

The past-president, W. G. Blackgrove, was then called for. Addressing him, the acting-president said it was his pleasure to confer upon him still further honors. Evidences of the earnest manner in which the office of president has been filled during the past year were plentiful. In appreciation of the past-president's labors and as an insignia of his rank, the acting-president pinned on W. G. Blackgrove the past-president's badge. In acknowledging the honor, Past-President Blackgrove thanked the members for their hearty support in the past, and said that his best wish for the new president was that he might receive the same assistance in the duties of his office.

The president elect, James Devlin, then tendered his sincere thanks for the honor conferred upon him, and promised, to the utmost of his power, to increase the membership and improve the finances of the association.



JAS. DEVLIN, PRESIDENT.

[President James Devlin is a native of Kingston. He was trained in the works of the Canadian Locomotive and Engine Co. In 1873 he was appointed engineer of the Government water works, which were afterwards taken over by the city. In 1875 he became chief engineer for the St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, in Quebec Province, and, in 1885, for the Penitentiary at Kingston—a position which he still holds. The fact that he is on the Board of Examiners of the Ontario Association of Stationary Engineers, and the initiative ability which he once or twice displayed during the deliberations of the Convention show him to be well fitted for the post of president at a time when strenuous efforts are to be made to secure Government acknowledgment of the grade of Stationary Engineer.]

Vice-President E. J. Philip also thanked the Convention and promised to second the president in every effort for the good of the C.A.S.E.



R. C. PETTIGREW, TREAS. C. A. S. E.

The other officers followed in rotation, all giving evidence of enthusiasm for the association, and a will to do their several duties to the utmost of their power. Conductor Murphy intimated that he was not anxious for muscular exertion in the performance of his duties, but—and he sat down, glancing around the chamber with a look that showed a reserve of determination likely to add telling effect to the use of his silver staff, should it ever be called into requisition.

J. J. York then moved a vote of thanks to H. S. Robinson, of the Correspondence School (the "Scranton Man," as he was generally called). He had taken a room close to the council chamber, where he displayed drawings and explained the system of teaching to any engineer who cared to investigate, and had in every way given satisfaction to the convention. This was seconded by J. Murphy and carried.

W. Selby then proposed a vote of thanks to B. W. Folger, the proprietor of the electric car system, for the use of the cars during

the convention. This was seconded by A. M. Wickens and carried. Mr. Wickens proposed a vote of thanks to the mayor and council, seconded by W. Selby, and carried. A. E. Edkins then proposed that a message of condolence be sent to the widow and children of the late treasurer, Duncan Robertson, of Hamilton. This was seconded by F. G. Johnson, and carried. A vote of thanks to the officials at the penitentiary, including J. Devlin, was proposed by A. E. Edkins, put by A. M. Wickens, and carried, to which President Devlin briefly replied. J. J. York proposed a vote of thanks to Kingston No. 10 Entertainment Committee. This was seconded by W. Weir, and carried with musical honors.



CONDUCTOR MURPHY.



O. E. GRANBERG.

J. J. York proposed that the doorkeeper of the City Hall be tendered \$5 for his services, seconded by R. Pettigrew. Conductor Murphy then brought in Doorkeeper Lanigan. He entered unconscious of a crime, and wondering what was to be meted out to him. His glance gained somewhat in pointed intelligence on the receipt of the \$5 bill, and he retired with a better lined pocket and his honor uncompromised.

The next place of meeting was then discussed. A. E. Edkins proposed Brockville and was seconded by Past-President Blackgrove. R. Pettigrew proposed Hamilton and was seconded by W. Norris. The voting showed a majority of three in favor of Brockville, which town was announced as the next place of meeting. O. E. Granberg was then appointed district deputy for Quebec and F. J. Cody for Ontario. President Devlin then extended an invitation to the ladies of the convention to his residence during the dinner in the evening. This ended the last, longest and most fruitful business meeting of the convention.



A. M. WICKENS.



A. E. EDKINS.

At 3 p.m. the members again gathered at the council chamber for a drive to Kingston Mills, Fort Henry and the Tete du Pont Barracks. Once more the engineers were happy to greet the ladies, for their light-colored dresses and parasols and their reposeful demeanor were highly suggestive of the cool relaxation for which the tedium of the previous business meeting had prepared everyone. In a few minutes the whole procession of over a dozen carriages was wending its way to the mills. Spirits were high and tales for which a technical journal has no space were told and capped, except where the ladies discarded more calmly upon the beauties which surrounded them (referring of course to the landscape, not the engineers). The afternoon was warm and the road dusty, and on arrival at the cool sward of Kingston Mills, sundry inviting viands were discovered and thoroughly appreciated. Some of the party, invited by the cool grass, disposed themselves at full length upon it, and those who did not were speedily placed in that position by one of the many forces known to engineers. After about an hour's stay the party proceeded to the fort and barracks. The fort itself was interesting chiefly as a relic of the past and as a standing evidence that no hostile occupation of Canada is expected for some months to come. But in the fort was found a well developed, though for the time, unfortunate goat. Last year in addressing the Kingston branch, J. Devlin said: "We do not subject our new members to the trying ordeal of riding the goat" (see souvenir), but in the fort they did it voluntarily and Past-President Blackgrove—the most solemn visaged of all the dignitaries—was seen astride the goat as an example to all junior