

they are willing to do, and there should be no great difficulty in adjusting the other differences.

Since writing the above we are glad to have it from reliable sources that the differences between these two companies will be adjusted within a few days.



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS WITH METROPOLITAN LIFE.

Saturday evening, June 29, the Canada Club was the scene of a gathering of about 250 Metropolitan Life Insurance men who were there to honour the guest of the evening, Mr. Charles Stansfield, superintendent of the Montreal District. Mr. Stansfield has completed twenty-five years of continuous service with the company he ably represents. He was the company's pioneer in Canada being commissioned to open an agency in the City of Montreal, in March, 1894. It is notable that the great majority of those present at the banquet were graduates from his office.

Among those present were Haley Fiske, vice-president; James E. Kavanagh, superintendent of agencies; Joseph Grosnor, chief supervisor; Colonel Tilton, chief agent for Canada; A. G. B. Claxton, counsel for the company; Thomas Kerr, attorney; Dr. Thomas Simpson, chief medical examiner for Canada; Henry Briggs, superintendent, Toronto; Orville Shortly, superintendent, Ottawa; A. G. Roberts, superintendent, Brockville; Theo. Bourgeois, superintendent, Quebec; Frank Payette, superintendent, Sherbrooke.

The speakers of the evening were Col. Tilton, A. G. B. Claxton, K.C., counsel for the company; superintendent of agencies J. Kavanagh; and Ex-Supervisor Crankshaw. Mr. Haley Fiske, vice-president, also spoke congratulating Mr. Stansfield on the record he had made. He then presented Mr. Stansfield with a token of esteem from the officers in the form of a medal studded with diamonds.



CANADIAN FIRE UNDERWRITERS' ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association was held at Niagara Falls on May 26 and 27.

Mr. J. B. Laidlaw, president of the association occupied the chair. In discussing the Winnipeg rates, it was stated that some of the provisional improvements required by the association had been made, and that one unit of the high pressure system will be in working order in the early fall. In view of the above it was decided not to change the prevailing rates.

A request was received from the Eastern Union that no further action be taken regarding the Earthquake Clause until a conference be held with that body. This was acceded to. Through the courtesy of the three power companies at Niagara the members of the association visited the power houses, which were found very interesting.

It was decided that a rating officer be located at Calgary or Edmonton, to provide for more

prompt despatch of the work, in view of the growth of that section of the country.

Mr. T. L. Morrissey, of the Union, and Eastern vice-president of the association, was elected by acclamation president for the ensuing year; Mr. R. McD. Paterson, of the Phoenix of London, replacing him as Eastern vice-president. Mr. Kirkpatrick, of the Aetna & Home, Toronto, was re-elected vice-president for Ontario.

The following were present at the meeting: Messrs. A. W. Hadrill, secretary C.F.U.A.; Sime & Pringle (Western), H. M. Blackburn (Sun), H. M. Lambert (Guardian), Wright & Dobbin (London & Lancashire & Quebec), J. Gardner Thompson (Liverpool & London & Globe), W. Mackay (Royal & Queen), Robert W. Tyre (Northern), James McGregor (Commercial Union), James Paterson (Phoenix of London), Harold Hampson (North America), J. B. Laidlaw (Norwich Union), W. B. Colley (London Assurance), T. D. Richardson (New York Underwriters), P. M. Wickham (Yorkshire & Rochester German), Fred. Evans (Home & Aetna), A. Kirkpatrick (Aetna & Hartford), F. Bryers (Alliance), M. C. Hinshaw (Atlas), Lansing Lewis (Caledonian), F. Haight (Waterloo), J. C. McCaig (Richmond & Drummond), R. Davidson (North British & Mercantile), J. W. Tatley (Phoenix of Hartford), Mr. Franckum (S. U. & National), T. L. Morrissey (Union), C. H. Coffin (German American), C. E. Chase (Hartford), J. W. Coffran, Chicago, J. H. Lenahan, Chicago.



Personal Notes.

MR. F. A. WILLIAMS, A.I.A., left Montreal this week for New Orleans, where he enters upon the actuaryship of the Louisiana National Life Insurance Company. Mr. Williams before coming to Canada from England was connected with the Pearl Life, the experience gained with that company standing him in good stead in his subsequent position as Canadian actuary of the London & Lancashire Life at Montreal. That new American companies should look to Canada for actuarial officials is but following the lead of more than one of the best known companies in the United States. There is no doubt that Mr. Williams will justify in the Southland the good repute in which actuaries from Canada are held throughout the United States.

MR. WILLIAM WALLACE has been appointed general manager of the Crown Life, vice Mr. Charles Hughes who recently resigned to accept the position of Examiner of the New York Insurance Department. Mr. Wallace has been for five years the energetic superintendent of agencies of the Crown Life. His valued services in that capacity and the ability he has shown as a company official have won for him the promotion upon which he is now being congratulated.

HON. J. A. CLIFT, K.C., minister of agriculture and mines, Newfoundland, has been appointed agent of the Caledonian Insurance Company, at St. Johns, Nfld., to succeed the late Mr. Lilly.