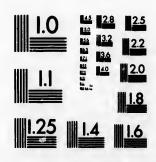


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#### CONSTITUTION.

- ART. I.—This Society shall be called the Fruit Growers' Association of Upper Canada.
- ART. II.—Its objects shall be the advancement of the science and art of Fruit Culture, by holding Meetings for the exhibition of Fruits, and for the discussion of all questions relative to Fruit Culture, by collecting, arranging and disseminating useful information, and by such other means as may from time to time seem advisable.
- ART. III.—There shall be two General Meetings, annually; one on the third Wednesday in January, at which the Officers shall be elected and an Exhibition of Fruits held, at the time and place determined at the last January meeting; the other, at the time and place of holding of the Provincial Exhibition, on a day of which at least a fortnight's notice shall be given.
- ART. IV.—Its Officers shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, two Secretaries and a Treasurer, who shall be chosen by ballot after nomination.

ART. V.—There shall be a general Fruit Committee, consisting of the Office-Bearers, the President of, or a special delegate appointed by, each affiliated Horticultural Society, and not more than two Members from each County represented in the Society, to be elected by the Association, at the January meeting.

ART. VI.—This Fruit Committee shall meet immediately after the General Meeting at which they are appointed, and choose from among themselves, by nomination and open vote, a Sub-Committee of Management; a Sub-Committee on Orchard Fruits; a Sub-Committee on other Fruits; and a Sub-Committee on Publication; each to consist of three Members. The Members for each County, with the President or Delegate from each affiliated Horticultural Society within its limits, shall be County Sub-Committees.

ART. VII.—The Officers of the Society, with the Sub-Committee of Management, shall constitute a Board for the government of the Society, five of whom, including the President or one of the Vice-Presidents, shall be a quorum.

ART. VIII.—Any person may become a Member by an annual payment of one dollar; and a payment

of ten dollars at one time shall constitute a Member for life. Horticultural Societies may be affiliated by the annual payment of one dollar.

IX.—This Constitution may be amended by a vote of a majority of the Members present at any regular Meeting—notice of the proposed amendments having been given at the previous Meeting.

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## BY-LAWS.

I.—The general Fruit Committee shall thoroughly investigate the subject of fruit culture. Each County Committee shall collect such useful and interesting information within their county, in reference to this subject as may be in their power, and embody the same in half-yearly reports to the Committee on Publication.

II.—The Committees on Orchard, and on other Fruits, shall respectively examine, test, and classify such new fruits—in a natural or cultivated state—as may come under their notice, and report at each regular meeting. In the consideration and naming of new seedlings they

shall be guided by the most approved rules of Nomenclature.

III.—The Committee on publication, to whom all the Reports of the Sub-Committees must be sent, ten days before each general meeting of the Society, shall examine these Reports and embody the information they contain, illustrative of the condition and progress of Fruitculture, in a general Report, to be submitted to the Annual Meeting, and, after approval, to be printed in pamphlet form, under the superintendence of the Committee, for distribution among the Members.

IV.—There shall be an exhibition of Fruits, &c., and a discussion upon their properties, at each regular Meeting.

V.—The Board of management may convene other Meetings at such times and places as they deem advisable.

VI.—The annual subscription shall be due in advance, at the Annual January Meetings.

VII.—The President (or in case of his disability the Senior Vice President) shall have a general superintendance of the affairs of the Society, shall cause due notice to be given of the place and time of Meetings,

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deliver an address on some subject relating to the objects of the Association at every meeting, and nominate Members of the Society to fill the vacancies occurring in any Offices during the intervals between the Annual January Meetings.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Society, and pay out the same upon a written order, signed by the Presiding Officer of the Society.

IX.—The Recording Secretary shall keep minutes of the transactions of the Society from time to time, for publication when approved of by the proper Committee.

X.—The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the Correspondence of the Society.

XII.—The order of business at the semi-annual Meetings in January shall be, 1st, Reception of Delegates' Credentials. 2nd, Delivery of address by the President. 3rd, Election or appointment of Officers 4th, Consideration of Reports of and Committee. County Committees. 5th, Miscellaneous business.

XII.—These By-Laws may be amended at the Meetings, in January, by a vote of two-thirds of the Members present.

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