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STATEMENT OF THE Connecticut Mutual Life INSURANCE CO.

Gross Assets 31st December, 1876 .. $16,213,066 33
Liabilities, assuming 4 per ct. int. .. 42,091,043 40
Surplus .. $4,121,962 93

Total Receipts since organization in 1846.

For Premiums	$69,239,145 15
For Interest & Rents	24,670,069 37
	$118,209,194 52

Disbursements.

Claims by death and matured endowments	$8,674,473 15
Surplus returned to Policy Holders	39,905,294 27
	61,706,227 50
Expenses, including Commissions to Agents, Salaries, Printing, Stationery, &c., &c.	10,058,376 06
Business of 1876.	
Receipts	$9,619,114 13
Disbursements to Policy Holders, Death Claims and Matured Endowments	3,601,246 25
Surplus returned in Cash	1,461,030 52
Lapsed and Surrendered Policies	956,481 81
	$6,018,758 68
Expenses, including Commissions to Agents, Salaries, Printing, Stationery, &c.	669,962 79
	$7,031,033 19

Ratio of expenses to income, 1876 .. 6.98 per ct.
Ratio of expenses since date of organization, 8.5 per ct.
Policies in force, 31st Dec., 1876 .. 66,618.

The surplus heretofore returned to Policy Holders can be used in the plan now adopted, viz: Payment of three annual premiums will be accepted as one payment on first year, to 30 per ct. and upwards of this early return. A credit of loan of 30 per ct. is allowed on first annual premium if desired, on whole life policies to draw 6 per ct. interest—upon short term and endowment policies a like credit of 20 per ct. is allowed.

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Beg to intimate that they have purchased the Stock and interest of MESSRS. R. & H. HARRISON, Known as the Victoria Marble Works, Lindsay, where they intend to carry on the business in all its branches.

They feel confident they can guarantee perfect satisfaction, as given by the late proprietors—from the fact that Mr. R. Harrison brought a first-class workman, did the practical work and conducted the business for the firm, and also from the fact that Mr. Hunter, of Lindsay, formerly of Robinson's, is well known as a reliable agent. A continuance of patronage is respectfully solicited.

ROBT. HUNTER, R. C. PATTERSON.

Lindsay, Nov. 30, 1877. 950

L. O'Connor.

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L. O'CONNOR

Begs to call the attention of the public to his establishment, knowing that the different Canadas, Scotts, Brooks, Cyrtrays, Wasons, &c., which he turns out cannot be excelled for finish, strength, durability and workmanship. Having been many years engaged in the business, and

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L. O'CONNOR.

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On and after Wednesday, Nov. 14th, 1877, trains will LEAVE LINDSAY at 7.10 a.m. and 3.15 p.m., arriving at Whitby at 9.05 a.m. and 5.15 p.m., and Toronto via G. T. R. at 11.07 a.m. and 7.07 p.m.

LEAVE TORONTO via G. T. R. at 7.05 a.m. and 4.37 p.m., and Whitby at 10.05 a.m. and 6.45 p.m., arriving at Lindsay, at 1.00 p.m. and 9.15 p.m.

This is the only direct route from points on the Victoria Railway and Lindsay to Toronto and the West.

THROUGH TICKETS are issued by all Company's Agents for Toronto and by G. T. R. Ticket Agents, Toronto, for all stations on this line.

THROUGH TICKETS to and from the East are issued between Lindsay, Mariposa, and Belleville, Prescott, Kingston, Brockville, Montreal and Quebec, at same rates as via Port Hope. No transfer charges. Baggage checked through. Ask for pocket time-table at any of the Company's stations.

JAMES HOLDEN, Managing Director.

Whitby, Nov. 13th, 1877. 949.

TORONTO & NIPISSING RAILWAY.

Winter Arrangements.

Commencing Monday, Nov. 26th, 1877.

GOING NORTH.	Mail.	Local.	Mixed.
Toronto, depart	7:00 a.m.	3:30 p.m.	
Uxbridge "	9:45 "	6:75 "	1:00 p.m.
Cannington "	10:42 p.m.	7:12 "	2:38 "
Woodville "	10:55 "	7:25 "	3:20 "
Midland Junction	11:00 "	7:30 "	3:30 "
Coboconk, arrive	12:20 "		
GOING SOUTH.	Mixed.	Mail.	Local.
Coboconk, depart	6:30 a.m.	12:40 p.m.	
Midland Junction	8:05 "	2:15 "	6:30 a.m
Woodville "	9:20 "	3:25 "	6:40 "
Cannington "	9:45 "	3:34 "	6:53 "
Uxbridge "	11:30 p.m.	5:40 "	7:55 "
Toronto arrive		6:00 "	10:25 "

Passengers leave Lindsay at 1.00 p.m. and reach Toronto at 6.00 p.m.

W. GOODERHAM, Jun., Toronto, Nov. 26th, 1877. Managing Director.

Midland RAILWAY OF CANADA.

COMMENCING on Wednesday, 5th Dec., 1877, and until further notice trains will Leave Lindsay for Lakefield, Peterboro, Port Hope and intermediate stations at 5.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., and 5.30 p.m. For Toronto and points on T. & N. Ry, Waubaushene, Georgian Bay and intermediate stations at 1.00 p.m.

Arrive from Lakefield, Peterboro, Port Hope and intermediate stations at 9.30 a.m., 1.00 p.m., and 8.45 p.m. From Waubaushene, Georgian Bay, Toronto and intermediate stations at 3.25 p.m.

For further particulars see pocket time cards, to be had at all Stations.

Through tickets on sale to all points on G.T.R.

A. HUGEL. 924-1y

VICTORIA RAILWAY.

TIME TABLE.

WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.

Taking effect on

Thursday, Nov. 1st, 1877.

GOING NORTH.

Miles.	STATIONS.		MIXED. Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays only.	MAIL.
0	Lindsay	leave	7.00 a.m.	2.30 p.m.
1	Lindsay Junction	"	7.10 "	2.40 "
14	Fenelon Falls	"	8.00 "	3.35 "
19	Telfer	"	8.18 "	3.52 "
24	Bettle's Bridge	"	8.36 "	4.10 "
33¼	Kinmount	arrive	9.15 "	4.55 "

GOING SOUTH.

Miles.	STATIONS.		MIXED. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays only.
0	Kinmount	leave	9.45 a.m.
9	Bettle's Bridge	"	10.20 "
14	Telfer	"	10.40 "
19	Fenelon Falls	"	11.10 "
32	Lindsay Junction	"	11.50 "
33¼	Lindsay	arrive	12.00 "

‡ Telegraph stations. † Platform stations—trains stop on signal only.

CONNECTIONS.

LINDSAY.—With Midland Railway for Orillia, Waubaushene, Georgian Bay, Peterboro', Port Hope, Toronto, and all points on the Grand Trunk and Nipissing Railways. With W. P. P. & Lindsay R. R. for Port Perry, Whitby, Toronto and all points on the G. T. R. Passengers leaving Toronto at 7.00 a.m., via G. T. R., can arrive same evening at Fenelon Falls, Kinmount and Minden. Returning morning can connect with W. P. P. & Lindsay R. R., arriving in Toronto at 7.07 p.m.

FENELON FALLS.—Close connections with stage to Bobcaygeon.

KINMOUNT.—Close connections made with stage for Minden and Haliburton. Connection also with the Free Grant Territory, and English Land Company's Property.

921. JAMES ROSS, General Manager.

Real Estate.

FOR SALE. A Dwelling House opposite the Drill Shed, Kent-st., Lindsay. Enquire on the premises. R. T. STEVENS. 952-tf.

TWO DESIRABLE TOWN LOTS IN LINDSAY FOR SALE; well fenced; near the Court House. Terms cash. Apply to P. MITCHELL, Court House. Sept. 6, 1877. 936-tf.

FOR SALE OR TO LEASE, a comfortable Frame House, with half an acre garden ground, on Lindsay Street, Fenelon Falls; splendid site for a tavern; terms easy, and immediate possession. Apply on the premises, or by letter to ADIJAH DEXTER, 12th Dec., 1877. 954. tf-15.

FOR SALE.—Lot 19, in 4th Con. of Fenelon, Victoria County, containing 200 acres; 150 acres cleared and in good cultivation. On the premises are two block dwelling houses, and one new frame and one log barn; water convenient to the premises. For further particulars apply to WILLIAM MOYNES, Fenelon Falls P. O.—Dec. 21, 1877. 953-52tf.

FIRST CLASS FARM FOR SALE, being N. ½ Lot No. 5, 11th Con. of Emily, containing 100 acres, 60 acres cultivated; balance mixed timber; good log house, frame barn, 20x30 feet, frame stable and sheds 44x70 feet; orchard; two wells. The farm is two miles north of Omemee, near a good leading road. Terms reasonable. Apply to MORGAN O'NEILL, Downeyville. 950-tf.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE—West Half of Lot 5, in the 6th Con. Fenelon, containing 100 acres, 50 acres cleared, remainder hardwood bush; good frame house; new frame barn, stable and drive shed; an orchard and two never failing wells. Convenient to Cameron P.O. The above property will be sold at a sacrifice as the owner is leaving the country. For terms, &c., apply to P. S. MARTIN, Barrister, Lindsay.—957-12tf.

FIRST-CLASS FARM FOR SALE.—Being North Half of Lot No. 8, in 2nd Con., Eldon, containing 100 acres; 75 acres cleared, balance timber; all dry land; 40 acres fall ploughed; all well-fenced; log house, barn and outbuildings; good well. The farm is half way between the Mitchell Junction and Argyle. Terms reasonable. Possession given early in the spring. Apply to COLIN McALPINE, on the premises; or to A. C. CAMPBELL, Woodville.—960-8tf.

DESIRABLE PROPERTY IN WOODVILLE FOR SALE.

The Cabinet Shop and Dwelling on the corner of Queen and Church Sts., and lot containing a quarter of an acre. The building is frame, two storeys. The property is now rented for $132 a year, and the lease has two years to run from the 1st Jan., 1878. Terms reasonable. Apply to WM. ROADHAY, Fenelon Falls. Dec. 13, 1877. 953-tf.

FARM FOR SALE.—South Half of Lot No. 7, in 5th Con. of Eldon, containing 100 acres; all good land; 55 acres cleared and well cultivated; 20 acres slashed; 25 acres hardwood bush; 8 acres fall wheat; 25 acres spring wheat; balance timber hewed for barn 40 x 60. Three miles from Woodville, on leading road, and one and a half miles from Lindsay. Terms liberal; price, $3,750. Apply to R. F. JEWETT, Lindsay, or F. S. MARTIN, Lindsay.—959-tf.

FARM FOR SALE.—Lot No. 6, in 1st Con., Fenelon, situate at the thriving village of Cambray, containing 100 acres, more or less, all cleared and in a good state of cultivation; well fenced with cedar rails; frame house 18 x 24, cellar full size, stone foundation; frame barn 32 x 50, with a lean to 16 x 34, stone wall and stable underneath; two good wells, young orchard. Terms—$2,000 down, balance in instalments to suit purchaser. For further particulars apply to JOHN McSWEYN, Solicitor, Lindsay, or ALBERT SCAMAN, Lot 21, 12th Con., Mariposa.—958 tf.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.

There will be sold by

PUBLIC AUCTION

On the premises, on

TUESDAY, 5th MARCH, 1878,

At 1 o'clock in the afternoon, if not sooner disposed of by private sale,

The North Half of Lot No. 2, in the 8th Con. of the Township of Ops,

County of Victoria, containing 100 acres, 60 acres cleared and ploughed ready for crop, and the balance is still wooded.

There is a good frame house, 20 x 26, and a good well on the premises.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to FRANCIS COURDE, on the premises, or to

F. S. MARTIN, Vendor's Solicitor, Lindsay.

961-4.

WEAR OUT.

"Wear out!" but never let the rust
Of idleness corrode the trust
Your Maker gave; your part to play
In the great drama of "To-day"
Is to deal justly; aid the weak;
Ever for right and freedom speak;
Keep burning clear Truth's beacon light,
That its soft radiance through the night
Be to the lost on life's bleak moor,
Like Bethlehem's star that shone of yore,
Guiding the shepherds in their way
To where the child Redeemer lay.

"Wear out!" as rosier far to bear
On breast and brow the marks of care,
Scars of life's conflict hereafter fought,
Patents of peerage fairly bought;
Titles to claim in the fair clime
Of those who worship Truth sublime;
E'en if your feet have never trod
The narrow path that leads to God;
Avoid, as death, the scorner's sneer,
Nor let his sandals prem your feet;
With contrite heart and tearful eye
Stand still while the elect pass by!

"Wear out!" though stern your features grow,
Though raven locks be turned to snow,
Go to the front! nor laggard be,
With sturdy blows comes victory.
Shame on the weak, the nerveless han!
That cannot grasp Truth's shining brand,
That shrinks when from fair freedom's tower
The toesin sounds the trial hour;
That fails when justice calls, to go
With battle-axe and "bended bow,"
And prove upon his native sod,
His fealty to man and God!"

COMIN' THRO' THE RYE.

A STORY OF SOCIAL LIFE.

"Had we never met see kindly,
Had we never loved sae kindly,
Never met and never parted,
We had ne'er been broken-hearted."

SEED TIME.

Chapter XVI.—(Continued.)

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.]

"How do you do?" I say, quickly. "Do not try to shake hands, you will only tumble out; I have come to ask you something very particular."

"Well, what is it?"

"You like to do kind things, do you not? You like to please people?"

"That depends on who they are."

"Oh, these are rather nice," I say, nodding; "they can't help being only girls, you know."

"Oh! girls," says Mr. Vasher; "and how can I please them?"

"We are going to have a party," I say, seriously, "and you are going to be invited, and the Birds were talking about it on Sunday, taking it as a matter of course that you would come; but somehow I felt in my bones that it was not the sort of thing you would care about, and I made up my mind to ask you to come as a great favor to us all."

"And why did you think I should not come?" he asks, musedly.

"Because," I say, confidentially, "I know that, as a rule, men do not care for girls in a lump; they do not mind a few, but they can't stand *fifty*."

"Oh! fifty! I thought I saw over a hundred on Sunday."

"Oh, no!" I say, laughing; "do not make us out worse than we are. And so—and so I thought I would just tell you how anxious we are for you to come, because I thought that, however much you disliked the idea, you would come as a matter of duty."

"You must think me a good-tempered sort of fellow," says Mr. Vasher, scrambling out of his hammock somewhat inelegantly the handsomest man alive could hardly perform that feat gracefully; "before I promise, tell me what my duties will be."

"There will be fifty girls," I say, walking by his side, "without teachers, and you will have them all to yourself for an hour together, but the comfort of hostesses and visitors may not have been fully provided for, and that sufficient care may not have been manifested in the arrangement of matters of detail, I feel, and they trust with confidence you assert that it was the desire and aim of every official to discharge the duties assigned to him honestly and for the general good. Nor should we judge of the success of an enterprise by the number of visitors, which will be of use in running timber, and for purposes of navigation in Cameron and Sturgeon Lakes. A number of minor works and repairs are reported. * * * At Jacob's Ladder, situated about five miles above Kinmount, considerable one of the worst falls and rapids on the Burnt River, the work performed consisted of blasting rock at the falls, and blasting and removing boulders below the rapids. At the "Three Brothers" Falls, in the township of Snowden, on the Burnt River, the work performed consisted of blasting and removing boulders below the falls. The character of the work which would be necessary to effect any improvement in the actual falls at that locality would be of too expensive a nature to deal with at present, and therefore they were left untouched. Appropriations are required in 1878 for service on the following works of reconstruction and improvement in connection with chain of works on the Burnt River waters:—Repairs to the dam and slide on the Burnt River, on lot 26, in the 9th concession of Monmouth. Re-construction of a side pier at the slide on the Burnt River, on lot 5, in the 5th concession of Monmouth. Rebuilding of the old dam at the Devil's Creek slide. A side pier and rock blasting is required at the Big Falls, on the Burnt River below Kinmount. The slide at Fenelon Falls which has been considered a continuation of the Gull and Burnt River works, requires re-planking before the opening of navigation.

MAINTENANCE OF LOCKS AND BRIDGES.

Early in the present year repairs were made on the mitre sill platforms and valve gear of the locks at Lindsay, Balsam River, Young's Point, and Port Carling. The work under water was carried on by means of a diver with the necessary Air Pump, and diving suit, and the locks were placed in excellent condition for the season at a less cost than could have been effected by any other means. The swing bridge at Thornton, Councillor Lamb, and W. H. Hill, and D. Thornton, Treasurer. Among the company were Mr. Aikens, Mr. J. Shaw, Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Knowlson, Mr. W. H. English, and Mr. Clark, of the Clark House. Apologies were received from Captain Cottingham, Reeve, Ex-Coun. Lindley, Ex-Coun. Mill, Capt. Jarvis, Councillor English and Capt. Evans. Mr. Kincaid filled the vice-chair. After removal of the cloth the usual standard toasts were given. The chairman in giving "Our Guest" referred to the time when Mr. Thornton was known to all present as a boy of exemplary character, good conduct and good habits and although he had been absent so long he was pleased to know that he had lost none of his attachment to Canada or the mother land. Mr. Thornton replied in feeling terms and referred to the numerous improvements that had taken place in Omemee since he had last seen it. He concluded by wishing the town continued prosperity, and volunteer toasts followed and were responded to by the "Agriculture" by Mr. Hill, the "Ladies" by Mr. Kincaid, the "Editorial" by Mr. Shaw, the "Ladies" by Messrs. Thornton, Johnson and Shaw in very complimentary terms, and the host and hostess by Mr. R. Johnson. Mr. Shaw, on going out, was thrown off his pony and received a severe shaking up, Messrs. Williamson, Johnston, Thompson and Bowman contributed to the heartiest enjoyment until the back-ride when all dispersed with the singing of anthem. [Gazette]

OAKHOOP.

REVIVAL.—Rev. Mr. Lanning, of the M. E. church, is holding special services in the church at East Oakhoop with prospects of good success.

METHODIST SERVICES.—The Methodists quarterly meeting last Saturday, the pulpit was filled by Rev. Mr. Ross, who took "Faith" as his subject. In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Moss discoursed on "Faith of the old paths." Both sermons were expounded to large audiences. Revival services are held in the hall, the church being in the hands of the renovators and will be reopened on Sabbath, Dr. Jeffers preaching in the morning.

BIBLE SCHOOL.—There is a good attendance at our Bible class, and we have ever had, proving the popularity and success of our Bible class, misfortune only excepted. The Bible class gets a first-class situation in the Sunday School at Smithville, Ont.

SOCIALS.—The Ladies of the Church have been giving a series of socials, which so far have proved very successful. One given by Mrs. S. D. Biggs, eminently so. Besides expenses, quite a number of dollars were realized, those called on by the chairman in the evening acquitting themselves nobly, the young ladies especially. Savage presided in the chair in a manner.

BUILDING.—There is an amount of building going on this summer. Among others Mr. Jas. Wm. East Oakwood, is preparing to put up a residence.

BIBLE SOCIETY.—Rev. Mr. Lanning, of the Bible Society, will be here on Wednesday, Bible Christian church.

COURTS.—The Division courts held here last time took place on Friday, Dean holding, on the morning of the sitting, a very numerous docket, the cases being of no public interest.

THE CHOOKS.—The Chooks are well here, especially Chanticleer. Mr. Chanticleer, on one occasion, flying over the fence with flying colors, and displaying the hardness of his feathers.

THE GRASSES.—The grasses are beautifying in their green, and preparing for the cattle, which will be driven from Cambray and Lindsay, from our stalls, to their venture may be.

ONTARIO COUNTY.

JUVENILE DEBATING SOCIETY.—We recorded the fact of the breaking down for housekeeping of this young ship. This time Mr. Stephen Gregory, a young man, appeared on the floor, reading a valuable paper on the instruments and implements used on the property of Dr. Bisson, adjoining the estate of Mr. Ward, giving him a good deal of trouble to his conduct in the matter of his imprisonment.

SEARLETT'S CORNERS.—The Society of the Temple opened with a lecture by C. H. Stallman, Esq., of the Church of England, in the residence of Mr. H. Searlett, on the 7th inst. A large audience was present.

A LARGE DEAL.—Mr. Jas. Morgan shipped a quantity of lumber for Buffalo, Albany and New York, on Wednesday last, the cars being stuffed with scraps and sawdust, the amount being 20 cords and 20 cords in Durham.

SHARP PRACTICE.—A very sharp trick enlivened the Post, enabling a small urchin to pass a box of matches, giving in payment for a dollar bill, but the change was a half dollar bill, but the trick was discovered that he had been imposed upon, and the urchin had disappeared, the man's hand being in the manner put the change in his pocket when the fold was made, and the trick was similar.

ON GOING OUT.—Some one after visiting the Post office, threw it on a passing train, and seeing the transaction, Mr. Matthews, of the Post office, which he turned up was shown to the shop of Mr. McCullough, in Omemee, where he had in the office, and paid a silver dollar for the paper, man's second visit Mr. McCullough, at supper, after finishing his work went into the shop and found a boy for sale on one of the shelves, and on roll of the calf skin on the shelves, McCullough chatted with the boy, the skin, examined it, and on being asked what it was, McCullough said it was a calf skin, and on being asked what it was for, McCullough replied his shoes, they conveyance outside, and a roll of leather out of the skin, and some little time afterwards he heard that Mr. Matthews had taken the skin home. Shortly afterwards strangers have been in the place, and McCullough helped his customers to make a purchase, and on being asked what he was doing, he said he was packing up the skins, and going to Kentucky, and stand several other parties were tempted in a similar way.

LITERARY NOTICES.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for February is before us with its usual choice fare of entertaining history and romance. The attractive feature of the number is the commencement of a new story by William Black, entitled Macleod of Dare. Thomas Hardy, another popular English novelist, gives the first instalment of a new work of fiction. The remaining contents comprise "Along our Jersey shore;" "The Fleschi Conspiracy;" "Punished Enough;" "The Dunnow Flitch, 1877;" "A Sketch of Turner, the painter," profusely illustrated; The Turkish war with the Hospitallers; A glimpse at some of our charities; Nobody's business; a painter on painting; Editor's Easy chair, literary, scientific and historical record.

THE "INTERNATIONAL REVIEW" (A.S. Barnes & Co., New York). This is an exceedingly able publication. The number for January-February contains a sonnet on Thiers, by J. G. Whittier; an article on the "Elements of National Wealth," by D. A. Wells; the "Second Harvest of Olympia," by Edward A. Freeman, D.C.L., the historian; Sumner's Speech and History," by Major Poore; "Money and its Laws," by Prof. W.G. Sumner; "Imperial Federation in Germany," by Baron Von Holtzendorff of Munich; "Modern Love," by De Saunel Osgood; "The Count of the Electoral Vote," by Alexander Stephens; "Art in Europe—XIII.," by Philip G. Hamerton; and Contemporary Literature in the United States, England, Germany, France and Italy.

OUR CENTRAL EXHIBITION.

ANNUAL MEETING OF DELEGATES AT MILLBROOK—PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS—AUDITORS' REPORT—ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1878.

[From the Peterborough Review.]

The annual meeting of the Delegates from the various Agricultural and Horticultural Societies, contributing to the funds of our Central Exhibitions, was held in the Town Hall, Millbrook, on Wednesday, Feb. 6. The following Delegates were present:—

West Peterborough, Messrs. Walton, Clementi and Carnegie; Peterborough Horticultural Society, R. A. Brown; Dummer and Douro, A.R. Kidd; Smith, Ennismore, &c., M. S. Dean; East Peterborough, Thos. Blezard; East Durham, Messrs. R. Howden, Dr. Cæsar, E. A. Powers and John Foot; Hope Township, Thos. Harrison; West Durham, Messrs. Wilmot and Porter; Cavan, W. H. Snowden; West Northumberland, Messrs. Geo. Carruthers, Jas. Barnum, Jas. M. Carruthers, and Geo. Cockburn; Hamilton Township, Messrs. W. J. Westington, John Newton, Henry Lapp, and Jas. Russell; Lindsay Horticultural Society, J. H. Knight; Manvers, Isaac Preston, jr.; South Victoria, Thos. Ray and Jas. Deacon; North Victoria, Thos. Smithson; Verulam, Wm. Thurston.—Total, 29. During the temporary absence of the President, Mr. John Connolly, the chair was taken and the meeting called to order by Mr. Geo. Cockburn, Vice-President. The Secretary reported that the Delegates above named had filled notice of their appointment with him. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. While awaiting the arrival of the President an informal discussion took place as to the advisability of appointing a permanent Secretary and Treasurer, during which an almost unanimous opinion was expressed in favour of these appointments being made permanent after the present year, and Mr. Wilmot gave notice of a motion to that effect, for next annual meeting.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The President having arrived and taken the chair, read the following address:—

GENTLEMEN,—The third year of the existence of the Central Exhibition having now expired, a few words respecting its past history and future prospects may not be out of place.

A year ago, when I undertook the responsible duties you entrusted me with, although I had the fullest confidence in your warm assistance and support, I was aware that there would be difficulties to overcome and disappointments to meet. At that time we had only a nominal subscription with which to hold the exhibition, but it was known that the site which had been selected and actually purchased, was so generally unsatisfactory that it became necessary to abandon it and make a new selection.

Another difficulty, the one great difficulty of all great enterprises, was that of raising funds both for the erection of the buildings and carrying on the exhibition. The finances of the South Victoria Agricultural Society were by no means in a healthy condition. The amount contributed by the various Agricultural and Horticultural Societies was considerably less than last year while the surplus when actually paid over was some $250 less than had been anticipated.

These difficulties, I am happy to say, have all been overcome. The selection of a site was eventually made with much less trouble than had been anticipated, and I may confidently say has given universal satisfaction. The lack of contributions from Societies was fully made up by liberality on the part of local municipalities and the enterprise of individuals.

To what extent the exhibition of last year may be considered a success, I will not pretend to say. That mistakes may have been made through want of judgment, that the comfort of exhibitors and visitors may not have been fully provided for, and that sufficient care may not have been manifested in the arrangement of matters of detail, I believe, and they can with confidence assert that it was the desire and aim of every official to discharge the duties assigned to him honestly and for the general good. Nor should we judge of the success of an enterprise by the number of visitors, which will be of use in running timber, and for purposes of navigation in Cameron and Sturgeon Lakes. A number of minor works and repairs are reported. * * * At Jacob's Ladder, situated about five miles above Kinmount, considerable one of the worst falls and rapids on the Burnt River, the work performed consisted of blasting rock at the falls, and blasting and removing boulders below the rapids. At the "Three Brothers" Falls, in the township of Snowden, on the Burnt River, the work performed consisted of blasting and removing boulders below the falls. The character of the work which would be necessary to effect any improvement in the actual falls at that locality would be of too expensive a nature to deal with at present, and therefore they were left untouched. Appropriations are required in 1878 for service on the following works of reconstruction and improvement in connection with chain of works on the Burnt River waters:—Repairs to the dam and slide on the Burnt River, on lot 26, in the 9th concession of Monmouth. Re-construction of a side pier at the slide on the Burnt River, on lot 5, in the 5th concession of Monmouth. Rebuilding of the old dam at the Devil's Creek slide. A side pier and rock blasting is required at the Big Falls, on the Burnt River below Kinmount. The slide at Fenelon Falls which has been considered a continuation of the Gull and Burnt River works, requires re-planking before the opening of navigation.

MAINTENANCE OF LOCKS AND BRIDGES.

Early in the present year repairs were made on the mitre sill platforms and valve gear of the locks at Lindsay, Balsam River, Young's Point, and Port Carling. The work under water was carried on by means of a diver with the necessary Air Pump, and diving suit, and the locks were placed in excellent condition for the season at a less cost than could have been effected by any other means. The swing bridge at Thornton, Councillor Lamb, and W. H. Hill, and D. Thornton, Treasurer. Among the company were Mr. Aikens, Mr. J. Shaw, Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Knowlson, Mr. W. H. English, and Mr. Clark, of the Clark House. Apologies were received from Captain Cottingham, Reeve, Ex-Coun. Lindley, Ex-Coun. Mill, Capt. Jarvis, Councillor English and Capt. Evans. Mr. Kincaid filled the vice-chair. After removal of the cloth the usual standard toasts were given. The chairman in giving "Our Guest" referred to the time when Mr. Thornton was known to all present as a boy of exemplary character, good conduct and good habits and although he had been absent so long he was pleased to know that he had lost none of his attachment to Canada or the mother land. Mr. Thornton replied in feeling terms and referred to the numerous improvements that had taken place in Omemee since he had last seen it. He concluded by wishing the town continued prosperity, and volunteer toasts followed and were responded to by the "Agriculture" by Mr. Hill, the "Ladies" by Mr. Kincaid, the "Editorial" by Mr. Shaw, the "Ladies" by Messrs. Thornton, Johnson and Shaw in very complimentary terms, and the host and hostess by Mr. R.