

ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION FORMED

The delegates, from the horticultural societies of the province, who met in Toronto last month at the time of the Ontario Horticultural Exhibition, decided to form a provincial organization to be known as the Ontario Horticultural Association. The objects of the association, as outlined at the meeting, are to bring the various societies of the province into closer touch with each other and to introduce more uniform and improved methods of work as well as to look after the interests of the societies generally.

The following officers were elected: President, W. B. Burgoyne, of St. Catharines; first vice-president, Major H. J. Snelgrove, of Coburg; second vice-president, Joseph Barker, of Kincardine; secretary-treasurer, H. B. Cowan, of Toronto; executive committee, R. B. Whyte, of Ottawa; R. W. Woodroffe, of Woodstock; C. L. Stevens, of Orillia; A. T. Armstrong, of Millbrook; W. Jeffers Diamond, of Belleville; A. Alexander, of Hamilton; H. R. Frankland, of Toronto; J. T. Rose, of Brantford, and Robt. Mann, of Orangeville. The president, first vice-president and secretary-treasurer were empowered to draft a constitution and to wait on the government to urge the adoption of legislation in the interests of the horticultural societies.

At the afternoon session of the convention Mr. W. B. Burgoyne described the excellent

work that has been accomplished by the St. Catharines society during the past year. With a government grant of only \$51 the society has distributed \$8 and \$9 for horticulture for every one that has been received from the government. The distribution of seed among the school children had been very profitable. A discussion of Mr. Burgoyne's remarks was entered into heartily by Messrs. Diamond, of Belleville; Barker, of Kincardine; Hunt, of Guelph, and other of the delegates. Several delegates said that they found the giving of The Horticulturist to their members had been productive of excellent results. The meeting then proceeded with the election of officers, which resulted as already given.

During the afternoon interesting addresses were given by Mr. Wm. Hunt, of Guelph, on The Care of Dormant and Semi-dormant Plants Throughout the Winter, an extract from which address appears in this issue, and by Mr. W. T. Macoun, of the Experimental Farm at Ottawa, who described some of the best features of the botanical garden at the farm. An outline of his paper will be published in The Horticulturist. The convention was considered to be a great success and the delegates appeared to be enthusiastic regarding the possibilities for good work that lie before the recently formed provincial association. A full report of the discussions will be published in the January issue of The Horticulturist.

Burlington

The annual meeting of the Burlington Horticultural Association was held at Freeman November 9th, with the president, A. W. Peart, in the chair. In his annual address Mr. Peart reviewed the work that the society had accomplished during the past season and outlined work for the future. The directors reported on the different classes of fruit grown in the neighborhood that had given the best results.

The report of the secretary-treasurer, and the auditors' report, showed that the society has a substantial balance on hand. The officers elected for the incoming year were: President, W. F. W. Fisher; first vice-president, J. S. Freeman; second vice-president, R. C. Fowler; secretary-treasurer, W. E. A. Peer; directors, D. Jardine, W. V. Hopkins, J. S. Freeman, H. T. Foster, R. C. Fowler, A. W. Peart, J. A. Lindley, W. E. A. Peer; auditors, H. T. Foster, W. H. Easterbrook; shipping committee, H. T. Foster, E. W. Lewis.—(W. E. A. Peer, secretary-treasurer.

Fruit Growers Provincial Convention

The annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association will be held at Annapolis on December 12, 13 and 14. Among other questions the following will be discussed, Size of the Standard Barrel, Transportation, Co-operation, Spraying, and Improved Orchard Practice.

Secretary Barker, of Berwick, writes The Horticulturist that they are hoping for one or

two good men from abroad, and expect to put on a good program of local men.

It has been decided to hold the winter meeting of The Pomological and Fruit Growing Society of Quebec at Richmond, Que., December 13 and 14. Secretary Wood, of St. John, Quebec, informs The Horticulturist that the program containing full information will be out before December 1.

The British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association will hold their annual meeting in Vancouver. The date has not yet been fixed. Secretary Brandrith, of Ladner, sends The Horticulturist the following list of speakers and subjects: T. F. Patterson, B. S. A., of Vancouver. Economic Entomology; H. H. Harris, sen., of Vancouver, Floriculture; J. A. Catherwood, of Hatzic, Freight and Express Service; W. J. Brandrith, of Ladner, Varieties of Fruit for the City Garden.

Keen Demand For Fruit

Cable reports from Woodall & Co., Liverpool, England, to their agent, Mr. Eben James, Toronto, show a firm market with a tendency to higher prices for apples for some weeks past. On November 22 this firm cabled: "Prospects most favorable, 8,000 barrels selling, market active and higher. Greenings 20 to 23 shillings, Baldwins 21 to 22 shillings, Spys 21½ to 24 shillings, Russets 20 to 24½ shillings, seconds 3 shillings less." The shipments from Canadian ports to date are 648,138 barrels, compared with 534,953 barrels for the same period last year.