

## MEMBERS.

The Society is now in a position to elect members, like other similar organizations. Nominations are passed upon by the Executive Committee. A considerable number have already been admitted since the 23rd May when the constitution was amended. Circulars will be sent to a large number of people throughout the Province urging them to send in their names. Members will be entitled to our publications, and to equal privileges in every respect with the delegates of local Societies.

## RECENT EVENTS.

I have dwelt at some length upon the special circumstances and associations which render the present meeting one of peculiar significance. To avoid trespassing upon your indulgence it is necessary to resist the temptation to enlarge upon events of national and universal interest. In an annual address, however, I may be pardoned for briefly mentioning one or two.

## THE JUBILEE.

The year 1897 witnessed a splendid demonstration of the grandeur, power, and resources of the British Empire. Never was there a more sincere expression of affectionate loyalty than that which welcomed the Sixtieth Anniversary of the accession to the throne of the exalted lady who still represents the majesty and might of Britain's sway. Among the self-governing colonies which took part in the demonstration, Canada occupied easily the foremost place, and everywhere its Prime Minister won golden opinions by his skilful oratory and effective diplomacy as well as his winning personality. Pride in the achievements of the race was tempered by the enlarged sense of imperial responsibility so nobly voiced by the uncrowned laureate of the Seven Seas,—

If drunk with sight of power, we loose  
Wild tongues that have not Thee in awe—  
Such boasting as the Gentiles use  
Or lesser breeds without the law—  
Lord God of Hosts be with us yet,  
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

## THE CABOT AND CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARIES.

The simultaneous celebration at Bristol and Halifax of the four hundredth anniversary of Cabot's discovery of the Continent of America was a noteworthy event of special importance to students of