

MEETINGS.

During the past year there have been held eight regular meetings of the Society and ten meetings of the Council, and we are pleased to be able to state that the attendance has shown an increase over that for the previous year. Special mention should be made of the meeting held on the 10th of December, at which a most entertaining musical programme was furnished by the Entertainment Committee, and we are also indebted to Messrs. William Wilson and Henry O'Hara for the very interesting addresses which they gave the Society upon their visit to the "Old Land," and to Mr. Ziba Gallagher for the excellent paper he read upon the life of the Irish poet, Thomas Moore. It is to be hoped that in the coming year our meetings will be made continuously interesting and instructive, as a result of the efforts of the Entertainment Committee.

QUEEN'S JUBILEE.

Perhaps the most memorable event which came under our notice during the past year was the commemoration of the Sixtieth Anniversary of Her Majesty's Coronation. Your Council thought it right and proper that the loyal sentiments of the Irish Protestants in this city should be conveyed to Her Majesty, and therefore despatched the following cable message :

"SIR A. BIGGE,

Private Secretary to the Queen :

"The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of Toronto respectfully congratulates Her Most Gracious Majesty, and earnestly prays 'God Save our Queen.'"

In reply to this message, we received, by command of Her Majesty, the following letter :

"The Queen has been pleased to command that her thanks should be conveyed to the members of the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society for their Address of Congratulation, an evidence of the devoted attachment of the Society, which affords Her Majesty much gratification.

"I have the honor to be, Sir,

"Your obedient servant,

"DAVID ERSKINE,

Governor General's Secretary.

"To the President Irish Protestant Benevolent Society."