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# WELCOME.

Toronto has welcomed many delegations of mining men. Never before, however, has the public been so alive to the importance of the mining industry, or so interested in the proceedings of the Canadian Mining Institute.

To our English, American and other visitors from afar, we extend the warmest greetings. It may be taken for granted, no doubt, that all will have a profitable time. We hope, however, that every Canadian member of the Institute will do his best to see that our visitors lack nothing.

Here we may repeat a suggestion that has been made before. It will be well for the older members to make a point of seeing that the younger men are hospitably entreated and generally introduced to each other. To the man who knows only one or two faces in the gathering, the sessions are gloomy affairs, indeed.

Those of the visitors who wish to inspect mining districts other than Cobalt and Porcupine can easily arrange to do so. Many other Ontario mines are easily reached from Toronto. This should be borne in mind and brought to the attention of the Secretary at an early hour.

Upon all we urge the propriety of prompt and consistent attendance when papers are being read and discussed. And by all means let every member who has anything to contribute to a discussion say it promptly. The papers are merely points round which discussion should crystallize. Their value can be immensely enhanced if the several points of view are placed on record with them.

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The Institute has never yet he'd an Annual Meeting that has not been the best on record. Let us see to it then that March 6th, 7th and 8th go down in history as red-letter days.

# THE PICTURESQUE MR. HOOLEY.

Canada has bred a few thorough-paced financial pirates, and has imported more. In this country, however, their field has been restricted. Partly by our relative purity and partly by our reprehensible lack of imagination, we have never produced a Thomas W. Lawson or an Ernest Terah Hooley.