

successively held. The object of this arrangement was to bring together in their proper seasons the various fruits of the Province, that they might be seen in their perfection.

It was further resolved, at the same meeting, that the members of the Legislature for Kings and Annapolis Counties, be requested to use their influence with the Government to have an *advalorem* duty of thirty per cent. imposed upon foreign fruit-trees imported into the Province. A third resolution devoted the sum of \$50.00 to the purchasing of fruit-books, for use by members of the Association. Few appropriations have proved of more benefit to the Society, and through it to the general public.

During this year a collection of upwards of forty varieties of apples were sent to the "Massachusetts Horticultural Society" for nomenclature and classification; and a further collection to the Paris Exposition, confided to the care of Dr. Honeyman, a delegate to it in the interests of the Province.

In the autumn of 1867, the annual exhibition of the Association was held at Somerset. A sum of \$300 was devoted to the prize list from the funds of the Society.

At the annual meeting of the Society, held in Wolfville, on the 15th of January, 1868, it was resolved that a prize of \$100 and a gold medal, should be offered for the best collection of Apples from any part of the Dominion—the competition to take place at the General Exhibition to be held in Halifax in the ensuing October. The prize was competed for by J. C. Kilburn, Ontario, and J. G. Byrne, Kentville, and awarded to the latter.

It was further resolved, at this meeting, that prizes of ten, seven and five dollars, respectively, be offered by the Association to members of the body for the best Essays on Pruning Fruit trees—the mode, extent, season, &c., of the operation. We regret to say that those prizes were not competed for, although kept open for three years before being withdrawn by the Association. The Society's Exhibition was held this year at Bridgetown in September.

At the annual meeting of the Association for 1869, held in Wolfville, it was determined that, as the President, Dr. Hamilton, had drawn the Silver Medal as a prize three times, it was, according to the regulations that had been adopted, his private property; and it was delivered to him accordingly.