

coin in circulation ; small silver coins were difficult to obtain even in Yokohama, and from Nikkō northward, except at Nūgata. I never saw any silver, or a single copper coin of the new coinage, the circulating *media* being paper, under a *yen* in value ; the large, oval *tempo*, and the old *rin* with a hole in the middle, my own specimens of the new silver and copper coinage being regarded as curiosities, marked preference being shown, as in Scotland, for "notes," no matter how old or soiled.

" Unbeaten Tracks in Japan."

HISTORICAL SOCIETY, WINNIPEG.



THE annual meeting of the Historical and Scientific Society was held recently beginning at 4 o'clock, when the following members were present: Mr. A. H. Witcher, 1st. Vice-President; Rev. Prof. Hart, 2nd Vice-President; Rev. Prof. Bryce, Corresponding Secretary; Mr. W. H. Hughan, Recording Secretary and Librarian, and Messrs. L. M. Lewis, R. E. W. Goodridge, Wm. Pearce, C. N. Bell, Jos. Greenfield, E. L. Byington, J. H. Panton, W. E. McLellan, R. Houston, J. H. Panton and John Cape.

On motion of Rev. Prof. Bryce, Mr. A. H. Witcher, 1st Vice-President, was chosen to occupy the chair in the absence of Mr. Alex. McArthur, President.

Messrs. Allan McDougal, C. E., and Maurice W. Britton were by ballot elected members of the Society.

The following report of the Executive Council was read by Rev. Prof. Bryce, Corresponding Secretary, and adopted by the Society.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Executive Council begs leave to present the report for the year. The past year has been one of great prosperity in the Society. There have been no spasmodic efforts