

one of the greatest statesmen of the United States—no less a man than Daniel Webster—gave his attention to the subject, and he expressed his views in these words—words that ought to be written above the door of every legislative body that has power to legislate in regard to the currency: “He who tampers with the currency robs labour of its bread.” (Applause.) There never was a more happy expression of a great truth; and after Webster had made use of it he proceeded to show, as it had never been demonstrated before, with the great ability which characterized that wonderful man, that whatever advantage might be derived by a section of the community from the fluctuations of the currency, to the ordinary business man and farmer nothing but loss would follow. The speaker had referred to this subject, not because it was of pressing importance just then, but because it was in times when people were prosperous that they were most willing to listen to matters of that kind. It was when prosperity was rife that people were disposed to receive sound views and appreciate them, and to-day was the time when banking men and school teachers and college professors, and all who had opportunities of disseminating information, should impress sound views on this question upon the people, so that no national disasters might arise.

“The Army, Navy and Militia,” was responded to by Lieut.-Col. Otter; “The Banking Interests of Canada,” proposed by Mr. George Hague and replied to by Mr. B. E. Walker; “Our Guests from the United States,” proposed by Dr. Parkin and responded to by Mr. W. C. Cornwell, Buffalo; “The Press” by Messrs. J. S. Willison and W. F. Maclean, M.P.; and “The Mayor and Corporation of the City of Toronto,” by His Worship the Mayor of Toronto.