

from their frames have been found uninjured and it is hoped that the gates will be found serviceable.

Toronto, Ont.—The long-pending arrangements for the construction of a union station at Toronto, Ont., seem destined to further delay. Following a conference last week the Railway Commission has called on the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific to present within three weeks a joint statement showing the exact status of the negotiations between the two companies regarding the project. In the meantime the railways announce that they will have entered an appeal to the Governor-General in Council against the viaduct order, thereby re-opening the whole viaduct and union station issue. The Canadian Pacific declares that it is not party to any order respecting the union station yet made by the Commission and therefore is not subject to the present order. The road's counsel declared that the determination of the plans for the union station depended entirely on whether or not the viaduct scheme was to be carried out, and reiterated the unalterable opposition of his company to that scheme. The plans could not be decided until the track level was fixed. It is expected that the railways will ask for the appointment of a board of three independent engineers of acknowledged eminence to prepare a joint recommendation. Such a board could report in time for work to be begun in the spring.

ROYAL ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTE.

The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada opened its seventh annual meeting in Ottawa on October 7th, addresses of welcome being extended by Mayor Hopewell and C. P. Meredith, president of the Local Chapter of the Ontario Association of Architects.

The Institute will meet next year in the city of Calgary. A resolution was passed by the Institute reorganizing it as the representative body of the Federated Provincial Associations. The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada has a membership of 550 in all parts of Canada.

F. S. Baker, president of the Institute, retired, and the following officers were elected: President, H. C. Russell, of Winnipeg; vice-presidents, Messrs. George Long, of Calgary; A. F. Wickson, of Toronto, and G. A. Monette, of Montreal; honorary secretary, Alcide Chausse, Montreal; honorary treasurer, J. W. H. Watts, Ottawa.

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MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF ARCHITECTS.

The annual meeting of the above was held in Brandon, Man., on Saturday, September 28th last. The following were elected officers for the coming season: President, W. Fingland; vice-presidents, W. A. Elliott and J. Prender West; secretary, R. G. Hanford; treasurer, W. F. Nichols. Several important questions were dealt with, including the new Winnipeg building by-laws, the Selkirk memorial petition and the annual meeting of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, to be held in Ottawa in the near future.

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ONTARIO SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS.

At a meeting of the Ontario Society of Architects the following were elected officers for the coming season. The annual convention of this body will meet in the city of Ottawa during the middle of October. President, C. P. Meredith, Ottawa; first vice-president, Jules F. Wegeman, Toronto; second vice-president, A. C. Bond, Toronto; treasurer, J. P. Hynes, Toronto; registrar, H. E. Moore, Toronto. The other members of the council are: Professor Wright, Toronto, and Fenning Taylor, Ottawa.

CANADIAN STREET RAILWAY ASSOCIATION.

The Canadian Street Railway Association met last week in London. A number of papers were read by members of the association, and officers were elected for the year as follows: President, Mr. Patrick Dubee, Montreal; vice-president, Mr. C. B. King, manager of the London street railway; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Acton Burrows, Toronto; executive committee, the officers and Messrs. R. Hooper, St. Johns, N.B.; J. E. Hutchinson, Montreal; J. D. Fraser, Ottawa; W. Phillips, Winnipeg, and J. E. Coleman, Hamilton.

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REGINA ENGINEERING SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of the Regina Engineering Society was held last week and the following officers were elected. No new nominations were offered and the men who have served during the past five months of the society's existence were unanimously re-elected. They are as follows: Hon. president, J. G. Sullivan; president, A. J. McPherson; first vice-president, H. S. Carpenter; second vice-president, L. A. Thornton; secretary, J. A. Gibson; treasurer, E. I. Wenger; corresponding secretary, R. O. Wynn-Roberts.

The address of the evening was a paper on "Good Roads," read by A. J. McPherson.

Mr. McPherson reviewed the history of road making in Saskatchewan, but dealt chiefly with the progress which had been made since 1906 and the methods adopted. His paper dealt with the whole question from the standpoint of the government, and showed what progress had been made since the adoption of the first policy of having the money provided for this purpose expended under local supervision, which resulted in its being done only when no other work could be undertaken, through successive steps up to the present system under which the supervision of the making of main roads is entirely under the supervision of the commission. He showed how the steps which had been taken had resulted in having a large body of men scattered over the province, all of whom were intelligent road builders.

The work of construction, when of any extent, such as construction of roads through sloughs, through rough country and the building of bridges over twenty feet span, is done by the government while the maintenance of roads built with government assistance and the upkeep of the ordinary roads is left to the municipalities.

In the discussion which followed the paper Mr. Carpenter drew the attention of the engineers to the fact that there was a dearth of road engineers throughout the country and that many municipalities were refraining from entering upon extended plans of road building because they could not get men competent to direct the work.

PERSONAL.

MR. LOUIS B. STEWART, Professor of Surveying of the University of Toronto, who has been north for the Dominion Government, settling the boundary between Manitoba and Ontario, is back in Toronto.

MR. WILLIAM KENNEDY, JR., of Montreal, will in all probability be retained by the fire, water and light committee of Winnipeg as consulting hydraulic engineer in connection with the Point du Bois power plant.

MR. G. C. BATEMAN, B.Sc., late of the staff of the Dome Mines, in Porcupine, has been appointed to succeed Mr. A. D. Miles as Canadian representative of the Canadian Mining and Exploration Company. Mr. Bateman is a gradu-