

tified with the society from its inception, are not even yet forgotten by the Scotchmen of Toronto, nor will be while the national spirit of the Scotchmen continues to burn. Following Hon. William Allan, the first president, came Isaac Buchanan, Hon. Arch. McLean, John Cameron, Thomas G. Ridout, Joseph C. Morrison, Angus Morrison, George W. Allan, George Michie, Hon. George Brown, Robert Cassels, Hon. D. L. Macpherson, W. B. McMurrich, and many others, each of whom in turn presided over the efforts of the society to assist its fellow-countrymen in their struggles in the new land. In those early days it was not always easy to meet the demands made upon the resources of the society, but so well has the work been done, and so carefully have the funds been administered, that all reasonable demands have been met, and to-day after a record of more than half a century, the society is able to say that no reputable Scotch man, or woman, or child need remain in want within the city of Toronto. It is a high claim to make, but it is fully justified both by what the society has done in the past and by the work which it is accomplishing in the present.

The society holds the first position socially among the national or fraternal institutions of the city, and the St. Andrew's ball has long been considered the first social event of the season. It has for a long time past been the custom of the society to alternate between a dinner and a ball, holding each in turn, and popular though St. Andrew's dinner is, it does not possess the attractions of the grand function in the Pavilion. Coming as it does, close to the opening of the social season, it presents a novelty and freshness which is necessarily lacking in any succeeding entertainment; and when there is added to this the brilliant character of the gathering, comprising all that is best and brightest in the social life of the city, its popularity is more than explained.

The dance of last evening crowned with success the efforts of the committee who had it in charge. In the