MINUTE of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS of the SCOTTISH POTATO TRADE ASSOCIATION held in the Station Hotel, PERTH at 2 p.m. on Thursday, 12th JANUARY, 1984.

(G. Hogg, Esq.)

(N. Auckland, Esq.)

(P. Miller, Esq.)

(G. Lothian, Esq.)

(P. Hudson, Esq.)

(J.O. Robertson, Esq.)

(Messrs, D. Maxwell and

G. Dryden)

McKenzie)

J. Robb)

(D.H. Lindsay, Esq.)

(J.L. Milne, Esq.)

(P. Moffat, Esq.)

(J.H. Barr, Esq.)

(J. Ramsay, Esq.)

(W. Brooksbank, Esq.)

(Messrs. I.R. and K.A.

(Messrs.D. Stewart and

(Messrs. J.E.Cook and G.Gyle)

(Messrs. B. and I. Fulton)

## PRESENT:

The Firm of Thomas Anderson N.B. Auckland Ltd. Wm. Beeson (London & Dunbar) Ltd. Messrs. P.L. Fordyce James Fulton Jnr. Ltd. Galbraith & Roy Ltd. Philip Hudson Ltd. Wm.Law & Son (Potatoes) Ltd. David Lindsay (Potato Merchants) Ltd. G. & D. Maxwell Ltd.

J. Logan Milne (Potatoes) Ltd. Tom Mitchell (Cornwall) Ltd. Messrs. Peter Moffat (Potatoes) Messrs. McKenzie Bros.

Pattullo Barr & Co. Ltd.

George Ramsay & Son Ltd. Robertson of Perth Ltd.

J. & E. Smillie (Potato Merchants) Ltd. (G. Smillie, Esq.) (A. Fleming, Esq.) S. Thompson & Son Itd. with R. David Hunter (Secretary) and D. Blackmore (Assistant) in attendance.

The President, J.E. Cook, Esq. took the Chair and welcomed those present to the Meeting.

## APOLOGIES:

The Secretary intimated apologies for absence on behalf of

A.D.S. Cluny Ltd. A.J. Allan (Potato Merchants) Ltd. G.S. Brass (Perth) Ltd. David T. Fenton & Sons Ltd. Messrs. Wm. Fraser James Haggart & Sons Ltd. Messrs. James Henderson & Sons Gilbert McClung Ltd.

(R. Doig, Esq.) (A.J. Allan, Esq.) (G.S. Brass, Esq.) (J.G.H. Fenton, Esq.) (J.P. Deuchar, Esq.) (J.R. McArthur, Esq.) (J. Henderson, Snr., Esq.) (T. McClung, Esq.)

## ANNUAL ACCOUNT:

The Treasurer, Mr. R. David Hunter, delivered his report for the year to 31st October, 1983 and gave an item by item explanation and comment on the Association's duly Audited Account for that same year. There being no questions or comment from the meeting in reply to the Chair, Mr. K.A. McKenzie formally moved that the Account be approved and adopted and this was seconded by Mr. D. Maxwell. This Motion was duly carried without dissent.

## COUNCIL'S REPORT:

The President spoke briefly on the various headings in the pre-circulated Council's Report to Members for the year to 31st October, 1983 and emphasised Council's policy to increase the information feed back to Members. He invited questions and/or observations but there was no response to his invitation from those present.

The Treasurer reported that the Finance Committee's recommendation, ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS: that the past year's tonnage brackets and rates of Annual Membership Subscriptions should remain unchanged for the current year to 31st October, 1985 had been endorsed by Council for submission to and consideration by today's meeting. In the absence of any comment Mr. J. Logan Milne, seconded by Mr. P. Moffat, moved that this recommendation be adopted. The Motion was duly carried without dissent.

(a) Annual Dinner and Dance - The Chairman announced that further A.O.C.B: applications for tickets for this year's Function can still be accepted.

- (b) P.M.B. Scheme Changes The Chairman explained briefly that Members' views and ideas would be warmly welcomed in readiness for the 'Open' Council meeting arranged for 2nd February, 1985 and a further meeting with NFUS on 8th February, 1986.
- (c) Invited Guest Speaker The Chairman also explained the reasons for inviting Dr. Robert Laing, of the East of Scotland College of Agriculture, to address members following today's meeting. In reply to Mr. Brooksbank he assured all Members that this Association is very alert and active in the matter of tecnazene use.

The Meeting then closed with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair. Mr. Cook then introduced Dr. Laing to Members.