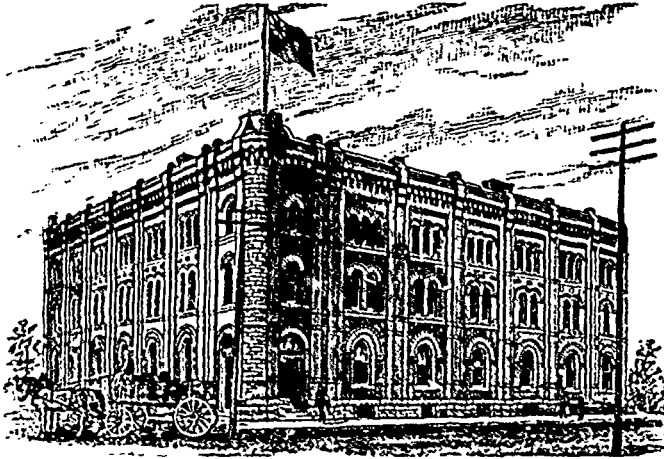


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The Travellers.

The annual meeting of the Northwest Commercial Travellers' association was held in Winnipeg on Dec. 20. There was a good representative attendance of members, M. R. O'Loughlin, president, occupied the chair. The annual reports and treasurer's statement were presented and adopted. They were as follows:

Gentlemen.—In presenting the eighth annual report your directors take pleasure in mentioning the continued growth and prosperity of our association. Our membership continues to increase, which, though to a limited extent, is very gratifying.

By our treasurer's report submitted you will see that we still continue to gain financially; the balance on hand now being \$4,493.14.

Our relations with the railway companies continue to be satisfactory. The question of reduced baggage rates has been brought before them, and we hope for a favorable reply in the near future. Application has also been made to the Canadian Pacific railway to have our members' certificates honored on their Prince Albert branch, but from advice received would report that it cannot be done at present, they say, owing to the limited traffic receipts and difficulties under which it is operated.

Our insurance contract with the London and Accident Guarantee Association of London, England, has been carried out to our satisfaction.

Your directors would invite the careful consideration of a new by-law to be submitted this evening, and though in the matter of Life Insurance it may appear small in this beginning, they have faith that in the future it will grow in the same ratio as that of our membership.

In the president's report for last year your attention was called to the advantages of the Commercial Travellers' Mutual Benefit Association, in the matter of good life insurance at low rates, and from the advice received within the last week we understand that the amount of insurance offered is to be policies of \$2,000, instead of \$1,000 as heretofore, and your directors would urge that our members take advantage of it.

We beg to remind the members that the Library of Reference is open at the Board of Trade rooms every day, for the free use of

members of the association, and we would be glad to know that this privilege is freely made use of.

It is with sincere regret indeed that we have to report the death of two of our members for 1890, being Mr. Jas. Joss, of Messrs. Stobart, Sons & Co., and Mr. Geo. McCullagh, of the Aerated Water Company, both of whom were well and favorably known to their brother members.

In relinquishing office your officers and directors express the hope that continued prosperity may attend the future operations of the association.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. R. O'LOUGHLIN,

JOHN M. O'LOUGHLIN,

Secretary.

President.

The treasurer's statement showed the receipts for the year to have been \$2,218.54, and the disbursements \$1,129.83, leaving a balance on hand, together with the balance from the previous year, of \$4,493.14. The financial statement was accompanied by the following memorandum from the treasurer:—

Gentlemen,—I have pleasure in again submitting the "Annual Financial Statement," as it continues to show a steady growth of our funds, and a slight increase in membership, which I trust in the future will be further enlarged, when we are able to give members the benefit of the proposed "Mortuary Benefit Scheme" which is now submitted for your approval, and I have no doubt will be passed.

Our money has been drawing four per cent. interest in the Commercial bank as we have not found any more satisfactory investment for it, but hope to be able to get a better rate soon, by buying debentures of some of the rural municipalities bearing 7 or 8 per cent.

The books and vouchers have been duly checked over and audited, and auditors have certified to them and the statement herewith.

There are no unpaid accounts.

There is now the sum of \$4,493.14 in cash on hand as a foundation for our insurance by law, and I trust it may have accumulated to a very much larger amount before the board have to draw any of it to meet death claims.

In resigning the treasurership, I have to thank the secretary for having very much

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lightened my work, and you, gentlemen, for the honor of electing me president for the ensuing year. The office I shall endeavor to fill to the best of my ability.

I am, yours respectfully,

ANDREW STRANG,

Treasurer.

The "mortuary benefit by-law" was also discussed and adopted.

There was some discussion of privileges enjoyed by other associations and rates of fare and baggage on the Prince Albert branch of the C.P.R., after which votes of thanks were tendered the retiring president and the directors, after which the meeting adjourned.

The annual dinner of the association will be held at the Clarendon hotel on Monday night, 29th inst.

The officers for 1891 are as follows

President—Andrew Strang.

Vice President—L. C. McIntyre.

Treasurer—W. M. Rublee.

Secretary—J. M. O'Loughlin.

Directors—Messrs. C. F. Church, J. H. Holman, J. Lamb, F. Chilcott, M. R. O'Loughlin, A. A. McKenzie and J. C. Gillespie.

Auditors—Messrs. Cummins and Lindsay.

The Lethbridge News: "The weather so far this winter has been exceedingly mild and summerlike. To-day the mercury stands at 41 above zero, and our citizens are going around in their summer clothes. On Dec. 17th, 1890, the rivers of Alberta are open, the cattle grazing and roaming over the prairie, as in summer, the air mild and balmy.

The November number of the *Canadian Shoe and Leather Journal*, published by Jas. Acton, Toronto, is probably the finest edition of a trade paper ever issued in Canada. It is about 175 pages in size, printed on fine paper, and profusely illustrated. Cuts of leather wholesale and retail shoe dealers throughout Canada are given. Also views of Canadian cities, including a fine view of Winnipeg. The publication is contained within handsome illuminated covers. The issue should be seen by all shoe dealers. The publisher has good reason to feel proud of his effort in getting out this fine number.