

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION OF THE HAMILTON ASSOCIATION, 1898-99.

During the past year this section has met 16 times, and 11 members have been added to the roll.

A new electric projecting lantern was purchased from Thompson, Boston, and was used for the first time on May, 31, 1898, when the Hamilton Canadian Interchange set of slides was shown. The lantern proved very satisfactory, giving a strong white light; and as the intensity of the light can be varied to suit the density of the slide being used, very good results can be obtained.

An enlarging camera with electric light and 10-inch condenser has been fitted up in the dark room. This apparatus has been very popular among the members, and some creditable work has been produced with it.

For some time the members of the section have been agitating for better dark room accommodation, and a committee was appointed to consider ways and means to attain some improvement. If this were remedied, and a larger and better fitted dark room constructed, it would be a great boon to the members of the section, and would certainly benefit the Association materially and financially.

The American Interchange sets of slides have been shown at intervals through the winter months. These exhibitions have been entirely free of charge, and, as there is considerable expense incurred by the section in connection with these open meetings, it is hoped that the Association will see its way to help on the work financially by voting a liberal grant to the Photographic Section.

All the open meetings have been well attended and much appreciated, and the section feels gratified that so many members of the other sections of the Association have attended the meetings.

All the sets of slides shown this season have been above the average, both in technique and in artistic quality.

An additional interest was added to these exhibitions by the