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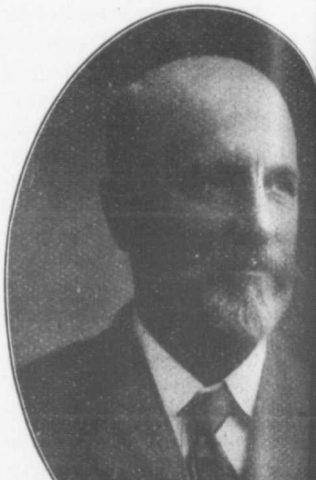
sponsibility on me, and when you put responsibility upon a person, if they have a certain amount of ambition, they will make an attempt. I might say my ambition, has been to serve the association well. I have had a certain amount of labor in the 21 years, I suppose if the total number of hours were taken, it would be found that they were very numerous, but that is all right, that is past now and I have a great asset at the present time for all these hours, the greatest asset a man can have—lifelong friends. I feel that I have not made any enemies, and if a man can keep a position for 21 years and has no enemies he is fortunate, it is a position to be appreciated. The vote of thanks you have passed makes me think you have appreciated what I have done. I have had relations with many presidents in the association, but up to date I have never had any unpleasantness with any of the presidents. They have always aimed to do what they thought best, and I stand here convinced that with almost every president of the association, they have been honest in trying to do something for the department, the association, and the bee-keepers of the province. That is a pleasing thing to state. Men are very contrary sometimes and generally the more contrary the man is the more honest.

I have spoken once or twice this last winter to the Minister of Agriculture that I thought it would be wise if the secretaryship were in the department. Mr. James agreed that business could be despatched much quicker in the department than by employing some party outside. I said even if I wanted the position, I saw clearly that the work for the association could be done in the department much better than outside. I have worked for the terests of the association and for personal interests besides, as we I could. I have spent a month past year, not far short of one m out of the 12 on the work of the ciation, but my other duties are s merous I cannot continue. I am glad that I have served for s length of time, and can quit wit



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feeling that we have now a gr ciety. I am very grateful for t of thanks. (Applause.)

Mr. Holtermann—There is important matter I wish to about. During the course of ne ter there is to be a revision of stock companies' act, and th affect these companies gene went up to the department Mr. James, suggesting to him t keepers should have the sam leges that dairymen have in co with the formation of joint sto

nies for the sale d Mr. James thou a. I asked him resolution that c fore the associatio w in hand, and h he would submit i milton, and when act he would d the legislature to Resolved, that the need of provision anize companies f ducts with as littl e, somewhat in rymen and fruit m stood that a new be introduced at the legislature to s and other comp wants of the bee- red in this matte lution be sent to cial Secretary, Mr. r. Chrysler—I thin best things we co ion to. I know wh it Growers' Associ several years back. t years since they now a joint stock not cost one of it . I do not suppose ng you all the trou go through during s, but they have r each member has ain amount of stock , and they have bu e, packing stand, a hire men, or the have a president elect a seller and entage. The seller ll our fruit in the bound to sell it in ctory way, the bett more money he er gets a certain p