

a Certificate of soundness from the Vet. Surgeon to the Board when practicable, and, in the absence of a Veterinary Surgeon, then the Executive Committee may appoint a person or persons for that purpose.

On motion—The Premium List of 1872 was adopted for the Exhibition of 1873, subject to such amendments and additions as the Executive Committee may consider advisable.

On motion—

Resolved,—That the Executive Committee do not exceed in premiums the sum of \$5,000 in connection with the Exhibition to be held the present year.—*Passed*.

Mr. Peters read an Essay on, "How can we best increase and save from waste the Manurial Resources of the Farm."

The subject was discussed; after which it was ordered that the said Essay be printed in the annual Report.

Mr. Peters moved the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved,—That in the opinion of this Board, the farmers of this Province be urged to protect, preserve and increase the Manurial Resources of their farms, as being one of the means of increasing the Agricultural resources of this Province.

The following Resolution was moved, and, after discussion, made the order of the day for 3 p. m.

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, an Inter-Colonial Exhibition of the Arts, Manufactures and Agricultural Productions, would be promotive of the best interests of Agriculture, and greatly stimulate the manufacturing and other interests of the several Provinces; therefore

Resolved,—That this Board invite the Board of Agriculture of the Province of Nova Scotia and the Agricultural Department of Prince Edward Island, to take the subject of an Inter-Colonial Exhibition into consideration, with a view to effect so desirable an object, at such time during the next or following years as may be determined upon by Delegates to be appointed by such Boards, who shall meet at such time and at such place as may be agreed upon by the Delegates for making such preliminary arrangements as may be deemed necessary; and further

Resolved,—That a copy of the above Resolution be forwarded to the Boards of Agriculture above mentioned.

Mr. Fairweather, from the Committee appointed to prepare a schedule of animals and articles on which Local Societies may legitimately offer premiums made the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the duty of procuring a Schedule of animals and articles upon which the Board consider the Local Societies may legitimately offer premiums, have had the matter under consideration, and beg to submit the following:

Horses, neat cattle of various breeds, sheep, swine, poultry, bees, grain of all kinds, fruit, horticultural produce, dairy produce, flour and meal, maple sugar woven goods, knitted

goods, yarn, hearth rugs, flax and linen, ladies' fancy work, plowing matches, improved implements of husbandry, best system culture, manures, composts, and improvement of buildings and farm arrangement.

After some discussion, the Report was received and adopted.

Mr. McLoughlan's notice of motion being the order of the day, he moved the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved,—That the Board do now go into consideration of and determine on, what terms we shall hold said Exhibition.

The subject being debated, the following Resolution was moved and adopted:—

Resolved,—That the people of York County be allowed until the 20th of April next to make arrangements satisfactory to the Executive Committee of the Board, relative to said Exhibition, and in the event of such satisfactory arrangements being not forth coming from the people of York, then the Executive Committee shall be at liberty to arrange for an Exhibition at such place as they may think proper, or import stock.

On motion—

The Board proceeded to the order of the day to consider resolution in reference to an Inter-Colonial Exhibition, which after some discussion was adopted.

The following Resolution was adopted:

Whereas, This Board has learned that a bill has been laid before the House to amend the Act for the encouragement of Agriculture and to provide for the establishment of a Provincial Board; and whereas such Bill did not originate with the Board, nor has it been laid before it; and whereas the Act above referred to expires next year, and it is the intention of the Board to ask for its being continued with certain amendments; therefore

Resolved,—That the members of the Assembly, being members of the Provincial Board, are requested to urge upon the House the propriety of postponing the consideration of the said Bill until the next session of the Legislature.

The subject of a grant to the Veterinary Surgeon being under consideration, the following Resolution was moved and adopted:

Whereas the Board is of opinion that the residence of a competent Veterinary Surgeon in this Province will be of very great advantage to the Agricultural interests; and whereas it is desirable, in order to secure his services, that the Agricultural Societies in the Province should contribute a sum equal to \$200 in the aggregate as bonus for the encouragement of each Veterinary Surgeon, in accordance with the scale submitted to the Treasurer of each society by the Secretary of the Board; therefore

Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to draw up a scale for that purpose.

Mr. McLoughlan read an Essay on—The method of clearing new Land.

After a discussion upon the relative merits of different plans for clearing new land, the Essay was ordered to be printed in the annual Report.

The following Resolution passed:—

Whereas, the sessions of the Board would be rendered vastly more interesting and

profitable, were more attention given to the reading of Essays on Agricultural and other topics, and discussions thereon; therefore

Resolved,—That the members of the Board will regard it as a duty, individually, to provide an Essay for next Session of the Board.

CENTRAL BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(From the Royal Gazette.)

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, March 11, 1873.—His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, by the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to make the following appointments:—

To be members of the Central Board of Agriculture—

Charles B. Whitman—Annapolis Co.
Colin Chisholm—Antigonish Co.
John Ross, M.P.P.—Cape Breton Co.
Israel Longworth—Colechester Co.
George Cameron—Guysborough Co.
Joseph J. Northup }
David Archibald } Halifax Co.
Charles N. Sport }
Benjamin Zwicker—Lunenburg Co.
David Matheson—Pictou Co.
John Dakin—Digby Co.
A. C. A. Doane—Shelburne Co.
Chas. J. Campbell, M.P.P.—Victoria Co.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, March 14th, 1873.—His Honor the Lieut. Governor, by the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to make the following appointments:—

To be members of the Central Board of Agriculture—Geo. S. Brown, Yarmouth County, and James J. O'Brien, Hunts County.

HINTS FOR MARCH AND APRIL.

From Gardener's Monthly.

FLOWER GARDEN & PLEASURE GROUND.

March is one of the worst times for a Magazine like ours to offer hints for the month. While at the Southern end of our "parish" the dutch bulbs are almost out of blossom, and the rose season well nigh come; on our northern coast winter "still lingers in the lap of spring," and scarcely a snowdrop has handed its clear white cup up from mother earth to our admiration. But our hints are always to be taken as general, rather than as special directions—and if in some places the time should be gone by for any useful action, what we say can be remembered, and we hope they will profit some one next year, if too late for this.

We have very little to chronicle this year as especially new in gardening taste. There is possibly not so exclusive a regard for mere masses of plants for the effects of their color as there was. Flowers are more loved for their own sakes than formerly; and this will bring