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| H. O. Fisk, Peterboro Light & Power Co. | Peterboro. |
| I. H. Brooks, Brooks Mfg. Co. | " |
| F. S. Knapman, Bell Telephone Co. | " |
| J. W. Taylor, manager Brooks Mfg. Co. | " |
| A. Stevenson, manager Electric Light & Power Co. | Guelph |
| John Yule, Guelph Gas & Electric Light Co. | " |
| F. W. Whiting, Bell Telephone Co. | " |
| A. I. Smith, Bell Telephone Co. | Kingston |
| J. M. Campbell, Kingston Light, Heat & Power Co. | " |
| P. A. Dickson, Brantford Electric Light Co. | Brantford. |
| J. W. Eckart, Bell Telephone Co. | " |
| John I. A. Hunt, Forest City Electric Light & Power Co. | London. |
| S. J. I. Brown, Bell Telephone Co. | " |
| W. G. Fraser, Bell Telephone Co. | Petrolia. |
| F. G. Prout, Bowmanville Electric Light Co. | Bowmanville. |
| A. R. Baker, Bell Telephone Co. | St. Thomas. |
| Robert Bell, Dunnville Electric Light Co. | Dunnville. |
| H. H. Powell, Woodstock Electric Light & Power Co. | Woodstock. |
| C. J. Leshe, Bell Telephone Co. | St. Catharines. |
| W. R. McLaughlin, <i>Electrical World</i> . | New York. |
| E. S. Edmonson, Electric Light Co. | Oshawa. |

The President Mayor Blacher of Hamilton will now address the Convention.

Mayor Blacher: Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Canadian Electrical Association, - I am glad to appear here on behalf of the Corporation of the city of Hamilton, to extend to you as hearty a welcome as it is within our power to give. We feel highly complimented that such a body of scientific men should select this City as the place for their deliberations. In speaking, with some of the aldermen to-day, I was informed that those present have already discovered the principle of controlling the power of electricity. I have no doubt that is so, and considerable might be said on this and other points which I do not consider myself technical enough to undertake; but let me say that my principal business here is to extend to you as hearty a welcome as we know how, and to say that our Public Buildings are open to you during your stay with us; we shall be glad if you will make full use of the City Hall, Public Library, etc. Any assistance you may require in any way, just make known to Mr. C. R. Smith, Secretary of our Board of Trade, and we will try to do all in our power to satisfy your wants. You have our most hearty wishes that you may develop into one of the best associations that we have in the Dominion of Canada. (Applause).

After the Secretary had called the roll, the following resolution was passed

W. J. Morrison moved, Mr. Stannard seconded, that this association place on record their regret at the demise of Mr. W. C. Palmer, of Toronto, who had been actively connected with the Canadian Electrical Association, and that a letter conveying the same be sent to the bereaved family.

President We will now hear from the Secretary Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Mortimer, his Annual Report.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

In presenting this my first annual report, it seems to me that I should outline briefly the initiatory steps taken toward the organization of this Association. In the latter part of 1890 or the early part of 1891, Mr. S. J. Parker, of Owen Sound, who is now a member of the Executive Committee of the Association, issued a circular to the electrical companies throughout Ontario, requesting to be furnished with certain statistical information relating to the electric lighting business. At the same time, in personal interviews, Mr. Parker suggested the advisability of forming an organization in the interests of those engaged in the electrical business in Canada. These facts having come to the knowledge of the Secretary of the present Association he began to advocate through the *ELECTRICAL NEWS* the immediate carrying out of Mr. Parker's idea, and acting in conjunction with Messrs. Wright, Yule and others, circulars were issued inviting all persons interested to attend a meeting in Toronto during the last week of the Industrial Exhibition of 1891, to consider the advisability of forming an Association. Pursuant to this invitation, a meeting was held in the offices of the Industrial Exhibition Association on the 17th of September, 1891, at which there were present 21 persons, representing the various electrical interests. Mr. J. J. Wright was called upon to preside, C. H. Mortimer acting as Secretary. Several letters were read from persons unable to attend, expressing their sympathy with the movement. A Committee was appointed to formulate a scheme of organization, and report to a meeting to be held on the 26th of November following.

On the 28th of September, this committee met, arranged a basis of organization and instructed the Secretary to issue circulars to persons throughout the Dominion who might be supposed to be interested in electricity explaining what was proposed to be done and inviting their co-operation. On November 26th as per adjournment, a meeting of those interested was held in Toronto. The same number of persons were present as at the former meeting, though the personnel of the meeting was somewhat changed. Mr. J. J. Wright was again asked to preside. Communications were read from persons unable to attend the meeting, but desirous of seeing an Association formed. It was decided after some discussion to organize under the name of the "Canadian Electrical Association," after which the officers elect were appointed, a form of Constitution and By-laws adopted, and the place and date of the first annual meeting fixed.

The first meeting of the Executive Committee was held in Toronto, on the 10th of February at which meeting 22 members were elected. Names of those who should be asked to prepare papers for the annual meeting suggested and subjects allotted to each. Sub-committees were appointed to arrange for a place in which to hold the Annual meeting, to make arrangements for exhibitors, to interview the railway authorities as to rates, to prepare a circular for distribution setting forth the objects of the Association, and to formulate a programme for the Convention.

The Executive Committee held its second meeting, in Toronto, on the 17th of February, at which meeting the Secretary was instructed to write to the manufacturers of electrical apparatus in Canada, asking to be advised if it was their intention to exhibit at the Convention. 17 new members were elected. The late meeting was definitely fixed. The third meeting of the Executive Committee was held in Hamilton on May 10th. In view of the fact that many of the manufacturers of electrical apparatus had intimated

their inability to make an exhibit this year, it was decided to take no further steps toward holding an Exhibition. It was ordered that circulars be issued giving full particulars concerning the Convention, a programme for which was also outlined. The Hamilton members of the Association were appointed a Committee on Invitations. The Toronto members were instructed to prepare a programme, certificates of membership, badges, etc. 26 new members were elected.

The growth of the Association thus far has been very satisfactory. It is a somewhat surprising, yet gratifying fact, that although located in a much smaller field, it has up to the present made greater progress than the National Electric Light Association of the United States, at a similar period in its history. At the meeting of the National Association, in Montreal last year, the total membership was shown to be 220, or less than two-thirds greater than that of this Association, the existence of which covers only a period of 7 months. On May 31st, the close of the Association year, the membership roll included the names of 55 active members. The various provinces are represented as follows. - Ontario 50, Quebec 9, Nova Scotia 2, British Columbia 3, Manitoba and North-West Territories 7, New Brunswick 0, Prince Edward Island 0. There is also one member representing the United States. There have been elected since the date of this report 27 active members and 7 associate members bringing the present membership of the Association up to 109. The following statement will show the financial position of the Association on the above date:

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| <i>Receipts.</i> | |
| 48 Active member's fees, \$5.00 each | \$245 00 |
| 24 Associate members fees, \$2.00 each | 48 00 |
| From Guelph Gas Company, advanced before organization | 10 00 |
| \$303 00 | |

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| <i>Expenditures.</i> | |
| Refund to Guelph Gas Company, amount advanced before organization | \$ 10 00 |
| Refund Associate membership fee of W. C. Palmer, deceased | 2 00 |
| Allowance to C. H. Mortimer for sundry items of expense paid by him prior to organization, for postage, stationery, printing, etc. | 10 00 |
| Hall rent for first meeting | 2 00 |
| Blank book, cash book, minutes and receipts | 4 25 |
| Exchange on cheque | 15 |
| Post-cards and postage stamps from date of organization to May 31st, 1892 | 24 25 |
| Stationery and printing | 32 11 |
| Cash in Merchants' Bank | 199 99 |
| Cash in hands of Treasurer | 20 25 |
| \$303 00 | |

There are yet 9 active membership fees remaining unpaid, which will bring the total receipts for the past year up to \$348.00

Although it was understood that the members of the Executive Committee would be recouped for personal expenses in connection with attendance at meetings of the Executive, they have very generously declined to accept anything for this purpose from the funds of the Association, until such time as the organization may be considered to have reached a satisfactory financial position. I may be permitted to call attention to the fact that as the membership fees already paid in are intended to cover the present Association year, ending 31st May, 1893, the Association must depend for the financial requirements of the present year, solely upon the balance in hand, the unpaid membership fees and the fees of new members who may come into the Association during the year. Therefore there is need for personal effort to extend the membership, and for careful husbanding of resources.

Mr. Dunstan. That report reveals how greatly we are indebted to Mr. Mortimer, and in moving the adoption of it, I might say that we cannot help feeling very much encouraged with the satisfactory statement our Secretary and Treasurer has presented to us.

This motion was seconded by Mr. Carroll and the report unanimously adopted.

The President read the regrets of Mr. S. J. Parker, of Owen Sound, who was to have taken part in the Convention, but owing to important business engagements was not able to attend. He sent the statistics which he purposed laying before the meeting.

The President announced that he had been in communication with the officials of the Industrial Exhibition Association, of Toronto, who were anxious to have an electrical exhibition in connection with the Exposition. He had been distinctly authorized to state before the Convention that the Industrial Exhibition Association would be glad to meet the Association, and would be willing to do anything possible to provide all the facilities necessary for a first-class exhibit.

Letters were read from Hugh C. Baker, of the Bell Telephone Co., and H. P. Dwight, President of the G. N. W. Telegraph Co., enclosing with their applications for membership cheques for \$25 as donations towards the expenses of the Association.

The President We will now hear from the Committee on Nominations, and I might just say in explanation that this Committee was named by the Executive this morning to make nominations for the ensuing year. The nominations will not be limited to the names mentioned in the report.

A B Smith After looking at our Association interests from every standpoint, and thoroughly considering the most suitable men for our offices and the Executive Committee, we submit the following for your consideration. You will notice that while we would recommend that 9 members comprise the Executive Committee, we have submitted 11 names, so that it remains with you to choose 9 out of the number.

Messrs. K. J. Dunstan and J. Carroll were appointed scrutineers, and declared the following officers elected for the ensuing year:

President - J. J. Wright, Toronto; First Vice-President - K. J. Dunstan, Toronto, Second Vice President John Carroll, Montreal, Secretary Treasurer C. H. Mortimer, Toronto, and re-elected, Executive Committee Messrs. D. A. Starr, Montreal, H. O. Fisk, Peterboro', W. A. Johnson, Toronto; S. J.