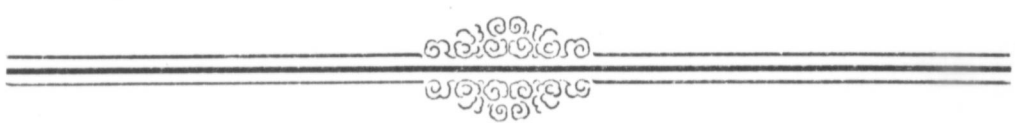




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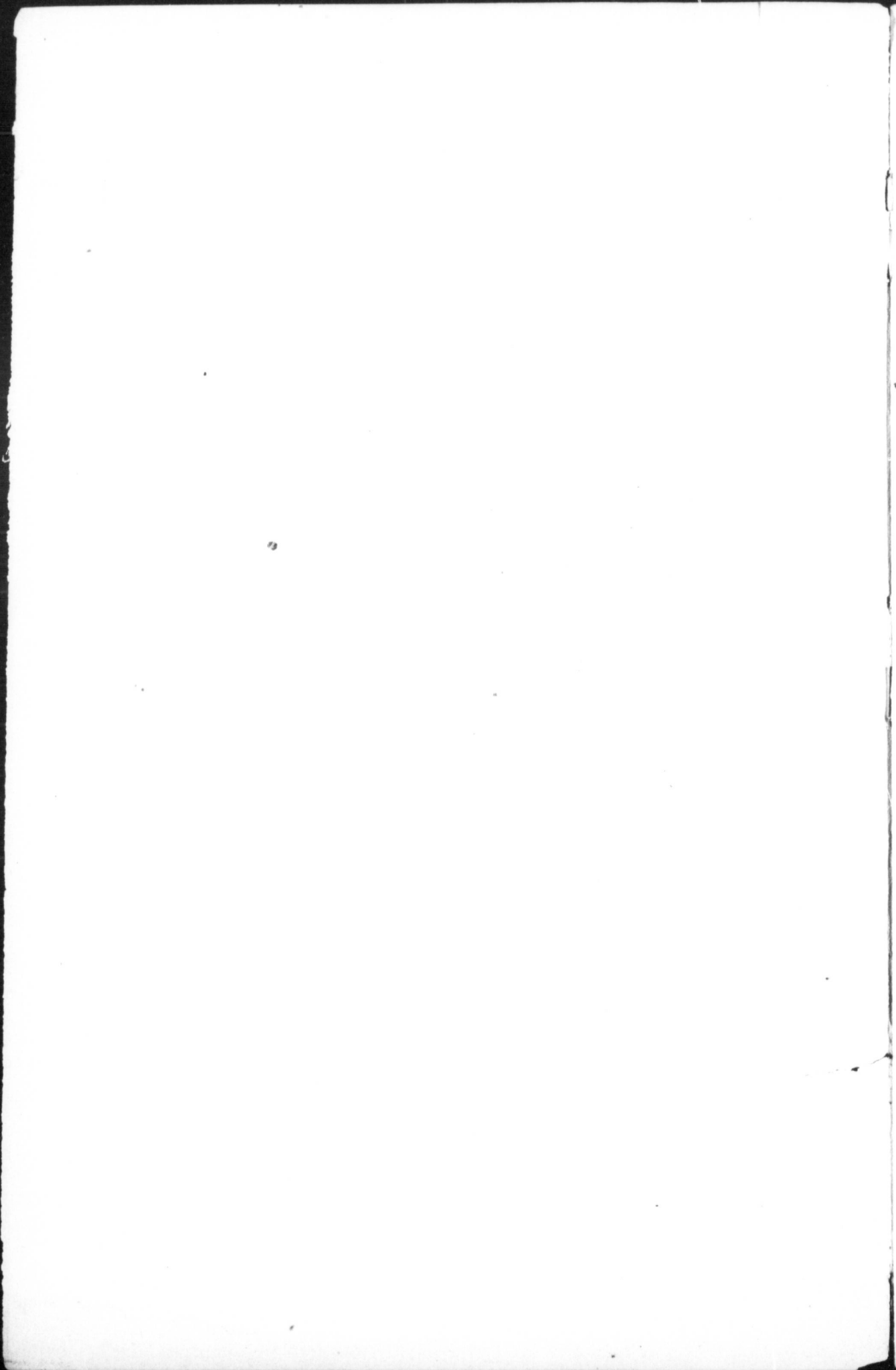
Annual Report

1889



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REPORT

Your Directors, in compliance with the statutory requirements, beg to present the following report of the Society's operations during the past year:—

For the purpose of holding the Annual Flower Show of the Society, your Directors made application to the City Council, and were granted the use of the Pavilion and grounds of the Horticultural Gardens (upon the same conditions as previous years) for Wednesday and Thursday, the 24th and 25th of July.

Your Directors were greatly assisted in their efforts by a Committee of Horticulturists, representing the interests of the exhibitors and florists generally, who kindly consented to co-operate with the Board in furthering the objects of the Society and ensuring the success of the Flower Show. The Committee met with your Directors and revised the Prize List, increasing, in many instances, the amount of the awards and re-arranging a number of the Sections. This Committee comprised the following well-known Florists and Nurserymen:—Mr. John Chambers, Superintendent of Parks for the City of Toronto; Mr. George Leslie, Jr., of Geo. Leslie & Son, Nurserymen, Toronto; Mr. John Paxton, Gardener, Bracondale; Mr. John H. Dunlop, Florist, Toronto; Mr. George Reeves, Gardener at City Reservoir, Toronto, and Mr. Thos. Manton, of Manton Bros., Florists, Toronto.

The number of entries in the several classes were as follows:—Class I., Plants and Flowers, 183; Class II., Cut Flowers, 166; Class III., Fruit, 50, and Class IV., Amateurs, 70, making a total of 469, as against 457 of the preceding year. The number of entries each in the last five years are given below:—

1885	398
1886	538
1887	306
1888	457
1889	469

The success of the Flower Show was a source of much gratification to your Directors. With the exception, possibly, of Cut Flowers and Designs—which were not well represented for the reasons hereafter mentioned—the Show compared favorably with any former one held by your Society.

It will be unnecessary to refer here to the individual exhibits, as they were doubtless viewed by all the members of the Society and were considerably enlarged upon by the daily papers. In a general way, however, it might be well to say that the Palms, Stove and Greenhouse Plants Sub-tropical Plants, Ferns, Coleus and other of the Plants were in the best and cleanest of condition, giving evidence of great care in their cultivation.

In the section for Table, 4 ft x 10 ft., most tastefully arranged with plants in pots, there were four entries which were truly very beautiful and attracted a great deal of attention. The competition was so close that it was with considerable difficulty that the Judges could arrive at a decision.

Fruits were shown in good condition and quite abundant for the season of the year.

In Cut Flowers and Designs the falling off in the number and quality of the exhibits, as referred to above, was caused in a measure by the unfavorable season, together with the heavy demand for cut stuff at that time. Another reason may be that in some of the sections for designs the prize money offered is not sufficiently large to encourage competition. This last, however, could be remedied another year.

So that the exhibits should receive the very best judgment possible, your Directors secured the services of two eminent horticulturists from the other side, viz.: Mr. Wm. Scott, of Buffalo, and Mr. Geo. Savage, of Rochester, to assist our Canadian judges.

Mr. Geo. Savage, who has charge of the conservatories of W. S. Kimball, Esq., of Rochester, brought over with him (for exhibition only) a magnificent bouquet of Orchids, which was generally admired and studied by both our florists and others. It was undoubtedly the finest and largest collection of rare Orchids ever seen in Canada.

Following are the names of the successful exhibitors, showing the prizes awarded them in the several classes:

Class I.—PLANTS and FLOWERS

	1st PRIZE \$10	2nd PRIZE \$5	3rd PRIZE \$2	TOTAL \$17
Jno. Chambers	7	5	2	14
Geo. Reeves	4	6	3	13
Horticultural Gardens	8	2	3	13
Robt. Murray	9	3	1	13
Sir D. L. Macpherson	4	7	1	12
H. A. Massey	5	4	1	10
Cottrell Bros.	1	3	.....	4
Col. Gzowski .....	.....	2	1	3
Central Prison	1	1	1	3
Toronto Asylum .....	.....	2	.....	2
Manton Bros.	1	.....	.....	1
Government House	1	.....	.....	1
Thos. Carter .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	51	40	15	106

Class II.—CUT FLOWERS

T. Clinkinboomer	9	5	.....	14
Manton Bros.	3	6	5	14
H. A. Massey	3	5	1	9
Geo. Anderson, Hamilton	1	6	.....	7
Horticultural Gardens .....	.....	5	1	6
Alex. Reed, Hamilton	3	1	1	5
Toronto Asylum	4	1	.....	5
A. Gilchrist	2	2	.....	4
S. Tidy & Son, Toronto	2	2	.....	4
A. Terryberry, Grimsby	3	.....	.....	3
Cottrell Bros. ....	.....	2	1	3
Noah Smiley, Guelph	2	.....	.....	2
Sir D. L. Macpherson	1	.....	.....	1
Grainger Bros.	1	.....	.....	1
	34	35	9	78

Class III.—FRUITS

Geo. Wilds	7	3	.....	10
A. Terryberry	4	5	.....	9
Geo. Murray	2	1	.....	3
H. A. Massey	1	1	.....	2
Col. Gzowski	1	.....	.....	1
Alex. Reed, Hamilton .....	.....	1	.....	1
	15	11	.....	26

Class IV.—PLANTS and FLOWERS

AMATEUR CLASS.

Mrs. Finlay	4	6	.....	10
Wm. Bradford, Toronto	3	5	.....	8
B. Hamp	4	4	.....	8
R. J. Foord, Toronto	3	.....	.....	3
Mrs. T. S. Fisher, Toronto	2	.....	.....	2
Mrs. Endean, Eglinton	1	1	.....	2
	17	16	.....	33

The Band of the Queen's Own Rifles, under the leadership of Mr. Bayley, carried out an admirably arranged programme of music on both evenings of the Show.

The attention of your Directors has been called to the desirability of the Society holding each year, in addition to its Mid-summer Exhibition, a Chrysanthemum Show. It was suggested too late for action to be taken last year, but no doubt the matter will receive due consideration by our successors in office.

FINANCES.

The total amount of members' subscriptions for the year (a list of which will be found hereto annexed, with the amounts paid by each) was \$280, and the amount awarded in prizes \$546. The amount received for admissions at gates was \$364.15. Following are the gate receipts for the past five years:—1885, \$250; 1886, \$320.50; 1887, \$267.10; 1888, \$533.40; and 1889, \$364.13.

Hereto attached will be found a detailed statement of the Treasurer, duly audited and signed by the Auditors, showing the total receipts for the year, including a balance of \$154.46 from the previous year, to have been \$1,348.61, and the expenditure \$1,131.89, leaving a balance in hand of \$216.72.

Your Directors in concluding their report desire to express the regret they feel and the loss they and the Society have sustained during the year just passed, in the death of Mr. Jno. E. Mitchell, and to offer their heart-felt sympathy to the widow and family of the deceased in the irreparable loss they have met with. For the past eight years he has been a Director of the Society—the last three years of which he occupied the 2nd Vice-President's chair—working at all times in and for the best interests of the Society.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE VAIR,
President.

J. P. EDWARDS,
Secy.-Treasurer

TORONTO, 15th January, 1890.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1888

<p>To Balance on hand from previous year..... \$154 46</p> <p>“ Subscriptions of Members 280 00</p> <p>“ Legislative Grant..... 550 00</p> <p>“ Admission Fees to Flower Show :</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">First day..... \$162 70</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Second day..... 201 45</p> <p style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">364 15</p>	<p>By Prizes paid..... \$546 00</p> <p>“ Fitting up Buildings and Grounds, Rent, Lighting, etc. 134 01</p> <p>“ Printing and Advertising..... 148 22</p> <p>“ Musical Band..... 85 00</p> <p>“ Working Expenses, including Sec. Treasurer's office, Clerks, Auditors, Judges travelling and other expenses, Ticket-Sellers, Gate-Keepers, Caretakers, Stationery, Postage, etc., etc. 218 66</p>
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Examined and found correct.

H. WADE,) AUDITORS.
JAS. RENNIE,)

J. P. EDWARDS,
TREASURER.

LIST OF MEMBERS

1889

Allan, A. A.....	\$ 4 00	Gilchrist, A.....	\$1 00	Pape, James.....	\$3 00
Anderson, Geo.....	1 00	Grainger, E.....	1 00	Pearcy, Sanderson, & Co	2 00
Best, W. H.....	1 00	Henderson, Jno.....	2 00	Paxton, John.....	1 00
Box, Samuel.....	1 00	Hallam, Jno.....	2 00	Rennie, Wm.....	6 00
Bedson, J. W. C.....	1 00	Hill, H. J.....	1 00	Ridout, D. C.....	6 00
Briggs, S. E.....	1 00	Hovenden, R. J.....	1 00	Robb, C. C.....	4 00
Booth, Wm.....	1 00	Hughes, W. J.....	1 00	Rennie, James.....	1 00
Bolte, A.....	1 00	Houston, W. H.....	1 00	Ross, J. McP.....	1 00
Boon, W. G.....	1 00	Hamp, Benj.....	1 00	Reeves, Geo.....	1 00
Bradford, Wm.....	1 00	Howard, A. McLean....	1 00	Reid, Alex.....	1 00
Canada Company.....	30 00	Keachie, M.....	4 00	Smith, Dr. Andrew.....	6 00
Christie, Wm.....	11 00	Keeble, H.....	1 00	Saunders, B.....	6 00
Clow, W.....	5 00	Lee, Walter S.....	5 00	Stone & Wellington....	5 00
Cotterill Bros.....	2 00	Lewis, Rice & Son.....	5 00	Steele Bros. Co.....	5 00
Close, P. G.....	1 00	Leslie, Geo. & Son.....	5 00	Simmers, J. A.....	5 00
Crocker, Jas.....	1 00	Leslie, J. K.....	3 00	Simmers, A. J. G.....	1 00
Crocker, W.....	1 00	Leckie, Jno. C.....	1 00	Sullivan, E.....	1 00
Collard, C. S.....	1 00	Mitchell, Jno. E.....	5 00	Sieviour, J.....	1 00
Chambers, John.....	1 00	Mail Job Dept.....	5 00	Scales, Mrs.....	1 00
Chapman, W.....	1 00	Morgan, H.....	2 00	Sunley, Noah.....	1 00
Carter, Thos.....	1 00	Miller, Hugh.....	1 00	Tidy, S., & Son.....	5 00
Clinkinboomer, T.....	1 00	Manton, Thos.....	1 00	Thompson, T., & Son...	4 00
Davies, Robt.....	1 00	Manton, G. D.....	1 00	Taylor, T. B.....	1 00
Davison, W. F.....	1 00	Mason, G. J.....	1 00	Travis, W. S.....	1 00
Dunning, C. H.....	1 00	Millett, John.....	1 00	Terryberry, A.....	1 00
Emery, Jos.....	1 00	Millett, Jas. E.....	1 00	Vair, Geo.....	5 00
Endean, Mrs.....	1 00	Murray, Robt.....	1 00	Withrow & Hillock....	5 00
Edwards, J. P.....	1 00	Murray, George.....	1 00	Walker House.....	4 00
Foster, F. G.....	5 00	Millar, J. W.....	1 00	Withrow, Jno. J.....	1 00
Fortier, H. C.....	1 00	Marshall, R.....	1 00	Wade, H.....	1 00
Frankland, H. R.....	1 00	McConnell, M.....	5 00	Walton, Frank.....	1 00
Foord, R. J.....	1 00	Macpherson, Sir D. L..	4 00	Woods, N. J.....	1 00
Falconer, D.....	1 00	McMaster, Capt. W. F.	1 00	Whiton, G. L.....	1 00
Finlay, J.....	1 00	McWilliams, W. G.....	1 00	Watkins, A. M.....	1 00
Finlay, Mrs. J.....	1 00	McCuaig, R. F.....	1 00	Wilds, Geo.....	1 00
Fisher, Mrs. T. S.....	1 00	McFarlane, Wm.....	1 00	Chambers, John, for	
Gzowski, Col. C. S.....	4 00	McGee, James.....	1 00	Membership Collec-	
Gray, Col. Jno.....	1 00	McGee, J. C.....	1 00	tions (no names given)	20 00
Gallagher, R. C.....	1 00	Macpherson, A.....	1 00	Total.....	\$280 00
Graham, Jos.....	1 00	Noverre, P. E.....	1 00		