

## MEETING OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

A meeting of the Board was held, pursuant to a call of the President, in the City of Kingston, on Tuesday, June 10th. Present:—E. W. Thomson; J. B. Marks; Baron De Longueil; R. L. Denison; Sheriff Ruttan; Asa A. Burnham, and Professor Buckland.

After the minutes of the former meeting had been read and confirmed, the Secretary submitted a communication from the Secretary of the Bureau of Agriculture, stating that the four retiring members of the Board had been re-elected; viz:—E. W. Thomson, R. L. Denison, John Harland and Sheriff Ruttan. It was then resolved that, Mr. Thomson be President, and Mr. Marks, Vice-President, for the current year. Several letters were read, chiefly referring to matters connected with the Annual Exhibition; after disposing of which the Board adjourned, in order to meet the Local Committee; a nearly full attendance of which were present.

The intended site of the next show was then visited and examined. It consists of about 20 acres of the rear of the Penitentiary block, pleasantly situated on the Bath Road, upwards of a mile from the city. The land has been leased by the Government to the Agricultural Society of the County of Frontenac for a number of years, at a mere nominal rent. Subscriptions are being raised in Kingston and the United Counties, towards laying out and beautifying these grounds, and for erecting permanent building for holding agricultural and horticultural exhibitions. It is proposed to erect an ornamented building chiefly of glass, a small crystal palace in fact, for flowers and the finer sorts of artistic and useful work. The glass, which is of great strength and thickness, is shortly expected out from England. All extra expenses in consequence of erecting permanent fences, buildings, &c., will be defrayed from local funds, now in course of collection for the purpose. Much credit is due to the Kingston Committee, and the inhabitants generally, for their discriminating public spirit; and it is much to be desired that they will succeed in fully carrying out their patriotic object, and that other places, where the Provincial Show is likely to be held hereafter, will follow so truly, praiseworthy an example. The Board after approving of the plans, &c., could not but repose confidence in the judgment and efficiency of the Local Committee, who expressed their determination to find ample accommodation from their own resources, for the purposes of the Exhibition. After partaking of an excellent luncheon, provided by the Local Committee, near the grounds, during which, a most interesting convention and discussion were carried on, in reference to the forth coming exhibition, and the agricultural capabilities of the various sections of the Province, the Board adjourned to next day.

WEDNESDAY, June 11th.—The Board met at 9 o'clock, A.M. Same members present as yesterday. The Report on the Premium List was received, and with a few modifications and additions, approved, and the list they amended was ordered to be printed and circulated. It was agreed to dispense with the refreshment tickets at the show, and to present each Judge with two dollars, in lieu thereof. Entries, as last year—are to be made on printed forms, which will be furnished by all Societies in due time, which forms must be filled in and signed, and remitted to the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture in Toronto, not later than Saturday, September 6th. All entries made afterwards, except in the ladies and horticultural departments, will be subject to a charge of 5s. each. The entry books are to be positively closed