



## FIFTH CONVENTION OF THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

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**T**HE C. H. A. Convention just passed will do more to set Canadian floriculture on a permanent and proper basis than all of its predecessors; this is a statement that we think will pass unchallenged.

The untiring work of the Hamilton Gardeners and Florist's Club and the officers of the C. H. A. to bring about a Convention and Trade Exhibit that would adequately represent the Horticultural standing of the Dominion cannot be allowed to pass without suitable mention, also the hearty co-operation of the Hamilton Horticultural Society. We would say that it is a vigorous young body, only 5 years of age, being organized in St. George's Hall, Toronto, in 1898; Mr. William Gammage, the well known London florist, being its first president. Since that time the association has convened in the cities of Ottawa, Montreal, London and lastly at Hamilton. The object

of the association is to organize and carry forward the interests of the florists, nurserymen, seedsmen and gardeners of the whole Dominion, and anyone interested in horticultural pursuits, whether amateur or professional, is eligible to membership. That its aims are strongly of a national character was evidenced by the discussion which followed the recommendation of Prof. Hutt of the Ontario Agricultural College that the name of the organization be changed to the "Ontario Florists Association," and so receive a provincial grant in the same way as the other provincial organizations.

We quote the following paragraph from the Florists' Exchange, a weekly New York publication, which will show the impression that the late Convention of the C. H. A. created abroad:—

"The Convention of the Canadian Horticultural Association just closed at Hamilton has proved to the world that a new power