

draft motions to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society to facilitate the discussions thereat."—Carried.

MR. KERRY: I have a couple of small motions; I do not know whether they will be seconded. The first is, "That the Secretary be instructed to send to the members of the nominating committee a list of the men who have held office in the branches of the Society, because it is the opinion of this meeting that service in a branch is a recommendation for election to the general office of the Society."

Seconded by Mr. Coste and carried.

MR. KERRY: My second motion, Mr. Chairman is "That the Council be directed to transmit all applications for admission to membership or transfer of membership coming from within the district of a recognized branch to the Executive Council of that branch for recommendation before taking final action upon the application."

Seconded by Mr. McNab and carried.

THE PRESIDENT: Votes of thanks have been proposed to our various entertainers as follows:—

The Grand Trunk Railway Company.
The Railways of the Eastern Passenger Association.
The University of Toronto.
The Engineering Society of the University.
The Engineers Club.
The Local Committee.
The Press.

The Canadian Westinghouse Company.
The International Harvester Company.
The Canadian Portland Cement Company.
To our friend Mr. J. A. Jameson.
The Toronto Street Railway Company.
The York Springs Mineral Water Company.
I do not remember, had we any of that?

MR. McNAB: Before that motion was put with regard to the Toronto Street Railway, may I ask how long these buttons are good for?

THE PRESIDENT: I think they are good for to-day.

Moved by Mr. LeGrand, seconded by Mr. Macpherson, that the thanks of the Society be sent to the various associations and gentlemen mentioned.—Carried.

THE SECRETARY: The scrutineers appointed to count the votes of the nominating committee for 1909 beg to report as follows:—

Province of Ontario: Total number of ballots received 92. The three members receiving the largest number of votes were Messrs. C. H. Mitchell, C. W. Dill, and T. C. Irving, jr.

Manitoba: 106 ballots, the two members receiving the largest number of votes were L. A. Vallee and C. S. Leech.

The section north-west of Ontario 36 ballots. The two members receiving the largest number of votes were T. E. Schwitzer and H. N. Rattan.

Maritime Provinces: 15 ballots. Member receiving the highest number of votes C. E. W. Dodwell.

Section outside of Canada and Newfoundland: 56 ballots, Henry Holgate.

THE PRESIDENT: The custom, I believe is, simply to adopt the report, and at the same time the member proposing the adoption of the report, unless there is some reason to the contrary, accompanies it with a motion to destroy the ballots. That will not be safe I think in the case of the amendments to the by-laws.

Mr. Jameson moves, seconded by Mr. Macpherson, that the report of the scrutineers be received and that the ballots be destroyed.—Carried.

THE SECRETARY: The report of the scrutineers on the election of officers and members of Council. Number of ballots cast 425. Of these three were not signed, 27 were signed by members in arrears, 15 spoilt, 3 returned blank.

We declare the following elected:—President, Mr. G. A. Mountain, practically unanimously. (Applause.)

Vice-Presidents, W. F. Tye, 271 votes.

H. N. Rattan, 262 votes.

C. J. Desbarats, 195 votes.

For Members of Council, J. E. Schwitzer, 312 votes.

A. E. Doucet, 303 votes.

D. Macpherson, 274 votes.

R. A. Ross, 271 votes.

N. J. Ker, 267 votes.

R. S. Lea, 259 votes.

J. G. Legrand, 257 votes.

F. W. Doane, 253 votes.

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L. A. Vallee, 180 votes.

F. P. Gutelius, 486 votes.

For the General Section, P. Sherwood, 246 votes.

A. St. Laurent, 204 votes.

For the Electric Section, C. H. Mitchell, 248 votes.

L. A. Herat, 224 votes.

Mechanical Section, H. A. Bayfield, 232 votes.

W. Kennedy, jr., 220 votes.

Mining Section, F. L. Wanklyn, 231 votes.

Charles Fergie, 231 votes.

R. W. Leonard, 212 votes.

Signed, J. T. Croft, Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Rust, seconded by Mr. Murdoch, that the report of the scrutineers on the election of officers and councillors be received, and that the ballots be destroyed.

THE PRESIDENT: I shall ask the newly elected President, Mr. Mountain, to take the chair.

PRESIDENT MOUNTAIN: I thank you, gentlemen, for the honour you have conferred on me in electing me to the highest office in the gift of the Society. If spared I will use my best energies for its advancement. (Applause.)

MR. LEOFRED: Mr. Chairman, I would move, seconded by Mr. Burchell, that a vote of sincere thanks be carried to the retiring President and officers for the very good services rendered the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers in the last year.

MR. BURCHELL: Mr. Chairman, those at a distance have been debarred the privileges of the Society; at the same time we are under very great obligation to the executive officers and the committee workers of the Society. We are unable to carry our share of the burden in that respect, and so it is with feelings of special satisfaction that I have the privilege of seconding this motion. I desire, if you will permit me, to congratulate you, sir, upon your present appointment and to refer in a word to a special feature of your election as President of this Society; namely, your connection with the Railway Commission, of which every engineer may well feel proud. I think that this Commission is an institution that has already accomplished great good and will accomplish very much more in this country. Its work and its possibilities of establishing things on a sound straight basis in railway matters throughout this country should be a subject of very great gratification to every engineer in the country. I personally have in no way subscribed to any political party since I have come back to my native land, and therefore judge of this thing altogether impartially and from the standpoint of one who has watched very closely the workings of similar commissions elsewhere. I feel very proud that Canada has instituted such a commission and has brought into its service such men as we know are connected with it. Therefore, I am peculiarly and specially glad that in this way the Society has recognized the merit of the choice made by the Commission and has elected you, sir, as its President for the year. (Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT: Gentlemen, you have heard the motion moved and seconded, what is your pleasure? I declare it carried.

EX-PRESIDENT GALBRAITH: I am sure the Council, including the late President, feels very grateful at the way this motion has been received. As I said last night, we have left undone a great many things that we ought to have done, but we have tried not to do the things which we ought not to have done. And I thank you all. Before I take my seat I wish to move a resolution. As a member of the late Council I became aware for the first time of the enormous amount of work in the Secretary's office. That work is increasing every year; it is doubling and trebling. The Secretary receives a small douceur, an amount that does not in any way represent the work he is doing. In early days he held together this Society; he has been really the working member of the Council above all others, and I feel it my duty as well as my pleasure to bear witness to the interest he has taken in the Society. I, therefore, move a vote of thanks to our late Secretary, Professor McLeod.