

Mrs. C. Neville Rolfe, O.B.E., General Secretary of the Council, who will act as lay commissioner, and will be accompanied by the Secretary, Miss E. O. Grant, M.B.E.

Mrs. Rolfe, who was formerly Mrs. A. C. Gotto, is a great friend of Dr. Winnifred Cullis, so well remembered and well loved in Toronto, who when here told some very thrilling stories of Mrs. Rolfe's enterprise and daring in forwarding the work of the Council. To gather information she frequented, under disguise, the lowest and most dangerous dives in London.

The commission will spend about a week in Canada, arriving in Toronto about the 7th of November, and visiting Ottawa also.

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### PRESENTATION TO DR. C. J. HASTINGS

Dr. Hastings, M.H.O., of Toronto, was on Saturday, 9th October, presented by his staff with a beautiful bouquet of roses and an address to mark the tenth anniversary of his appointment as city health officer.

When asked if he had any message for Toronto on this anniversary, Dr. Hastings said:

"Any message I might have would be one of appreciation of their co-operation during these ten years, and of the co-operation of the press. Ninety-nine per cent. of the results we have obtained have been due to education of the public in the necessities and possibilities of health reform. No one wants disease, much less bereavement, and when certain things are shown to be preventable, the public willingly come to the assistance of those who are trying to prevent them. In Toronto we have been able to demonstrate that with sufficient organization and proper administration, a city can have within reasonable limits, as much health as it is willing to pay for. The results which we have secured reflect the utmost credit upon the loyal co-operation of our staff, which has enthusiastically entered into the spirit of the life-saving work which has been accomplished."

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### SURGICAL CONVENTION

Nearly 1,700 surgeons from this continent and other parts of the world met in Montreal on 11th October in conference when the convention of the American College of Surgeons was opened in St. James' Methodist Church at 8 p.m. From the British Isles and from Chili, Peru and the Argentine distinguished surgeons were present as delegates. The address of welcome was made by General Sir Arthur Currie, Principal