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Alexander Fraser Webster.

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Who more greatly esteemed by the wheelmen of Canada generally, or more beloved by the members of the T.B.C. than is the bearer of this name? As a man and a wheelman he stands prominent, with a nature at once kind and fearless, with a vast store

of energy, enthusiasm and disposition becomingly retiring, the worthy President of our Club, of whom we are truly proud.

Nearly nine years have now passed since his name first appeared upon the Club's roll, and from that time his influence has been unmistakably felt in the management of all its affairs. The first year after joining he was persuaded by

friends who recognized his worth to accept nomination for the office of Captain, then looked upon as the most enviable and de irous of all club offices, and there are many who can recall the stirring incidents of that contest, when the renowned "Perry," now Dr. Doolittle, was the candidate opposing Mr. Webster, how the friends of each worked strenuously to elect their standard-bearer, and how the members turned out on election night almost to a man, crowding nearly to suffocation the cosy little rooms in Adelaide street, the hilarity and enthusiasm that prevailed when the election of Mr. Webster was announced and "Perry" so gracefully acknowledged defeat and promised to second to the best of his ability the Captain's efforts in the office of first Lieutenant, to which he

was chosen. As Captain for that and succeeding years, and later as President, Mr. Webster accomplished more than could have been expected of any one man, giving freely time that rightly belonged elsewhere and being ever ready in all emergencies to make almost any sacrifice for the interests of the To what Club. extent the present grand position of our Club is owing to the



untiring zeal of Mr. Webster will never be fully known; his loyalty to the Club, to the C.W.A. and to his own high principles have won for him a name that will forever live throughout the history of the Club.

As a rider his success has been hardly less than as an executive officer; we need not recount his many creditable achievements on the road and, even path. We all know