

the dates previously advertised with the expectation of being a delegate will have to pay full return fare.

In the meantime, it may be said that much of the work done in preparation for the Convention, such as the Secretary's lecture trip and distribution of literature, will not be lost, and also that whatever is done in regard to this or other future meetings the members and the public will be duly notified.

Meetings in Nova Scotia.

Carrying out a plan formed last winter, a series of meetings was held throughout Nova Scotia to explain the objects of the Convention. At these meetings addresses illustrated by stereopticon views were delivered on forest conservation, particularly as it affects Nova Scotia. At the close of each meeting discussion was invited upon the subject.

While the convention is not now to be held as originally planned, much information was spread throughout the province and much interest aroused which will bear fruit later.

The Secretary devoted from June 18 to July 18 to this work. He first visited Prince Edward Island and interviewed the Premier, Hon. J. A. Matheson, and Hon. M. McKinnon, Minister of Agriculture, in regard to the representation of the Province at the Convention. The first lecture was delivered at New Glasgow, and the others, in order, were held at Sydney, Antigonish, Liverpool, Shelburne, Yarmouth, Weymouth, Bear River, Annapolis, Middleton, Bridgewater and Kentville. A second visit was also made to Liverpool to address the Annual Meeting of the Licensed Guides of Nova Scotia. A brief visit was also paid to Windsor.

In Halifax the Secretary, along with Mr. F. C. Whitman, Vice-President, consulted Hon. G. H. Murray,

Prime Minister of Nova Scotia; Hon. O. T. Daniels, Commissioner of Lands, and other members of the Government, and met a number of prominent citizens.

During most of this trip the Secretary was assisted by Mr. B. R. Morton, B. Sc., F. of the Dominion Forestry Branch, who is conducting an investigation into certain forest features of Nova Scotia. Mr. J. B. Whitman, Deputy Commissioner of Crown Lands for Nova Scotia, was also present at several of the meetings.

On his way to and from Nova Scotia, the Secretary was in consultation with the President, Mr. William Power, M.P., at Quebec, and throughout the trip he was in constant touch with Mr. F. C. Whitman, of Annapolis Royal, who drew up the plan of the meetings and assisted in every possible way.

The meetings were of particular interest in the lumbering districts, and the newspapers throughout the Province gave very full reports. The discussions showed that the owners of wood lots are becoming alive to the necessity of properly cutting their timber in order to keep up a continual supply from their lots.

New Head of Forest Laboratories.

Mr. John S. Bates has been appointed Superintendent of the Dominion Forest Products Laboratories in connection with McGill University, to take the place of Mr. A. G. McIntyre, who resigned to take charge of a new paper mill at Bathurst, New Brunswick.

Mr. Bates was born at Woodstock, Ont., and is a graduate of Acadia University in arts and science. After leaving Acadia he went to Columbia University, New York, and graduated in chemical engineering, specializing in pulp and paper. He made a study of the utilization of Southern pine waste while at Columbia, and since the conclusion of a brilliant course there has had practical experience with the Union Bag and Paper Co., of New York, and Arthur D. Little, Inc., chemists, of Boston. Mr. Bates has begun his new duties with the most favorable prospects.