

# SUPPLEMENT TO SUNSHINE

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## Presentation to Robertson Macaulay, Esq., President of the Sun Life of Canada.

While President Macaulay was enjoying the balmy and invigorating breezes on the shores of the old Atlantic down at the "Garden of the Gulf," last September, the field force of the Sun Life of Canada were having their "innings" at the extreme end of Ontario's noble freshwater sea. The distant points, although not connected by Marconi's system, were, however, in constant touch with each other. The dominating thought of the men, who look upon Mr. Macaulay more as a friend than as President of the Company, was an expression of sincere regret that the state of his health compelled his absence from the Convention, and Mr. Macaulay, much as he appreciated the rest and comfort of his favorite holiday resort, would, we know, rather have been with his friends and fellow-workers. For fear that telepathic connection between the two points might have been disturbed, the Field Staff—who, by the way, are more conversant with "applications" than telepathy—wished to make sure that they had Mr. Macaulay's attention, so they telegraphed him an expression of appreciation. But even yet the field men were not satisfied. (It is hard to satisfy field men.) They felt they should do something more—give a more tangible expression of their appreciation. A special meeting in the hotel park was informally got together, and suggestion after suggestion given as to what they should do. One happy thought was that a painting in oils of the President would be a most appropriate gift. With one accord the suggestion was accepted. De-

cision was at once come to and a committee appointed to manage affairs. This committee has fulfilled its work of love with great credit, and on Tuesday afternoon, January 9th, the presentation was made to Mr. Macaulay, in the Board-room at Head Office, in the presence of the Board of Directors and the Head Office Staff. The painting is an excellent likeness of the President, as will be seen by the reproduction which we give in this issue. Mr. J. W. L. Forster, the noted portrait painter, has again given evidence that his reputation as a portrait painter is well earned.

The address which accompanied the presentation was engrossed on vellum in book-form, bound in morocco and a veritable work of art. It was by Mr. A. H. Hammond, R.C.A. The illuminations included the Macaulay coat-of-arms, a view of Head Office buildings, and the interior of the Board-room.

Mr. A. S. Macgregor, the treasurer of the Presentation Committee, introduced the delegation in well-chosen words. Mr. Macgregor is considered by his fellow-workers as the "chaplain of the forces," and his brilliant oratorical gifts have made him also the orator of the Field Staff. His address was of a reminiscent character, recalling the days of small things in the history of the Company, when the President was canvasser, agency superintendent and numerous other offices in one. When Mr. Macgregor joined the staff the Company was an infant struggling for life, and the life story of the Company, with its President, was a