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BOARD OF AGRICULTURE FOR LOWER CANADA.

Montreal, 29th May, 1866.

PRESENT:—Hon. U. Archambault, W. Boa, Dr. Beaubien, Major Campbell, Dr. Ross, Hon. U. J. Tessier, and Rev. F. Pilote.

The Secretary read the official notice of the election of the members of the Board for the year 1866.

Major T. E. Campbell is re-elected President and Hon. U. J. Tessier, Vice-President.

The Board sanction the permission given to the following Agricultural Societies to purchase seeds with part of their subscription money, namely: Drummond No. 1; Bagot; Charlevoix No. 1; Vercheres No. 1 and No. 2. It was resolved: That the Secretary be authorized to inform the Agricultural Society No. 1 of Charlevoix, that for the future, that Society must only spend the amount of its subscriptions for the purchase of seed, and it shall be bound to have exhibitions, with the government grant, according to law.

The President begs leave to be absent for an hour, and the Vice President takes the chair.

Reading of a petition from certain persons from Wotton and St. Camille, praying for permission to form a second Agricultural Society in the County of Wolfe.

Resolved,—That owing to the peculiar circumstances in which the petitioners are placed, they having also been organized before the 1st May, and the Board of Agriculture not having met before this day, and finally there being no opposition to this demand, the petition is granted.

Reading of certain resolutions from the Board of Directors of Agricultural Society of Vercheres No. 2, refusing to receive the Riga flag seed, imported by order of the Bureau of Agriculture, the seed being found of an inferior quality and very unclean.

Resolved,—The Secretary be directed to inform the Agricultural Society No. 2 of Vercheres that this Board has acted only as agent of the Bureau of Agriculture, and that the maker must be settled with government,

Reading of a letter from Mr. Danis, praying for help from this Board to establish an agricultural paper in certain counties.

Resolved,—That this Board regret that the present state of its funds will not permit it to give the said pecuniary encouragement.

The President resumes the chair.

Resolved,—That a sum of \$2,000 be voted by this Board for a general trial of agricultural implements, &c., and under the direction of this Board, who accept with kindness, the farm of Sir W. Logan, which was offered for this purpose, by the present tenant.

That a committee, composed of Messrs. Campbell, Archambault and W. Boa, be named to organize the said trial of implements, and that Mr. J. Perrault be invited to act as reporter, in his official capacity of editor of the official journal of this Board.

Resolved,—That a sum of \$300 be voted to establish a Veterinary School in Montreal, under the patronage of the Board of Agriculture of Lower Canada.

Resolved,—That D. McEachran, a graduate of the Veterinary College of Edinburgh and London be named professor of the said Veterinary School.

The Board adjourned to 2 o'clock, p. m.

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Resolved,—That Messrs. Archambault and W. Boa be named auditors, to examine the accounts of the Secretary of this Board for the year ending on 1st May, 1866.

The Board adjourned, after having discussed several subjects bearing on agricultural interests.

By order,

GEORGES LECLERE,
Secretary B. A. L. C.

GENERAL TRIAL OF MACHINES AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE FOR LOWER CANADA.

THE Board of Agriculture for Lower Canada is of opinion that the daily progress taking place in the improvement of Agricultural Implements and Machines seems to call for a general Public Trial of their relative superiority, so as to enable the practical Agriculturists of the Country to do justice to the skill and ingenuity of the Inventors and Manufacturers. Impressed with many striking instances of the one and the other, the Board of Agriculture for Lower Canada has the honor to inform the Agricultural Public