

practice of the Railway Committee is of doubtful legality, inequitable and contrary to public justice and policy, this Union of Canadian Municipalities protests against such practice and claim of jurisdiction, and instructs the Executive to unite the Municipalities of Canada to oppose the policy and, if necessary, to obtain a legal determination upon the right.

7. That the scope of Municipal Administration and Legislation is so large and important that in the public interest, Municipal issues should be kept solely in view by the electorate at Municipal Elections, free from other questions or associations, and the members of this Convention declare their intention of exerting their influence to this end in their several localities.

8. That we earnestly recommend to all Municipalities a careful oversight over all concessions of franchises with a view to the future extension of the principle of Municipal ownership and control of public utilities; and we particularly urge that all Municipalities retain the control of all franchises for electric railways; which opens a new field for the means of local communication and transportation.

9. That the Executive be instructed to print the Constitution and Resolutions and send copies to all members of this Union and to other Municipalities and to the Premiers of the Dominion and of the different provinces, and to other suitable quarters; and the delegates to the Convention are requested to obtain confirmation of these resolutions by their Municipalities, and that all Municipalities not already members be invited to confirm these resolutions and to join the Union.

OFFICERS.

The following were elected by the Convention as the officers of the Union for the succeeding year :

PRESIDENT, O. A. Howland, K.C., C.M.G., Mayor of Toronto.
 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT (Ontario), W. D. Morris, K.C., Mayor of Ottawa.
 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT (Ontario), Aaron Read, Esq., Mayor of Owen Sound.
 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT (Quebec), W. D. Lighthall, Esq., Mayor of Westmount, Que.
 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT (Quebec), W.M. Knowles., Esq., Councillor, Westmount, Que.
 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT (Nova Scotia), J. T. Hamilton, Esq., Mayor of Halifax, N.S.
 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT (Nova Scotia)—————
 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT (New Brunswick), Alex. W. MacRae, Alderman, St. John, N.B.
 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT (New Brunswick)—————
 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT (Manitoba), John Arbuthnot, Esq., Mayor of Winnipeg.
 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—————