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THE TORONTO EXHIBITION.

The Toronto Industrial Exhibition Association have assigned the Canadian Manufacturers' Association their accustomed office room in the Press Building on the Fair Grounds, and I take pleasure in announcing that it will be thus occupied during the two weeks of the forthcoming Fair beginning on September 3. All members of the Manufacturers' Association will make this their head-

quarters during the Fair; and all Canadian manufacturers and American manufacturers, and all other manufacturers, and all their friends—their sisters and their cousins and their aunts are invited to make use of the accommodations which will be there provided. As usual, the latch string will hang on the outside of the door; and on the inside will be found conveniences which will be appreciated under the circumstances. The Fair promises to be exceedingly interesting to all concerned, and particularly so to manufacturers. The management are doing all within their power to make it thus, and they will undoubtedly succeed, as they always do. The Toronto Fair is always of great pecuniary advantage to exhibiting manufacturers.

J. J. CASSIDEY, Secretary,
Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

THE TORONTO INDUSTRIAL FAIR.

The continued popularity of the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, which opens on the 3rd of September, is abundantly evidenced by the very large increase in the number of exhibits to be shown in all the departments. The display in the Main Building and Machinery Hall will be particularly full and varied, and notwithstanding the entire re-arrangement of the former building with the object of economizing space and showing the exhibits to the best advantage, the management anticipate some difficulty in meeting the greatly increased demands on that space. Among other changes in the internal arrangements, the fountain in the centre, long a familiar object to Fair visitors, has disappeared, being replaced by a band-stand, underneath which booths have been constructed for the sale of specialties. This is an improvement that will be welcomed by many exhibitors who do not approve of the sale of eatables and other articles in their immediate neighborhood. Henceforth all privileges to sell in the Main Building will be strictly confined to the particular location set apart therefor.

This journal has frequently called attention to the inadequate and defective accommodation afforded to exhibitors of machinery in operation in the building devoted to that purpose. We are pleased to learn that the enterprising management of the Fair fully realize the shortcomings of Machinery Hall, considered with relation to present day requirements, and intimate their purpose before long of replacing it by a new building better adapted in its construction and appointments for the display of heavy machinery. The large outlay involved by the building of the cattle sheds, stables and new grand stand last year, however, has necessitated a postponement of this much-needed improvement to a future date. When the work is undertaken the expectation of the manufacturers that their requirements and interests will be provided for as fully and with the same perfection of detail as those of the farmers and stock-breeders have been, will no doubt be entirely fulfilled. In the meantime such temporary repairs and alterations have been made in the present building as were urgently required. Changes have been made in the location of the engines and a portion of the floor has been re-laid with 3-inch planking.

The attention of inventors and mechanical experts has been of late directed towards the possibilities of electrical development. Recognizing this tendency and the interest