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At which were present :

COL. OLIVER,	Hon. President.
DUNCAN MACPHERSON,	President.
T. R. BENSON,	Vice-President.
FRED W. WHITE,	Sec.-Treasurer.
A. G. G. WURTELE,	F. J. DIXON,
W. M. DAVIS,	A. VANSTRAUBENZIE,
J. B. COCHRANE,	L. H. IRVING,
S. DENISON,	E. H. DRURY,
G. H. Ogilvie,	D. C. CAMPBELL,
I. M. LAMBE,	R. KENT.

J. SEARS,

Gentleman Cadet, B. S. M. DAVIS, Hon. Member.

The meeting being called to order, the President took the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and signed by the President.

Captain Wurtele and Mr. W. M. Davis were appointed Auditors, and after inspecting the books reported the Treasurer's accounts to be correct.

The Secretary-Treasurer then read his report, which showed a cash balance on hand of \$52.86.

Moved by Mr. Dixon, seconded by Capt. Denison,

That the report of the Secretary-Treasurer be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Capt. Wurtele, seconded by Mr. Davis,

This Club, having heard with very great sorrow of the sad death of two of its most active and energetic workers, Mr. H. W. Keefer and Capt. E. Denison,—

Resolved, That this Club do tender its most sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved families, and that the annual dinner this year be cancelled out of respect for the memory of these our most popular and beloved members.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the parents of the deceased, and also that a copy be sent to the daily papers.—Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Davis, seconded by Capt. Wurtele,—

This Club, having heard with deep regret of the death of Dr. Herbert Bayne,—

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to communicate with Mrs. Bayne, expressing sympathy with her in her sad bereavement.—Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Irving,—

That the Officers and Committee draw up a resolution to be forwarded to the Government, asking that certain changes be made in the Act regarding D. L. S.'s, and that the term of apprenticeship be shortened for graduates of the R. M. C.—Carried.

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Moved by Mr. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Campbell,—

That a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Fred. White, the Secretary-Treasurer, for his work in the interests of the Club during the past year.—Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Irving,—

That the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to procure such printing as is necessary for the efficient working of the Club.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Drury, seconded by Capt. Wurtele,—

That the next annual meeting be held in Ottawa.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Irving, seconded by Capt. Denison,—

That the place of the next meeting be left in the hands of the Committee.

After discussion the amendment was put to the meeting and carried.

Moved by Capt. Wurtele, seconded by Mr. White,—

That the Secretary-Treasurer procure a pattern of the badge allowed by regulations to be worn by graduates when in uniform but un-attached.—Carried.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with and resulted as follows:—

President, Duncan MacPherson, C.E. (re-elected); Vice-President, Capt. T. Benson, C.A. (re-elected); Sec.-Treasurer, Fred. W. White, C.E. (re-elected.)

Committee of Management:—

Capt. Wise, A. D. C.,	} Re-elected.
A. E. Doucet, C. E.	
Capt. Wurtele, R. M. C.,	
F. C. Anderson, C. E.	
D. C. Campbell, C. E.	

Moved by Mr. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Denison,—

That this meeting do now adjourn.—Carried.

In adjourning the meeting the President urged on every member the necessity for individual work during the year, as the success of the Club depends far more on the individual efforts of the members than on the efforts of the officers alone, and that each member bring into the Club at least one new member. The President also reminded the members that the very least they could do would be to keep the Secretary posted as to any change in their address, their occupation, and any vacancies they might know of that would be suitable for ex-cadets out of employment.

The meeting then adjourned.



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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER
OF THE
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FOR THE YEAR 1886.

The year just closed has been a most successful one. The membership has increased from 24 to 45, and of these, so far as I have been able to ascertain, only one is out of employment at present, and that is by his own desire. In compliance with a resolution passed at the last annual meeting, the committee appointed waited on the G. O. C. and consulted with him as to the best means of getting certain regulations, affecting graduates, altered. Acting on the advice of the G. O. C., the Committee instructed the Secretary to write an official letter to the Militia Department, setting forth the changes asked for. This was done on the 16th February, '86, but no reply being given, your Secretary thought proper to write a second letter on the 21st of October, calling attention to the first, but unfortunately, there is every reason to believe that this second letter met the fate of its predecessor, and was pigeon-holed.

A resolution was passed at the last meeting that the by-laws be printed and a copy sent to each member of the Club. Not only was this done, but copies were sent to every ex-cadet whose name was known to me, but about 50 per cent. of these were returned through the Dead Letter Office. In consequence of this, circulars have only been sent to actual members since.

I am happy to state that the finances of the Club are in a most satisfactory state.

Amount handed over from 1885.....	\$ 26 76
Amount received for membership up to 28th of January, '87	99 00
Total	\$116 76
Amount expended to 28th January, '87.....	63 90
Balance on hand	\$ 52 86

It is my painful duty to acquaint you with the fact that this Club has been deprived of two of its most active and energetic members, by the ever-busy hand of death—Captain E. Denison and Mr. Harold Keefer. Both were possessed of high and noble natures, and were among the first few who founded this Club. Their presence cannot but be sadly missed from among us to-day, and though we sorrow sincerely, yet it is with a selfish sorrow, that we have been deprived of their noble worth and counsels, their interest in our doings and their manly example in all things.

I have to tender my thanks to the officers and committee, and especially to our worthy President, Mr. MacPherson, for the ready assistance which they have always given me in working for the welfare of the Club and its members.

FRED W. WHITE,

Secretary-Treasurer,

R. M. C. C.

Ottawa, January 28th, '87.

