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**Deliberations of the Council of Agriculture
May 26th, 1891.**

The Council met at 10 A. M., M. Joly de Lotbinière in the chair.
Present the Hon. M.M. Joly de Lotbinière and Sylvestre, MM. Pilon, Vice-president, N. S. Blackwood, Ant. Roch-leau, Aug. Guilbeault, Jérémie Descarries, L. J. R. Marsan, Eugène and Aug. Casgrain, R. Marier, and S. A. Fisher. Dr. Couture, D. M. V., the veterinary surgeon to the Council, was also present.
Col the Hon. W. Rhodes was detained at Montreal, Mr. Nest was in Europe, and the Hon. G. Ouimet was unable to be present on account of a severe attack of illness.
The president introduced to his colleagues of the Council of Agriculture Mr. Sydney A. Fisher, of Knowlton, Brome, whose nomination by decree of the Council (dated 8th April, 1891,) was laid on the table.

The proceedings of the last meeting, 11th and 12th of last March, were read and approved.

The president expressed the regret he felt at the death of Mr. Hiram Douglas Moore, which took place on the 15th of May, 1891. The Council unanimously offered its sincere sympathy to Mr. Moore's family, and the secretary was enjoined to communicate to Mrs. Moore a copy of this resolution.

M. Pilon, seconded by Mr. Blackwood, moved that the following report of the president on the request of Dr. McEachran be adopted :

The undersigned, having been requested to report on the request of Dr. McEachran to be placed on the same footing as Dr. Couture, as regards salary, has the honour to report :

That in virtue of an Order-in-Council, dated December 11th, 1886, a copy of which is annexed to the present report, Dr. Couture was specially entrusted with several onerous duties which demanded considerable sacrifices of time on his part, as a compensation for which, a salary of \$500 a year was granted him.

That Mr. McEachran had not the same duties to fulfil as those for which Dr. Couture receives the above salary, and, consequently, is not considered by your committee to be entitled to a similar salary; but, the committee recommends that every time Dr. McEachran visits Quebec for the purpose of attending the meetings of this Council, he shall be allowed a fee of \$20.00, in addition to his travelling and other expenses.

(Signed) H. G. JOLY DE LOTBINIÈRE,
President of the Council of Agriculture.