

### Michigan's Annual Banquet.

The sixth annual banquet to the staff of the Michigan branch of the Sun Life of Canada was given at Hotel Cadillac on the 18th February. This year, in addition to the Secretary, Mr. T. B. Macaulay, from the home office, the affair was honored by the presence of Mr. Robertson Macaulay, the President. A notable feature of these banquets is the presence of the ladies, and they turned out in good force on this occasion, as usual. Some sixty-five covers were laid, and the menu, service, etc., were of the usual high order.

After the menu had been well discussed, Mr. H. C. Walters, the toastmaster, introduced Mr. Robertson Macaulay. Mr. Macaulay complimented Mr. Tory and the Michigan staff for the excellent results accomplished, and expressed his great pleasure in being able to be present. Michigan he considered an important field. He traced briefly the history of the Company, and spoke of its ability to hold its agents as a test of its popularity.

Hon. James V. Barry, insurance commissioner of Michigan, expressed his pleasure at being present, and declared that if this banquet were a sample, he

could be counted on as a perpetual guest. He was glad to meet representatives of the Sun Life of Canada, and also the rank and file in Michigan. He did not share in the apprehension of some as to organizations, but could see in them much good. He believed the welfare of a good company and the people to be identical; what affects one affects the other, and we should encourage all legitimate undertakings. Whenever a State seeks to place burdens upon companies, it places them upon its own citizens. He proposes to conduct the insurance department on that line.

Mr. J. J. Ludwick, district manager at Grand Rapids, made a witty speech on "The Ideal Woman I Never Met."

Mr. T. B. Macaulay, Secretary and Actuary of the Company, spoke of the investments of the Sun Life of Canada. He said that there are two extremes of sacrificing security for interest and of sacrificing interest for security. There is a happy medium, and this the Sun Life of Canada endeavours to find. He said that he was proud of the Michigan staff, whom he considered men of character as well as ability and enthusiasm.

Mr. A. M. Griffith, district manager at Kalamazoo, spoke of "Honesty in Life Assurance."

Mr. Tory read an address to President Macaulay by the Michigan staff, and presented him, on behalf of the staff, with a handsome set of "Modern Eloquence." Mr. Macaulay was much affected by the address and gift, and made a feeling response.

During the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Reed each gave recitations, which were greatly appreciated. The banquet was one of the best yet given by the Michigan branch.

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

In the early days of Richmond this church was used for political as well as religious meetings. At a political meeting in this church Patrick Henry gave utterance to the famous words: "Give me liberty or give me death."