

## INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

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IN publishing this Report, it is the earnest desire of the Executive to make known as widely as possible, the proceedings of the third and fourth annual meetings of the CANADIAN DAIRY-MEN'S ASSOCIATION, two of the largest, most interesting, and profitable Conventions ever held in connection with dairy matters.

The Report is larger than anticipated, and will be found on perusal to contain much valuable information to the dairy farmer ; and, we believe, will be read with satisfaction by all, especially those who were present and heard for themselves, and will serve to remind and impress more deeply the information and valuable lessons there received.

The desire that has been so frequently expressed that these annual gatherings might be appreciated and made more useful in disseminating knowledge was, we think, realized in the Convention held in February last.

This Convention was more largely attended by practical dairymen from every part of Ontario than its most sanguine friends anticipated,—densely filling the large Town Hall. We believe it to have been the largest gathering of intelligent agriculturalists that ever assembled in the Dominion for a free discussion, interchange of thought, and experience on subjects connected with the farm and dairy.

The Executive spared no pains to make this Convention more profitable, by securing the aid of scientific men in preparing and reading papers on various subjects. These addresses we especially commend to the careful perusal of the reader.

It is by the light, that science sheds, we shall be able to intelligently solve the problems that arise from day to day in prac-