

ing, and send it with a strong deputation to the Local Government, and perhaps we might be able to get the Government at Regina to join with our own Local Government in bringing pressure to bear on the Government at Ottawa in regard to this matter. I feel that the chief business of this Society is to give information in such matters, and I therefore move that :

Whereas Manitoba and the Northwest Territories are not yet in a position to raise a full supply of their own nursery stock, such as ornamental shrubs, fruit trees, shade trees, and small fruit bushes, and they must rely, for some years at any rate upon importations from beyond their own borders,

And whereas the San Jose Scale Bill passed at the last session of the Dominion Parliament prohibits the importation of such nursery stock into Canada from the United States, which includes Wisconsin, Minnesota and the Dakotas, our nearest and most natural sources of supply,

And whereas the effect of this bill is to oblige us to buy our nursery stock from Ontario, which on account of its greater humidity of climate, greater rainfall, longer growing season and less severe winters, presents conditions of climate and of growth so different from our own that nursery stock imported from Ontario is much less likely to succeed than that brought from the North-Western States, as is abundantly borne out by the experience of all who have made tests in this matter,

And whereas there is no danger of importing the San Jose Scale from the North-Western States,

Be it resolved that the Western Horticultural Society use all its influence to secure an amendment to the San Jose Scale Bill so as to allow, under proper conditions and inspection, nursery stock to be imported into Manitoba and the Northwest Territories from the States of Minnesota, Wisconsin and the Dakotas, and so free this western country from the hardship of submitting to a law which under the pretence of keeping San Jose Scale out of the country shuts us out from the markets of Minnesota and the Dakotas, which are free from scale and obliges us to buy in the Ontario market, which is seriously infected by the pest.

And be it further resolved that this resolution be referred to the Executive Committee to put in shape and present to the Local Legislature.