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No. 2—Length of clean stem, 18 feet; girth at the bottom, 7 feet; girth 5 feet from the ground, $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet; length of fronds, 5 feet.

No. 3—Clean stem, from the ground to the crown, 20 feet; divides into two stems, one measuring 11, and the other 8 feet; girth where the stem divides, 5 feet; length of fronds, 6 feet.

No. 4—Length of stem, 20 feet; girth at bottom, 6 feet; girth 6 feet from the ground, 4 feet; length of frond, 5 to 6 feet.

Mr Cannan describes the Botanic Garden of Melbourne as extending to 60 acres, including 18 acres of lagoon. The garden is partly bounded by the River Yarra.

V. *Notice of Plants collected in the Isle of Skye.* By Dr JOHN ALEXANDER SMITH and Dr GILCHRIST. Communicated by Dr GEORGE LAWSON.

Dr Smith, while residing at Armadale Castle, Skye, in October and November last, observed a few interesting plants in the neighbourhood: *Sticta pulmonaria* was in great abundance, and in fine fruit, on the trees; and other lichens and ferns were collected. *Himantalia lorea* formed large patches on the rocks along the shore; and Dr Smith presented to the Herbarium specimens showing the various stages of growth.

Dr Gilchrist visited the Cuchullin Hills, Skye, in company with Dr Lindsay in 1855, and collected many interesting mosses of the genera *Andræa*, *Bryum*, *Splachnum*, &c., specimens of which were shown. Specimens of *Andræa nivalis* from Ben Nevis were also exhibited.

11th March 1858.—Professor BALFOUR, V.P., in the Chair.

The following candidate was balloted for and duly elected:—

As Ordinary Resident Fellow.

J. G. BOOTH jun., Esq., 4 Hermitage Place, Leith.

A copy of Mr Howie's "Musci Fifenses" (containing excellent specimens of the Mosses of Fife), having been