

## ANNUAL MEETING OF PROVINCIAL BUILDERS' EXCHANGE.

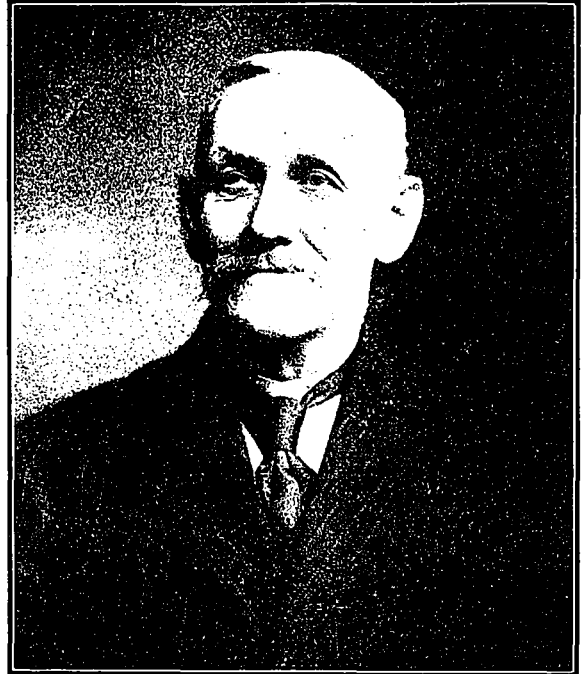
The annual meeting of the Provincial Builders' Exchange was held in Hamilton on February 22nd and 23rd, in the quarters of the Hamilton Exchange, corner of Main and John streets.

The meeting opened with an address of welcome to the visiting members by the Hamilton president, C. T. Pearse, local manager of the Pease Foundry Co. Mr. Pearse, in his remarks, which were well chosen, referred to Hamilton as the Pittsburgh of Canada.

The appointing of the different committees followed the reading of the minutes, after which the retiring president, George Gander, gave an interesting resume of the past year's work, making mention of general business conditions, which were fair, and pointing out the brighter future now opening up.

Secretary Flower read his annual report, outlining the efforts made and work accomplished towards the betterment of conditions for the members, after which the treasurer's report was presented, showing a satisfactory balance on hand. The meeting adjourned for lunch, and opened after with reading of reports from the different branches, showing trade fair, with prospects for the future much brighter.

Considerable time was devoted to the discussion of the Workmen's Compensation Act, and many suggested amendments made thereto, including an amendment to regulation number 53, exempting the smaller contractor.



T. R. WRIGHT, LONDON, ONTARIO.

The newly-elected President of the Ontario Builders' Exchange.

An interesting address was given by Mr. J. Mackenzie, Past President of the International Association of Master Painters, on Technical School Systems for Boys and Girls, which showed considerable thought given to his subject.

In the evening the visiting members were the guests of the Hamilton Association at a banquet held in Hotel Wentworth Arms. Ald. Plunkett, on behalf of the City, welcomed the guests, followed by an address by W. Ellis, of the Hydro Commission. Mayor Walters replied to the toast of "Canada." Addresses were also made by Principal Whittam, of the Hamilton Technical School, and President Gardner, of the Hamilton Board of Trade.

Wednesday morning a tour of inspection was made to the new Connaught Hotel, now nearing completion.

The meeting resumed by a discussion on a clause in the President's report on American competition in building, and it was suggested that the Builders' Exchange unite with the Ontario Association of Architects in representations to be made towards strictures on the unfair conditions existing.

Several resolutions were passed, including one approving of fair wage clauses in contracts.

A form prepared by the Association for use in sub-contracting was approved.

Platernal greetings were sent and received with the National Association of Builders' Exchange, in session at Baltimore, Md. A grant of \$25.00 was made to the Hamilton Branch of the Red Cross Association.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the Hamilton Chapter for their hospitality, as well as to the retiring officers and to the Secretary and Treasurer, who were unanimously re-elected.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, T. R. Wright, London, Ont.; 1st Vice-President, C. T. Pearse, Hamilton; 2nd Vice-President, A. Tomlinson, Chatham; Treasurer, Geo. Arkley, Jr., Toronto; Secretary, A. E. Flower, Toronto. Executive Committee to be composed of one member to be appointed from each branch of the Association.

Architects, engineers and contractors are invited to contribute information on construction work, whether it be proposed or in progress, and such information will be published in these columns.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Hospital Board has called for tenders on fire hose and fireproof doors for Barton Street Hospital. Secretary, S. H. Kent.

KINGSTON, ONT.—City Engineer R. J. McClelland has called for tenders on cement, hardware, rubble stone, sewer pipe, manhole covers, gratas, etc.

KINKORA, P.E.I.—Kinkora Cheese Factory has called for tenders on concrete work.

LONDON, ONT.—The City of London has called for tenders on supplies, covering cement, tile, coal and wood, lumber, stone and gravel, iron castings, rubber supplies, hardware, comfort station supplies, plumbing fixtures and road oil.

MEDICINE HAT, ALTA.—J. T. Bergman, box 164, Winnipeg, Man., has called for tenders on tar roof for building in Medicine Hat.

MELFORT, SASK.—Beaver Lumber Co. will erect new coal sheds and scales.

MONCTON, N.B.—School Board, secretary, F. A. McCully, require 108 school desks.

MONTREAL—The city of Montreal has called for tenders on brick. Specifications may be obtained from purchasing department.

NAPANEE, ONT.—C. A. Wiseman has purchased site for new garage on Bridge street.

NELSON, B.C.—New smelting plant and mill will be erected. E. Dedolph, Kaslo, B.C., interested.

OTTAWA, ONT.—City of Ottawa has called for tenders on new porch roof for City Hall. Engineer, F. C. Askwith.

PETERBORO', ONT.—City of Peterboro' has called for tenders on cement and tile pipe. Engineer, R. H. Parsons.

PORCUPINE, ONT.—Miracle Mining Co. will install 150-ton mill.

ROCKY MOUNTAINS—Great Northern Railway, manager, M. J. Costello, Seattle, is preparing plans for snow sheds of concrete construction.

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONT.—Steel Co. of Canada have awarded contract for barracks to McPhail & Wright.

STRATFORD, ONT.—Tenders have been called for wrecking of Central School by Secretary of School Board D. W. Foster.

THURLOW, ONT.—A. H. Eastern, Thurlow, Ont., will erect galvanized iron barn. Plans being prepared.

TORONTO, ONT.—Toronto Furniture Co. will erect garage and dry kiln.

TORONTO, ONT.—Board of Education has called for tenders on cabinet work.

TORONTO, ONT.—The city of Toronto is preparing plans for shelter, St. Clair and Avenue road, to cost \$500.

TORONTO, ONT.—W. J. McGuire, 15 Maple avenue, has awarded contract for new garage to A. H. Niblett, 34 Oxford street, to be erected on Pearl street.

TORONTO, ONT.—Manning Estate, 24 King street west, have awarded contract for new store front at 68 Queen street west to S. B. Bayshaw, 477 Marion street.

TRIPLE ISLAND, ONT.—Dominion Government will erect lighthouse. Secretary, R. C. Desrochers.

VANCOUVER, B.C.—Department of Public Works, Ottawa, architect, W. Ewart, has completed plans for freight sheds for Government wharf.

VANSKOY, SASK.—Trustees S. B. No. 3652, Vanscoy, Sask., has called for tenders on hardware and lumber for new school. Secretary, J. Cornelus.

WINDSOR, ONT.—City of Windsor has awarded contracts on new building at race track as follows: Carpentering, W. Dupuis; metal work, Pennington & Brian; painting and glazing, Lossing & Harris. Architect, J. C. Pennington.

## PERSONAL.

Geo. M. Miller has returned from an extended Southern trip. Mr. Alphonse Venne, architect, of St. Lambert, Quebec, has been re-elected mayor of that city.

Lieut. F. P. Page and Lieut. S. Warrington, brothers in arms as well as partners in the architectural profession, have been raised to the rank of captain in the 36th Regiment.

The death occurred in Sydney, N.S., on the 9th of February, of Mr. F. W. Spencer, architect and designer of many of the large buildings in that city. Mr. Spencer was 47 years of age, and had practised his profession in Sydney for a number of years.

Chadwick & Beckett, architects, 132 Church street, are temporarily closing their office, owing to both members of the firm being in command of overseas regiments, while their staff are either on military service or engaged on munition work. Any communications for the firm may be sent to 107 Howland avenue.

## REVIEW.

A catalogue has been received, just issued by the Gaten Hillock Revolving Door Co. of Canada, 154 George St., Toronto, which fully illustrates and describes the standard collapsible and the automatic collapsible panic-proof revolving door as manufactured by this firm. Illustrations and detail drawings clearly shown make this folder of value to those interested.

## TORONTO ARCHITECTS MEET.

The Toronto Chapter, O.A.A., met at the St. Charles Hotel on Tuesday, February 15th, 1916, at 1 p.m. After luncheon routine business was disposed of, and an informal discussion on matters of interest to the profession was held. It is understood that an important announcement will be made shortly with reference to legislation to be introduced to further the architectural interests and improve existing conditions. The following members were in attendance: President, R. K. Sheppard; Secretary, I. Feldman; A. F. Wickson; A. A. Gregg; H. B. Moore; W. Webb; W. A. Langton; E. Menges; E. T. Arnold; C. E. Langley; J. P. Hynes; A. E. Watson; J. E. Wagman; J. C. B. Horwood; M. A. White; V. D. Horsburgh; V. L. Gladman.