

greatly esteemed president, whose continued ill-health is deeply deplored. Ald. Caron briefly touched upon the various activities of the Association, and impressed upon his hearers the duty devolving on each civil servant to be an active member.

Last but by no means least of the formal toasts was that to "The Ladies," and when it is recorded that to Mr. George Bell was allotted the honour of responding, it is unnecessary to add that the cause of the fair absentees was most ably championed.

Though not on the arranged programme, the final toast was to the Chairman, offered in fitting terms of appreciation by Dr. Otto Klotz, and drunk with musical honors. Mr. Côté feelingly acknowledged the compliment.

Interspersed throughout the speeches were a number of songs, recitations and instrumental numbers of unusual excellence. The gen-

tleman who contributed vocal selections were: Messrs. W. R. Burrill, Andrew L. Masson, Chas. Parkinson, T. P. Murphy, S. Salmon, G. H. D. Gibson, G. E. Dumouchel and the Hiawatha Male Quartette (Wm. Morrison, G. Arbiue, W. R. Burrill and H. H. Clarke). Messrs. C. H. Beddoe, A. E. Heney and R. Sproule gave excellent recitations and Mr. Emile de Caluwe rendered a violin solo in finished style. At the beginning of the evening the chairman announced no encores owing to the length of the programme, but in practically every instance this admonition was disregarded, the audience showing its appreciation of the splendid efforts of its entertainers in a manner that would not be denied, and at the end of the evening extended to them a very enthusiastic vote of thanks.

The proceedings were brought to a close at an all too early hour with "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

Civil Service Savings & Loan Society — Third Annual Meeting.

The third annual general meeting of the Society was held in the Carnegie Library on Tuesday evening, Nov. 22nd, at 8 p.m., the President, Mr. Wm. MacKenzie, in the chair.

The minutes of the second annual general meeting having been read and approved, the report of the manager, as appended, was received and adopted.

A suggestion by the Board of Supervision that loans be made only to members of the inside service was discussed at some length and disapproved. Several other suggestions re the conduct of the business were endorsed.

It was moved by Messrs. Ross and Hutchinson that a dividend at the rate of five per cent. be paid to

stockholders on paid-up shares for the year ending April 30, 1910.—Carried.

The Board of Administration made the following recommendations, each of which was carried:

1. That the fees on shares already paid be placed in deposit account of members.

2. That Mr. F. S. James be granted an allowance of \$25 for his services during the past year and \$100 for the ensuing year.

3. That Mr. H. LeB. Ross be granted an allowance of \$150 for his past services, said amount payable when funds are available.

In connection with the last recommendation, several of the members took occasion to express their high appreciation of the very valuable