

You have all been supplied with copy of minutes of last meeting, and in order to proceed it will be necessary for some person to move that these minutes be taken as read.

Moved by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Mr. J. A. Mitchell that the minutes be taken as read.

Chairman,—

We are now at the first meeting of the new year and it is also the first meeting at which I have the honor to occupy the chair as President. Our first year has been most successful, and I certainly trust that the interest of the members will not abate during the ensuing year in securing new members. The financial statement of the Club is prepared and I believe is about to be submitted to you. The year ended Oct. 31st and I am glad to say we have a nice surplus.

It is my desire that we find more congenial quarters to meet in than we are in at present, for the reason that we are restricted here. A great many of us would like to smoke during the evening, but as you know we are prohibited doing that here. I think smoking would make it more sociable and would bring out more discussion and suggestions. I propose to appoint a committee to look into this matter. I am of the opinion that the members of the Club will coincide with me in this.

Unfortunately the Past President of the Club is unable to be present with us to-night, although he intended to be here. As you are all aware that at the meeting of the Executive held last week, it was decided to present Mr. Kennedy with a watch chain charm, which I might say has been decided as a "Standard," in recognition of his services as President of this Club, which I shall pass around for each member to examine, and as I have said before it being impossible for Mr. Kennedy to be present with us to-night the Secretary will be instructed to forward same to him.

Chairman,—

The next order of business is the announcement of New Members, which I will call upon the Secretary to read.

LIST OF NEW MEMBERS.

Mr. Jos. Haines, Manager D. K. McLaren Co., Limited, Toronto.

Mr. Hartley Spencer, Draughtsman, G.T.R., Shops, Stratford.

Mr. H. H. Wilson, Chief Engineer, W. A. Murray Co., Toronto.