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In many senses the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute was unique. In respect of attendance it established, we believe, a new record. British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec were heavily represented, although Nova Scotia sent but one or two members.

The vote registered was large, larger in fact than on any previous occasion. The papers were of wide range, were well presented and intelligently discussed. The introduction of the plan of presenting a brief verbal outline of each paper instead of reading it in its entirety is to be commended.

The arrangements in nearly every particular went much more smoothly than is usual. The business meetings, at which much spirit, but little acrimony, was manifested, were well conducted. The smoker and the dinner were heartily enjoyed. In fine, the whole session was on of good-fellowship and harmony.

To the success of this Tenth Annual Meeting there were at least three contributory causes—the Ottawa committee, which spared no pains to perfect every detail in the scheme of entertainment; the Secretary of the Institute; and THE CANADIAN MINING JOURNAL. We modestly place ourselves in this category of moving causes for the reason that we believe our efforts responsible for awakening the paid officials of the Institute to the necessity of bestirring themselves. To use a homespun metaphor, we were as turpentine upon drowsing steeds.

The faithfulness of the chairman, Past President Frederick Keffer, who attended the meeting at great inconvenience, should be inspiring to officers and members alike.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN MINING JOURNAL.

Our enterprising contemporary, *South African Mines, Commerce and Industries*, has decided to shorten its title to *South African Mining Journal*. There is no question as to the wisdom and expediency of this decision. The former name is cumbersome. The latter is succinct.

South African mining men are under a heavy obligation to their leading mining journal for its recent successful organizing of a series of air drill contests. Under its new name we wish the *South African Mining Journal* enlarged usefulness and continued prosperity.

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