

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At the close of the Annual General Meeting, a meeting of the Council was held for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The members of the Council present were: Messrs. A. Downey, A. Horton, H. J. Emerson, John Carrick and E. E. Horton.

Mr. A. Horton moved, that there being only a bare quorum of the Council present, it is advisable to postpone the election of officers to an adjourned meeting to be held on the 17th inst.—Carried.

The adjourned meeting was held on the evening of Saturday, Sept. 17th. The following members of the Council were present: Messrs. Alex. Downey, H. J. Emerson, Albert Horton, John Carrick, A. C. Campbell, A. Wallis and E. E. Horton.

* The following officers were then elected by ballot:—

President—MR. E. E. HORTON, Official Reporter High Court of Justice.

Vice-President—MR. JOHN CARRICK, *Hamilton Times*.

Secretary—MR. H. J. EMERSON, law stenographer, Toronto.

Treasurer—MR. THOS. BENGOUGH, Official Reporter York County Court.

The President elect then said:—

GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL:—

"I have to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me, for I feel it is indeed a very great honor that I am called upon to be the presiding officer of an Association including in its membership the most skilful stenographic reporters of this, the premier, province of the Dominion. I should feel a good deal of hesitancy in succeeding the gentleman who has been your President up to the present time, did I not know that the same assistance which he received at your hands will be accorded to me during my term of office. Those who are here this evening, and some who are not here, have worked with great fidelity up to the present time, and I trust that now we have our Constitution adopted we shall not feel that we have arrived at a point where we can pause; but that having, so to speak, constructed and erected our engines, we shall take care that they are doing effective work before we resign the charge of them to other hands."

Mr. Albert Horton, in an appropriate speech moved that a vote of thanks be accorded to the retiring President, Mr. Alex. Downey, for the zeal and fidelity with which during his term of office he had discharged his duties. Mr. Campbell having seconded the motion, it was carried.

Mr. Downey suitably acknowledged the vote of thanks, and expressed his gratification at being succeeded in the Presidency by one so eminently well fitted for the office as Mr. E. E. Horton. He felt sure