PROGRESS IN HORTICULTURAL SCIENCE

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The American Society for Horticultural Science was organized some thirty-four years ago "more fully to establish horticulture on a scientific basis." At that time, the importance of scientific features in our profession was not so generally recognized, and there existed a definite need for stimulating activity in scientific research in the field of horticulture. The founders of our society entertained the hope that the technical papers presented at the meetings would be subject to close scrutiny, and they suggested, diplomatically, that this "would doubtless lead to a more complete investigation of some points imperfectly developed."

All of us will agree, I am sure, that some progress has been made during the third of a century of our existence, in realizing at least in part these objectives of our organization. The records of our annual proceedings give abundant evidence of this. There you

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