

waterworks being erected at this point by the Canadian Bovine Company, of Toronto. He was struck by a Michigan Central train.

The death of Mr. James Brownlee is reported. Mr. Brownlee was Canadian Pacific superintendent of the division at Kenora, Ont., where his death took place.

The death is reported of Mr. W. K. Watson, a member of the firm of Watson Bros., contracting firm, of Fairview, B.C. Mr. Watson was killed by the swinging arm of a crane striking his head during the construction of a building at the corner of Hemlock and Twelfth Streets, Vancouver.

MEETINGS.

The inaugural meeting of the Victoria, B.C., branch Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, was held on Monday evening, February 19th, and the following officers were elected for current years: F. C. Gamble (chief engineer of railways), chairman; R. W. Macintyre (Box 1290, city), secretary-treasurer. Amongst others present were Messrs. Bainbridge, Apenes, Rognass, Gray, O'Meara, Evans, Hoard, Hughes and Icke; also Mr. Foreman of the Vancouver branch.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute will be held at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, on March 6th, 7th, and 8th.

Guests of the Institute from Great Britain and the United States will include Mr. T. A. Rickard, of London, England; Dr. James E. Kemp, of New York, president of the American Institute of Mining Engineers; Mr. J. Parke Channing, of New York, president of the Mining and Metallurgical Society of America; Dr. James Douglas, of New York; Dr. Joseph Struthers, of New York, secretary of the American Institute of Mining Engineers; Mr. W. R. Ingalls, of New York, editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal; Mr. H. B. Winchell; Prof. R. H. Richards, of Boston; E. W. Parker, of Washington.

THE ASSOCIATION OF THE ONTARIO LAND SURVEYORS.

The annual meeting of the above association was held in Toronto on February 27th, 28th and 29th last. The meeting was held in the rooms of the Engineers' Club, King Street West. Several matters of importance to the surveyor and engineer were discussed. Mr. J. P. Whitson and Mr. T. B. Speight presented some facts of interest regarding the Abitibi district and the timber conditions in that country. Mr. C. Dobie gave some information regarding the elementary conditions in that great clay belt. At the close of the session Mr. J. F. Whitson retired from the office of president and Mr. T. B. Speight was elected to that office by acclamation. Mr. James Dobie, of Thessalon, was elected vice-president. The complete list of officers will be published in a few weeks' time as the remaining officers will be elected by ballot.

THE MEETING OF THE GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO.

The convention of the above association was held in Toronto on February 26th, 27th, 28th last, in the building of the York County Municipal Hall, Adelaide Street.

The convention was attended by representatives of nearly every portion of the province. Mayor Geary, of Toronto, extended the civic welcome to the convention. The object of this convention was to frame a policy whereby the highways of the province should be improved and maintained in good order without further delay. Several practical schemes were brought forward and discussed; among these one proposed that all fines levied upon motorists for breaches of the speed laws should be put to road maintenance and kindred improvements. Another proposed that the Federal Government should contribute one-half the expense, one-quarter from the Provincial body, and the balance from the county benefited.

Major Kennedy opened the meeting, and during the course of his address pointed out that Ontario, during the past year, had exceeded all previous years in the matter of good road building. Major Kennedy further pointed out that the rural population were not, in many cases, in a position to afford road improvements and permanent roadways. In Ontario, he stated, one-half of the provincial assessment of \$600,000,000 was upon the cities alone, while the remainder, or \$500,000,000, was upon the towns, villages and townships of the province. In this connection he pointed out that whereas the cities had to maintain and build a few miles of highway only, the outlying districts were compelled to care for and construct long stretches of roadway. This gentleman did not speak approvingly of the proposed federal highway, stating that in his opinion it was a mistake and a boon to motorists from the United States.

At the concluding session Mr. A. M. Rankin, M.P.P., Colin's Bay, was elected honorary president; Major T. L. Kennedy, president; Mr. N. Vermilyea, Belleville, vice-president; Col. J. E. Farewell, K.C., Whitby, honorary secretary-treasurer; Mr. G. S. Henry, Oriole, secretary-treasurer. These officers, together with the following gentlemen, constitute the Executive Committee for the ensuing year: Messrs. J. A. Sanderson, Leeds and Grenville; C. R. Wheelock, Dufferin; S. L. Squires, Oxford; Dr. Fairbanks, Lambton, and K. W. McKay, Elgin.

Brief addresses were delivered on different phases of the good roads problem by Messrs. J. Armitage, J. P. Griffin and W. C. Bush.

THE CANADIAN NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BUILDERS' EXCHANGES.

The sixth annual meeting of the above association was held in Toronto on February 21st, 22nd and 23rd last. The National Association were the guests of the local exchange, the Provincial Builders' and Supply Association of Ontario. The object of this association is to forward and strengthen a feeling of union between contractors, architects and dealers in builders' materials; to provide a means of intelligent consideration in wage matters and to maintain a headquarters where information relative to the building trade may be obtained.

The entertainment of the Canadian society took the form of a smoker and banquet; the latter being held on the evening of February 22nd. In addition to the delegates and the local members, several prominent architects of the city of Toronto attended. Speeches on matters of interest to the builder were made by prominent members and others attending. The officers of the Ontario Association are: President, Mr. George S. Gould, London; 1st vice-president, Mr. George A. Crain, Ottawa; 2nd vice-president, Mr. George Gander; secretary-treasurer, Mr. P. L. Fraser, Builders' Ex-