

Mr. Brodie—I think it would be a waste of work to spray the trees in the fall, when the spring would do just as well.

Professor Fletcher—The cost is simply that of one pound of sulphate of copper to twenty-five gallons of water, and the work is done at a time when labor is very cheap.

Mr. J. M. Fisk—You cannot do winter spraying, unless you choose a very mild day.

Mr. Barnard—There is a great danger of the trees being injured by the frosty material falling down and carrying away the fruit buds. The spring spraying might have that danger too, but I think the idea is an excellent one. I spoke a little while ago about the reports published in France of fruit grown in Canada, and as the pamphlets are of very great importance, I will try and secure them for you, so that your Publication Committee can see whether they are worth reproducing or not.

The meeting then adjourned until the morrow.

TUESDAY, 13th, 1896.

#### MORNING SESSION.

The Society met in the Council Chamber, Fireman's Hall, at 9 a.m., the President in the chair.

The President said: I am sure we shall be very glad to have everybody here become members of the Society. It only costs \$1 a year, and you have a selection of fruit trees or plants to choose from once a year, as well as receiving the annual report of the Society, which is printed in both French and English. We shall be very glad to have attending our meetings everybody who takes an interest in either pomology or horticulture.

Mr. Barnard—I would suggest that the Society take advantage of a trip that Mr. Newman is going to make to England and France, and should give him a letter authorizing him to take all the information he can get, and to report at our next meeting. He has only a short time at his disposal, but credentials can only have a good effect.

The President—I think it is a very good idea.

Mr. Chapais seconded Mr. Barnard's suggestion, which was then put to the meeting in the form of a motion, and was unanimously concurred in.

The Secretary, Mr. W. W. Dunlop, read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which were unanimously adopted.

The Secretary also submitted the financial statement, and explained that it would be necessary to appoint an auditor to go through it.

On the motion of Mr. Chapais, seconded by Professor Fletcher, the President was appointed to act in the capacity of auditor.