Annual Dinner

The members of the Sheffield Fire Brigade, from the very nature of their employment, have few chances of amusement, and, therefore, they take full advantages of the opportunities that come their way. Their annual dinner is always looked forward to with a good deal of pleasurable anticipation, and the one held last night proved to be in every way as enjoyable as its predecessors. The gathering took place in the recreation room of the Fire Station, Rockingham Street. The room had been tastefully decorated, the walls being hung with flags and bunting, whist burnished and copper fire extinguishing appliances, helmets, and trophies added to the effectiveness of the decorations. Dinner was partaken of by the whole of the staff, 21 in number, and their wives. After the dinner the chair was taken by Sergeant Crawford, who was supported by Superintendent Frost. During the evening songs were given by Engineer Brooks, Engineer Hardwicke, and Firemen Outram and Dye. The health of Commander Scott, the Chief Constable, was drunk with musical honours, the toast of Superintendent and Mrs. Frost's health being similarly received. The loyal toasts were cordially drunk, and hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the donors to the dinner fund, and the committee of firemen for the admirable arrangements made for the dinner. Dancing afterwards indulged in, and the proceedings were throughout a most happy character. Mr. Preece acted as accompanist. The annual entertainment for the children of the firemen will take place this evening.