Horticultural Society is wholly devoted to a report by the Rev. Geo. Henslow on the effects of the severe frost which visited Great Britain in the winters of 1879-80 and 1880-81. The report contains a very large number of facts derived from reports sent in from various parts of Great Britain. In summing up the more important results obtained from these data, Mr. Henslow chiefly points out the fact that age and maturity of structure for any season are most important factors in the ability of plants to resist severe cold. Plants which continue their growth late in the season, are much more susceptible to cold than those which ripen their structure earlier.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

The fifth monthly meeting of the Society was held on Monday, March 28th, the President, Sir Wm. Dawson, in the chair.

A letter from Mr. Thos. Macfarlane was read relative to the death of Mr. Charles Robb, C.E., when the following resolution was adopted :---

"That this Society has learned with regret, of the decease of Mr. Charles Robb, C.E., who was for a long time one of the most useful members of the Society, and one of its officers, as well as the author of valuable papers contributed to its meetings." It was further resolved that a notice of Mr. Robb's life be published in the **RECORD** OF SCIENCE.

Mr. Joseph Bemrose was elected a delegate to represent this Society at the annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada.

Mr. Ernest Ingersoll was duly elected a member of the Society.

Specimens of Canadian mica, having garnets and other minerals imbedded in it, were exhibited by Mr. J. A. U. Beaudry.

The President presented a paper, by Dr. G. M. Dawson, on "The Occurrence of Jade in British Columbia," and ex-