

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE FOR LOWER CANADA.

Montreal 9th February 1859.

The Board met this day pursuant to notice given to the members.

Present.—Messrs John Yule, President, E. J. DeBlois, Vice-President, Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau, P. E. Dostaler, Rev. J. Guilbeault, F. M. F. Ossaye, Rev. E. Pilote, B. Pomroy, J. C. Taché, R. N. Watts.

Mr. Yule took the Chair.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Bureau of Agriculture, intimating that the Members of this Board retiring this year, had been reelected by the Agricultural Societies.

1.—Proposed by Mr. Dostaler :

That Mr. Turgeon be elected President of the Board. Agreed to.

2.—Proposed by Mr. Dostaler :

That Mr. DeBlois be reelected Vice-President.—Agreed to.

3.—Proposed by Mr. Taché :

That it is unnecessary to reelect yearly, as heretofore the Secretaries of this Board, who are ipso facto and will be held by this Board as permanent Officers, chosen *à bon plaisir*, by this body.

4.—Proposed by Mr. Watts :

That the expense of the Board for the Secretary and Editors of the Journal for the current year shall not exceed £250.

For.—Messrs Watts and Dostaler.

Against.—Messrs Chauveau, DeBlois, Guilbeault, Ossaye, Pilote, Pomroy, Taché.

Mr. Taché proposed the following resolution :

That the President be requested to demand from the Government an appropriation similar to that granted to the Board of Agriculture of Upper Canada, in consideration of the publication of a monthly report in the Journal of Agriculture ; and moreover to confer with the Minister of Agriculture upon the necessity for granting to this Board an annual supplementary grant in addition, in consequence of the obligation placed on it to publish an Edition in English of all its printed Transactions and Publications, in addition to that in the French Language.—Agreed to.

Proposed by Mr. DeBlois :

That the President of the Board of Agriculture with Messrs Yule and Ossaye be named a Committee to audit the accounts of the Board, and report to the next meeting.—agreed to,

Proposed by Mr. DeBlois :

That Major Campbell, with Messrs Pomroy and Watts be named a Committee to prepare the Premium List, and report to the next meeting.—Agreed to.

Reports were read from the Local Committees appointed to take into consideration the propriety of erecting permanent buildings at Quebec and Montreal the holding of the Provincial Exhibitions.

Report of Local Committee appointed for considering the propriety of erecting permanent buildings at Montreal for holding the Provincial Exhibitions.