

Dudley, Hugh C. McLean, C. W. Taylor, F. Diver, James Murray, C. B. Robinson. The two last named were appointed by virtue of their office as Past-Presidents.

It was moved and seconded that a committee consisting of Messrs. James Murray, W. H. Apter and Hugh C. McLean consider the advisability of a "dead beat" list for the use of the members of the Association and report on same to the Executive Committee.

The annual dinner which took place at the Rossin House, Friday, April 7, was the best the Association has yet had, a few comments on it will be found in another column. The new President, Mr. A. F. Rutter, made a most affable chairman. About a hundred were present.

### TRADE PUBLICATIONS

THE special number of the *British Printer*, recently to hand, is an excellent one, a pleasing feature being the liberal advertising patronage accorded it. Typographically it is a credit to its publishers, as many of the pages are gems of art. The colored work is especially good, and the numerous engravings are brought out with great distinctness.

THE New Year number of the *Canadian Architect and Builder*, Mr. C. H. Mortimer, publisher, Toronto, is replete with information well adapted for the constituency to which it so successfully appeals. With this issue was presented five double-sheet supplementary sheets, containing plans of new buildings, designs, well-known completed buildings, etc., all being the work of architects of note.

ONE of the brightest trade publications issued this season is the Spring number of the *Canadian Dry Goods Review*, J. B. McLean Publishing Co., Toronto. The illuminated cover represents spring in the form of a shepherdess, one hand holding the shepherd's crook, while in the other is a trumpet, whose notes attract to her side the frolicking lambs and bird songsters, as she stands carpeted on a green sward, daisies showing their heads here and there. The advertisements, which are quite numerous, are so artistically set that some of the daily papers reproduced them by photography in their own advertising columns. Articles in all branches of the Dry Goods trade deal exhaustively with that line and business; while the trade chat and gossip are lighter features that have their proper place.

AMONG the successful trade journals of Canada is *The Hardware Merchant*, a monthly published by the J. B. McLean Co. A special number has just been issued which bears evidence that it is in touch with the manufacturer and seller of metal supplies needed by builders, etc. A variety of information, useful to

to those interested in the iron and cognate industries, as well as practical hints, trade gossip, market quotations, etc., will be read with profit by seller and buyer alike. The typographical appearance of *Hardware* is excellent, and the colored cover very striking. On the first page of the cover stands a brawny, muscular man, holding a sledge, opposite to him being an anvil. The sparks that are supposed to fly from the red-hot iron as the sledge descends on it are the bright paragraphs found in succeeding pages.

### THE NEWS GATHERERS

MR. F. W. HOBSON, editor of the *Farmers' Advocate*, London, is recovering from a dangerous illness.

MR. JOHN S. DEWAR, of the *London Free Press*, has been elected chairman of the Board of Education.

AN excellent portrait of "Hon" Thomas P. Gorman, editor of the *Ottawa Free Press*, was given recently in the *New York Journalist*, together with a brief sketch of his editorial career, by Mr. J. Armoyn Knox.

THE Woodstock correspondent of the *Toronto Mail* is a Mrs. Deverill, who carried on the work for months while her husband was prostrated by consumption. Since his death she has continued to fill his place.

MISS MADGE ROBERTSON of Collingwood, and latterly of Toronto, is now doing good journalistic work in New York. Another Canadian girl who is doing well over the line is Miss Eva Broadbique, of the *Chicago Times*.

THE *New York Journalist* says hundreds of reporters are waiting for employment in that city. It advises no one to start for Gotham unless armed with a three-years' contract or a return ticket, as walking is bad these days.

MARGARET SULLIVAN, who is an editorial writer on the *Chicago Herald*, commenced to write for newspapers when she was a schoolgirl only 17 years old. She sent in an article on some question of current interest on which she happened to be posted. The article was printed editorially, and a request sent her for another. She sent her copy down to the office for several days, when word was sent her to come in person. She did. The editor was dumbfounded at the appearance of a young girl in short dresses, claiming to be the writer of the much-prized editorials. He thought there must be some mistake. And it was only after the "little girl" had sat down in the office and written a few columns to order that he could be convinced.

MR. CASWELL, of Brough and Caswell left on the 28th of March, for Montreal and Boston, in connection with the getting out of a souvenir of Montreal and vicinity for the purposes of the great convention of the Christian Endeavor Society to be held in that city in July. This firm publish the *Endeavor Herald*, the official organ of the Society in Canada.