving a balance of \$95.75 on hand. The paid-up membership was 92.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon.-pres., R. W. Woodroffe; pres., J. W. Armstrong; 1st v.-pres., T. L. Clarkson; 2nd v.-pres., Wm. R. Vroman; directors: Mrs. Hoare, Mrs. Armstrong, Messrs. Tindale, Whaley, John Whitehead, D. C. Richmond, Ewing, Close, Bingham; auditors, Messrs. Hoare and T. L. Clarkson.

A by-law submitting the bringing into force of the Parks Act, was passed by a large majority at the last municipal elections in the city, and a park commissioner is now assured. This result has been brought about entirely by the efforts of the Woodstock Hort'l Society, the members of which are to be congratulated on the outcome of their work. The people appear to have been thoroughly disgusted with the manner in which this department had been managed by a committee of the council in the

past, and to realize that well-kept parks and boulevards have something to do with the progress of a city. The chairman of the parks committee two years ago boasted that he had saved \$70 out of a \$200 or \$300 appropriation made by the council for his department for the year. With continuity of purpose, Woodstock can be made as attractive a little city as can be found in the Dominion.

## THE SOCIETY AT OAKVILLE

At a meeting of the Oakville Hort'l Society, held on Jan. 9, a resolution was passed, dealing with the substitution of varieties by nurserymen. Much loss and injury has resulted to the fruit growing interests of that district, through the careless manner in which nurserymen have in past years filled orders for nursery trees, especially in the matter of substitution without the consent of the buyer. This practice entails much hardship on fruit growers, because of the length of time that must elapse before the grower can become aware of his loss through such substitution. The society decided to ask the Ont. Hort'l Assn. to petition, on behalf of the district societies, the Hon. Sydney Fisher, Min. of Agri., at Ottawa, to cause to be enacted a measure that would compel nurserymen to guarantee that all fruit trees, bushes and plants sold by them shall be true to name.

## THE ELORA SOCIETY

Our annual meeting for election of officers was held in the town hall, Elora, on the evening of Jan. 9. The new act or law relating to societies was discussed, as a great many members did not fully understand it. We hope that societies will fall into line with the new act, and also that all societies will roll up a large subscription list to *THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST*, as we consider it worthy of support and a place in every home. Our society during the past year has been successful, and we hope for more success in 1907.—Jas. W. Love, Elora.

## ANNUAL MEETING IN BELLEVILLE

There was a fair attendance at the recent annual meeting of the Belleville Hort'l Society. Considerable interest was taken in the election of officers for the ensuing year. It resulted as follows: Pres., W. C. Reid; 1st v.-pres., H. J. Clarke; 2nd v.-pres., S. J. Wedden; sec.-treas., W. J. Diamond; directors: Messrs. W. Rodbourne, D. Barrager, S. A. Gardner, J. Harris, E. T. Cherry, Mayor Sulman, W. J. Diamond, F. D. Diamond and W. Kemp.

The treasurer's report for the past year shows a balance of \$347.94. Plans were laid for this year's work. It is expected that the society will flourish and prosper even more than it has in the past.

## LINDSAY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our annual meeting was held on Wednesday, Jan. 9, with R. Chambers, president, in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed; also the annual report, showing receipts of \$183.99, expenditure \$153.30, balance on hand, \$30.69. Our officers for 1907 are: R. Chambers, re-elected president; Alex. Cathro, 1st v.-pres.; R. Morgan, 2nd v.-pres.; F. J. Frampton, sec.-treas.; James Keith and J. B. Knowlson, auditors. Our directors are: T. Connolly, Alex. Skinner, G. Irwin, C. Hughan, B. A. Woods, S. Nevison, F. J. Frampton, Mrs. G. A. Milne and Mrs. H. G. Whiteside.

During the past year we have distributed over 50 numbers of *THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST*, beside other literature, have held one lecture on lawn making, and have distributed 600 bulbs, consisting of hyacinths and lilies, and a number of dahlia roots besides.

Our opinion of *THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST* is that it is taking a first place as an educator along the lines of fruit, flower and vegetable

growing. It fills the long-felt need in Canada for a good publication of the kind. Keep it up.—F. J. Frampton, sec.-treas.

## NEW WORK FOR TORONTO SOCIETY

Suggestions for work for the coming year were mentioned in a printed statement presented by the secretary, as follows:

"That the directors for next year take into consideration the naming of 6 streets (in different parts of the city) and offering prizes for the best kept lawn, flower beds or other floral attractions, which will add beauty and cleanliness, etc., to the surroundings.

"That three prizes be given each street, viz. \$15, \$10 and \$5, and that the streets be named not later than April 1, 1907.

"That it be advertised, and that those who wish to compete notify the secretary not later than June 15.

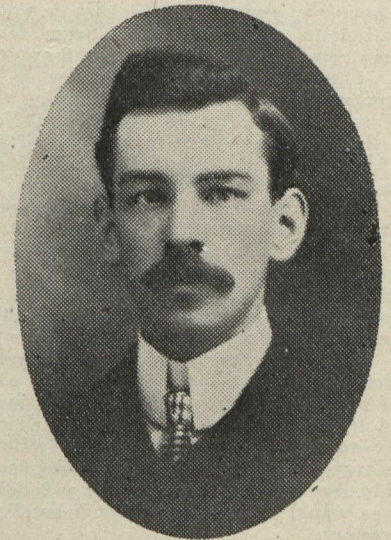
"That not less than 5 residents on each street compete or 3 prizes will not be given.

"That 3 competent judges be appointed; and, if in their judgment prizes have not been earned, their ruling will be final. All competitors must be members of the society, and all be amateurs." Also:

"Endeavor to obtain some permanent improvement in the condition of the boulevards and lawns of the city by the planting of trees and shrubs, and hedges at street corners, etc., and seek to establish combined effort on the part of residents of different neighborhoods.

"Appoint some qualified person to make suggestions for the beautification of a street or neighborhood, and interest the residents by advising them of the recommended and possible improvement. Invite them to meet and discuss these improvements, and so obtain the combined effort sought.

"Apply for financial assistance from the city towards the purchase of necessary shrubs, hedges, etc., and have free distribution to those who undertake to carry out suggested improvements.



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"Conduct meetings with addresses on civic improvement on above lines, and so stimulate and arouse interest in the matter.

"As an adjunct to the above scheme, offer prizes to members of the society having the best kept lawns, boulevards, etc., dividing competition into whatever classes may be necessary."