

about it and the care and pains he takes with it should evoke our warmest appreciation; and all this voluntary work added to his multitudinous duties at the School. If it were not that he best illustrates it himself in the paper he has given us, "The Behavior of Steel Under Stress," I would feel called upon to take up more of your time and tell you of the behavior of Wright under stress. (Applause.)

PERSONAL.

Mr. S. G. Curry, a well known Toronto Architect, has been elected a member of the City Council.

The Toronto Builders' Exchange have elected as their representative on the Board of Management of the Toronto Technical School Mr. Jas. D. Allan.

Messrs. John Gemmell and John A. Pearson have been elected to represent the Ontario Association of Architects on the Board of Management of the Toronto Technical School.

Mr. Wm. J. Smith, formerly a well known builder and contractor, and later on superintendent of public buildings for the Dominion Government at Toronto, died in that city a fortnight ago, aged 61 years.

□ Miles Vokes, of the Vokes Hardware Company, and J. M. Taylor, manager of the Dominion Radiator Company, have been elected to the Executive Committee of the Hardware Section of the Toronto Board of Trade.

R. I. B. A. EXAMINATIONS.

The attention of our readers is directed to the advertisement appearing in this number giving particulars of the R. I. B. A. Examinations to be held in Canada from July 4th to 10th, in Montreal. At the first examinations held in Canada last year several candidates presented themselves, and one, Mr. Andrew Sharp, succeeded in passing.

BUILDING IN MONTREAL.

The second annual report of Mr. Chausse, Building Inspector, states that during 1901 there were erected 443 new buildings valued at \$2,568,378, and alterations to buildings costing \$332,361, the total expenditure being \$2,900,733 as compared with \$3,084,403 in 1900, and \$2,370,080 in 1899. The Inspector reports last year as having been the busiest in the history of his department, extra work being imposed by the new building by-law. He requests the Council to appoint an assistant inspector in order that the by-law may be properly enforced.

Very satisfactory progress has been made with the construction of the new Toronto hotel. The first five storeys have been completed and closed in, and work is proceeding on the interior. It has recently been decided to increase the height of the building by two storeys which, in addition to giving increased accommodation will improve the appearance.

The Bricklayers' Union of Toronto is said to be considering the advisability of making a demand for an increase in the rate of wages at the termination of their present agreement with the employers on May 1st next. It is reported that this demand will be for an increase of 7 cents per hour, which, if granted, would bring the rate per hour up to 45 cents. The builders' laborers are said to be considering a similar proposition, while the Teamsters' Union have already notified the contractors that after the 1st of May they will demand 45 cents per hour. The Plasterers' Union have made an agreement with the Builders' Exchange at 38 cents per hour. It will thus be seen that there is likely to be a demand all along the line for increase of pay. It is to be hoped that the effect of this announcement made so early in the year may not be prejudicial to the starting of new building projects.

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