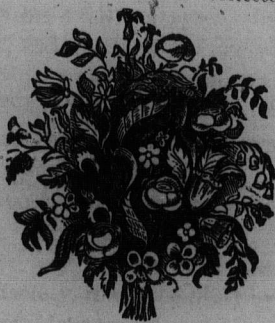


CONSTITUTION
OF THE
HAMILTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY,
WITH THE
FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT,
THE LIST OF
ARTICLES FOR COMPETITION,
AND THE
AMOUNT OF PREMIUMS FOR 1854.



HAMILTON:
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1854.

1. The PRESIDENT shall be elected annually in January and shall publish a report previous to the meeting.
2. The members shall be elected for a term of one year, or as often as may be deemed expedient; and regular meetings shall be held in each year in such manner as shall be determined by the Board of Directors, and regular meetings shall be held for the purpose of the Society, (the meetings of the Society) and make such arrangements as may be deemed expedient for the meeting.
3. When the Board of Directors shall deem it expedient, they may cause to be published by the Board of Directors, Secretary, and Treasurer, such reports as may be deemed expedient.
4. The meetings shall be held at such times and places as may be deemed expedient.

CONSTITUTION.

1. That the Officers of this Society shall consist of a PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER, and seven MANAGERS, who shall be hereafter chosen by ballot, annually, at a meeting to be held on the second Tuesday in January in each year, notice of which meeting shall be published in two of the City papers, at least one week previous to the time of Election.
2. The Officers of the Society, with the Managers, shall form a Board for the government of the Society, five of whom shall be a quorum; shall hold meetings quarterly, or as often as they may deem expedient; shall appoint the time and place for holding Exhibitions; make such rules and regulations respecting the same as may be deemed expedient; make and publish before the 15th day of February in each year, a full and specific list of articles to be competed for, and prizes to be awarded; encourage the introduction of new objects of Horticulture; and for the purpose of promoting the interests and objects of the Society, (subject to the instruction, supervision and control of the Society,) shall keep a record of all their proceedings and make a report of the same to the Society, at its annual meeting.
3. Whenever any vacancy shall occur in any of the offices of the Society, it may be filled by a special Election by the Board of Managers, at such time as they may deem expedient, of which one week's notice shall be given by the Secretary, in writing, to each member of the Board.
4. The duty of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Society, to maintain order; to state the

business before the Society; in case of equal division upon any question, to give the casting-vote; to call for Accounts, and Reports of Committees; to call extra meetings of the Society, when requested in writing, by five members, and generally to superintend the execution of such By-laws and Regulations as the Society shall from time to time enact, not otherwise provided for.

5. The Treasurer shall receive all sums of money due or payable to the Society, and shall keep and disburse the same, as may be directed by the Board of Management, of which he shall render a true account; no payment to be made without the written order of the President, or, in his absence, of any two members of the Board.

6. That the Managing Committee be empowered to make all the necessary arrangements for the Exhibitions, and elect three competent Judges, who shall award the Premiums to the several successful competitors, and from whose award there shall be no appeal.

7. Individuals may become Members of this Society by the annual payment of Ten Shillings, and shall be entitled to vote, shall be eligible to any office or appointment, receive a printed copy of the published transactions of the Society, a printed copy of the Constitution, and shall receive Badges to admit themselves, and Tickets, not transferable, to admit their families to all the Society's Exhibitions; also, Members wishing to introduce strangers to any of the Shows, will obtain special tickets for their admission, on application to the Treasurer.

8. After the formation of the Society, applications for admission as members, to be made to one of the Board of Management, and to be balloted for at their next meeting.

9. The contribution of Five Pounds shall constitute a

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Life Membership, and exempt the Member from all future contribution.

10. Any Member who shall (after notice given) neglect for the space of one year, to pay his Annual Subscription shall cease to retain his connection with the Society, and the Treasurer shall have power to erase his name from the list of Members; and any member may withdraw from the Society, by giving notice to the Treasurer or Secretary, and paying the amount due by him to the Society. If any member shall do anything to dishonor the Society, place on the Tables, or in the Hall for Exhibition or Premium, any Plant, Fruit or Specimen, bearing his name, not of his growth, manufacture or design, with an intention to deceive, or shall be guilty of any breach of good faith towards the Society, he may be expelled therefrom—two-thirds of the Members present voting for his expulsion—but no Member shall be expelled without notice of the motion being served upon him, personally, or left at his usual place of abode, at least ten days before it is acted upon.

11. The fiscal year shall commence on the first day of January, and all Annual Subscriptions shall be deemed and taken as due at that time.

12. Premiums and Gratuities may be awarded to such persons as shall have essentially advanced the objects of the Society, or for the exhibition of any Fruits, Plants, Flowers or Vegetables, of their own growth or cultivation, either new in their kind, or of uncommon excellence, or for any new and successful method of cultivating any kind of Fruits, Flowers, Vegetables, Shrubs, Plants, or Trees, or for any other subject connected with Horticulture.

13. No Member shall be entitled to receive a Premium or Gratuity, without having previously paid to the Treasurer his Annual Subscription.

14. As this Society is formed for the advancement of Horticulture in Canada, it is understood that no Plant shall be placed in competition for the regular prizes of the Society, except it shall have been in the Province for the space of three months, and it is *bona fide* the property of the Member offering it. The Committee may offer gratuities for the introduction of any Foreign production.

15. The Constitution and By-laws of the Society may be altered and amended at any Regular Meeting of the Society; a notification of the intended alteration having been made at a previous meeting, and two-thirds of those present voting for such alteration or amendment.

At the Annual Meeting held at Norton's Hotel, Wednesday, 10th January, the following Report was read by the Secretary :—

The Committee, in submitting the Report of the proceedings of the past year, have much pleasure in being able to congratulate the members on the increasing prosperity and success of this Society—a prosperity evinced by the large additions to the list of members, increasing the funds so as to enable the Committee to hold, besides the Show in June and September, a third one in the month of July; this as well as the other two Shows, notwithstanding the very unpropitious season, was successful beyond expectation. To all the Shows, the public were admitted in the evening by tickets, the sale of which has produced a sum nearly sufficient to defray the extra expenses of the Exhibitions; and the additional fact that from two to three hundred have sought admission to each Exhibition, is most gratifying, and contrasts strongly with previous years, when members had to solicit their friends to come and see the display.

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seen that (notwithstanding the increased outlay for prizes and incidental expenses) your Committee have been able to conduct the business of the Society for the past year, not only without drawing on the surplus of former years, but to make a small addition to that sum, leaving a balance in the Bank, of £15 18s. 0d., a result mainly attributable to the zeal and assiduity of the Treasurer. While the Society may be considered fairly established, not only in favour with its members, but also with the public, the Committee feel it their duty to impress on their successors the necessity of continued vigilance regarding its interests, perseverance in obtaining additions to its roll of members, and prompt payment of the subscriptions of all.

The thanks of the Committee are due and hereby tendered to all the exhibitors, particularly to T. H. McKenzie, Esq., of Dundas, and to those who sent articles merely for exhibition; and they cannot close their Report without expressing their regret at the removal from Hamilton of two practical gardeners, members of Committee, whose exertions have contributed largely to the success and prosperity of the Society.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. CRAIGIE, *Secretary.*

HAMILTON, 10th January, 1854.

After which it was moved by Mr. Cattley, and seconded by Mr. Freed, "That the Report now read be adopted, and the thanks of the Society be given to the President and officers for the past year."

The following gentlemen were elected for the ensuing year:—

President—W. G. KERR, Esq.

Vice-President—W. L. DIXON, Esq.

Treasurer—J. A. BRUCE.

Secretary—G. E. CARTWRIGHT.

Committee of Management—Messes. J. THOMPSON, C. MESTON, L. R. CATTLEY
J. FREED, J. GAY, J. P. MOQUAIG, E. W. GATES, J. GARDNER.

THE FIRST EXHIBITION

Will be on Wednesday, the 21st June, when Premiums for the undermentioned Articles will be awarded, subject to the following Regulations:—

The Committee will be in attendance from 8 to 10 o'clock on the days of exhibition, to receive the articles, none of which will be admitted after the last named hour, and all are requested to be sent in as early as possible.

Competitors are notified that every article must be delivered in a clean and proper state for exhibition; those requiring it must be made up in neat and suitable packages, and all articles must have their names attached.

It is *absolutely necessary* that no article on exhibition be touched or handled, as the Committee wish to deliver the specimens to their respective owners in the best possible condition.

The Committee cannot be accountable for the re-delivery of any article, if not claimed within the hour specified by the Committee.

The Judges to have the liberty of cutting any article that has to be decided by the taste, and to have the option of refusing Premiums for any article they do not consider worthy.

	£	s.	d.
Best half peck Early Pease.....	0	10	0
Second do do do	0	7	6
Best two quarts do	0	5	0
Best quart French Beans	0	7	6
Second best do do	0	5	0
Best one quart Early Kidney Potatoes, open air.....	0	7	6
Second best do do do	0	5	0
Best one quart, do do under glass.....	0	7	6
Best do round, open air.....	0	7	6
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Best Green Flesh Melon, not less than 16 ozs, ripe.....	0	10	0

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Best Melon of any other sort, ripe.....	0	7	6
Best brace of Cucumbers.....	0	7	6
Second do do.....	0	5	0
Best half dozen Early White Turnips.....	0	5	0
Best do do Yellow do.....	0	5	0
Best dozen Carrots, open air.....	0	7	6
Best do Stalks Rhubarb.....	0	7	6
Second do do.....	0	5	0
Best three Early Cabbages.....	0	7	6
Second do do.....	0	5	0
Best half dozen Lettuce.....	0	5	0
Second do do.....	0	2	6
Best pint of Strawberries.....	0	7	6
Second do do.....	0	5	0
Best Collection do (varieties).....	0	7	6
Best quart of Gooseberries.....	0	7	6
Second do do.....	0	5	0
Best dosen Onions, (Seedlings).....	0	5	0
Best dozen Onions, (Potato).....	0	5	0
Best peck Spinach.....	0	5	0
Best bunch curled Parcely.....	0	5	0
Best six Hybrid perpetual Roses, named.....	0	10	0
Second do do do do.....	0	5	0
Best six Summer do do.....	0	10	0
Second do do do.....	0	5	0
Best six tender Roses.....	0	7	6
Best general variety of Roses, named.....	0	10	0
Second do of do.....	0	7	6
Best twelve Pansies, sorts.....	0	5	0
Best six do do.....	0	2	6
Best twelve Pinks do.....	0	7	6
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Second do do do.....	0	2	6
Best six do Verbenas (sorts).....	0	7	6
Second do do do do.....	0	5	0
Best do Geraniums, in pots, (sorts).....	0	10	0
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Best single specimen do.....	0	5	0
Best three Cottage Plants.....	0	7	6
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Best six spikes Flowering Shrubs.....	0	5	0
Second do do.....	0	2	6
Best six Balsams, in pots.....	0	7	6
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Best bouquet of Flowers, most tastefully arranged.....	0	7	6
Second do do do do.....	0	5	0
Best Floral design.....	0	7	6
Best six specimens of Native Flowers.....	0	7	6
Second do do do.....	0	5	0
Best 12 Dessert Apples, in the best state of preservation	0	5	0
Best twelve Baking Apples, do do do	0	5	0
Best dish of Cherries.....	0	5	0

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Mr. Cuncan A MacNabb's prize for the best variety of Sweet Williams.....	0	5	0
Messrs. Thompson and Murray's Prize for the best six Florists Flowers.....	0	10	0
Mr. Arch'd Kerr's prize for the best six kinds of Garden or Native Fruits, preserved with sugar, including Jams and Jellies.....	0	10	0
Mr. I. Buchanon's prize for the best six kinds Pickled Fruits or Vegetables, in half pint bottles.....	0	10	0
Mr. Cartwright's prize for the best specimen of dried herbs special reference being had to cleanliness and colour	0	10	0

NOTE.—Mr. Thompson wishes to be understood, that the six may be shown at the three shows, 1, 2 or 3 at each, on record being kept; but the prize not to be awarded till the Fall Show.

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THE SECOND EXHIBITION

*Will be on Wednesday, the 19th July, when Premiums for
the undermentioned articles will be awarded, subject to
the same regulations as June Show.*

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0 5 0	Best twelve Carnations (varieties).....	0 7 6
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0 7 6	Best variety of Roses.....	0 7 6
0 5 0	Second do do	0 5 0
0 7 6	Best and greatest variety of Verbenas.....	0 7 6
0 5 0	Second do do do	0 5 0
0 7 6	Best twelve Dahlias, varieties	0 7 6
0 5 0	Best six do do	0 5 0
0 5 0	Best twelve Hollyhocks do	0 7 6
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	Best six do do	0 5 0
	Best twelve Annuals, do	0 7 6
	Best six do do	0 5 0
0 5 0	Best twelve Stocks, do	0 7 6
	Best six do do	0 5 0
0 10 0	Best twelve Native Flowers, varieties.....	0 5 0
	Best six do do	0 2 6
	Best variety of Native Flowers, cultivated.....	0 7 6
0 10 0	Best variety of Herbaceous Plants in flower.....	0 7 6
	Second best do do do	0 5 0
0 10 0	Best variety of Greenhouse Plants, in flower.....	0 10 0
	Second best do do do	0 7 6
0 10 0	Best three Cottage Plants.....	0 5 0
	Best peck Pease	0 5 0
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	Best quart French Beans	0 5 0
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	Best half peck Kidney Potatoes.....	0 2 6
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Best two Melons of any other sort.....	0 5 0
Best six Horn Carrots.....	0 5 0
Best do Garden do. any other kind.....	0 5 0
Best do Parsnips	0 5 0
Second do do	0 2 6
Best dozen Red Onions.....	0 5 0
Best do Yellow do	0 5 0
Best quart Silver Skin Pickling Onions, small.....	0 5 0
Best dozen White Garden Turnips.....	0 5 0
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Best do do Broccoli.....	0 5 0
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Best do do Winter Cabbage.....	0 5 0
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Second do do do do	0 2 6
Best do Scotch Kail.....	0 5 0
Best six roots Red Celery	0 7 6
Second do do	0 5 0
Best do White do	0 7 6
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Best half dozen Tomatoes	0 7 6
Second do do	0 5 0
Best quart pickling Cucumbers.....	0 5 0
Best dozen Capsicums	0 5 0
Best half dozen Salsify	0 5 0
Best three Fruit White Egg Plant.....	0 5 0
Best do Purple do	0 5 0
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Best six Baldwins.....	0	5	0
Best 6 Pomm de Gris	0	5	0
Best dozen Dessert Fall Appels.....	0	7	6
Second do do do	0	5	0
Best do do Winter do	0	7	6
Second do do do do	0	5	0
Best do do Baking do	0	7	6
Second do do do do	0	5	0
Best assortment Dessert Apples, three of each kind, named	0	10	0
Best do Baking do do do	0	10	0
Best dozen Siberian Crabs.....	0	5	0
Best do Fall Pears.....	0	10	0
Best six do	0	7	6
Best dozen Winter do.....	0	10	0
Best six do do	0	7	6
Best dozen Freestone Peaches.....	0	10	0
Second do do do	0	7	6
Best do Clingstone do	0	10	0
Second do do do	0	7	6
Best and greatest variety of Peaches.....	0	10	0
Best dozen Nectarines	0	5	0
Best do Plums, Dessert.....	0	5	0
Best do do Baking.....	0	5	0
Best variety Plums	0	7	6
Best quart Damson Plums	0	5	0
Best three clusters Foreign Grapes, grown under glass...	0	10	0
Second do do do do do	0	7	6
Best three clusters Grapes, grown in the open air, White..	0	7	6
Best do do do do do Black..	0	5	0
Best dozen Dahlias (varieties).....	0	7	6
Best half dozen do do	0	5	0
Best dozen Verbenas.....	0	7	6
Best half dozen do	0	5	0
Second do do	0	2	6
Best do Roses, named.....	0	7	6
Best six Bourbon Roses.....	0	5	0
Best do Phloxes (varieties).....	0	7	6
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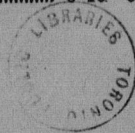
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0 7 6	Second do do	0 2 6
0 5 0	Best half dozen Spikes of Balsams	0 5 0
0 7 6	Second do do do	0 2 6
0 5 0	Best dozen do Stocks	0 7 6
0 10 0	Best half dozen do do	0 5 0
0 10 0	Best dozen China Asters (sorts)....	0 5 0
0 5 0	Best half dozen do do	0 2 6
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0 7 6	Best dozen Annuals.....	0 5 0
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0 10 0	Best bouquet of Flowers, (most tastefully arranged)....	0 7 6
0 7 6	Best six Fuchsias	0 7 6
0 10 0	Second do do	0 5 0
0 5 0	Best six Cottage Plants.....	0 5 0
0 5 0	Best Floral design	0 7 6
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SPECIAL PRIZES.

0 7 6	Mr. Pring's prize for the best collection of Native Plants and Shrubs, in flower.....	0 10 0
0 5 0	Mr. W. P. McLaren's prize for the best specimen of Home made Wine, from Garden fruits, without any other foreign ingredient than sugar, and not less than three pint bottles	0 10 0
0 7 6	Mr. R. Osborne's prize for the best and greatest variety of Tomatoes.....	0 10 0
0 5 0	Dr. Craigie's prize for the best collection of Botanical specimens, (not fewer than 25) of Native Flowers, dried, pasted, and named.....	0 10 0



Mr. Kennedy's prize for a basket of Dessert Fruit, of various sorts, the best and greatest variety and most tastefully arranged.....	0	10	0
Mr. Juson's prize for the best and greatest variety of Pears,	0	10	0
Mr. Bruce's prize for the best and largest head of Cauliflower.....	0	10	0
Recipes for making, to accompany the specimens of Wine Pickles, and Preserves.			

By Order, &c.

G. E. CARTWRIGHT, SECRETARY.