

ary Secretary, J. R. Hea D. C. L. was unanimously called to the chair. On taking his seat, he gave some interesting reminiscences of his late visit to London, and especially of the Fruit Markets, and the favourable prospects of introducing our Fruit there, if properly put up and transported.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last Annual and Quarterly meetings, which were approved.

The Treasurer read the Finance Report as audited, which was received.

The Secretary then read Report of Proceedings of past year.

The Chairman read a letter from the President, Dr. Hamilton, regretting his unavoidable absence from the meeting, it being the first time since the formation of the Association in 1863, and promising the Annual Address in time for publication in the Report.

Also another from the same, dated Boston, Mass., containing a request from the President of the American Promological Society, that we should name a committee to "Star" the Nova Scotia Fruits for their published lists. Referred to the Standing Committee on Fruits—to report at the April meeting.

The Secretary read the Report of the Fruit Committee of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society on the collection of Apples and Pears, sent from the Provincial Exhibition at Halifax last October for examination, comparison and nomenclature. Also a letter from a London firm of Fruit Brokers, on the subject of putting up Fruit for that market.

The subject of the next Annual Exhibition was left in the hands of the Council, to report at the April meeting.

The subject of Pear culture was then taken up and discussed in a conversational manner for some time, until the Chair called to order, and the election of Officers was proceeded with as before stated.

On motion, adjourned to call of the President.