

A CANADIAN ELECTRICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE following letters have been received in response to a circular issued by the publisher of the ELECTRICAL NEWS asking for an expression of opinion regarding the desirability of forming an association to conserve electric interests in Canada, and suggesting September 17th, as the date for a meeting of those interested to formally discuss the subject:

Wm. Bathgate, Manager Winnipeg Electric Light Co.:—"Too far for us to go."

J. Telfer, Manager Blenheim E. L. Co., Blenheim, Ont.:—"I shall be happy to meet you on the 17th of Sept. as requested."

Palmerston Electric Light Co., Limited, Palmerston, Ont.:—"We will be pleased to accept your invitation to the meeting in question on Sept. 17th."

Guelph Gas Co., Guelph, Ont.:—"We are decidedly in favor of a Canadian Electrical Association, and will be represented at any meeting called for that purpose."

A. Groves, Fergus, Ont.:—"Replying to yours of 1st inst., I may say I shall, if possible, attend meeting on Sept. 17th to consider the formation of Electrical Association."

S. Henry, Kincardine Electric Light Co.:—"At present I cannot say whether I will be able to attend meeting to be held on the 17th of Sept. or not. If possible, I will do so."

Dominion Electrical Manufacturing Co., Toronto:—"We think as you do, that an Electrical Association for Canada is what we need, and will do all in our power to aid same."

C. A. Phillips, Midland Electric Light Co., Midland, Ont.:—"I will be pleased to see organized such an Association as you speak of, and will attend a meeting as proposed by you."

Bowman & Zinkan, Southampton, Ont.:—"We received your circular, re Canadian Electrical Association. We cannot be present on Sept. 17th, but we think such an association might be of some benefit."

F. N. Saylor, Strathroy, Ont.:—"In reply to yours of 1st inst., I cannot be in Toronto at that date. An Electrical Association would be a great benefit to the Canadian electrical industry, but I regret I cannot take part."

W. Moore & Sons, Meaford, Ont.:—"In answer to your inquiry with reference to a Canadian Electrical Association, we would be pleased to become a member of it, and could no doubt attend a meeting in Toronto during Exhibition week."

A. W. Brice & Co., Hamilton, Ont.:—"Yours of the 1st inst. to hand, and in reply we beg to express our approval of an Electrical Association being formed in Canada, and will, if possible, be represented at the proposed meeting on Sept. 17th."

D. McDonald, Manager Electric Light & Power Co., Orangeville, Ont.:—"In answer to your circular of the 1st inst., I will be most happy to attend the meeting you speak of, to be held in Toronto on Sept. 17th for the formation of a Canadian Electrical Association."

Roberts Storage Battery and Electrical Construction Co., Toronto:—"Concerning your letter of the 1st inst., we beg to say that we think the suggestion a good one, and anything that we can do to further the practical working out of the idea will be gladly done."

Manager Electric Light Co., Cannington, Ont.:—"In reply to yours re formation Electrical Association, I think such a move would be one in the right direction, and would be pleased to attend on date mentioned, if no unforeseen occurrence arises to prevent my doing so."

Yarmouth Gas Light Co., Limited, Yarmouth, N. S.:—"Your circular letter duly received, and contents carefully noted. I am pleased to know of the intended formation of an Electrical Association, and am fully in accord with your views, and will, if possible, attend your meeting."

New Glasgow Electric Light Co., New Glasgow, Nova Scotia:—"We heartily concur in your idea to have an Electrical Association formed. We can't say whether it will be possible for any of our staff to attend your meeting, but whether we get there or not, we wish you success."

I. J. Gould, Uxbridge Electric Light Co.:—"In reply to yours of the 1st inst., I think the proposition to form a Canadian Electrical Association is a good one, and should business en-

gagements permit, I will be pleased to attend a meeting on the date named in your letter."

W. J. Clarke, Trenton, Ont.:—"It would give me great pleasure to be present at the meeting on Sept. 17th next (if possible), and to take an active interest in the work of organization. Please notify me at Trenton a few days before the meeting so that I will not overlook it."

Aylmer Electric Light Co., Aylmer, Ont.:—"Received your circular in re meeting September 17th to discuss the advisability of forming a Canadian Electrical Association. We are not certain whether we will go down to Toronto at that time, but if we do will try and be present at the meeting."

A. A. Wright & Co., Renfrew, Ont.:—"Your circular of the 1st inst. re formation of a Canadian Electrical Association, is just to hand, and in reply would say that we are heartily in accord with the movement, and shall do our best to be present on the 17th of September as suggested in your circular."

Stormont Electric Light and Power Co., Cornwall, Ont.:—"In reply to your circular of July 1st, we would state that our company would be pleased to belong to such an association as you mention, but at present we are unable to say whether we could send anyone to attend the meeting at the date mentioned."

Paris Electric Light Co., Paris, Ont.:—"Your communication of July 1st received and contents noted. We approve of the idea of forming a Canadian Electrical Association, and will help it along as far as it may be possible for us to do so. Expect to be in Toronto during the Industrial Exhibition, and will make it a point to attend meeting."

Fredericton Gas Light Co., Fredericton, N.B.:—"Your circular letter of 1st inst. is before me. I regret very much that I will be unable to attend your proposed meeting of those interested in electrical matters, to be held at Toronto on Sept. 17th. I am too new to the business to offer any suggestions to those who I hope will attend your meeting."

Toronto Electrical Works, Toronto, Ont.:—"We have your note of July 1st at hand, in reference to the organization of a Canadian Electrical Association. We shall be very glad to meet with those who are interested in the formation of the proposed society, and to give it our support. Such a society to be a success in Canada, should be very broad in its character and scope."

St. Thomas Gas and Electric Light Co., H. Brown, Manager, St. Thomas, Ont.:—"Your circular, re Electrical Association, is before me, and in reply, beg to say that I am in favor of such organizations, for no doubt they are a great benefit to all concerned. As I am not a practical electrician, it would not be my business to take any part in the formation of such an association, but if allowed to do so afterwards, I should consider it a privilege to become a member."

M. D. Barr, District Manager, Edison General Electric Co., Toronto, Ont.:—"I have yours of July 1st regarding formation of society to be called the 'Canadian Electrical Association.' I understand that there is a society of this kind in Montreal. Would it not be well to correspond with them, and make some kind of a combination for a National Association. I shall be pleased to be at the meeting, and will do what I can to forward the interest of such a society."

Louis Perrault, Manager Perrault Electric Light and Power Co., Montreal:—"I am in receipt of your favor of the 1st inst., and in my opinion I think the best thing to do is for Canadians to join the American Electrical Association, inasmuch as we have every thing to learn from our neighbors who are far ahead of us in that line. If I understand aright, the formation of such a society is for the promotion of electric interests in the country, and the organizing of exhibitions to instruct the people and make them acquainted with the progress of the industry, and as we have very little to boast of in our country, we had better join the existing one in the neighboring republic and be proud of being members of an important body in the advancement of science. I am sorry to say I will not be able to attend the proposed informal meeting to be held in Toronto on the 17th of September next, with a view of establishing such an association, owing to pressure of business here at that season, but will be glad to assist you in this city in my business capacity only, not being myself a practical electrician."

A new cable will be laid between Detroit and Windsor by the Bell Telephone Co. The old cable is badly damaged and part of it is caught on a wreck on the bottom of the river and cannot be released. One half of the cable has been cut away and the company think it more advisable to put in an entire new one than attempt to repair the present one. The new cable will be brought from Germany and will require about six weeks to get and put in working order.