

IPSWICH RAILWAY RIFLE CLUB.

A general meeting of members of the Ipswich Railway Rifle Club was held last evening. Mr. James Suett (vice-president) occupying the chair. After the transaction of some business of minor importance, a discussion ensued upon the mode of handicapping, and it was eventually resolved on the motion of Mr. J. Salisbury, seconded by Mr. Simpson, that for the ensuing twelve months points should be allowed to competitors instead of shots. The election of officers for the ensuing twelve months was then proceeded with, and it resulted as follows:—Patron, Mr. A. H. Barlow (re-elected); president, Mr. R. T. Barker (re-elected); vice-presidents, Messrs John Macfarlane, M.L.A., A. Macfarlane, James Suett, George Ware, and John White—all of them having been re-elected; captain, Mr. J. Salisbury; vice-captain, Mr. D. Davies; secretary, Mr. D. Borthwick; treasurer, Mr. S. H. Swift; committee, Messrs George Dellar, R. A. Nield, D. Davies, F. Collins, and C. Bragg; auditors, Messrs D. McIntosh and W. Page. Two new members were proposed and accepted. At the instance of Mr. Salisbury, seconded by Mr. W. H. Davies, a hearty vote of thanks was unanimously tendered to the retiring officers for the manner in which they had worked for the club during the past twelve months. This was suitably acknowledged by the late captain (Mr. D. McIntosh), who stated that they had always done their best and expressed the hope that the new committee would give even more satisfaction than the last one. The Chairman then made a few remarks. He commenced by complimenting the club upon its financial position. They had a balance in the bank, and they expected their annual capitation money shortly to be added to that. He was very pleased that such a friendly feeling existed between the Ipswich District Club and the Railway Club, and also with the defence forces. The full wing day would be a great day amongst the best shots of the town, when they would contest for the championship for the year. They had a number of good shots in the Railway Club, and he hoped sincerely that one of their members would carry off the honour. He had not the slightest doubt that all would do their utmost to gain the position of champion of Ipswich, and he was very pleased that such a contest had been arranged. He spoke sublimely on the benefits to be derived from rifle shooting, and concluded by wishing the club every success in the future. A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the proceedings.