

TO SECURE PLAYGROUNDS.

ON every suitable occasion the need for playgrounds for children was pointed out, and in conference with Mr. O. A. Howland it was decided to organize an association for this and other objects. The following reports, taken from the *Mail* of February and March, 1890, fully explain what was attempted:

PUBLIC PLACES ASSOCIATION.

A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF OBJECTS DECIDED UPON YESTERDAY.

A meeting to organize the Toronto Public Places Association was held in the Humane Society office, Bay Street, at four o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mr. O. A. Howland, presided, and those present were Sir Daniel Wilson, Rev. Dr. Scadding, W. G. Storm, J. J. Kelso, (Secretary), Beverley Jones, John Earls, John W. L. Forster, J. S. Thomson, S. George Curry, Hamilton McCarthy, Allan MacDougall, Dr. J. E. White, Wm. Stark.

After some discussion it was decided that the name of the organization should be the "Ontario Public Places Association" the annual membership fee being placed at \$4.

The objects of the Association are as follows:—

- (1) The preservation and perpetuation by the means and influence of the Association of public places, spots of beauty or interest and recreation grounds in the capital city and throughout the Province
- (2) The suitable adornment of such places, particularly by the erection of statues commemorating illustrious men connected with the history of the country