

* Our Affiliated Societies. *

PORT DOVER.

THE Fruit Growers' Association for the Township of Woodbourne and Pt. Dover held a meeting in Town Hall, Pt. Dover, on the evening of Dec. 10th, when a programme consisting of recitations, addresses, vocal and instrumental music was given by members of the Association, assisted by Mr. H. H. Groff, of Simcoe. Mr. Groff gave us two papers, one on the "Gladioli," and the other on the "Canna,"—both were well received, being very interesting and instructive.

This meeting was held in commemoration of the event of having obtained the requisite number of names for an organized Horticultural Society, and those taking part in the meeting must

have been pleased, as well as the directors of the Society, by having an audience who were appreciative of the efforts put forth by the members, as well as having a house packed to its doors. At the conclusion of the meeting a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. H. H. Groff for his valuable and instructive papers on the above subjects. Jonathan Ellis, Esq., occupied the chair. The meeting was brought to a close by all singing, "God Save the Queen,"—after an announcement of the next meeting, which will be held Jan. 13th, 8 p m, 1897, for election of officers.

J. SYMINGTON, W. F. CARPENTER,
President. Sec.-Treas.

Port Dover, Dec. 20, '96.

TORONTO'S SEVENTH ANNUAL CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW.

FOR a number of years past, one of the chief attractions in Toronto during the Thanksgiving season has been the Chrysanthemum Show held in the Pavillion in the Horticultural Gardens. The display this year surpassed in many respects all previous ones.

The number of specimen plants of chrysanthemums was probably not equal to that of last year on account of the lateness of the season. There were, however, a choice lot of plants grown to single stems in 5-in. pots. Those exhibited by the Horticultural Gardens were especially admired for their dwarf habit of growth. The variety and quality of chrysanthemum cut bloom fully equalled that of last year. The majority of prizes were divided among J. H.

Dunlop, Toronto; H. Dale, Brampton, and Millar & Sons, Bracondale.

The display of roses, carnations and orchids was finer than ever before seen in Toronto. The beautiful vases of "Mermet," "Meteor," "American Beauty," "Bride," and "Bridesmaid" roses were the admired of all admirers.

Among the carnations the fine collection of seedlings grown by Millar & Sons, Bracondale, was well worthy of special mention, many of these will no doubt become popular standard varieties.

The floral designs excelled in both quantity and quality. Their beauty and artistic arrangement may be inferred from the names of some of the principal exhibitors,—Tidy & Sons, Grainger Bros. and Millar & Sons.