LONDON VALLEY'S SCOTTISH RITERS

Annual Reunion Commences at Masonic Temple This Morning.

PROMINENT VISITORS

Distinguished Members of Scottish Rite Here For Important

ley, and degrees are being conferred upon a class of 65 candidates. The reunion was commenced at 9 o'clock this morning, and will not be concluded until Thursday night, when the Order of the Rose Croix will be came along on a pair of skates try-people have to sit on those?"

The first work was started this morning by a London Valley degree ley, W. H. Rath, H. E. Preston, James Gray, J. A. Barnhill, and Thomas Rowe, At 9:45 a.m., Dr. C. H. Ziegler and assistants conferred the fifth degree on the class. The team consisted of C. A. Whitman, G. F. Copeland, T. C. Benson, W. H. Rath, A. J. Smith, O. C. Barrie, J. A. Barn-hill, W. C. Butler, R. W. Glover, H. E. Livermore, F. M. Brickenden and J. R. Croden

Guelph Team in Action.

Following this ceremony, members Baker and H. W. Clarke, demonstrated their ability to the brethren
was told on his arrival here last
present in conferring the 6th degree
on the candidates, and luncheon was
on the candidates, and luncheon was on the candidates, and luncheon was served shortly prior to 1 o'clock, in the refectory of the temple.

George Moore of Hamilton, Grand

Commander of the Scottish Rite Consistory in Ontarlo, and William Logan, also of Hamilton, Grand Secretary of the Scottish Rite Con-sistory in Ontario, spoke briefly to the brethren present at this luncheon. The grand commander congratulated the class of candidates on attaining admission to the order, and also complimented the members of London

Valley on the spiendid class of can-didates on hand for degrees. W. H. Hayes of Halifax, Com-mander in Chief of the Scottish Rite Consistery of the Maritime Provinces. also addressed those present at luncheon. Brother Hayes is an old London by, and spent the morning renewing acquaintances here. Other distinguished Scottish Rite visitors taking part in the re-union included L. Stephens and G. Bayne of Ham-

St. Marys Team.

Shortly after luncheon the seventh degree was exemplified, and at 3 o'clock the brethren from St. Marys conferred the eighth degree on the 45 novitiates. The team is as follows: J. M. Empey (director), John Pool, Dr. P. T. Copeland, Alex. Copeland, Alex. tockdale, Norman Creighton, John Stockdale, Norm Brandon, William Laidlaw, Whaley, F. Smith and John Adams.
Under the direction of W. L. Stewart

Four or five men came in from workof London, assisted by R. E. Craw-ford, H. Livermore, W. Taylor, A. J. Smith and J. Stewart, the ninth de-leave their shovels. They placed Smith and J. Stewart, the ninth degree was conferred, followed by the communication of the tenth degree.

At 4:15 p.m. this afternoon, the twelfth degree is to be conferred, under the direction of W. R. Lutz,

These articles should be stored in a proper place and a check kept upon stated, were der the direction of W. R. Lutz, with N. C. Hart, Dr. S. R. Moore, Dr. D. A. Cameron, H. Lawson, R. J. Bowen, Hamilton Guthrie and Duncan McCallum assisting. noon ceremonial is being concluded with the thirteenth degree, conferred by John S. Barnard and staff, which includes W. J. Bradley, J. A. Barn-hill, John M. Watt and H. C. Mc-

Feature This Evening.

The feature of the field day at the Masonic Temple will be staged to-night, when the fourteenth degree of Grand Elect, Perfect and Sublime Mason will be conferred on the 45 Messer, and the officers of London Lodge of Perfection, as follows: Jared Vining, G. S. warden; W. H. Abbott, J. G. warden; O. C. Barrie, secretary; J. L. Richmond, treasurer; Thomas Rowe, orator and almoner; James Gray, master of ceremonies; A. J. Smith, expert; R. T. Orr, assistant expert; N. C. Hart, captain; R. M. Simmie, tyler, and R. W. Glover, W. J. O'Brien, E. L. Pierce, J. E. Keays, C. McBride and Dr. C. H. Ziegler. day of the reunion, when the elevated don Lodge of Perfection in the refectory of the temple.

Thursday will be devoted to London Sovereign Chapter of the Rose

Tomorrow Big Day.

Croix, when several Scottish Riters of Western Ontario will be invested with the regalia of Knights of the Rose Croix. The ceremonial will commence at 10 o'clock in the morning, when J. E. Keays, assisted by W. L. Stewart, W. H. Rath, R. T. Orr and H. C. McBride, will confer the fifteenth degree. Other officers who will assume a portion of this degree work are C. E. Wheeler, N. C. Hart and C. E. Carruthers, directed by Dr. A. E. Santo.

At 3 pm., Thursday, the sixteenth degree of the Scottish Rite will be conferred by Charles E. Carruthers. conferred by Charles E. Carruthers, director, and Dr. A. E. Santo, Prof. N. C. Hart, James Ross, J. E. Steele, Johnstone, Hugh McDougall, J. T. May, Harold Lawson, P. W. Bice

Rose Croix Officers.

Illustrious Bro. Thomas Rowe will association will entail no change for in charge of the seventeenth degree, and Thursday night will be commission, as all cases requiring devoted to elevating the conditions. ree, and Thursday night will be commission, as all cases requiring attention will, in future, be handled devoted to elevating the candidates to the rank of Knights of the Rose Croix. Officers participating in this degree are H. C. McBride, director; R. T. Orr, W. H. Rath, R. E. Davis, S. R. Moore, J. S. Barnard, J. M. Watt and Charles E Carruthers. The second portion of the degree will be conferred by R. T. Orr, and officers of London Sovereign Chapter, as follows: W. H. Rath, first general; S. R. Moore, second general; R. E. Davis, prelate; J. S. Barnard, raphael; C. E. Carruthers, marshal; O. C. Barrie, registrar; Dr. A. E. Santo, treasurer; Thomas Rowe, almoner; Ottawa branches will be taken over

EVERYBODY'S "spying!" Why not you, too? Keep your eyes open for news and win one dollar. It's news that is wanted; something you see, not a funny con-

versation or an old joke.

On Wednesday morning a bakery rig going north on Richmond street. In crossing Grand Trunk tracks the back door of the rig jolted open. The driver, unheeding the shouts of some Scottish Riters of London and district, numbering among those present several distinguished visitors, held sway at the Masonic Temple today, on the occasion of the 29th annual reunion of London Valley, and degrees are being conferred.

SOME DROP IN BREAD.

Going down Wellington street, the marked to him:

THE IDEA. A 5-year-old boy walking down He's a girl."

Will "Some Drop in Bread," who the street this morning. Upon ask-contributed the winning item today, ing him if he was cold, he replied: "Naw! I've got two suits of underwear and two pairs of pants on. feel fine!" He looked the part.

In Alma Gluck's "Interview with

While in a grocery store today, A one-man street car with both and undertook to put his pet on one motorman and conductor in charge. of the stools standing in front of the STAR. counter. A traveler who happened to be in the store at the time refire brigade. In a few minutes a boy off that stool. Don't you know that boy waited a moment, and then re-plied: "Say, mister, he ain't a hove "Say, mister, he ain't a boy

ASK SUGGESTIONS

Remedy For Existing

Evil.

Them by the Local

Veterans.

Agitations by war veterans in the

C. E. F. ex-service men as to ways

and means of improving the re-

disposing of canteen funds amount-

The suggestions will be consoli-

dated and will be placed before the

royal commission on re-establish-

ment appointed by the Dominion

The central committee, which is

representative of all classes of vet-

erans and soldier organizations in

put each in the form of a question

for? If so, give information as to their nature and extent.

replying to the above questions, and

addressed to the Central Committee

IN PITIABLE CONDITION

Mental Wreck, Who Is

Brought to London.

Special to The Advertiser.

died today largely through the activi-

ties of License Inspector Walter Ross

of this city, and as a result of com-

plaints made to the Ontario License

Commission that the O. T. A. was

not being properly enforced in Fingal.

that Mrs. Belore was a pitiful mental

wreck, and until about two years ago

an inmate of an asylum. Those fa-

miliar with her condition informed

the inspector that she was hardly

able to dress herself and had not been

bathed for months.

of the O. T. A.

ing to nearly two million dollars.

team, under the direction of William Ship's Captain Denies Tale McArthur, assisted by W. J. Bradof Heroism Told By Men

Abandoned Ship of Own Accord-Was Not Dragged Off by Brawny Sailor.

Associated Press Despatch. E. Poppe, of Brooklyn, N.Y., master Egremont, which first rescued the of the five-masted schooner Santino, santino's company and latter transof a special degree team from Guelph, consisting of J. E. Howett, A. W. Baker and H. W. Clarke, demon-ing off Nantucket Island last Sunday,

of eleven men, by the coast guard time the water was gaining on the he had remained with his the Egremont. He remained on that schooner until a brawny sailor knock- vessel with his men until the Acushed him down and dragged him off, net came to take them off.

The story was told in New York by Boston, Feb. 21.—Captain George members of the crew of the steamer Santino's company and later trans-Captain Poppe said he had expect Landed here today, with his crew rive until 7 o'clock. In the meancutter Acushnet, Captain Poppe battered Santino so the skipper decidlearned for the first time, he said, ed to abandon her and go aboard

NEED BETTER SYSTEM FOR CITY EQUIPMENT

Mayor Wenige Alleges Lose Methods Are at Present in Force.

Loose methods in general provided brief but highly illuminative inter-

L. pear to be much system. I was at keep their promise to entertain the

proper place and a check kept upon ovels might as well have been taken home.

"How about the missing cement nixer?" The Advertiser inquired. "Well, I know where it is," was the startling declaration from the mayor, and we'll have it back in good time. Just wait and see. I don't think that the councillors know where it is any more than they know where scores of

shovels went to."
The mayor also directed attention to the fact that the city once pur-chased a sand drier; purchased he re-lated, at a handsome figure upon the city engineer's recommendation, used Where is it now, he questions and what happened to it?

CIVIC EMPLOYEES TO USE SOLDIERS' AID EQUIPMENT

Cessation of activities in London

tributed throughout the municipal offices in a judicious manner.

Building Inspector Piper seemed quite interested in the general activity in this connection this morning. peering anxiously through the window as the men unloaded the several

articles. It is just possible that the members of the board of works will petition for at least one cabinet for the inspector's office.

TORONTO WILL HANDLE

Major W. J. Taylor, until recently in charge of the local branch of the Soldiers' Aid Commission, stated to friend wifey a Perfect Blue White Kenny, J. A. Barnhill, John The Advertiser this morning that the Diamond when they are so reasonclosing of the local office of this association will entail no change in the functioning of the work of the commission, as all cases requiring at
REPORTED IMPROVED.

It is also alleged that Fingal residents was very damp.

Overcrowding was the bad feature in other schools visited, which make was not in a condition to be left alone, communicated with the license commission asking that her hyperal and the erection of a new collegiate and Trafalgar street.

MOTHERS' CLUB ENDS MEMBERSHIP CONTEST

"Purples" Win Over "Golds" in Race at Talbot Street School.

Final reports on the membership view this morning with Mayor Wen- in Talbot Street Mothers' Club, precontest which has been in progress His worship dealt principally with such items as have come to his direct attention recently. "Consider the question of snow shovels for instance" the circumstances, the Golds, capbe pointed out "There doesn't aphabet approximated by Mrs. Alex. Harvey must in the V. M. C. A. The total cost of building contents of the principally with such items as have come to his direct attention recently. "Consider the circumstances the leadership of Mrs. Lewis Ward, led by three. Under the leadership of Mrs. Lewis Ward, led by three. Under the circumstances, the Golds, capbet approximately and the receipts of the board of education which will be presented to the members of the city council this afternoon.

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The commission believes such a sidering of the board of education which will out the small property of the proper His worship dealt principally with evening, revealed the fact that the winners. The eyent will take the of all ex-service men in London. form of a "Hard Times Party" in the Realizing that the time is limited, school on March 2, a St. Patrick's the committee decided to growth and to too fine a costume will be obliged to to every ex-service man, as follows:

Most substantial returns, it was stated, were received from the Valen- ment? tine tea held last Friday. From the fund derived, \$22.50 was voted towards buying a lantern for the school, as to \$5 to Child Welfare, \$5 towards the appeal therefrom?

sto Child Welfare, \$5 towards the permanent camp for girls at Port Bruce.

Dr. H. W. Hill was the speaker of the evening, giving an address on "Social Hygiene," and urging upon "Social Hygiene," and urging upon appeal therefrom?

What provision (further than those already in force) do you suggest should be made for men who are physically or mentallyl handicapped?

As to other ex-members of the forces do you know of any re-estab-"Social Hygiene," and urging upon mothers the importance of supporting the movement to eradicate social diseases and create higher moral standeases and create nigher moral standards. Little Woodrow Ward, grandson of one of the members, Mrs. Lewis Ward, sang pleasantly. Numbers were also enjoyed from Mrs. J. Machray, a recent acquisition to London musical circles. Refreshments don musical circles. Refreshments and a social half hour proved a pleasant wind-up for the evening. Mrs. T. B. Brennan presided.

VICTORIA MOTHERS' CLUB. VICTORIA MOTHERS' CLUB.
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A gain of men was here sting address, given by Principal E. A. Millar, of London South Collegiate, at the meeting of the Victoria Mothers' Club, held Tuesday evening. A shower of groceries, amounting to \$50, was brought to the necessary to purchase any additional office equipment this year.

A gang of men was busy this morning transporting a number of desks and filing cabinets back to their original quarters in the city hall. This is city property and will be distributed throughout the municipal offices in a judicious manner.

Building Inspector Piper seemed evening. A shower of groceries, amounting to \$50, was brought to the meeting, and it was decided to give seemed. State of the Day of th Mrs. Jenkins. An invitation was brought to light and is being remerceived by the club to attend a died today largely through the activimeeting of the Riverview's Mothers' Club, Tuesday, March 6.

THE STINGIEST MAN IN THE WORLD

Is one who bought his bride a cited one William Belore as an example, License Inspector Ross learned that the Belore as Park her one troller with the Belore as a personal troller with the Belore with the Belore as a personal troller with the Belore with the Belo SOLDIERS' AID SERVICE took her on a trolley ride honeymoon. When he got off he said, "Honey, suppose we save the rest of the candy for the children?"

Also the man who refuses to buy

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Deputy Magistrate P. H. Bartlett, who has been seriously ill in St. been pressed against the woman's husband, local authorities pointed it would probably have meant

out, it would probably have meant imprisonment, and they refrained from taking action until something was done in behalf of the woman. appeared on the charges of violation

Barrie, registrar, Dr. A. E. Santo, treasurer; Thomas Rowe, almoner; E. W. G. Quantz, organist; J. M. Watt, captain of the guard; R. M. Simmle guard, and R. W. Glover, W. J. O'Brien, Dr. C. H. Ziegler, J. L. Richmond, R. D. McDonald and C. E. Wheeler. A banquet Thursday evening at 10 o'clock will conclude the respinon, and perhaps in time the Hamilton and Ottawa branches will be taken over by the Toronto headquarters.

Grip Follows the Snow.
Fortify the system against Colds, Grip and Influenza by taking Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets which act as a tonic laxative and keep the system in condition to throw off at tacks of Colds, Grip and Influenza. The Chivas families at 10 o'clock will conclude the respinon, and perhaps in time the Hamilton and Ottawa branches will be taken over by the Toronto headquarters.

Grip Follows the Snow.
Fortify the system against Colds, Grip and Influenza at the home of E. N. Chivas, 32 that the home of E. N. Chivas, 42 that the home of E. N. Chivas,

THINK EXTRA HALF MILL TO BETTER SERVICE **WILL COVER EDUCATION**

Soldiers Invited To Offer Total Building Program For Year Is Estimated at \$600,000.

COMMITTEE FORMED HOLD INVESTIGATION

Will Receive Ideas Sent to Members of Board Find Many Improvements Needed in London Schools.

By suffering the addition of a trifle ity to have the present re-estab- more than a half mill to the general ishment system improved are begin- tax rate, London may adequately care ning to bear fruit, and the result is for the children within her confines that a central committee has been clamoring for education.

formed to receive suggestions from This would be sufficient, it claimed by the board of education, to care for the interest and sinking establishment methods and also of fund on debentures of sufficient amount to provide for the erection of a new and large school in London West to replace the old insanitary and cramped Empress avenue school, the erection of a new collegiate in-Government, which will sit in Toronto don; a six-room addition to the stitute in either South or East Lon-Technical School; the completion of the new Trafalgar street school; four-room addition to the Boyle Memorial public school; one-room addition to Pottersburg school, and

plans were laid to secure the views templated will be a few thousand in excess of \$600,000. The interest and sinking fund for all purposes will be the committee decided to group their in the neighborhood of \$39,000.

Consider Debentures.

The council will be asked today to for them. What suggestions have you to improve the present method of applying for pension or medical treatconsider issuing debentures to cover What suggestion have you as to general estimates of the board the best method whereby applicants education to be cared for in the tax who are not satisfied with a decision rate. pension or treatment may

Building. Interest

Empress avenue .. \$180,000 \$7,912.28 forces, do you know of any re-establishment needs not already provided Tecumseh 9,000 Pottersburg Collegiate 333,000 18,539,20 How do you suggest the canteen funds should be disposed of? Technical 35,000 Tech. alternative .. 90,000 2.928.7 All ex-service men are requested to put their suggestions in writing, That the two new schools suggest ed—the Empress avenue public and the collegiate in the south or east—

Bert Weir Cites Los Angeles as

are urgently needed is the opinion of the board, although if something must be sacrificed from the program this year, it is probable the Empress avenue school will be laid over. for another year. addition to the Technical School is also an absolute necessity, as is the addition to the Boyle Memorial. The other building men-

tioned in the program is already under construction, having been License Inspector Discovers started last year with the use credits that were already on hand. Hold Investigation.

This program was drawn up after a thorough investigation had been Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Feb. 21.—A shocking conditions that existed were a surpose of alleged negleit has been many of the newer of the new of made in all parts of the city. The iase of alleged negleit has been prise even to many of the newer members of the board.

At Empress avenue school the san-itary conditions were found to be very bad, as well as many of the rooms being filled to capacity. The lighting system was wretched, there being no artificial lights. No cloak-rooms were found in two of the rooms, the stairs were far too narrow, and had too many turns, the hallways were exceedingly narrow in many places, not being more than in many places, not being more than 30 inches in width. The plaster was falling in many rooms, and the toilet accommodation in the whole school was less than nine-twentieths of what is required by regulations. The It is also alleged that Fingal residents disregarded her unfortunate Overcrowding was the bad feature

C. P. R. OFFICIAL IN CITY ON TRIP OF INSPECTION

She is being removed to an in-stitution in London this afternoon, while her husband is summoned to superintendent of Canadian Pacific ontario lines, is today conducting his and fully believe that they are quite regular inspection of the C. P. R. competent and qualified."
yards and equipment in this city. "Absolutely," declared Ald. Albert He arrived from Detroit at 4:50 this morning in his private car, "Ontario," and is accompanied by F. he can handle the work." Ronaldson, divisional master mechanic, and J. Whitely, master car

chanic, and J. Whitely, master car builder.

The tour of inspection ended at noon, and the party left on No. 634 Board, is reported to be seriously ill at 1:25 for Toronto.

Ex-Alderman Robert Carrothers, veteran member of the Western Fair Board, is reported to be seriously ill at his home, 333 Horton street.

SCOTTISH RITE TEAMS HERE. The upper picture shows the Scottish rite degree team from St. Marys at today's ceremonial in Masonic Temple. Bottom row (left to right)—W. Alberts, F. J. Howald, A. Gillies, A. B. Craighton and W. T. lacobie. Second row (left to sight)-P. Whaley, J. W. Sto kdale, Dr. P. Copleland, E. W. White and N. L. Brandon. Third row (left to right)— T. E. Gusinger, J. M. Epps and W. L. Laidlaw. The lower picture shows the Guelph group. Left to right-A. W. Baker, H. W. Clark and J. E. Howitt.

PLAN FOR ERECTION

Playgrounds Commission Urges Parents To Improve Backyards For Children.

In the estimates of the Park and Public Playgrounds Commission for this year, provision will be made for the erection of four new concrete tennis courts in this city. If the city council adopts the

estimates Queen's Park, in the east, will be graced by two concrete courts this summer, in addition to the clay courts already there, while two more concrete courts in Thames Park will bring the total there to

The game of tennis has made great strides in this city recently, and it is admitted that a great shortage of public courts exists in this commissioners claim is far behind other centres in this the concrete courts at Park, the clay courts in Queen's, and the grass Victoria, being far too inadequate to supply the growing demand. It is also planned to enlarge the wimming pool at Thames Park. The large pool there was greatly overcrowded during the past summer. The public utilities commission

plans to make every backyard of the homes where children are up-to-date playgrounds. This step is to be accomplished, it is hoped, with the co-operation of parents. The commission will sup-

meet the problem "Where can a small tendency to distribute child play? Rapid transportation, they point

Public playgrounds have been esthe building costs. The interest and so far away from the homes parents sinking fund will be included in the do not care to let small children go of there alone unguarded.

All help possible is promised to The estimated costs are distributed which at present is rarely utilized those who wish to turn their yard, except for chickencoops and struggling flowers and vegetables, into a Sink. Fund place to rear healthy children.

ADVERTISE LONDON TO PROMOTE GROWTH

Example of Beneficial Civic Publicity.

Bert Weir, with his wife and family, recently returned to London after an extended visit in Los Angeles. En route he passed from an atmosphere of 90 degrees in New Orleans to zero weather in Chicago in 23 hours.

Mr. Weir was greatly impressed with the consistent expansion of Los Angeles, and says: "If the people of London, would advent a consistent control bearing and bearin London would advertise and boost this city as the Californians do we would soon have a population of over 100,000. Los Angeles now has more than 800,000 citizens, and this num-

why our Canadian cities should not, through advertising and boosting, be-At Empress avenue school the san-

FOR NEW ENGINEER?

alone, communicated with the incense commission asking that her husband be prosecuted. If the charge had be prosecuted. If the charge had way. a new collegiate and Trafalgar street public school, which is already under

"I have always thought that a local man should be given the preference" stated Ald. Gordon Drake, "but the members of the board of works thought differently. I don't want to H. J. Humphrey, assistant general appear opposing them always, but Judd, chairman of finance committee, "promote the best man in the local office if he can qualify and believes

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table Compound

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that everything
would get black
and I could not
see. I would sit
and cry and did
not know what I
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taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I feel younger than
I did ten young

taking Lydia E. Finknam's Vegeta-ble Compound I feel younger than I did ten years ago, and my friends all tell me I look younger, and I owe it all to the Vegetable Compound. I do all my housework for a family of

seven now. I will be glad to answer

any woman who writes me in regard to my case."—Mrs. John Myers, 55 Union St., Greenville, Pa.

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been published testifying to the merit of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegeta-

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tit did wonders for it did wonders for me. I was down in bed when I started to take it and weighed 95 pounds. I had hot flashes and was so nervous and weak that everything.

Air of Expectancy as Members Gather at Luncheon.

EXPECT KEEN FIGHT

Representatives Present From All Parts of Western

Cigars instead of the pipe of peace were smoked at the annual meeting of the Western Fair board today. This may have been responsible for the tense air of expectancy which permeated the diningroom of the Tecumseh House during the moments which preceded the election of offi-

At any rate the dinner which prethe cigars was friendly

enough.

Almost every man who was familiar with the affairs of the association and remembered the annual meeting of the association two years ago knew that with Mayor Wenige present almost anything might develop. They recall the fight he made at that time while an alderman to force a re-organization of the board as a whole and how he was hotly and successfully opposed by Director Arthur

Arthur Little Absent. The expectancy was tempered somewhat, however, by the absence of Arthur Little during the early part of the meeting. Ther was a possibility that h would be present later in the meeting.

Nearly two hundred delegates, repesenting every part of Western Ontario and every breeders', farmrs' and producers' association and city organization were present. President J. H. Saunders was un-Vice-President W. Robinson was in

cluding G. McCormick, Col. McEwen and Director Carruthers, who is very ill, Arthur White and ex-President Lieut.-Col. W. R. Gartshore were The president's address was read by the chairman.

Many of the old stand-bys, in-

Entrance Fees. It was fully expected that the mayor would open a bitter fight for certain reforms and changes which he has long advocated. "Billy" McNeil wanted to know why entry fees were so high for poul-

try in comparison to other live stock.

The secretary endeavored to explain it was owing to feed supplied.

Mr. McNeil resented the insinuation made that a pig was worth more than a chicken. "Why, we sell a prize bird at \$75 r \$100, while the most a breeder of

hogs can get is so much a pound."

He claimed also that citizens of London supplied most of the birds and were entitled to some consider-The secretary gave the following

information on the attendance de crease last year. Monday fell off 12,

The commission believes such a cents on certain days did not decrease move is absolutely a necessity to the attendance by \$100. t had a evenly throughout the week. out, has rendered the streets unsafe the cudgel for cheaper fees. Delegate Lashbrook also took up thought the fair should be vur for

the masses instead of a money-making scheme. Increase Space Rates. It was suggested by Mr. Moore that perhaps any loss accruing from cheaper rates could be made up by uncreasing the charge for space and

Mr. Robinson did not think it would do to increase these charges. Mr. Hay came back with the argu ment that the exhibition wanted crowds, and he thought the 25-cent fee would bring the crowd.

Mr. Robinson claimed that the crowds would grow out of bounds on Wednesday and Thursday, and would

do little good to exhibitors. A. E. Silverwood suggested that the city come to the rescue of the board and thereby make possible a The fair, he said, belonged to the citizens, and it was up to the citizens

IOHNSTON BROS o support it, he thought. Jewelers and Diamond Merchants. 206 Dundas St., Next Allen Theatre He suggested that the council hould guarantee \$10,000 to the board in the event of a loss. This, he be-lieves, would solve the question.





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