

Has the National Policy been beneficial to Canada?

There were two public meetings, at which varied musical and literary programmes were provided, and the Society's thanks are due to the ladies and gentlemen outside of the society who accorded their aid in making these successful. At the first of these was a debate on the question, "Should Canada's political connexion with Great Britain be severed?"

Affirmative: Messrs. JAMES T. MCCALL AND ROBERT STIRLING.

Negative: Messrs. DAVID CAMPBELL AND EDWARD G. WALKER. The meeting decided this in the negative. At this meeting Mr. ROBIN read a paper on the "Philosophy of Love."

The debate at the second public meeting was on the historical subject, "Can the British Government be defended for the expulsion of the Acadians?"

Affirmative: Dr. F. W. KELLY AND Mr. ARCHIBALD MCGOUN, JR.

Negative: Messrs. J. CHAS. MCCORKILL AND B. C. MACLEAN. This was decided in the affirmative. Mr. J. HARVEY MACVICAR gave a reading at this meeting.

The proceedings of the current year will be noticed in the next report.

The officers elected at the annual meeting held in November last were:

<i>Patron,</i>	-	-	-	REV. A. B. MACKAY.
<i>Hon. President,</i>	-	-	-	THOMAS ROBIN.
<i>President,</i>	-	-	-	ARCH. MCGOUN, JR.
<i>Vice-President,</i>	-	-	-	JAMES T. MCCALL.
<i>Sec.-Treasurer,</i>	-	-	-	ROBERT STIRLING.
<i>Councillors,</i>	{			DAVID CAMPBELL.
				J. S. McDOUGALL.
				DAVID M. MCGOUN.
				J. HARVEY MACVICAR.

The constitution and by-laws have been printed on small Cards, and can be obtained from the President or the Secretary-Treasurer.