## LONDON BUILDERS' EXCHANGE.

THE first annual banquet of the above Exchange took place at the City Hotel, London, on the evening of the and inst. The chair was occupied by the president, Mr. William Jeffrey. The following, among others, were in attendance : Major Beattie, M.P., Wm. Smith, John M. Moore, School Trustee J. M. Logan, Ald. Jolly, Wm. Joanes, George Craddock, School Trustee Iones, ex-Ald. Belton, ex-Ald. Stevely, George Kernohan, Wm. Edgecombe, W. D. Willis, W. T. Pace, A. T. Corp, E. Fitzgerald, Geo. Hayman, John Logan, Walter Toll, John Hayman, jr., Geo. T. Gould, Wm. Tytler, Hy. Stratfold, Ed. Martyn, Harry Sing, L. Boss, John Sullivan, John Bryan, Thomas Edwards, E. Garratt, Edward Skuse, Wm. Nutkins, Robt. Gash, R. J. Haslett, Thos. Ridge, John Fenn, I. Quick, J. Fleming, R. Skelley, A. M. Legg, Wm. Packham, Robert H. Berry, Henry Kerr, Fred Deeley, Fred Garratt, Albert Evans, H. R. McDonald, H. C. Simpson, Edward Gardiner, Frank Simmons, A. Riddell, Ald. H. M. Douglass, Ald. P. McPhillips, Ald. H. Dreaney, E. H. Russell, T. A. Parkinson, W. F. Wyatt, Wm. Hayman, J. Garratt, Alex. Burnett, Arthur Nobbs, John Whittaker, Jas. Reid, A. Schabacker, Geo. Mortimore, Thomas P. Oglesby, C. Colerick, A. Stewart, Arthur H. Cooke, John Jones, James S. Luney, W. J. Anthistle, A. J. Humphrey, Thos. R. Wright, Wm. B. Walker, James Moran, E. E. Nugent, ex-Ald. Gerry, H. Hayman, John A. Heaman, Thos. McKinley, Charles Simmons, Thomas Inge, George Taylor, Richard Griffiths, Scott Murray, George Everett, George Tambling, Isaac Sargent, Wm. Chamberlain, George Howe, George Fox, Edward Jury.

Letters of regret were read from Col. Leys, M.P.P., Col. Culver, United States Consul; Mayor Wilson, Fred. Henry, H. C. McBride, Herbert Matthews and Col. Lewis.

The chairman referred to the friendly feeling and other benefits which had resulted to the trade since the organization of the Exchange a year ago. Testimony to this effect was also given by Alderman Garratt, William Smith, Thomas Jones, and Henry Stratfold, who were called upon to respond to the toast, the " Builders' Exchange."

Messrs. George Craddock, William Joanes, John M. Moore and Thomas E. Oglesby, responding on behalf of the toast "Our Architects," congratulated the builders on the success of their organization.

The usual loyal and patriotic toasts were duly honored.

The proceedings were enlivened by a liberal supply of music, solos being given by Messrs. H. R. Mc-Donald, Edward Gardiner, Harry Stratfold and H. C. Simpson ; violin solos by Mr. David Murray, and a duet by Messrs. Galpin, Stratfold, Simmons and Riddle. Mr. Fred. Fitzgerald was accompanyist.

The London Builders' Exchange is a thoroughly alive organization, and if as wisely managed in the future as during the first year of its existence, is certain to prove a benefit to all branches of the building trade.

Bill—" Has the boss raised your pay?" Jill—" Well, no ; he hasn't been able to raise it for three weeks now."—Yonkers Statesman.



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