

Mikado—United States reprints of English copy-right pieces. The Anglo-Canadian Music Publishing Co. will not allow any one to infringe on what are their rights, and any infringement of copyright will, we understand, be looked sharply after. Dealers should be very careful in this matter as their probable forfeiture would be many times the profit made.

### PERIODICAL LIST.

The much delayed list of periodicals and annuals has been materially corrected since the issue of the specimen.

The principal changes made are where an error crept in in yearly price of shilling magazines, the proper price being \$4 instead of \$3.50. Other changes, almost all tending to better prices, have been made.

The whole list has been thoroughly revised by experienced newsmen of Toronto, so that there is no danger of any error in prices.

A good deal of trouble was incurred in its preparation, the constant requests from the Trade for a uniform price list is now met, and those who have not yet ordered will please do so without delay. It will be impossible to procure them at as reasonable a rate again, as the large edition materially reduces prices.

As stated on specimen, the lowest price at which the greatly enlarged lists can be placed will be \$4 per thousand, \$2.25, for 500, and \$1.25 for 250.

The lists will be printed on much better paper than the specimen. Orders to be sent to the publisher of this journal.

### THE TORONTO BOOKSELLERS' ASSOCIATION.

REPORTED FOR "BOOKS AND NOTIONS" BY D. T. McAINSH, SECRETARY.

Following the suggestion of the Ontario Association, the booksellers, stationers and newsdealers of Toronto, after several preliminary meetings, met on the 17th ult. at the store of Jas. Bain & Son, for the purpose of organizing.

The retail trade of the city was well represented and the feeling was unanimous in favour of forming an association. After receiving the report of the committee which had been appointed to draft by-laws, the following officers were elected: President, Henry Hutchison, of Rowsell & Hutchison; Vice-President, Donald Bain, of Jas. Bain & Son; Sec.-Treas., D. T. McAinsh, of McAinsh & Ellis; Executive Committee, Joseph Fletcher, E. Clare, S. Wallace, and R. W. Douglas.

As set forth in the by-laws, the objects of the association are, "to promote the common interests of the trade by removing as far as possible trade grievances, and by periodical friendly meetings to establish good feeling among the members." Regular meetings will be held on the 3rd Monday in each month for the

transaction of business. At the next meeting the subjects for discussion are, "early closing," and "Uniform prices for newspapers and magazines."

After regular business had been disposed of, the vice-president took the chair, when the president moved, seconded by J. T. Hornibrook, that a vote of thanks be tendered to J. J. Dyas, Secretary of the Ontario Association for his untiring efforts in securing the successful organization of the association. It was also resolved that Books & Notions be the recognized organ of the association.

Besides the fifteen who became members at the first meeting many more have signified their willingness to join, so that before long the Toronto booksellers will have an association second only in Canada to the Ontario Union, and possessing an influence that will make itself felt throughout the Dominion.

There were present at the preliminary meetings and the one to complete the organization: Donald Bain, Alex. Brown, W. B. Cooke, D. O. Ellis, Joseph Fletcher, Henry Hutchinson, S. R. Hart, J. T. Hornibrook, D. T. McAinsh, J. P. McKenna, J. S. Plakett, M. Shewan, jr., A. G. Watson, and Samuel Wallace; by proxy, S. R. Briggs and A. Jones. There was also present the secretary of the Ontario Association.

### PERSONALS.

H. R. Blackwood, who bought out B. H. Rothwell's Brantford business early last winter, sold the business back to the former owner a little while ago, at much less than he paid for it. Creditors are grumbling very much at the transaction, particularly as they stand to lose a very large percentage of their claims. An assignment has been made.

J. L. Gauvreau, Quebec, has failed. Indebtedness mainly to Montreal houses.

Business changes of late are J. Blizard & Co. (Marshall's old stand) Toronto, sold to F. Qua & Co., formerly with P. C. Allen. Mrs. R. Glover has bought out W. C. Holland's business in Bothwell, and J. Cummings, Strathroy, being in ill-health, has sold out to J. Wilton & Son.

OVER THE OCEAN.—Among Torontonians attending the Intercolonial Exhibition, or on their way thither, are, Richard Brown, H. H. Fudger, James Bain, J. Y. Reid, R. W. Douglas, and T. G. Wilson, foreman Warrick's bindery.

Six months in Bermuda, has apparently given P. C. Allen, the King st., Toronto, news man, a new lease of life. In poor health, a change was absolutely necessary. He came back invigorated and well. From what he says we should judge that unlimited banana was the medicine he most used.

The latest name for "The Drummer"—Ambassador of commerce.

Within a short time we have had the pleasure of meeting in Toronto Robert Anderson (Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier, Edinburgh), Reid, of Geo. Rutledge & Co.'s New York house and P. C. Leadbeather, Frederick Warne's & Co.'s New York agent.