

CANADIAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

Proceedings of the Thirty-Fifth Annual Meeting

THE Fifth Winter Session and the Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Canadian Press Association was held in Room "A," Board of Trade Building, Toronto, on Thursday and Friday, February 9th and 10th, 1893.

The Executive Committee met on Thursday morning at 10.30 and considered a number of applications for membership. At 1.45 p.m. the regular proceedings of the Association were opened. President H. P. Moore was in the chair, and Rev. Dr. Dewart invoked the divine blessing.

Present:—Andrew Pattullo, *Sentinel-Review*, Woodstock; L. W. Shannon, *The News*, Kingston; R. L. Mortimer, *The Free Press*, Shelburne; N. Phelps, *Times*, North Bay; J. D. Reid, *The Arrow*, Burks Falls; W. A. Shepard, ex-President United Typothetæ of America; T. F. McMahon, *The Liberal*, Richmond Hill; J. S. Willison, *The Globe*; J. R. Orr, *Review*, Madoc; S. Frank Wilson, *Truth*, Toronto; A. G. F. Macdonald, *Glengarry News*, Alexandria; George Wilson, *Daily and Weekly Guide*, Port Hope; E. Jackson, *Newmarket Era*; N. B. Colcock, *Times*, Brockville; W. H. Keller, *Journal*, Uxbridge; W. W. Smith, *Canadian Independent*, St. Catharines; S. Russell, *Tribune*, Deseronto; A. R. Fawcett, *Review*, Streetsville; W. Ireland, *The North Star*, Parry Sound; A. S. Forster, *Star*, Oakville; P. D. Ross, *Journal*, Ottawa; T. H. Preston, *Expositor*, Brantford; A. F. Pirie, *Banner*, Dundas; Robert Holmes, *New Era*, Clinton; Geo. H. Robinson, *Presbyterian Review*, Toronto; W. S. Dingman, *Stratford Herald*; R. Elliott, *Wingham Times*; W. M. O'Beirne, *Stratford Beacon*; Jas. S. Brierly, *Journal*, St. Thomas; E. C. Campbell, *Advocate*, Cayuga; John A. McKay, *Windsor Record*; W. K. McNaught, *Toronto Trader*; D. McGillicuddy, *The Signal*, Goderich; M. J. White, *Times Gazette*, Exeter; W. J. Watson, *Pen & Scissors*, Toronto; J. E. Davis, *Mitchell Advocate*; Rev. Dr. Dewart, *Christian Guardian*, Toronto; L. G. Jackson, *Era*, Newmarket; E. E. Sheppard, *The Toronto Saturday Night*; G. H. Mortimer, *Electrical News, Architect & Builder*, Toronto; T. H. Race, *Recorder*, Mitchell; Rev. Dr. Briggs, *Methodist Magazine*, Toronto; W. R. Climie, *Sun*, Bowmanville; W. F. Traves, *Times*, Port Hope; W. W. Buchanan, *The Templar*, Hamilton; Chas. Wm. Allen, *Recorder*, Deer Park; D. Creighton, *Empire*; W. McGuire, *The Liberal*, Tilsonburg; C. W. Young, *The Freeholder*, Cornwall; T. S. Bellamy, *The Sun*, Ingersoll; J. E. Atkinson, *Globe*; Arthur Wallis, *Mail*; W. J. Hambly, *Mail*; A. H. N. Colquhoun, *Empire*; J. B. McLean, **PRINTER AND PUBLISHER**, etc.; H. C. Bell, *Mail*; Hugh C. McLean,

Canadian Grocer; J. A. Cooper, *Dry Goods Review*; W. L. Edmonds, *Hardware Merchant*; J. A. Curry, *Mail*; T. A. Greig, *Star*; T. W. Dyas, *Mail*; Geo. Darby, *News*, Toronto; Roy V. Somerville, *New York*; P. F. Cronin, *Empire*, Toronto.

THE PRESIDENTS ADDRESS

The President followed with his annual address. He said: A growing interest in the affairs of the Association has been manifested on the part of the Press of the Country during the past year. The practical character of the sessions of recent years has not failed to command attention, and the influence of the Canadian Press Association is, I believe, greater to-day than ever before in its history. That the object of the Association is to bring the newspapers of the country to a better understanding of their interests, and of each other; to foster a higher conception of their duties and to secure a more thorough organization for their own benefit and protection, is each year becoming more fully appreciated. The work already accomplished has been of inestimable value. In our meetings we have sought to stimulate discussion upon many subjects of interest to the craft, and by the interchange of ideas and explanation of plans adopted and systems in operation teaching all practical sides of our business, many needed reforms have been pointed out and substantial improvements effected. But, much as this Association has done in the past, it has by no means exhausted its possibilities for usefulness. By continuing the spirit of mutual helpfulness a great deal more may be accomplished, and, though the purpose of the Association is distinctly educational, yet by organized effort and unity of purpose we can influence legitimate legislation in our interests. Our very practical sessions and the successful efforts of our Committees emphasize this fact. And this good work will go forward, for it is impossible for so many practical representatives of a profession as alert to progress as journalism to meet from all parts of the province, without imparting information to each other of a most valuable character, and through their deliberations to arrive at conclusions and formulate methods aiming at securing improvements and establishing our rights.

A leading writer has said that the newspaper is now the acknowledged literature of the world. The vocation of journalism is then one of which no one who is connected with it, however humble he may be, has reason to be ashamed. While it may not always yield the largest financial rewards, it is not without its compensations, even to the most limited sphere. To him who is ambitious to do good it offers unequalled opportunity. As its facilities multiply likewise does its influences—nor is it confined to any sphere. The family, the state, literature, com-