absence of the Corresponding Secretary, he shall perform his duties.

ARTICLE XIII.

It shall be the duty of the President to appoint the Chairmen or Conveners of the Committees, named in for esta-Article 2, which Chairmen or Conveners shall consti- premiums. tute the Committee for establishing premiums, whose duty it shall be to present to the Board of Direction, for their approval, from time to time, a list of premiums recommended by them.

ARTICLE XIV.

The Committee for awarding premiums and gratuities, shall consist of the Committee on Landscape Gardening, &c., the Committee on Fruits, Committee Premiums. on Plants and Flowers, and Committee on Vegetables. Three Members of either of these Committees shall be a quorum; and if three Members shall not be in attendance, the President, with advice and consent of those Members present, may call to his aid such other Members as he may see fit to appoint for the occasion. It shall be their duty, respectively, to attend at the Society's Hall, or Place of Exhibition, one hour before the same is open to the public; to examine and label the specimens exhibited, and to award the premiums or gratuities; also to attend at such other times and places as may be prescribed by the Society, and shall have power to make rules in regard to the time and manner of exhibiting specimens, for the premiums,—submitting the same to the Society for approval. It shall also be their duty to examine all new Plants, Flowers, Fruits and Vegetables, presented at the exhibitions, and to report the botanical name, description and merit of the respective specimens, and report to the Board of Direction, within fourteen days after the exhibition, the premiums and gratuities awarded by them; all such awards, whether as medals, money or plate, or a certificate thereof, signed by the Chairman of the respective Committees, shall be presented and given to persons entitled thereto, or to their representatives, by the President or presiding officer of the Society, at the next

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