

President, and that the Ashcroft ticket has been defeated.

A better report of the Conventions will be given in the September number.

The D. P. A.

The Dominion Philatelic Association was organized in September, 1894, with a charter membership of 20. For a short time this organization enjoyed a healthy growth, so that about six months later a total membership of 63 was registered.

For some reason unknown to me the affairs of the Association seemed to proceed slowly after this little start-off, and by December 1895, or about nine months later, only about thirty more had joined. It was at this time that a great change was necessarily made, and since that time the membership roll has increased rapidly. This change was occasioned by the secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. S. Weatherston of Toronto, removing to New York, so of course another officer had to be chosen to fill the vacancy. This was Mr. Irving E. Patterson of Guelph, formerly of Wyandotte, Mich., who has since proved his ability to manage the affairs of the Association, and the way things have advanced since his election is marvellous. Verily I say unto you: "He is the greatest worker the D. P. A. ever had," and the most efficient officer ever elected. He is running for the same position again this year, and who is the member who would not vote for him? Vote for men who will work for the interests of the Association, and not to gain fame for themselves. The membership roll is

fast approaching the 200 mark, and we hope by the end of the year to have 300 members attached to the list.

Mr. Patterson announces his intention of remaining in Canada another year, and we are pleased indeed to learn this, as the D.P.A. is sure of success. It was his intention to return to Michigan.

Vote for A. M. Muirhead for president, L. S. Graham for vice-president, Irving E. Patterson for secretary-treasurer, and the *Ontario Philatelist* for the official organ.

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