

HON. J. W. LONGLEY

then moved that the following be the officers of the Society during the ensuing year:

PRESIDENT.—Lieut.-Governor Ritchie.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.—The Mayor, Prof. Lawson, Hon. P. C. Hill, J. F. Kenny, S. Tobin, Halifax; John, P. Mott, Dartmouth; Dr. Nathan Tupper, Amherst; Israel Longworth, Truro; John Blanchard, Kentville; Thomas Flint, Yarmouth; David Matheson, Pictou; J. J. McKinnon, Antigonish; T. C. Hill, Sydney; C. E. Kaulback, Lunenburg.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—C. W. Anderson, chairman; W. H. Harrington, Dr. Trenaman, Rev. John Forrest, Rev. Robt. Murray, F. S. West, J. C. Mackintosh, H. McD. Henry.

COUNSEL.—Robert Motton.

TREASURER.—William Hedley, 185 Hollis Street.

SECRETARY.—John Naylor, 93 Hollis Street.

HIS HONOR THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR

congratulated the meeting on the unanimity of feeling that had been displayed, and he trusted that a fresh start would be made. He was inclined to the belief that the application of the suggestion of the cards with the aid of the ladies, would be effectual in replenishing the depleted treasury. With reference to the bill before the House of Commons, it was in the hands of a gentleman who was exceedingly industrious and energetic in everything he undertook, and who would persist in his endeavors to carry the bill to ratification.

The meeting adjourned.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The work of the Society during the past year, 1884-5 has simply re-duplicated that of the previous year. Cruelty still haunts our streets, prowls in our alleys, revels in the hovels of drunken pauperism, and hand in hand with vice and lawlessness, claims its victims not only among the dumb brutes but among women and children, the aged, the sick, the helpless infant and the stranger that is within our gates. This Society has strenuously continued its warfare against every form of cruelty to which the attention of its officers has been called. It is highly encouraging to note that public sympathy, and the cordial co-operation of the officers of the law, are now uniformly on the side of tender-mercy and loving-kindness towards the victims of strong-handed cruelty and vice.

During the year, 480 cases of cruelty have been investigated. These embraced men, women and children, and lower animals.