

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE FOR LOWER-CANADA

Montreal, 11th November, 1858.

The Board met this day, at 12 O'clock, pursuant to notice given to the Members.

Present.—Messrs. E. J. DeBlois, Vice-President, J. C. Taché, R. N. Watts, Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau, F. M. F. Ossaye, P. E. Dostaler, Rev. M. F. Pilote.

Mr. DeBlois in the Chair.

10. Proposed by Mr. Taché and resolved:

That the Assistant Secretary Mr. Chagnon, in the absence of Mr. the Secretary, be instructed to prepare in a few words an answer to the following questions :

10. What is the amount of the expenses of the Board of Agriculture for the special object of the last Provincial Exhibition ?

20. What is the amount paid, by approximation, for the Journal "*l'Agriculteur*" and the "*Farmer's Journal*" ?

30. What is the general statement of the finances of the Board of Agriculture to this date ?

40. What will be the probable debt of the Board at the end of the present year ?

The Board adjourned to 2 O'clock, P. M.

Present.—Messrs E. J. DeBlois, J. C. Taché, R. N. Watts, Major Campbell, B. Pomroy, F. M. F. Ossaye, Rev. M. F. Pilote, P. E. Dostaler, Rev. M. J. Guilbault, Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau.

Mr. DeBlois in the Chair.

20. The Board takes into consideration the accounts produced, and postpones until to-morrow, the twelfth instant, the examination of the detailed accounts submitted.

30. Proposed by Mr. Taché.

That the President and the Secretary of this Board be authorized to sign in the name of this Board a Petition to Parliament, asking an amendment to the Act which constitutes it, in order to leave the Board at liberty to hold or not Provincial Exhibitions for Lower-Canada ; that these Exhibitions shall not take place more frequently than every two years, and the place of each Exhibition be fixed by law alternately at Quebec and Montreal, provided the place appointed shall contribute towards the expenses of the Exhibition, the sum of four thousand dollars, which sum shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer six months before the holding of the Exhibition, and that when the Exhibition shall be held at Montreal, the grant of eight hundred dollars to the County of Hochelaga Agricultural Society, and when the Exhibition will take place at Quebec, the grant to the County of Quebec Agricultural Society, shall be contributed to the funds of the Provincial Exhibition.

40. Proposed in amendment by Major Campbell.

That the place for the Exhibition, be fixed as at present, by the Directors of the Provincial Association and Delegates from County Societies at their assembly on the last day of the Exhibition.