

posed by Hon. Sen. Murphy, seconded by Mr. J. S. Shearer.

*Vice-President*—Dr. J. W. Stirling, proposed by Mr. J. S. Shearer, seconded by Mr. J. Gardner.

*Treasurer*—Mr. J. S. Shearer, proposed by Mr. Geo. Sumner, seconded by Mr. F. W. Richards.

*Secretary*—Mr. Jas. G. Shaw, proposed by Mr. Geo. Sumner, seconded by Mr. J. S. Shearer, whose election was carried unanimously.

Each of the newly appointed officers thanked the members for the high honor bestowed upon them by election to such very important offices.

By a unanimous vote the retiring officers received the thanks of the meeting for their close attention and zeal manifested in promoting the welfare of the Society during their term of office.

The retiring President, Mr. J. Stevenson Brown, in congratulating the Society upon its selection of officers, took occasion to thank the members for the kindly manner in which they had assisted him in the administration of the affairs of the Society during his three years of office. He expressed his gratitude for the perfect harmony which had characterized all its meetings and bespoke the same kind consideration for his successor whom he had now the pleasure of calling to the chair.

The new President, Dr. Girdwood, having assumed the chair, first thanked the Society for the honor they had conferred upon him and promised he would use his best endeavours to further its interests, and then called upon the retiring president to deliver his annual address, which he then did, taking for his subject "The Microscope as an Educator," which he treated in an exhaustive manner and was listened to with marked attention, and at the close Mr. Brown was greeted with applause, and received a cordial and hearty vote of thanks.

A committee composed of the President, Secretary, Dr. McConnell and J. Stevenson Brown, were desired to consider what means could be taken to inaugurate meetings for instruction in the use of the microscope. Approved.