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## NOTES AND COMMENTS

DR. WALKEM, M.P.P.

**W**E have the pleasure to congratulate another REVIEW reader and poultry breeder this month, who has been elected to the provincial house in Dr. W. W. Walkem of Nanaimo, who is now M.P.P. for south Nanaimo.

J. L. HAYCOCK, M.P.P.

The Kingston *British Whig*, publishes a portrait and sketch of the life of Mr. Haycock, from which we take the following extracts:—"Joseph L. Haycock, M.P.P. for Frontenac county, is forty-four years of age, having been born near Switzerville, Lennox county, in 1850. He is third son of Frederick Haycock, an Englishman who came to Canada in 1837. His mother was a Thompson, who came from Ireland, in 1819, and a sister of Rev. James Thompson, a pioneer Methodist minister. Mr. Haycock attended a common school near his home, and later took a course in the Newburgh grammar school with such instructors as H. M. Deroche, Q.C., of Napanee, Prof. J. Campbell, of Montreal, of heresy fame. Here Mr. Haycock laid the foundation for the flow of language with which he is so capably endowed.

Then came the activities of life, and for three years he dealt out goods to the farmers and villagers who frequented T. Sexsmith's store at Selby. There he grew familiar with the ruralists and their ways. Soon he quit store-keeping and returned to his father's farm. In 1872 the family removed to Cataraqui, having secured the Beamish property. But farm life was, just at this juncture, too monotonous for the bustling youth and he came to Kingston.

He spent three months in the Glasgow warehouse, and then found more congenial employment with Sexsmith & Stevenson, of Napanee. Some time later he resumed farm duties, though in different form, he and his father going into the handling of produce. For ten years the partnership existed and the firm had most extensive and profitable dealings in New York, Boston, Montreal, and elsewhere. In 1882 the member bought out his father, and since that date he has been successful as a market gardener. He has also combined auctioneering with his business and his voice has been heard to the decided advantage of the sellers of stock, implements, etc. Mr. Haycock is a man of progressive ideas; he has a wonderful capacity for legislative enactments and in the excitements of debate and the turmoils and strife of opposition, he always maintains a calm, imperturbable spirit. Seldom does he get "rattled," to use a vulgarism. For seven years he served as a municipal legislator in Kingston township, as reeve three times and deputy-reeve three times. Twice he was elected by acclamation and the last occasion he was in the council the reeveship was again offered him by acclamation. He has been a vigorous worker in farmers institutes and agricultural societies and is now president of Frontenac Association. He has served as school trustee and is a past master of Frontenac Lodge, No. 363, A.F. & A.M. In his early life and until recently his political leanings were Liberal, but he always maintained and declared for the interests of the farmers, and when the Patrons' platform was formed he became an ardent supporter and an active worker in the lodge formed at Cataraqui. Because of his qualifications as a speaker, thinker and worker he has always been foremost in the ranks of the yeomanry and there is no doubt of his zeal and ability being utilized in the Legislature of Ontario. In social life he is witty and genial; religiously he is attached to the Methodist church. He was married in 1877 to Miss Martha Grange, of Napanee, a sister of John T. Grange, ex-M.P.P., Lennox. The home is blessed with five children. Mr. Haycock with R. E. Kent, of this city,