

DAIRYMEN'S CONVENTION.

Pursuant to public notice, an important meeting was held in the Town Hall, Ingersoll, on the 31st July and 1st August, 1867, for the purpose of organizing a Dairymen's Association, and otherwise promoting the dairy business interest in the Dominion of Canada. Upwards of two hundred Dairymen from various parts of the country were present, and the greatest interest was manifested in the proceedings. The Convention was called to order soon after ten o'clock, on the first day of meeting, and a temporary organization effected by the appointment of W. Niles, Esq., of Nilestown, Chairman, and James Noxon, Esq., of Ingersoll, Secretary. A large Committee on organization and general business was then appointed, after which the Convention adjourned until half-past one. On resuming, the Committee reported, when it was resolved that the consideration of the report be deferred until after the hearing of some addresses, out of which hints might be obtained that would help to shape organization and business. This action was taken, more especially, in order to afford all present an early opportunity to hear X. A. Willard, Esq., of Little Falls, New York, who had come on special invitation, to address the Convention, and who, from his thorough acquaintance with all matters connected with the dairy business, was expected to throw much light on the subject. Mr. Willard was therefore at once introduced to the meeting, and proceeded to deliver the following most interesting address:—

MR. WILLARD'S ADDRESS.

Mr. President and Friends:—

I am glad to meet you here to-day upon Canadian soil, and to assure you of the good-will and respect which all men of liberal views in New York hold towards the people and Government of these Provinces. We are separated by an imaginary line, and though living under different forms of government, we recognize both as founded upon all those great and essential principles which ensure freedom, happiness, development and progress in the human race.

We of the New World scarcely appreciate the privileges we are enjoying, and it is only by observation and by contrasting our own condition with that of people on the Continent of Europe, that we