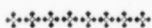


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 WING doubtless to the prevailing dullness in all commercial affairs, the season now closed has not been encouraging.

Our duty to the public, the profession, and our Province at large, however, bids us hold on our course in honest endeavour, and to trust that while we fulfil the duty we owe as a public body, our wealthy compatriots will in time recognize that they also owe something for their birthright, and will acknowledge our efforts in a more substantial manner by acquiring our works, and that in so doing they will suffer no loss, but will eventually gain in satisfaction and even commercial profit.

Arts and Crafts Exhibition at Hamilton.

On closing the spring exhibition of 1894 (in connection with which no Art Union was held) a large proportion of the collection was forwarded to Hamilton, the several pictures having been selected by the President of the Arts and Crafts Association of that city to form the greater part of the exhibition there. Few sales were made, but the attendance was good, and great satisfaction expressed; a state of things well vouched for by a similar course being followed at the present time upon the closing of the exhibition of the Royal Canadian Academy just held in our galleries.