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MIDLAND CENTRAL FAIR

Annual Meeting of the Frontenac Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the Frontenac Agricultural Society was held in the City Council Chamber to-day at one o'clock. The representation from the city was better than last year; that from the country not so good. The minutes of the last annual gathering were read and adopted. The statement of the receipts and expenditure was read by the President. The totals of the items were:

	\$	£	10	8
Balance on hand, 1879	78	7	7	7
Members' subscription	1,444	71	0	0
Admission fees	700	00	0	0
Postage	22	35	0	0
Municipal grant	100	00	0	0
Interest on bank note	10	00	0	0
Miscellaneous	84,113	92	0	0

BALANCES:

	\$	£	10	8
Fines paid or previous year	2,000	00	0	0
Legislative grants paid up	1,200	00	0	0
Postage and express	224	30	0	0
Printing and books	200	00	0	0
Insurance	125	00	0	0
Admission fees	123	90	0	0
Judges' expenses	400	00	0	0
Working expenses	8,000	74	0	0
Balances on hand	8,000	74	0	0

Mr. Henry Cunningham, ex-President, compared the expenses and receipts for 1879 with those of 1880. Loss was collected by \$100 in 1880 than in 1879. The admission money was \$100 less, while the premiums collected had been increased. While there was a surplus of about \$750 in 1879 there was but \$500 in 1880. The members present were satisfied, however, with the result, as it was exceptional in several respects, and the Society did not expect to do as well.

The election of officers followed, and those chosen were:

President—Sheriff Ferguson.

First Vice-President—D. Nicol, Cata-

rapi.

Second Vice-President—W. Hart.

Directors—Jno. Wilmet, T. C. Stark,

J. M. Fair, Henry Cunningham, Wm.

Breden, John Simpson, Henry Wilmet,

George Oldrieve and Wm. Duff.

Sheriff Ferguson moved that the past Presidents be ex-officio members of the Committee of Management. Carried.

Mr. Dunlop vacated the chair. Sheriff Ferguson, assuming it said he was one of the first constituents who erected the present Crystal Palace, the first in Canada. He thanked the meeting for the honour conferred on him. He would do the best he could.

The meeting heartily thanked Mr. Dunlop for the work he had performed as President for the past year. He was spoken of as a most efficient officer.

Mr. Dunlop returned thanks.

Expressions of approbation were passed to the Secretary and Treasurer for the labor performed by them.

Thanks were tendered to the Com-

mittee of Management and County Au-

thorities.

Mr. Henry Cunningham moved, sec-

onded by Mr. John Simpson, that the

President Vice-Presidents and Com-

mittee to see if the townships in the

county would not forego their annual

shows this year. He spoke of the le-

gality and expediency of the latter. He

maintained that it would be danger-

ous to leave the Government so long a

period to two years without coming face

to face with the people on their repre-

sentatives.

Mr. Young devoted most of his

speech to the discussion of the "feeler"

in the speech about legislation in alter-

nate sessions. He pointed out that

such a change must end in biennial ses-

sions, and proceeded to discuss the le-

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sentatives.

Mr. Lawler not merely deprecated

the expressions in the Speech on the

boundary question, but characterized

the region in dispute as one of little im-

portance to the Province.

Mr. Lawler pointed out that the control

of educational burdens was largely

assumed in the hands of the people

themselves. He discussed the neces-

sity of maintaining the Provincial Leg-

islatures, and would rather curtail the

outlays than abolish the Local Legisla-

tures.

Mr. Gildersleeve, moved that it

be a rule of the Society that at least

three members be appointed each year

on the Board of Directors who have not

been Directors in the preceding year.

This motion was looked upon as ex-ec-

tent, and was carried unanimously.

Mr. John Shaw and Mr. MacLean

were appointed Auditors.

A serious accident having occurred

to Mr. J. A. Allen he was prevented

from attending. Some of sympathy

was passed to him.

The meeting then adjourned. At a

subsequent meeting of the Directors

Mr. Isaac Simpson was re-elected Presi-

dent, and Mr. Thomas Mills Secretary.

The date of holding the Fair was fixed

for the 20th September, and to be con-

tinued four days.

Bishop's Reception.

Information has been received to

the effect that Dr. Cleary, the Bishop

of Kingston, now on his way to

Canada, will arrive here about the first

of next month. Last evening a number

of prominent churchmen met at the

station to welcome him.

On Tuesday, Jan. 18.—The 2:30

o'clock train, going with seven coaches

and quite a number of passengers

aboard, came off the track a little east

of here. All but the engine were over-

turned and badly wrecked. Some were

thrown beyond the railway ditch into

the field. Some of the passengers were

badly hurt. In one case a car had to

be broken open to get a lady out.

As far as we can hear none are seriously

injured. It is supposed that a rail was

cracked or broken.

Railway Grant.

Toronto, Jan. 18.—The Ontario Go-

vernment has concluded to hand over

to the Ontario and Pacific Junction Rail-

way \$1,000 per mile boms which it

promised some years ago to railway

companies.

Quite a number of seats are still va-

cant in the Assembly Chamber. It is

unlikely that Mr. Scott, of West Pe-

terborough, will take his place in the

House during this session, as he has gone

abroad for the sake of his health.

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Mr. George Legge, of Toronto, a

member of the Legislature, was

presented with a speech from the

Speaker of the House.

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