

ANOTHER DESCRIPTION OF THE 1894 EXHIBITION.

The directors and exhibitors have completely eclipsed any previous effort in this season's exhibition. The Victoria Skating Rink was changed into a palace of enchanting beauty and taste by the decorations and skilful arrangement of the specimens; neither pains or art were spared to render the show attractive and refining in its influences, and a scene of beauty was produced which could scarcely be surpassed. At every turn some new effect greeted the eye of the beholder, and the whole was admirable beyond expression. When critically examined in detail, the specimens exhibited showed that in most cases the utmost limit of good cultivation had been reached. The plants, too, were of the rarest species, and such as none but men highly advanced in their profession could have produced in such perfection.

The city of Montreal has advanced during the last fifteen years in every respect, until it has few rivals for architecture, educational institutions, convenience of travel, condition of its streets, beauty of its squares, and delightful suburbs, and not least as regards its horticulture.

The Exhibition just closed was sufficient to prove that horticulturists are by no means behind in the march of improvement, and form a class of men of which the citizens may be proud.

To single out an individual, when all have united in acting their parts so energetically and successfully, might be considered invidious; nevertheless, it is due to one gentleman, Mr. F. Roy, of Mount Royal Cemetery, to chronicle that he has the credit, among his compeers, of having contributed, by his indefatigable exertions and executive ability, in the greatest degree, to bring about so marked and impressive a result.

Of course he was ably backed and assisted by the President, David Williamson, Esq.; the Vice-President, W. M. Ramsay, Esq.; the Directors, Messrs. John Doyle, Jules Betrix, John Eddy, John Walsh, Geo. Trussell, F. Roy, Joseph Bennett, and the enthusiastic and attentive Secretary-Treasurer, Thomas Williamson, Esq. To all these gentlemen the public are indebted, and the meed of praise is also due to the exhibitors, without whom their designs could not have been carried into effect.

The principal of these were: Plants, etc., Messrs. F. Roy, Jules Betrix, W. J. Wilshire, John Walsh, F. McHugh, C. A. Smith, H. Meyer, A. Pinoteau, J. Eddy, etc. Fruit—R. W. Shepherd, jr., Como; M. Edward, Covey Hill, Huntingdon Co.; Robson, Smith, Lachute; W. B. Davidson, Cote St. Paul, etc. Cut flowers and vegetables—George Trussell, W. B. Davidson, W. Ramsay, T. Hall & Son, B. Graves, C. Smith. Amateur class—Messrs. Ramsay, Somerville, Burden and others.

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