

CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
HAMILTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY,  
WITH THE  
THIRD ANNUAL REPORT,  
THE LIST OF  
ARTICLES FOR COMPETITION,  
AND THE  
AMOUNT OF PREMIUMS FOR 1853.

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## CONSTITUTION.

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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 busi-

ness 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 three Tickets to all the Exhibitions of the Society.

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 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

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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.

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At the Annual Meeting, held at Norton's Hotel, on Tuesday, the 11th January, the Committee submitted the following

### REPORT.

The third year of your Society having come to a close, your Committee have again the pleasure of reporting a considerable increase to the list of Members.

Owing to the very late Spring, the number and variety of articles exhibited at the June Show, fell short of what might have been expected, from the extended list of Members; but the September Show, notwithstanding the disadvantage of a very dry Summer, exceeded the expectations of your Committee—the fruits, especially, being very superior in almost every variety shewn. The Vegetable Productions were also very fine, and in the exhibition of Native Flowers, your Committee have much pleasure in reporting an increasing interest. They would also beg to notice the very admirable collection of dried specimens in this department.

The Subscriptions for the year amount to £68, of which £40 2s. 6d. has been paid in Premiums, leaving in the Savings Bank the sum of £11 3s. 3d. after paying all expenses.

Finally, your Committee would beg to state that notwithstanding the flourishing condition of your Society, vigilance (for which, on former occasions, you have been pleased to express your satisfaction,) will still be necessary, in those who may succeed us in office; and we would also hope that every

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member of the Society, in his private capacity, will endeavor to forward its interests as well by a friendly forbearance with those who may have the trouble of managing, as by not neglecting any opportunity of being useful.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. E. SABINE, *Secretary.*

HAMILTON, 11th January, 1853.

After reading the Report, it was moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. McKay, and carried unanimously : "That the Report be adopted, and the thanks of the Society be offered to the President and Committee of Management."

Moved by Dr. Craigie, and seconded by Mr. R. Osborne, "That the thanks of this Society be given to the gentlemen who acted as Judges during the past year, for their able and impartial conduct in the discharge of their duties. Also to the Trustees of the Wesleyan Church, for the use of their School-room for the Exhibitions."—Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. J.D. Mackay, "That the thanks of the Society be tendered to those gentlemen who offered special prizes."—Carried.

The following gentlemen were then elected Office-bearers for the ensuing year :

*President*—WM. PRING,

*Vice-President*—WM. MUNDIE,

*Secretary*—WM. CRAIGIE,

*Treasurer*—ROBT. OSBORNE,

*Managing Committee*—MESSRS. S. WILSON, J. THOMPSON, G. E. CARTWRIGHT, J. F. MOORE, JAS. GAY, W. L. DISTIN and J. GARDNER.

### THE FIRST EXHIBITION

*Will be on Wednesday, the 22nd 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, and those requiring it must be made up in neat and suitable packages.

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
Best two quarts do .....	0	5	0
Best quart French Beans.....	0	7	6
Second best do do .....	0	5	0
Best two quarts Early Kidney Potatoes.....	0	7	6
Second best do do do .....	0	5	0
Best do do round do .....	0	7	6
Second do do do do .....	0	5	0
Best Green Flesh Melon, not less than 16 ozs.....	0	10	0
Best Melon of any other sort.....	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

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Second do do .....	0	2	6
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
Third do do .....	0	2	6
Best quart of Gooseberries .....	0	7	6
Second do do .....	0	5	0
Best dozen Onions .....	0	5	0
Best peck Spinach .....	0	5	0
Best bunch of Curled Parsley .....	0	5	0
Best six hardy Roses, named .....	0	10	0
Second do do do .....	0	5	0
Third do do do .....	0	5	0
Best do tender do do .....	0	10	0
Second do do do do .....	0	5	0
Best general variety of Roses, named .....	0	10	0
Second do do do .....	0	5	0
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, do .....	0	10	0
Second do do do do .....	0	5	0
Best do Antirrhinums do .....	0	5	0
Best twelve Greenhouse Plants .....	0	10	0
Best six do do .....	0	5	0
Best do Fuchsias .....	0	7	6
Best single specimen do .....	0	5	0
Best six spikes Flowering Shrubs .....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do Balsams, in pots .....	0	7	6

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Second best six Spikes of Balsams, in pots.....	0	5	0
Best bouquet of Flowers, most tastefully arranged.....	0	7	6
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Best design of Cut Flowers .....	0	7	6
Best six specimens of Native Flowers.....	0	7	6
Second do do do .....	0	5	0
Best twelve Dessert Apples, in the best state of preservation,	0	5	0
Best twelve Baking Apples, do do do .....	0	5	0

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Mr. Duncan A. Macnabb's prize for the best variety of Sweet Williams.....	0	5	0
Mr. Thompson's Prize for the best six Calceolarias.....	0	10	0

THE SECOND EXHIBITION

*Will be on Wednesday, the 20th July, when Premiums for the undermentioned articles will be awarded, subject to the same regulations as the June Show.*

Best twelve Carnations, varieties.....	0	7	6
Best six do do .....	0	5	0
Best twelve Piccotees do .....	0	5	0
Best six do do .....	0	2	6
Best twelve Pinks, do .....	0	7	6
Best six do do .....	0	5	0
Best variety of Roses.....	0	7	6
Best and greatest variety of Verbenas.....	0	7	6
Best twelve Dahlias, varieties .....	0	7	6
Best six do do .....	0	5	0
Best twelve Hollyhocks do .....	0	5	0
Best six do do .....	0	2	6
Best twelve Phloxes, do .....	0	7	6
Best six do do .....	0	5	0
Best twelve Annuals, do .....	0	7	6
Best six do do .....	0	5	0
Best twelve Stocks, do .....	0	5	0
Best six do do .....	0	2	6

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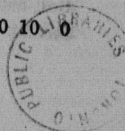
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Best twelve Native Flowers, varieties.....	0	5	0
Best six do do .....	0	2	6
Best variety of Native Flowers, cultivated.....	0	7	6
Best variety of Herbaceous Plants in Flower .....	0	7	6
Second best do do do .....	0	5	0
Best variety of Greenhouse Plants, in Flower .....	0	7	6
Second best do do do .....	0	5	0
Best peck Pease.....	0	5	0
Second do .....	0	2	6
Best quart French Beans.....	0	5	0
Second do do .....	0	2	6
Best half peck Kidney Potatoes .....	0	2	6
Best do Round do .....	0	2	6
Best Early York Cabbage .....	0	5	0
Best Cabbage any other sort .....	0	5	0
Best three Cauliflower .....	0	7	6
Second do .....	0	5	0
Best six Beets.....	0	5	0
Best six Turnips .....	0	5	0
Best assortment of Cherries, a pint of each.....	0	7	6
Second best do do do .....	0	5	0
Best quart Ripe Gooseberries.....	0	5	0
Best pint do do .....	0	2	6
Best quart Red Currants.....	0	5	0
Best do White do .....	0	5	0
Best do Black do .....	0	5	0
Best quart Red Raspberries.....	0	5	0
Best do White do .....	0	5	0
Best six Apricots .....	0	5	0
Best six Early Apples.....	0	5	0
Best six Early Pears.....	0	5	0
Best Tomatoes .....	0	5	0
Best two Green Flesh Melons .....	0	5	0
Best two any other Melon .....	0	2	6
Best two Water Melons .....	0	5	0
Best brace Cucumbers.....	0	5	0
SPECIAL PRIZES.			
Mr. Bruce's Prize for the best 25 sorts Annuals .....	0	10	0
“ “ “ “ 6 varieties of Pease, 2 quarts .....	0	10	0
of each, .....	0	10	0



### THE THIRD EXHIBITION

*Will be on Wednesday, the 21st September, when Premiums for the undermentioned Articles will be awarded, subject to the same regulations as the June Show.*

	£	s.	d.
Best half peck of Pease.....	0	5	0
Second do do .....	0	2	6
Best quart of French Beans.....	0	5	0
Second do do .....	0	2	6
Best two Green Flesh Melons.....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do 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
Best do Yellow do .....	0	5	0
Best three Garden Blood Beets.....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do heads Cauliflower.....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do do Broccoli.....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do do Savoys .....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do do Winter Cabbage.....	0	5	0
Second do do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do do Red do .....	0	5	0
Second do do do do .....	0	2	6
Best do Scotch Kail.....	0	5	0
Best six roots Red Celery.....	0	5	0
Second do do .....	0	2	6
Rest do White do .....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best half dozen Tomatoes.....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6

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Second best half dozen Petunias—varieties .....	0	2	6
Best do Pansies.....	0	5	0
Second do do .....	0	2	6
Best three Cockscombs.....	0	5	0
Second do do .....	0	2	6
Best half dozen Spikes of Balsams.....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best dozen do Stocks .....	0	7	6
Best half dozen do do .....	0	5	0
Best dozen China Asters.....	0	5	0
Best half dozen do .....	0	2	6
Best do Hollyhocks, sorts.....	0	5	0
Best dozen Annuals .....	0	5	0
Best do Greenhouse Plants, in flower.....	0	10	0
Best half dozen do do do .....	0	5	0
Best half dozen varieties Native Flowers.....	0	5	0
Second do do do .....	0	2	6
Best bouquet of Flowers, most tastefully arranged.....	0	7	6
Best six Fuchsias.....	0	5	0

## SPECIAL PRIZES.

Mr. Pring's prize for the best collection of Native Plants and Shrubs, in flower.....	0	10	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
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. J. B. Ewart's prize for the best six kinds Pickled Fruits or Vegetables, in half pint bottles.....	0	10	0
Mr. R. Osborne's prize for the best and greatest variety of Tomatoes.....	0	10	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, Receipts for making, to accompany the specimens of Wine, Pickles, and Preserves.	0	10	0

Prizes will be offered next year for specimens of Cultivated Native Flowers. By order, &c.

W. CRAIGIE, SECRETARY.