

CANADIAN CLUB HELD MEETING

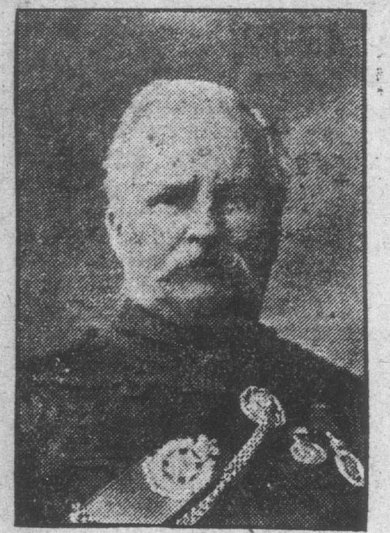
NEW OFFICERS WERE ELECTED FOR YEAR

Gratifying Reports Presented of Last Season's Work— Review of History.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

There was a large turnout last night at the second annual meeting of the Canadian Club, held in the city hall, with President A. W. McCurdy in the chair. There was much enthusiasm shown and considerable discussion on the subjects which were brought before it. Over sixty new members were received, showing that the club idea is popular and its influence growing.

A good balance was shown to be in the treasury, and the retiring president and secretary were given many most flattering compliments. Heartily



MAJOR WALSH,
Member of Executive Committee of
Canadian Club.

votes of thanks were voted them, and the other retiring officers, and throughout there was general unanimity on all matters that were essential.

The report of the president, which was read by him, showed that a vast amount of work had been done. It was as follows:

"A little over a year ago when we met on the street, in our offices, or homes, our conversation often turned to discuss the advisability of associating ourselves together for the purpose of joining in a movement for the promotion of a national sentiment along broad, patriotic lines. Our attention was directed to the work being done by the Canadian clubs of Hamilton, Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal, and at a small meeting of several of our citizens Mr. W. J. Dowler kindly consented to put us into communication with those clubs, and upon the basis of the information received the Canadian club of Victoria was formed.

"From the beginning it won the confidence and approval of our citizens. At your first annual meeting you appointed an executive of representative men who gave freely of their thought, ability and time to assist in making the club a success. Our board meeting were characterized not only by promptness in attendance, but also by promptness in the dispatch of business. While the thanks of the club are due to each member of the executive, I wish especially to mention the work done by Mr. Lugin and Mr. Nelson through the press. It was simply invaluable. Mr. Clarke and Mr. Gibb gave unparagonably of their time to the work entrusted to them, and when we realize that both of these



REV. CANON BEANLANDS,
Second Vice President of Canadian Club.

success was due to the promptness that our members displayed in being in their seats at our luncheons precisely at 1 o'clock. Our success will be further assured if you can close our luncheons promptly at 2 o'clock. This, of course, depends upon the will of the gentlemen who speak to us, but when it becomes known that an address will be more appreciated if confined within the half hour I think we will have little difficulty on this score. Let us be prompt in beginning and prompt in ending our meetings.

"I wish to express my thanks to the members of our executive who have always been so responsive in all matters in connection with our work, and also to the members of the club who honored me with the appointment of president for the past year. Your hearty co-operation and sympathy have been of the greatest assistance to me, and have made the discharge of my duties as president a very great pleasure.

"ARTHUR W. McCURDY."

The executive report was read by the secretary, Frank I. Clarke, and was received with applause. It was as follows:

On the occasion of the second annual meeting of the Victoria Canadian Club, your executive takes the pleasure of

Hospitals Having Wonderful Success With New Remedy for Throat Trouble

In telling of the new remedy, one of the physicians explained that the cold winter winds sweep the germs of disease from every nook and corner, fill the air, and make it easy for people to contract Bronchitis or Pneumonia. It is impossible to avoid the inhalation of these germs, and was betide the person whose bronchial tubes or lung passages are inflamed at this season. Although sprays and mixtures by the hundreds were tested, doctors found that nothing gives immediate benefit except "Catarrhazone" which goes to the tiniest cells in the lungs, carrying healing, soothing balsams to the places that are tainted with catarrhal inflammation. A sneezing cold is cured in ten minutes—a sore throat is healed and restored in an hour or two—chronic bronchitis is soothed away and quickly disappears—Catarrh of long standing is invariably cured because Catarrhazone kills the germs that cause the trouble.

As a cure for Asthma and a preventive of Grippe every doctor is delighted with Catarrhazone. One eminent throat specialist says, "If Catarrhazone is used two or three times each day, this you will never suffer from any disease of the head, throat, nose, or lungs. This is good news to many of our readers who must require a safe, sure and permanent cure for their colds and winter flu. Every good druggist sells Catarrhazone, large outfit \$1.00, small trial size 25c.

congratulating you on the success so far achieved.

At its inception the aims and purposes of the club were far from being generally understood, or appreciated, but the enthusiasm shown by the charter members soon roused the interest of the public, and in consequence many prominent men, representing all classes and interests in the community, applied for membership.

The club at its first annual meeting had eighty-five members, to-day there are two hundred and eighty-four members on the roll and many applications to be dealt with by this meeting. The lack of proper accommodation for holding the club luncheons, canvassing for new members was not encouraged, the large increase in membership was, therefore, the result of a general recognition of the merits of the club's fundamental principles and a desire to participate in its work. The temporary disability under which the club suffered, in not being in a position to seek for new members, is now happily removed by the opening of the Empress hotel, where our luncheons will be held in the future.

From its first meeting, February 11th, 1907, the proceedings of the executive have been marked by complete unanimity and harmony, every member doing his part cheerfully on all occasions, and without regard to personal convenience.

The executive have held twelve meetings, at which, as a rule, there was a full attendance.

The Canadian Club movement has assumed national importance, and is now recognized as a prominent factor in the upbuilding of the Dominion. The Victoria Club—one of the newest links welded to the chain which binds Canadians in brotherhood and united effort for the common good from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from Yukon to Mexico—has undertaken its part of the work in a spirit in which no thought of failure can harbor. Its chief aim is to help to lay the foundation of the last vest of a fabric of Canadian homogeneity by educating foreign immigrants to accept the laws and customs of their adopted country, to teach them that the Union Jack stands for justice and liberty and that Canada, as a part and parcel of the British Empire, offers them all the rights and privileges enjoyed by the native born, only asking in return that they shall loyally uphold our laws and institutions.

The club's efforts in this direction have already taken shape. A resolution recommending that the national flag shall be displayed every day from every school-house in British Columbia has been favorably considered by the government. Clubs in other provinces have also taken similar action, and before the close of 1908 it is hoped that the Union Jack will be flown from every school-house in Canada. In support of this resolution, the importance of instilling in their minds respect for our national emblem and what it signifies should be recognized.

A resolution advocating a British, or distinctive type of uniform for the police forces throughout Canada, has also secured favorable recognition from our sister clubs, and it is confidently hoped will lead to a desirable reform in that direction.

During the year the club has had the honor of entertaining several men of distinction in various walks of life, and hearing their views on public questions of general interest. Among these were: Chief Justice Hunter—"Canadian Patriotism."

Mr. J. S. Dennis—"The Building of the West."

Commissioner Coombs, S. A.—"Immigration to Canada."

Inspector Archibald—"Modern Treatment of the Criminal."

Chief Justice Mulock—"British Columbia's Commercial Opportunities."

Hon. R. L. Borden—"Canadian Patriotism."

Mr. Rudyard Kipling—"Our Duty to the Empire."

Sir Edgar Vincent, K.C.M.G.—"The Imperial Outlook."

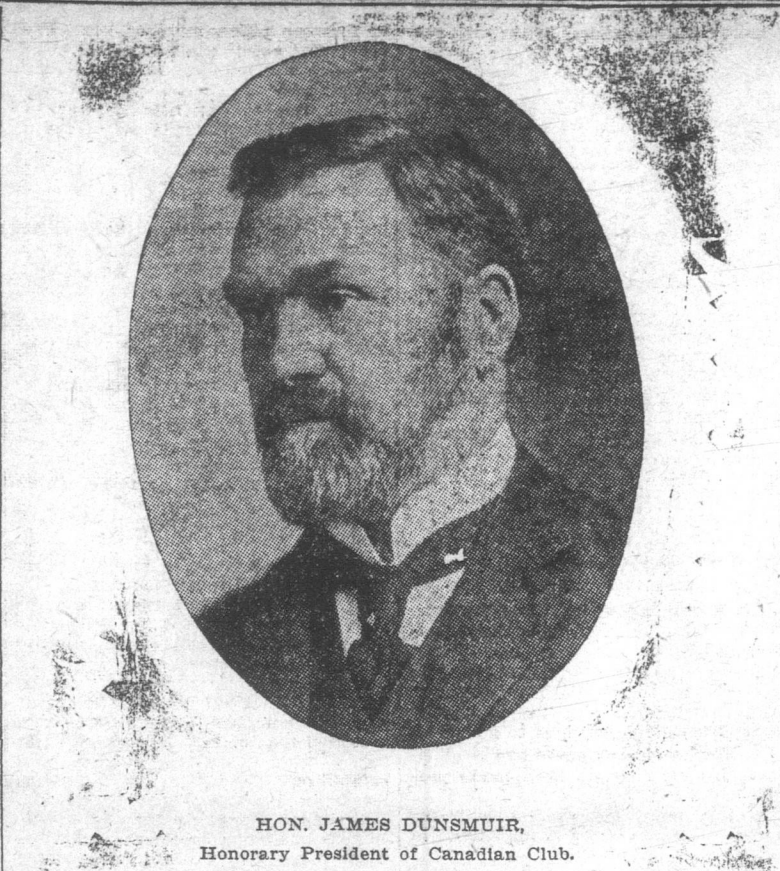
The addresses delivered during the year proved very interesting to the club—their educational value was inestimable, especially to the younger members, and were greatly appreciated by all.

Two business luncheons, at which subjects of general interest were discussed, were well attended. At one of these, Mr. A. S. Barton delivered an eloquent address on "The Lesson of the Flag," in support of his resolution advocating the display of the Union Jack over our school-houses.

The club took steps to entertain Baron Kuroki and the consequence of its action the attention of the Dominion and provincial governments was called to the visit of this distinguished foreigner, and he was given an official reception befitting his rank.

Mr. J. W. Smith, president of the Hamilton Canadian Club, was entertained at an informal reception held in the Tourist Association rooms, Mr. Smith giving a brief history of the Hamilton Club and its work.

The club lost two valued members by death during the year—J. W. Haskins and Frank H. Eaton, equally esteemed



HON. JAMES DUNSMUIR,
Honorary President of Canadian Club.

for their good qualities and loyalty to Canada.

Mr. W. T. Oliver, an honorary member, represented the club at the annual dinner of the Canadian Club of New York.

It appearing in press dispatches that Sir James A. Swettenham would tour Canada on his retirement from the governorship of Jamaica, he was invited to visit Victoria and address our club. The Canadian Clubs at Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, and St. John, also sent invitations to Sir James, but his arrangements prevented his acceptance of them.

At the convention of Canadian Clubs recently held at Ottawa, to take steps for the preservation of the Plains of Abraham as a national park, the president, and Hon. Wm. Templeman and Mr. B. C. Nicholas represented the Victoria Club.

The financial standing of the club is satisfactory as will be shown by the report of the hon. treasurer.

FRANK I. CLARKE,
Secretary.

A. W. McCURDY, President.
Victoria, Feb. 18th, 1908.

In submitting his financial statement J. S. Gibb, the treasurer for the past year, reported a balance on hand of \$188.88. He reported that the report was not audited, as no auditors had been appointed at the last meeting but he hoped auditors would yet be appointed to go through the accounts. Some of the members who had joined since the Kipling luncheon had been carried on for the present year as they had not had an opportunity to attend a luncheon since joining, with the exception of the impromptu one arranged for Sir Edgar Vincent.

Hon. Treasurer's Report.
The following is a statement of receipts and expenditures for the year ending February 12th, 1908:

Receipts.
255 members paid up at \$2.....\$510 00
Proceeds lunch tickets sold.....\$84 50
\$594 50

Expenditures.
Paid for lunches.....\$467 40
Complimentary tickets issued.....23 00
Stationery and printing.....163 91
Honorarium to secretary.....50 00
Sundry (telegram).....50
\$704 81

Balance, cash on hand.....\$188 69
J. S. GIBB,
Hon. Treasurer.

Subsequently B. C. Mess and A. B. Fraser were appointed auditors for the coming year and also to go through last year's accounts.

A number of suggestions and friendly criticisms were made of the work of the club during the past year. Prominent among the critics was E. Jacobs, who was pleased with the successes the club had achieved, but was disappointed that the club had not done more to foster Canadian literature. They had heard men of world-wide fame, but that was not altogether carrying out the objects of the organization. To illustrate what he meant he said that Robert W. Service had re-

cently been in the city, but nothing had been done to get him to address the club, although his work would have had the Canadian flag. He also would like to have evening meetings of the club. At these the school teachers or working men could attend.

It was shown that evening meetings would mean dinners which would be expensive for the members and which many of them could not afford.

President McCurdy stated that when in the east he had met many of the delegates from the clubs in the big cities and they had all abandoned the evening meetings, except on some occasion when it was thought necessary to give a banquet.

After considerable discussion a resolution was passed asking the executive to arrange for evening meetings.

Two amendments were made to the constitution of the club, the first to arrange for the amalgamation of the offices of secretary and treasurer, and a second which read as follows:

"Only members in good standing shall be eligible for office, have the right to vote at any meetings, or to participate in any luncheon or other entertainment given by the club."

A number of new members were admitted to membership among them being the name of William Jessop, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Washington, D. C. In submitting his name Mr. McCurdy said that during his recent visit to Washington he had met Mr. Jessop who was a former Victorian and who asked if he might be allowed to join the organization. Mr. Jessop is still a Canadian and takes a keen interest in Canadian affairs. The following names were then admitted:

M. McC Crawford, James Thompson, T. Drysdale Veitch, Thomas C. Watson, E. C. B. Bagshaw, William Russell, E. H. Smith, Lewis A. Finch, W. Garland Foster, T. M. Sturgess, George L. Courtney, A. Fraser, E. M. McConnell, E. D. Dowler, A. McAfee, James W. Jones, F. W. Kelly, C. E. Bagnell, H. E. A. Courtney, J. Walter Lorimer, W. E. Ditchburn, Rev. F. C. Calne, F. L. Wilmer, Fred Davey, M. F. E. H. B. Thompson, M. P. F. W. H. Clayard, Richard Ryan, Harry F. Bishop, George A. Morphy, C. K. Courtney, G. R. Hopkins, Frank Davey, P. J. Ridge, R. L. Newman, Wm. Jessop, secretary Y. M. C. A., Washington, D. C. Major C. F. Dupont, Stadacona; David Spencer, Sr.; H. G. Parson, Golden; H. E. Mason, J. P. Archibald, J. H. Turner.

which was carried with much enthusiasm.

Mr. McCurdy said his duties had been of a very pleasant nature. He hoped the members would support the new president as loyally as they had the past. He moved a vote of thanks to the press, to whom he said much of the success of the club was due, which was also carried enthusiastically.

Judge Lampman said that he had accepted the office with much diffidence as he was reluctant to follow such an energetic officer as the one now retiring. He had set a pace which was difficult to follow. In referring humorously to the time spent in discussing the constitution, he said he thought it would be a good idea to lose the constitution this year.

After the events of the last month the new president said it made a man careful as to what he said. He referred to President Minard, of the Boston Canadian Club, in which he had undertaken to say what Canada would be in the case of war between Britain and some other power. He thought that any such statement would have come with better grace from a Canadian living this side of the boundary line, rather than from Boston (loud cheers). Mr. Minard, he continued, may express the sentiments of those south of the boundary line but even of that he was not sure. The speech he was sure did not reflect the opinions of the Canadians at large.

Canon Beanlands, the newly elected

Member of Executive Committee of Canadian Club.

T. W. PATERSON,
Member of Executive Committee of Canadian Club.

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ner, Wm. Archibald, W. J. Hanna, A. E. Allan, W. Humphrey, C. J. Brown, L. Casey, A. E. Kent, W. R. Findlay, W. M. Joel, Cyril E. Ormond, James McKenzie, John T. Deville, H. Brethour, W. A. Turner, Capt. J. G. Cox, W. Rosen, George D. Walsh.

Among those who took part in the discussion were C. Dubois Mason, E. Mohun, W. J. Sutton and Dr. T. J. Jones.

Several new nominations were made from the floor after the nominating committee had reported but the only member who allowed his name to go to the meeting was Alex. Peden. He was not elected, the selection of the committee being adopted as follows:

Honorary president—Hon. James Dunsmuir, Lieutenant-governor of British Columbia.

President—Judge P. Lampman.

First vice-president—A. E. McPhillips, K. C., M. P. P.

Second vice-president—Rev. Canon Beanlands.

Secretary-treasurer—Frank I. Clarke.

Literary correspondent—James H. Lawson, Jr.

Executive committee—James Forman, J. W. Jones, Luke Pither, D. Doig, R. F. Taylor, Major Walsh and T. W. Paterson.

A. B. Fraser and B. C. Mess were appointed auditors.

Of the above members, F. W. Jones is one of the late arrivals from Golden, B. C.; D. Doig is manager of the Bank of B. N. A.; R. F. Taylor is manager of the Merchants Bank of Canada in this city; and Major Walsh is a late official of the post office department at

vice president, thanked the club for the honor done him. He would spare no effort to make the coming year as successful as the previous one.

J. J. White, of Sidney, who was in town especially for the occasion, thought the club should officially repudiate the remarks of Mr. Minard, but the majority thought it better to ignore them.

It was decided that all veterans of the South African war should be guests of the club next week at the luncheon at the Empress hotel. There were also

42 members of the legislature who will be present on the occasion so that at least one hundred guests will be entertained. The veterans of the war will appear in their war-worn clothes and it is expected that the occasion will be the greatest yet in the history of the club. The oration will be delivered by D. M. Eberts, speaker for the house, who it was thought better than anyone else was in a position to speak for the legislature as a whole.

The new executive is an exceedingly strong one and without exception, the members have agreed to serve. The joy presiding at a national Canadian and comes from stout old United Empire Loyalist stock.

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