

Wait's refrigerator, was distributed among those present, Mr. Chas. Gibb, as each variety was handed round, making a few remarks as to origin, quality, productiveness and other characteristics. The meeting was very practical, and those present could not fail to gain instruction from the remarks made. In view of the undoubted success attending the plan adopted in this section, it is worthy of consideration as to whether the plan could not be extended in other directions.

The show of indoor grapes was exceedingly fine, probably the finest that has ever taken place in this Province, and numbered 118 plates. The liberality of one of our members in offering every year so liberal a prize is undoubtedly having an effect. The handsome silver cup which the winner, Mr. Cameron, chose instead of the money, should stimulate others and make this most attractive, and probably favorite department in the Exhibition a still greater success. There is an ample opening for any one interested in any particular branch of Horticulture to come forward and offer prizes through this Society, to take either the form of money, books, or in fact any articles. Will not some persons take a step in this direction, thereby encouraging objects in which they are interested, helping a most worthy society and benefiting the community in which they live? No one who makes this Province his home can justly say that he is not interested in the objects of this Society. Its aim and object is to elevate the taste, to help to develop the resources of the land in which we live, to endeavor to restrain the waste of our natural wealth, particularly timber. Any one who has read over some of the articles in the last reports of this Society, on this subject, can hardly fail to see the necessity of some association that interests itself in these matters.

The show of apples was very good indeed, between six and seven hundred plates being shown. The number of entries was probably larger than ever, but owing to the lack of competition for both classes of the county prizes, the number of plates of fruit exhibited was not so large as for the last two or three years. At the show of the Shefford and Abbotsford Association, a week later than the Montreal Exhibition, not very far from as many plates were shown. Though, perhaps, a matter of regret that