

Ivywild Improvement.

The annual meeting of the Ivywild Improvement society was held last Monday evening. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: W. W. Williamson, president; Frederic R. Hastings, clerk; J. E. Lundstrom, treasurer. The excessive water rates of the Brookside Water company were seriously discussed and active measures taken to induce the company to extend a more equitable mode of taxation. At present an additional tax is levied on sprinkling lawns and gardens over 50 feet square, and this without granting the use of more than one nozzle. The residents unanimously believe the tax to be wholly unjust. The question of organizing and maintaining a fire company awoke great interest. An efficient committee was appointed to procure needful funds for apparatus and select the site for the new building. At present the entire Ivywild district is practically without protection in case of fire, and this movement is considered a most timely and energetic one.