

ed for the coming year were as follows: President, C. Gardner; Vice-President, A. T. Child; Secretary, R. Beauchamp; Treasurer, A. Henderson. Executive Committee: Messrs. Hand, Parker, Smith and Selby.

The following were chosen as a committee to handle all entertainments during the coming season: Messrs. Hand, Godbolt, Jones, Kane and Senior.

The proposed decision of the Treasury Board re the stoppage of promotions during the war was the cause of much discussion and this branch placed itself upon record as being strongly opposed to such a decision.

The Executive and several members of this branch will be the guests of the Moose Jaw branch at a joint meeting to be held at Moose Jaw shortly. It is thought that if this idea of exchanging visits could be extended among other branches, much good would result therefrom as the idea of fraternity among branches is a strong factor toward united effort. It is a great help to know the opinion of one's neighbouring branches on certain subjects and these opinions can be better exchanged through the medium of personal visits.

The outlook for the coming year at Regina is one of cheery optimism, and every member of this branch is determined to do his utmost to make this year a banner year and the convention the best yet.

The Hockey Club attached to the local branch of the Postal Clerks' Association held a very enthusiastic organization meeting in the association rooms recently. In spite of the fact that many of last season's players have enlisted and their services consequently lost to the club, every member present at the meeting is cheerfully looking forward to the coming season and it is hoped that a strong team can be put into the league to represent the Post Office. The officers elected for the season are as follows: Patrons, Hon. R. L. Borden, Dr. W. D. Cowan and P.M. J. Nicholl; Hon. President, J. A. Westman; President, Leo J. LaBelle, Asst. P.M.; Vice-President, G. Gardner; Secy-Treas., M. S. Stewart; Captain, C. Webb; Committee, W. Longworthy, A. T. Child and C. Webb. The Hockey Club has now entered into its fourth year and in the past has done splendidly. Two years ago the third place in the league fell to its share, last year the top place was missed by one game, and this season the boys are after top place for sure.

Vancouver.

The regular monthly meeting of the Vancouver Branch was held on Monday, November 1st, and proved a bumper meeting. There were nearly fifty present. The efforts of the Executive Committee have been amply rewarded and Secretary Hut-

chinson's smile reached from ear to ear as the boys rolled in. (Next meeting he will probably behead himself.) The business meeting dealt mostly with routine matters, but the President of the Dominion Association, Mr. A. S. Black, took advantage of the large attendance and made an appeal for the individual support of each member in helping to keep the Branch active.

After the regular business there was the usual concert, and the latest musical selections were given in great style by a portion of the Post Office orchestra, ably led by the indomitable "Nick" (Mr. N. Williamson), who is never awanting when the boys need music. Mr. Cunningham gave us an unexpected treat in a flute solo, while Mr. Stanley Nash's monologue entitled "The Face at the Window" evoked much laughter. Worthy of mention was the instrumental farce by Messrs. Black, Nash, Haworth and Middlemiss. The audience was visibly overcome and the performers retired amidst a shower of bouquets which were lavishly and unceremoniously thrust upon them. Mr. J. E. Holden officiated at the piano with his usual skill. Last, but not least, on the programme was the debate on "Prohibition," and we unearthed orators of the first degree in Messrs. Lyon, Renwick, Marshallsay, Hutchinson, Longworth and Maley. Much amusement was caused by Mr. Longworth's fiery eloquence and his unhesitating quotations of history and statistics. A true son of Erin, he presented his views in a manner that the gods only bestow upon the Irish, and the close of his oration was the signal for a burst of spontaneous applause. The other speakers ably debated the question from many viewpoints and showed a knowledge of the many sides of the question which surprised the audience. After the debate the chairman attempted to take a vote on the question and the result was—well, ask our Calgary friends. They will probably guess right first time.

The Executive Committee are more than satisfied with the success of having an entertainment after the meeting. This is undoubtedly a drawing card and serves a double purpose by bringing the members together both for business and pleasure, and we advise the other Branches of the Association to give this scheme a trial and we are sure they will be gratified by the results.

The Assistant Postmaster-General announced that during the holiday rush postmasters would be allowed to stick stamps on themselves. Now there are undoubtedly some postmasters whose appearance would be much improved by a layer of postage stamps, but we cannot see that this would facilitate business.—*Argonaut, San Francisco.*