Canadian Street Railway Association's Annual Meeting.

November, 1912.]

The annual meeting of this Association was held at London, Ont., Oct. 4 and 5, there being a good attendance of representatives of member companies from the various provinces. The President, James Anderson, General Manager Sandwich, Windsor & Amherstburg Ry. occupied the chair.

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vincial legislation affecting electric railways, the actions of the Boards of Railway Commissioners and the various provincial utility commissions, operating rules for electric railways, and a number of other important topics, including information on a variety of subjects which had been gathered at the request of certain member companies and distributed to the entire membership. The report was discussed section by section and action was taken on a number of the subjects brought up.

Papers were read on several subjects, including telephone train dispatching, automatic railway dispatching and signalling, the evolution of the electric railway car, track construction, the use of T rails, etc., etc. There were also a number of topical discussions on other subjects of vital interest to electric railway interests and which had been suggested by officials of member companies.

The election of officers resulted unanimously as follows:—President, Patrick Dubee, Secretary-Treasurer, Montreal Tramways Co.; Vice President, C. B. King, Manager London St. Ry.; Secretary-Treasurer, Acton Burrows, Managing Director, Canadian Railway and Marine World.

Executive Committee — Jas. Anderson, General Manager, Sandwich, Windsor & Amherstburg Ry.; E. P. Coleman, General Manager, Dominion Power and Transmission Co.; J. D. Fraser, Secretary-Treasurer, Ottawa Electric Ry.; H. M. Hopper, General Manager and Purchasing Agent, St. John Ry.; J. E. Hutcheson, General Manager Montreal Tramway Co.; Wilson

Phillips, Superintendent Winnipeg Electric Ry.

Assistant Secretary, Aubrey Acton Burrows, Secretary and Business Manager, Canadian Railway and Marine World.

The officers attending the meeting were most hospitably entertained by C. B. King, Manager London St. Ry., who gave a dinner and also a theatre party for them. After the conclusion of the business on Oct. 5, the party were taken by special car over the London & Lake Erie Ry. and Transportation Co.'s line from London to Port Stanley, on the invitation of the General Manager, S. W. Mower, and were given every opportunity of thoroughly inspecting that up to date interurban line, one of the most interesting features of which is the operation of four car trains during the busy summer.

Inquiry Into Montreal Tramway Company's Service.

The Quebec Public Utilities Commission has decided to make an enquiry into the Montreal Tramway Co.'s service in Montreal and contiguous municipalities, to determine (a) whether the Commission's directions respecting the prevention of accidents and the lessening of danger from the operation of cars, as issued on Nov. 18, 1910, and amendments thereto are being complied with; (b) whether the Company is or is not providing such equipment and operation of its service as are required for the safety and convenience of the public and for the proper carrying out of any contract, charter or franchise granted to or controlled by it, whereby the use of public property or rights is involved; (c) should there appear to be defects and deficiencies in any of the matters involved in such equipment or operation, or the means of carrying out or exercising such contract and franchise, what may or should be done to remedy the same; and (d) to obtain full and complete information upon all matters directly or indirectly involved in the foreas the Commission's jurisdiction may lie. The Quebec Public Utilities Commission

The Quebec Public Utilities Commission has directed the Montreal Tramways Co. to produce before it all information concerning the company and its subsidiary lines. The information called for includes everything relating to the operation of the lines during the past two years. The city of Montreal is also called upon to produce all information in its possession with respect to the company and its relations to the city.

Electric Railway Finance, Meetings, Etc.

British Columbia Electric Ry.—Gross earnings for Aug., \$553,148; operating expenses, \$343,979; net operating earnings, \$209,169; renewal funds, \$51,620; net earnings, \$157,549; approximate income from investments, \$35,000; net income, \$192,549, against \$436,520 gross earnings; \$278,513 operating expenses; \$158,007 net operating earnings; \$37,935 renewal funds; \$120,072 net earnings; \$25,000 approximate income from investments; \$145,072 net income for August, 1911. Aggregate gross earnings for two months ended Aug. 31, \$1,091,988; net earnings, \$381,842, against \$845,850 aggregate gross earnings; \$283,125 net earnings, for same period 1911.

Cape Breton Electric Co.—Gross earnings for Aug., \$31.598.38; operating expenses and taxes, \$16,100.77; net earnings, \$15,497.61; interest charges, \$4,495.83; balance, \$11,-001.78; sinking and improvement funds, \$1.206.67; balance for reserves, etc., \$9,795.-11, against \$28,933.97 gross earnings; \$15,-556.89 operating expenses and taxes; \$14,-

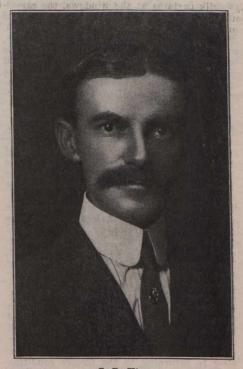
277.08 net earnings; \$4,512.50 interest charges; \$9,764.58 balance; \$1,140 sinking and improvement funds; \$8,624.58 balance for reserves, etc., for Aug., 1911. Construction charges for Aug., \$770.57.

Oshawa Ry.—The annual meeting was held at Deseronto, Ont., Sept. 30. Following are the officers and directors for the current year:—President, E. W. Rathbun, Deseronto; Manager, J. F. Chapman, Gananoque, Ont.; Secretary and Treasurer, H. W. Cooper, Gananoque; other directors, B. R. Hepburn, M.P., and D. A. Valleau. Quebec Ry., Light and Power Co.—Gross earnings for August, \$163,882; operating

Quebec Ry., Light and Power Co.—Gross earnings for August, \$163,882; operating expenses, \$79,479; net earnings, \$84,402, against \$150,652 gross earnings; \$66,196 operating expenses; \$84,455 net earnings for Aug., 1911.

Regina Municipal Ry.—Passenger earnings for Aug., \$10,135.50; miscellaneous earnings, \$472.50; total earnings, \$10,608; operating expenses, \$7,100.33; net operating earnings, \$3,507.67; interest charges, etc., \$2,544.87; net profit, \$962.80. Passengers carried during month, 251,246. Car mileage, 38,565.

Toronto Ry., Toronto and York Radial Ry., Etc.—Gross earnings for Aug., \$727,-925; operating expenses, maintenance, etc., \$325,519; net earnings, \$402,406, against \$654,730 gross earnings; \$303,725 operating expenses, maintenance, etc.; \$351,005 net earnings, for August, 1911. Aggregate gross earnings for eight months ended Aug. 31, \$5,453,009; net earnings, \$2,821,327, against \$4,853,686 aggregate gross earn



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ings; \$2,490,150 net earnings, for same period 1911.

Winnipeg Electric Ry.—Gross earnings for Aug., \$303,764; operating expenses, \$162,431; net earnings, \$141,333, against \$299,615 gross earnings; \$137,825 operating expenses; \$161,790 net earnings, for Aug., 1911. Aggregate gross earnings for eight months ended Aug. 31, \$2,427,830; net earnings, \$1,133,895, against \$2,503,972 aggregate gross earnings; \$1.257,983 net earnings, for same period 1911. A quarterly dividend at the rate of 12%

A quarterly dividend at the rate of 12% per annum was paid Oct. 1 to shareholders of record at Sept. 20.