

Moved by Mr. Shier, and seconded by Mr. Harper,—That the Report just read be adopted.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Shier, and seconded by Mr. Clarke,—That Dr. Beatty be re-elected President of the Board for the ensuing year.—*Carried.*

The President thanked the members of the Board for the honour they had again conferred upon him, in re electing him to so honourable a position. His connection with the Board, ever since its organization, had been of the most agreeable nature; and he only hoped that at an early day means may be placed to the credit of the Board to enable it to carry on more active operations than it had so far been in a position to do.

Moved by Professor Buckland, and seconded by Mr. Sheppard,—That Mr. Shier be elected Vice-President for the ensuing year. *Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. Shier,—That Mr. Edwards be re-elected Secretary-Treasurer for the ensuing year. *Carried.*

On motion of Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. Shier, the President and Secretary were appointed Scrutineers of the ballot, in the election of a Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

Nominations being made, and the ballot taken and duly recorded, the Scrutineers declared the following gentlemen elected:

E. A. McNaughton, Cobourg; W. H. Sheppard, H. Lingley, H. E. Clarke, W. P. Marston, Professor Buckland, J. Carty and J. J. Withrow, Toronto; and E. Miall, Oshawa.

A discussion occurred on several topics mentioned in the Report of the Sub-Committee; such as the Patent Laws, Industrial Museums, City Grant to Free Library, removal of British Patent Publications, &c.—which were finally referred to the Sub-Committee elect for their consideration and action.

On motion of Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. Miall, the thanks of the Board were accorded the several office-bearers of the past year.

The President, on request, left the chair, which was taken by the Vice-President, Mr. Shier.

Mr. Macdonell moved, seconded by Mr. Harper,—That the thanks of the members of the Board be given to Dr. Beatty, for the manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the Board.—*Carried unanimously.*

Subsequent to the foregoing proceedings, certificate of appointment of several Delegates by the Hamilton Mechanics' Institute was received.

The Board adjourned.

W. EDWARDS, *Secretary.*

REPORT.

In presenting this the tenth Annual Report, the retiring Committee beg to submit as brief a sketch as possible of their proceedings for the past year.

The several Institutions represented at the Board were as follows:—Ayr Mechanics' Institute, by two delegates; Cobourg, by two delegates; Dundas, by its President; St. Catharines, by four delegates; Toronto, by its President and eight delegates; Whitby, by two delegates; the Toronto Board of Trade, by one delegate; the Toronto University College, by the Rev. W. Hincks, F.L.S., Professor of Natural History, and G. Buckland, Esq., Professor of Agriculture.

During the year your Committee were deprived, by death, of one of their most esteemed colleagues, in the person of Mr. Thomas Sheldrick, President of the Dundas Mechanics' Institute. He was regular in his attendance, and respected by all who had a seat with him in the Committee, of which he had been—with one year's exception—a member from the first organization of the Board.

Your Committee have to report, generally, that the various operations of the Board, to as full an extent as its income would permit, have been successfully carried out, with the exception of the programme for the Annual Examinations, which will be hereafter referred to.

Library.

The excellent Free Library of Reference, containing so many valuable works on almost every branch of practical, and several branches of general knowledge, continues to be visited by a very encouraging number of Artizans, and others; not only during the ordinary office hours of the day, but on every Tuesday and Friday evening of each week, when it is always open from 7 till 10 o'clock, for the benefit of those who are otherwise occupied during the day.

In addition to the new and standard works on the shelves, the table is regularly supplied with the *London Artizan, Builder, Gas Light Journal, British Patent Journal, Bookseller, Engineer, Engineer and Architect, Grocer, Morgan's Trade Journal, Mechanics' Magazine, Practical Mechanics' Journal, Popular Science Review, Photographic Notes, Photographic Journal, Technologist, the Working Man, and Willis' Price Current*; the *American Artizan, Scientific American, Publisher's Circular, Gas-Light Journal, Coach-Maker's Magazine, the American Farmer, American Agriculturist, and the Gardener's Monthly*; the *Canadian Farmer, Canada Gazette, Canadian Journal, Journal of Education, U. C.*, and the French and English copies of the *Journal of Education for L. C.* The most of these when taken