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Annual Meeting of the Victorian Rowing Association.

The annual meeting of the Victorian Rowing Association was held last evening, at Young and Jackson's Hotel; Mr. E. Carlile in the absence of Mr. H G Turner, president, occupied the chair. There were about 40 members present.

Mr. Turner wrote, regretting his inability to be present and enclosed a cheque for £10 10s. as his donation towards reducing the association's deficit. He informed the association that he would be leaving Melbourne in January next, and would be away for a whole year, and so it would be necessary for them to elect a new president. He concluded by wishing the association every success. At a subsequent stage of the meeting, Mr. Turner was re-elected president, and a special vote of thanks was passed to him for past valuable services.

The report, giving a complete account of the last year's doings, and balance sheet, were presented, and, on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Horsburgh, were unanimously adopted.

The report made reference to the opening of the season's regatta held on the Albert Park Lake, on the 9th November, and to the annual regatta, held on the 19th February, over the same course, when 31 races were raced during the afternoon. The annual regatta proved to be one of the best ever held in the colonies, competitors having come from the sister colonies to take part, and for the first time in the history of the association the receipts were almost equal to the expenses.

Victoria's success in the annual Inter colonial Eight-oared Race was also mentioned in the report, particular notice being given to the fact that the race was the fastest yet rowed; to the crew having used the association's boat, the "Arthur Blackwood," for the third time; and to Mr. G. E. Upward having again coached the crew.

The steps taken by the association to prevent the pollution of the Yarra were also recorded, and the proposed Australian crew for England formed a topic for inclusion in the report.

The balance sheet showed that the receipts for the year amounted to £503 9s. 10d and the expenditure to £554 15s. 4d.. Including an overdraft from the past year of £36 0s. 3d.

Votes of thanks were passed to Messrs. G. E. Upward, hon. treasurer, and W B. House, hon. secretary, for their past services, and a unanimous wish was expressed that they would continue to hold their respective offices. Both gentlemen thanked the members for their expression of confidence.

Mr. Henderson moved, in accordance with notice: "that clubs without a radius of 20 miles from Melbourne be allowed a representation on the committee of the association, providing the clubs so represented each subscribe the sum of £3 3s. annually to the funds of the association; that such representative so appointed need not necessarily be a member of the club by which he is nominated, but may be a resident of Melbourne." The motion was carried without dissent.

The result of a ballot for five members of committee resulted in the election of Messrs. W. G. Ogden. J. Webster, H. Tait, W. B. House on J. Silke.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman.