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ANNUAL PRESS MEETING.

The Canadian Press Association held its annual meeting last Thursday and Friday in Toronto. There are a dozen and a half publishers in Grey County, but we believe we are the only one present out of the sixteen. The association is a very hard-working one, and its annual gathering is anything rather than a mere pleasure affair. The object of the association is the betterment of the press, and the elevation of the calling of journalism. The association meets once each year, and the proceedings are published and sent to every member of the association. The reports from the editorial and other departments have been carried out, and the association has grown in size and influence year by year. The reports of the various committees, and the addresses by prominent men, have been of great value to the press. The special department has resulted in many things being done in the interest of the craft, and many others have been begun which will be carried to a successful issue by the association. The association has been instrumental in securing a reduction in the postage on newspapers, and has been active in other matters affecting the interests of the press. The association has been in existence for many years, and its work has been productive of much good. The association has been composed of the leading newspaper men of the province, and its influence has been felt in the legislature of Ontario