

Minute of Meeting of the Council
held at Cawdor Cottage on Friday
20th October 1944 @ 7.30pm

Present

Mr A Gillies, President
Misses Anderson and McNaughtan Members of the
Council
and
J. Fulton Gill Secretary

Death of Lady
Tweeddale

Mr Gillies, before proceeding with the business, intimated with deep regret the death of Lady Tweeddale. In interpreting the feeling of the meeting he said that her Ladyship had been Patroness of the Society for a great many years and had always shown a keen interest in its affairs. As is well known the cause of human suffering was very dear to her, and the Red Cross and Nursing Association were greatly indebted to her for the help given so willingly. She was such a true friend to her and our Society would be lost for a long time to come. He, therefore, moved and it was agreed that the Council and Society extend to Lord Tweeddale and his family their deepest sympathy in their loss and that the appreciation of Lady Tweeddale's services to the Society be recorded in the Minutes and an extract sent to His Lordship. The Secretary was instructed accordingly.

Apologies

Apologies were intimated by Mrs Barker and Mr Bruce.

Minutes

The Minutes of Meetings of the Council dated 27th January 1940 and of the Emergency Committee dated

dated 9th September 1940 and 18th June 1941 were read and confirmed.

Finance

Accounts

Balance 59.6.8

The Secretary reported that the Accounts from 1st January 1940 to 18th September 1944 had been audited by Mr McNaughtan and in abstract thereof was read. The Balance at the credit of the Society as at the last date was £59.6.8 and after explanations by the Secretary the accounts were formally adopted.

Secretary's Memo

Re show 1945

1946

The Secretary explained the reason for calling the meeting, as the war was nearing its end consideration should be given about the holding of the show in 1945 or 1946. With a view of assisting the Council the Secretary had prepared a Memorandum which had been sent to each member. In connection therewith he read correspondence between Messrs Dobbin & Co and The Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society. After a very full discussion it was agreed that:-

Decisions

1. No show should be held in 1945 but that the Secretary's Memorandum should be again considered at a later date when the holding of a show in 1946 should be organised.
2. The Society should purchase, if possible, vases as the Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society could not see their way to lend any owing to the difficulty of replacements.
3. Negotiations should be open between the Council & the Hall Committee with a view to purchasing tables.

Accounts

The Council passed for payment the accounts incurred to Mr Reynolds for the wreath for the late Lady Tweeddale.

Mr Gillies was thanked for presiding
John McNaughtan Secretary.

David Bell President