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THE COUNTESS OF ELGIN.

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REV. MR. VILLENEUVE, G. SHEPHERD. J. DOYLE. JOHN WILSON.

MONTREAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE first annual meeting was held on Friday evening, 6th January, in the large Lecture Hall over the Exchange News Room, Great St. James Street. The attendance of ladies and gentlemen connected with the Society, as well as the public generally, was very large, notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather. The President of the Society occupied the chair, and, after a few very appropriate remarks, relative to the importance of the objects and the position of the Society, Mr. S. Jones Lyman, Corresponding Secretary, presented the following Report :—

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

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DIRECTORS OF THE MONTREAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A year has now elapsed since a few individuals, actuated by a desire for the advancement of Horticulture, met for the purpose of considering the best means of accomplishing this object. The result of their deliberations was the formation of the Society, whose anniversary we are now met to celebrate. It becomes the duty of your Board, at this time, to review the proceedings of the year ; and thus to ascertain how far the objects contemplated in the formation of the Society have been accomplished, and, by presenting the result of the past, to enable their successors in office to profit by their experience.

Your Board enter upon this task with satisfaction, that the year has been marked with increasing success and progress, and that the enterprise, begun with much hesitation and doubt, has received, to so large an extent, that patronage and encouragement from all classes in the community, which has contributed to the firm establishment of the Society, and which enables us to contemplate with pleasure the brilliant prospects which open for its future career.

The importance of Horticulture cannot be too highly estimated. Whether regarded as a means of affording employment to those possessed of leisure, or as a source of recreation to those oppressed with the cares of business, or the duties of a profession, it is equally attrac-

tive and interesting. To the man of science and taste, it opens a wide field for investigation and study; to the high and the low, to the rich and the poor, it presents a fountain of the purest and most innocent pleasure, of which all may partake with equal enjoyment. There can be no doubt that attention to Horticulture strengthens the attractions of home, and contributes not a little to those interesting associations of childhood which, in after life, afford the most pleasing recollections, and which, not effaced by time or distance, are often awakened by the sight of a familiar landscape, flower, or tree. As a means of developing the better part of our nature, and of promoting those refined tastes and feelings, which lead men to seek pleasure in that which is pure and good, the pursuit of Horticulture stands unrivalled. Regarded in a practical point of view, its importance is still greater, since it promotes the comforts and provides the necessities of life; at the same time, adding to the delicacies and luxuries of the table. Such advantages surely present sufficient justification for any amount of effort in their attainment; and if, in any degree, these happy influences have been exerted by the formation of this Society, it will be an ample reward to those whose zealous endeavours have been devoted to its welfare.

Your Board are happy to observe, that a general interest in Horticultural pursuits, hitherto unknown, seems to be recently awakened. They regard the large importation of plants and fruit trees, the erection of numerous extensive vineries and green houses, the increased taste for Horticulture, and attention to gardening, as evidences of this improvement. They hail this as the dawn of a brighter day, when our beautiful Island may be in reality entitled to the appellation it often receives, of the *Garden of Canada*.

LECTURES.

The late period at which your Board assumed the direction of affairs prevented their giving that attention to the establishment of a series of Lectures, which they could have wished, and which your interests seemed to demand. With the exception of one, with which the Society was favoured by the Hon. Attorney General Badgley, no Lectures have been delivered. Arrangements have, however, now been made, under which, it is to be hoped, that a regular course will be secured during the present winter, to be given in the Hall of the Mercantile Library Association, which has been kindly offered

for that purpose. The following gentlemen have consented to favour the Society with Lectures :—

THE PRESIDENT,
 JUDGE M'CORD,
 HON. MR. MORIN,
 THE REV. MESSIRE VILLENEUVE,
 HON. ATTORNEY GENERAL BADGLEY,
 G. W. WICKSTEED, ESQ.

HORTICULTURAL LIBRARY.

The inadequate means at the disposal of your Board prevented the attainment of one object contemplated, namely the establishment of a Library. They would, however, earnestly commend the subject to the attention of their successors in office. In this way may be gathered the fruits of the researches of those distinguished individuals who, in other countries, have studiously devoted their time to the improvement of this beautiful Art. A collection of Horticultural works would tend much to the welfare of the Society, and be of the highest practical advantage to those interested in the pursuit here.

EXHIBITIONS.

The First Public Exhibition was held on the 19th of May ; and although the number of competitors was small, the display of greenhouse plants was exceedingly fine, and such as to elicit the admiration of those who visited the Hall. The lateness of the season, and the unfavourable state of the weather, prevented a large show of garden flowers and vegetables ; and your Board resolved to regard the occasion merely as an exhibition ; withholding, accordingly, the prizes offered, but, at the same time, expressing their obligations to those individuals who had sent contributions.

THE SECOND EXHIBITION was held on the 30th June ; and the display of fruit, flowers, and vegetables, was such as to surpass the most sanguine expectations, and to excite the warmest admiration of the crowd of visitors who thronged the room during the day. The occasion was honored by the presence of His Excellency the Governor General, and the Countess of Elgin. To the solicitation to become patron of the Society, His Excellency was graciously pleased to return a favourable answer ; at the same time expressing the strongest interest in its success and prosperity. The Countess of Elgin also

very kindly allowed her name to be associated with that of the noble Earl, as Patroness. The hall was very tastefully decorated by the Committee appointed for the purpose, to whom your Society is much indebted. Several additions to our number were made. The proceeds of tickets sold to non-members amounted to £10.

THE THIRD EXHIBITION, held on the third of August, although intended chiefly for gooseberries, was exceedingly creditable and interesting, as showing the perfection attained in the cultivation of this excellent fruit. The number of competitors for the principal prizes was very large; and, in addition, there was a good display of the various fruits peculiar to the season.

THE ANNUAL EXHIBITION was held on the 8th Sept., on which occasion the Committee of Arrangement surpassed all their former efforts. The spacious hall presented the appearance of a vast temple, in which Flora and Pomona were the presiding deities, upon whose altars all seemed to vie in presenting the choicest offerings. For the beautiful fountain, which was so admirably arranged in the midst of mimic moss-covered rocks and shrubbery, the Society is indebted to John Molson, Esq. For the tasteful decorations of the room, and the excellent arrangement of the various articles for competition, numbering upwards of 1500, your Board would express their obligation to Messrs. Shepherd, Garth, Bradshaw, and the other members of the Committee of Arrangement. The display of green-house plants was much better than could have been anticipated, and that of annuals was large and varied.

The splendid show of apples and plums, many of which were of new sorts, of peculiar richness and flavour, is deserving of notice. And favourable as is our fair Island for the production of these fine fruits, your Board would recommend their cultivation to the attention of the Society, and desire another year may evince more regard to the classification and naming of the numerous varieties. Your Board were pleased to observe so much competition for vegetables; and trust on future occasions that the funds of the Society will admit of large prizes being offered.

The display of Birds, including nearly 300 specimens of Fancy Pigeons, Canaries, Singing Birds, &c., in neat cages, suspended in various parts of the hall, added to the interest and attraction of the exhibition.

It was gratifying to observe a number of competitors from distant parts of the country, as well from Laprairie and Sorel. To Henry

Atkinson, Esq., of Quebec, whose beautiful display of green-house plants and fruit, on two occasions, attracted so much admiration, your Board would record their thanks.

Your Board were happy in being again honored with the presence of his Excellency the Earl of Elgin, as also that of Sir H. Huntley, Governor of Prince Edward Island, and a number of distinguished personages, together with a large attendance of the public generally.

The sale of tickets to non-members amounted to £35. For the list of prizes awarded at the various exhibitions, as well as the reports of the judges, you are referred to the records of the Secretary. There is every reason to believe that the awards have given satisfaction. The largest number of prizes during the season have been awarded to

Mr. John Archbold, gardener to Jos. Savage, Esq.

The second do. do. to Mr. P. Turner, gardener to J. Leslie Esq.

The third do. do. to Mr. James Carrol, gardener to George Desbarats, Esq.

The result of these exhibitions has been to show the capabilities of Montreal Island for the cultivation of fruits as well as other products ; to create a generous emulation among the members ; to promote and foster a taste for horticultural pursuits ; and to awaken an interest on the part of the public in the operations of the Society. It is highly desirable, as a means of giving greater efficiency, stability, and usefulness to the Society, that an application should be made to the Legislature, at its approaching Session, for an Act of Incorporation. As a corporate body, with a recognised legal existence, the way would be opened for the Society to acquire property and make preparations for the establishment of a botanical and experimental garden ; an object of the utmost importance to itself, and calculated to be, in no small degree, interesting and beneficial to the country at large ; and, for the attainment of which, no means, consistent with prudence, should be left untried. The subject has, from time to time, during the past year, occupied the attention of some of the members of your Board ; and from communications, not official, but of a conversational character, with one of the officers of the University of M'Gill College, it seems not unlikely that arrangements might be made, under which a portion of the grounds attached to that Institution might be obtained for that purpose. To enter upon the matter in any detail at present would be premature ; but it is obvious that such an arrangement would be productive of peculiar advantages to both bodies ; and

the subject is most earnestly recommended to the notice of our successors in office. To all those who, by their countenance and support, have contributed to the welfare and prosperity of the Society, a tribute of acknowledgement is due. To the Ladies first, who, by their tasteful offerings, have added so much to the attractions and interest of the exhibitions, its best thanks are presented. Your Board trusts, as this Association presents an appropriate sphere for the exercise of those happy influences which shed the genial spirit of benevolence and refinement over the best enterprises of our time, it will continue to receive from the fairer portion of our fellow-citizens, their zealous aid and co-operation. Your Board cannot express in too strong terms their gratification at the lively and active interest which the Professional Gardeners of the city have, from the commencement, displayed. Seeing at once the important bearing of the undertaking upon this, the chosen pursuit of their lives, they have brought to it a hearty and most useful support; and we feel safe in averring, that if the future progress of the Society should not answer to its present promises the cause will not be found in any want of zeal or exertion among this respectable and intelligent class of men.

Agreeably with the Constitution, which provides for the election, as honorary members, of individuals who have contributed essentially to the advancement of Horticulture, your Board have chosen as such, Henry Atkinson, Esq., Quebec, and Dr. P. McNeal, President of the Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society, Edinburgh.

The Society must be regarded as but in its infancy,—as a young and tender plant, requiring much fostering, care, and nurture, before it shall attain that growth and strength which will realize the hopes and expectations of its friends.

And in resigning the trust with which they have been honored, your Board would urge upon their successors in office the necessity of continued effort and exertion for its welfare, as it is only in this way that the present happy position of the Montreal Horticultural Society can be maintained, and progress secured.

The Rev. Mr. Villeneuve read a translation of the report in French; after which the Chairman called upon J. J. Day, Esq., to move the first Resolution, which was as follows:—

“That the Report now read, be adopted and printed; and that the Directors be instructed to take immediate measures to carry out the recommendation relative to the Act of Incorporation, and the Botanical Garden.”

Mr. Day had not come prepared to address the meeting, and indeed the Resolution, he thought, required no comment. That the Act of Incorporation would be of great advantage to the Society, was apparent to all; and was quite sure the Legislature would be disposed to encourage an enterprise of the kind, and would readily accede to the petition for the Act. He would regard the establishment of a Botanical Garden as a new era in the history of Horticulture in Canada, A collection of a great variety of beautiful indigenous flowers and plants, as well as shrubs and trees, with which our forests abound, would be of the highest advantage. These, as well as new varieties of fruits and vegetables, would be classified and named. The garden would also be a favourite resort for citizens, of which all could avail themselves, under certain restrictions. He was aware that a rich treat awaited them in the address they were about to hear from the President, and would not detain the audience further than by moving the Resolution, which was seconded by J. E. Guilbault, Esq.

Wm. Lunn, Esq., moved the following Resolution :

“ That this Society is encouraged in its proceedings by the great interest manifested at the Annual Exhibition, in September last; in the large display of choice flowers, fruits, vegetables; and in the public approbation evinced by the large attendance of visitors.”

He would only express his gratification and pleasure at the result of the exhibitions. The beautiful display of fruits and flowers during the summer had created quite a spirit of rivalry among the professional and amateur gardeners. He was quite sure the exhibitions of this year would as much exceed those of the last season as they had surpassed the most sanguine expectations of the founders of the Society. He coincided with the views of the former speaker; and trusted it would not be long ere there would be a flourishing garden connected with the Society. He hoped some wealthy bachelor would be disposed to give to the Society a few acres of ground, near the city, for this purpose; and thus confer the greatest benefits to the community, and hand his name to posterity (having no other means of doing so) as a benefactor of his race.

G. Shepherd, Esq., seconded the Resolution.

Mr. Lunn read the Treasurer's report, by which it appears the Society stands free of debt, notwithstanding the great expenses attending its first establishment.

The Rev. Mr. Villeneuve expressed the strong interest his Lordship the (R. C.) Bishop of Montreal felt in the welfare of the Society. His Lordship regretted exceedingly that his numerous duties prevented his taking an active part in its management ; but the Society might be assured of his cordial co-operation. He desired to see every Canadian, whose circumstances would permit, enrolled as a member. He considered this Society as one of the best means of breaking down the barriers of prejudice which too often existed between the two races ; and was sure it was only necessary to know each other to excite mutual esteem and regard.

His Honour Judge Day delivered an address on " the analogy between vegetable and animal life," which was listened to with equal pleasure and interest.

Notice was given by Mr. Garth, that at the next Meeting of the Society, he would move that the word " ballot" be erased from the first and second articles of the Constitution.

The election of Officers was then proceeded with.

Moved by the Hon. A. N. Morin, seconded by Mr. S. Jones Lyman, That the thanks of the Society be presented to his Honor the President for the excellent address with which they have been favoured, and a copy be requested for publication.

The meeting then adjourned.

GEORGE GARTH,

Recording Secretary.

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THERE will be FOUR Exhibitions during the Season. The first to be held in *May*, the second in *June*, the third in *August*, and the fourth or *Annual* Exhibition in *September*. Of the time and place of each Exhibition one week's notice will be given in the public newspapers of the City.

The Directors have resolved, in future, to hold an Exhibition for *Green-House Plants, Preserved Fruits, Vegetables, Garden Tools, Seeds, &c.*, in the month of *March*, the premiums for which will be published in the Schedule for 1849.

EXHIBITION IN MAY.

FLOWERS.

GREEN HOUSE PLANTS.—For the best display of various sorts, a premium of	s.	d.
	-	-
	-	-
	-	25
	0	
For the 2d best display of do.	-	-
	-	-
	-	10
	0	
PELARGONIUMS.—For the best six varieties, a premium of	10	0
FUCHIAS.—For the best four varieties, a premium of	-	7
		6
HYACINTHS.—For the best display, not less than twelve varieties, a premium of	-	-
	-	-
	-	5
	0	
For the best single specimen,	-	-
	-	-
	-	2
		6
ARICULAS.—For the best twelve specimens, a premium of	5	0
TULIPS.—For the best twelve varieties, a premium of	-	10
		0
BULBOUS PLANTS.—For the best collection of Flowers, a premium of	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	5
	0	
AMARYLLIS.—For the best collection, a premium of	-	5
		0
CAECEOLARIAS.—For the best six specimens, a premium of	5	0

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
CINERARIAS.—For the best six ditto, a premium of	-	5 0
CACTUS.—For the best six ditto, a premium of	-	5 0
PLANTS.—For the best two specimens from Cottage Windows, a premium of	-	10 0
NARCISSUS.—For the best two specimens, a premium of	5	0
CARNATIONS.—For the best twelve ditto, a premium of	5	0
PERRENIAL FLOWERS.—For the best six specimens, dis- tinct varieties, a premium of	-	5 0
BOUQUETS.—For the best Hand Bouquet, a premium of	7	6
For the best Vase ditto, a premium of	-	10 0
INDIGENOUS FLOWERS.—For the best display, a prem. of	10	0

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES.—For the best tureen of early frame, a pre- mium of	-	5 0
CUCUMBERS.—For the best brace, a premium of	-	10 0
RADISHES.—For the three best bunches, of not less than twelve of each sort, a premium of	-	5 0
RHUBARB.—For the best six stalks named, a premium of	5	0
ASPARAGUS.—For the best 25 stalks, a premium of	-	5 0
LETTUCE.—For the best two heads, a premium of	-	5 0
MUSTARD AND CRESS.—For the best basket, a pre- mium of	-	5 0
MUSHROOMS.—For the best basket, a premium of	-	5 0

GARDEN TOOLS.

For the best collection, a premium of	-	10 0
For any improved Garden Tool, of Canadian manufac- ture, a premium of	-	10 0

EXHIBITION IN JUNE.

FLOWERS.		<i>s. d.</i>
CARNATIONS.—For the best six specimens, a premium of	5	0
FUCHIAS.—For the best four varieties, a premium of	- 7	6
GREEN HOUSE PLANTS.—For the best display, a premium of	- - - - -	25 0
For the second best do., of not less than 12 pots, various sorts, a premium of	- -	10 0
HAWTHORNS.—For the best display, a premium of	- 5	0
HERBACEOUS PLANTS.—For the best six flowers, a premium of	- - - - -	5 0
INDIGENOUS FLOWERS.—For the best collection, a premium of	- - - - -	5 0
PLANTS.—For the two best specimens, not grown in a green house, a premium of	- - -	5 0
PÆONIES.—For the best six blooms, a premium of	- 5	0
CALCEOLARIAS.—For the best six specimens, a premium of	5	0
RANUNCULUS.—For the best display, a premium of	- 10	0
ANEMONES.—For the best display, a premium of	- 10	0
VERBENAS.—For the best display, a premium of	- 5	0
PANSEES.—For the best display, a premium of	- - 5	0
PINKS.—For the best display, a premium of	- - 5	0
PICOTEES.—For the best display, a premium of	- - 5	0
CACTUS.—For the best specimen, a premium of	- - 5	0
BOUQUETS.—For the best pair, suitable for parlor, a premium of	- - - - -	10 0
For the second best do. a premium of	- 5	0
For the best pair hand do. a premium of	- 10	0
For the second best do. do. a premium of	- 5	0
WREATHS.—For the best wreath of flowers, a premium of	5	0

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES.—For the best basket, a premium of	- 10	0
For the second best do. a premium of	- 5	0
RASPBERRIES.—For the best basket, a premium of	- 10	0
CURRENTS.—For the best specimens, a premium of	- 5	0

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
MELONS.—For the two best, a premium of - -	20	0
For the two second best, a premium of - -	10	0
CHERRIES.—For the best basket, a premium of - -	10	0

VEGETABLES.

CUCUMBERS.—For the best brace, a premium of - -	5	0
RADISHES.—For the best three bunches, not less than one dozen each, a premium of - -	5	0
POTATOES.—For the best tureen, a premium of - -	5	0
PEAS.—For the best tureen, a premium of - -	7	6
CABBAGE.—For the best two heads, a premium of - -	7	6
LETTUCE.—For the best two heads, a premium of - -	5	0

BIRDS.

PIGEONS.—For the best collection, bred in the country, a premium of - - - -	10	0
For the second best do. do. - - - -	5	0
CANARIES.—For the best collection, bred in the country, a premium of - - - -	10	0
For the second best do. do. - - - -	5	0
For the finest collection of Singing Birds of the country, a premium of - - - -	10	0
For the finest collection of Birds of the most beautiful Plumage, a premium of - - - -	10	0

EXHIBITION IN AUGUST.

FLOWERS.

INDIGENOUS PLANTS.—For the best display, a pre- mium of - - - -	5	0
FLOWERS.—For the best display of annuals, in pots, a premium of - - - -	10	0
BALSAMS.—For the best, (not included in above,) a premium of - - - -	10	0
BOUQUETS.—For the best pair, suitable for parlor, a premium of - - - -	10	0
For the second best do., a premium of - - - -	5	0

PAINTINGS. —For the best painting of fruit, in oil, or	<i>s. d.</i>
water color, a premium of - - -	20 0
For the second best ditto, a premium of - - -	10 0
For the best painting of flowers, in oil or water	
colour, a premium of - - -	20 0
For the second best ditto, a premium of - - -	10 0
HERBARIUM. —For the best collection of pressed indigenous	
flowers, with botanical and common name,	
a premium of - - - - -	10 0
GARDEN IRON CHAIRS. —For the best pattern, a pre-	
mium of - - - - -	5 0
HONEY. —For the best specimen in the comb, a pre-	
mium of - - - - -	10 0
TOOLS. —For the best collection for a garden, a pre-	
mium of - - - - -	10 0

FLOWERS.

ANNUALS. —For the best display, a premium of - - -	20 0
GREEN HOUSE PLANTS. —For the best twelve, suitable	
for a collection, a premium of - - -	10 0
BIENNIALS. —For the best collection, a premium of - - -	5 0
COXCOMBS. —For the best display, a premium of - - -	5 0
STOCKS. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	5 0
SALPIGLOSSIS. —For the best collection, a premium of - - -	5 0
HOLLYHOCKS. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	5 0
PANSEES. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	10 0
ASTERS. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	10 0
PHILOX. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	10 0
HARDY AZALEAS. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	5 0
HARDY RHODODENDRON. —For the best ditto a pre-	
mium of - - - - -	10 0
DOUBLE BALSAM. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	5 0
VERBENAS. —For the best ditto, a premium of - - -	5 0
DAHLIAS. —For the best twelve dissimilar blooms, a pre-	
mium of - - - - -	20 0
For the best pair of blooms, a premium of - - -	5 0
PERPETUAL ROSES. —For the best display, a premium of	20 0
For the second best display, a premium of - - -	10 0

FRUITS.

PLUMS.—For the largest collection of best flavored and not less than one dozen of each sort, a	s.	d.
premium of - - - - -	20	0
For the second best ditto, a premium of - -	10	0
For the best display of seedling plums, do.	10	0
PEACHES.—For the best display, a premium of - -	15	0
For the second best ditto, a premium of - -	5	0
APPLES.—For the best and largest variety, not less than one dozen of each sort, a premium of -	20	0
For the second best ditto, a premium of - -	10	0
PEARS.—For the best collection, a premium of - -	10	0
For the second best ditto, a premium of - -	5	0
GRAPES.—For the best two bunches, grown in open cul- ture, a premium of - - - - -	15	0
For the second best ditto, - - - - -	5	0
For the best specimen, grown under glass, a pre- mium of - - - - -	20	0
For the second best ditto, a premium of - -	10	0
FRUIT.—For any new variety of superior quality, a pre- mium of - - - - -	10	0
For the best basket of various sorts, - -	10	0
MELONS.—For the two best Minorca, a premium of -	7	6
For the two best Rock, a premium of - -	5	0
For the two best Pineapple, a premium of -	5	0
For the two best Nutmeg, a premium of - -	5	0
For the two best Cantalope, a premium of - -	5	0
For the two best Hybrid, a premium of - -	5	0
For the two best Water, a premium of - -	5	0
FIGS.—For the best display, a premium of - -	5	0

VEGETABLES.

CABBAGE.—For the two best late varieties, a premium of	5	0
For the two best Savoy, a premium of - -	5	0
CAULIFLOWER.—For the two best heads, a premium of	10	0
BROCOLI.—For the two best do. a premium of	5	0

CELERY.—For the best and largest blanched, not less than 6 roots, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
CORN.—For the best six ears, sweet, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
TURNIPS.—For the best six roots, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
BEETS.—For the best six roots, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
TOMATOES.—For the best display, not less than twelve, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
CARROTS.—For the best display, not less than six of each sort, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
PARSNIPS.—For the best display, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
ONIONS.—For the best display of different sorts, not less than 12 each, a premium of	-	-	-	10	0
EGG PLANTS.—For the best display, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
MUSHROOMS.—For the best basket, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
SALSAFY.—For the best twelve roots, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
SQUASHES.—For the best two Canada, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
PUMPKINS.—For the best two yellow, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
SWEET POTATOES.—For the best dozen, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
NEW VEGETABLES.—For any new variety, suitable for table, a premium of	-	-	-	10	0
VEGETABLE MARROW.—For the best two specimens, a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
VEGETABLES.—For the best display and greatest variety, not more than two specimens of each, a premium of	-	-	-	10	0

BIRDS.

PIGEONS.—For the best collection, bred in the country, a premium of	-	-	-	10	0
For the second best do., a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
For the best pair of "Carriers," a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
For the best pair of "Pouters," a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
For the best pair of "Fantails," a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
For the best pair of "Jacobins," a premium of	-	-	-	5	0
For the best pair of "Almond Tumblers," a premium of	-	-	-	5	0

CANARIES.—For the best collection, bred in the country,	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
a premium of	-	- 10 0
For the second best do., a premium of	-	- 5 0
For the best pair, a premium of	-	- 5 0
For the best Canary, a premium of	-	- 5 0
SINGING BIRDS.—For the best collection of the country,		
a premium of	-	- 10 0
BIRDS OF PLUMAGE.—For the best and handsomest, a		
premium of	-	- 5 0

GARDENS.

For the best cultivated Garden and Ornamental Grounds,		
a premium of	-	- 50 0
For the best cultivated Vegetable Garden, a premium of		50 0

Competitors for the Prizes for Gardens are requested to send their names to the Recording Secretary, on or before the 1st July next, stating for which they wish to compete.

The Judges will visit the various gardens at any time they consider best, giving one day's notice of their intention.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE EXHIBITIONS.

I. All Fruits, Flowers, and Vegetables, *placed in competition for premiums*, are to be the growth of the competitors.

II. All articles to be exhibited for premiums must be placed in the stands by ten o'clock, a. m. ; and no production in the fruit, flower, or vegetable department, will be admitted for premium after that time, except from competitors out of the district. *This rule will be strictly adhered to.*

III. All articles exhibited shall remain in the Hall until the close of the exhibition, when they will be delivered to the contributors, unless otherwise directed.

IV. Committees shall have the discretionary power of withholding premiums, if, in their opinion, the articles exhibited do not merit them.

V. In awarding premiums on plants in pots, special reference will be had to the beauty of the specimens, profusion of bloom, and evidence of superior cultivation. Inferior specimens will be excluded by the judges from competition.

VI. Gratuities will be awarded by the Committees for any new or rare fruits, flowers, plants, or other object of particular interest, and for which no special premium has been offered.

VII. When specimens are presented for a name, the owner is requested to give all the information in his possession, as to the origin, and the name by which they have been usually known.

VIII. The contributors of fruits for exhibition or premium, are recommended to observe uniformity, as far as possible, in the dishes or baskets in which their articles are presented for competition.

IX. The Committees are authorised to remove all ordinary specimens from the table.

X. No flower, fruit, or vegetable, will be considered as deserving a premium unless it possesses points of superior excellence; and no object for which a premium has been awarded will be entitled to another during the season.

XI. It is also required that the fruits, flowers, and vegetables, should be accompanied by brief observations on the mode of cultivation, *if peculiar*, together with any other remarks of utility.

XII. No individual, except the judges, will be allowed to touch or handle any fruit, flower, or other article exhibited.

XIII. No person allowed to be in the Hall while the Committees are awarding the premiums.

XIX. All articles for competition should be sent, if possible, the day previous; or, if not, early on the morning of exhibition.

CHARLES D. DAY,

President.

GEORGE GARTH,

Secretary.

Montreal, 15th February, 1848.

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