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which he thought might be promoted by legislation. He found, on enquiry, that in the Government Departments was only to be found the tariff of one island; the whole of these should be obtained. Ontario was of these should be obtained. Ontario was anxious to see a direct trade opened up. It was the most valuable trade we had, the profits arising from it being larger than with any other country. Our exports during the four years of which he had spoken had been about sixteen million and our imports nine. The Province of Ontario took a great interest in the subject and desired to see our mercantile marine, one of our most valuable interests, trading with these islands.

Mr. Forbes said the subject was one which had engaged the attention of the House for several sessions. He was glad this matter had been brought up by a member from Ontario. The Lower Provinces had expected the Dominion Government to take steps to foster this trade, which was a very important one. If encouragement were given the cargoes would be brought to this country instead of being taken to the United States. He hoped the Government would do something in this matter.

Mr. Domville said any encouragement of trade with the West Indies would be without effect unless the sugar duties were reduced.

Mr. Workman referred to the sugar interests and read extracts from a letter he had received from the principal merchants engaged in the West Indian trade. They stated that the difficulty in the way of carrying out a direct trade was the want of a market here for sugar by reason of what was equal to an *ad valorem* duty of fifty per cent. If there were a re-adjustment of the tariff seventy-five additional vessels would ply between Montreal and Quebec and the West Indies but until a re-adjustment of the tariff was effected successful West Indian trade was impossible.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie said the Government had had the question under consideration for a long time, but many difficulties had presented themselves. The trade of the principal West Indian islands with the United States last year amounted to \$35,562,966, of which Cuba took nearly one-half. A very large proportion of the entire volume, nearly ten millions, consisted chiefly of flour and meal of various kinds. Those who dealt in that particular class of products, and who knew the capacity of Canada as a grain and wheat growing country, well knew that we could only act in that matter as brokers, and whether the breadstuffs of the Dominion would enable us to compete successfully with Virginian and Southern millers was a question which admitted of very serious doubt. The imports of the West Indies in flour alone amounted to about seven millions of dollars. The wheat grown in Canada and the States in the lake region would, moreover, require to be specially treated to make it acceptable to the West Indian market. The question of sugar duties was a very difficult one, on account of the revenue requirements of the country. Considerable difficulty also presented itself from the chronic rebellion which prevailed in Cuba. The Government were, however, extremely anxious to promote a trade with the West Indies in those articles in which we could successfully compete with the United States, and they were endeavoring to procure exact information regarding that particular trade.

The motion was passed.

An English barrister has written a history of England in verse.

pore Cups" were won at Wimbledon last year, and especially at the refusal of the representatives of Canada in the absence of any appearance of any unfairness on the part of their opponents—to take advantage of the accidental absence of the teams representing the United Kingdom, and thereby obtaining the opportunity of fairly winning the trophy, by a fairly fought out competition in the presence of the antagonists. Carried.

Moved by Lieut. Col. Worsley, seconded by Lieut. Col. Jackson—That the Dominion Rifle Association do express at the annual meeting, there thanks for the liberality and kindness which our representative riflemen have met with in all their visits to Wimbledon, from the Volunteers of Liverpool at Altcar, and this resolution to be addressed to the Ex-Major, Lieut. Col. Findlay, L.R.V., and to the officers in charge of the ranges at Altcar. Carried.

Moved by Capt. Casey, M.P., seconded by Capt. the Hon. Henry Aylmer, M.P. That this Association respectfully request the Minister of Militia and Defence to confer upon the members of the Kolapore Team of 1875, some medal, badge, or mark of distinction of a nature similar to that conferred on the members of the team who won the cup in 1872. Carried.

At this stage of the proceedings the President was requested to leave the chair, and Colonel Brunel was moved thereto, when it was moved by Lieut. Col. Botsford, seconded by Lieut. Col. Haviland, and Resolved, that the thanks of this Association be tendered to Lieut. Col. Gzowski, the President, for his presence at the Wimbledon meeting of 1875, during the competition, and for the liberal manner in which, as a representative of Canada, he reciprocated the hospitality shown by their fellow subjects of England to the team from Canada, and also for his munificent liberality to the Dominion Rifle Association. Carried.

Colonel Brunel in putting this resolution to the meeting, spoke of the valuable services rendered the Association, both in England and this country—that he was the right man in the right place, and that the Association owed him an everlasting debt of gratitude. Col. Gzowski suitably acknowledged the compliment.

The election of officers for the several Provinces for the year was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—

Ontario.—Lt. Col. Brunel, Lt. Col. Wiley, Lt. Col. Egleson, Lt. Col. Ross, Lt. Col. Gilmour, Lt. Col. Scoble, Lt. Col. Gzowski. Lt. Col. Buell, M.P.; Lieut. Colonel Walker, Major Macdonald, Capt. Mason, Hon. A. Mackenzie, Lt. McNachtan, G. Casey, M.P.

Quebec.—Lt. Col. Hanson, Lt. Col. Masson, M.P.; Lt. Col. McEachren, C.M.G.; Lt. Col. C. E. Pannet, Lt. Col. McKay, B.G.A.; Hon. H. Aylmer, M.P.; A. P. Caron, M.P.; Lt. Col. Allyn, 8th Batt.; Lt. Col. Lamontagne, B.M.; Lt. Col. Bacon, Lt. Col. Blanchet.

New Brunswick.—Lt. Col. Ferguson, Lt. Col. E. B. Reer, Capt. Tilton, Lt. Col. Lester Peters, J. Domville, M.P., Capt. Perley, Major Arnold.

Nova Scotia.—Lt. Col. Carmichael, M.P.; Lt. Col. Jones, M.P.; T. McKay, M.P.; Major Goudge; Lt. Col. Champman, 68th; Lt. Col. Ritchie, 63rd; Lt. Col. Wilde, Reserve.

Prince Edward Island.—Hon. R. P. Haythorne, Lt. Col. Neil Rankin, Lt. Col. W. McGill, Lt. Col. H. Beer, Capt. Freeland.

Manitoba.—Hon. A. G. Bannantyne, Hon. Girard, Dr. Schultz, Major Kennedy, S. B. Spence.

British Columbia.—J. T. Thompson M.P.;

Ed. Dawdney, M.P.; Capt. Roscoe, M.P.; W. McKay Wright, M.P.; Hon. J. W. Macdonald.

Before the adjournment, and in the absence of Col. Beer, Capt. Tilton moved that certain notices of motion given at last meeting, and which ought to be acted on at this meeting, be continued on the notice paper, as new notices for action at next meeting. Carried.

The President rose and said that there was nothing more before the meeting, the Executive Council would meet in room 46 in the House of Commons tomorrow at 12 o'clock. The meeting then adjourned.

The new Council of the Dominion Rifle Association met according to notice on Thursday afternoon and reelected for the current year. Lieut. Col. C. S. Gzowski, of Toronto, President. The Vice Presidents for the several Provinces are:—

Ontario.—Lieut. Colonel Allan Gilmour, Ottawa.

Quebec.—Lieut. Col. C. J. Brydges, Montreal.

New Brunswick.—Lieut. Hon. A. E. Botsford, Sackville.

Nova Scotia.—Lieut. Col. A. K. McKinlay, Halifax.

Prince Edward Island.—Hon. H. Haviland, Charlottetown.

Manitoba.—Hon. D. A. Smith, Winnipeg.

British Columbia.—Hon. R. W. Carrall, Victoria.

Auditors.—Capt. John Langton, Auditor General, and T. D. Harrington, Esq. Deputy Receiver General.

Treasurer.—Lieut. Col. Macpherson, Militia Department, Ottawa.

Secretary.—Lieut. Col. Stuart, Militia Department, Ottawa.

The Wimbledon team for 1876 will be composed as follows:—Sergt. Corbin, 63rd Batt, N.S.; Corpl. Mitchell, 13th do, Ont; Sergt. Sutherland, G.G.F.G. Ont; Lieut. Cole, 42nd Batt, Ont; Private Ross, 1st P. W. P, Que; Lieut. Johnson, 71st Batt, N. B.; Pte. Turnbull, 1st P.W.R. Que; Sergt. Mitchell, 13th Batt, Ont; Lieut. Wright, 50th do. Que; Lieut. Barnhill, 78th do, N.B.; Sergt. Flynn, 10th do, Ont; Asst. Surgeon Macdonald, W. F. B., Ont; Qr.-Master Cleveland, 54th Batt, Que; Corpl. Langstroth, 8th do, Que; Lieut. Fitch, 78th do, N. B.; Capt. Mason, 13th do, Ont; Capt. Baillie, 10th do, Ont; Corpl. Throop, G.G.F.G. Ont; Capt. Graham, H.F.B, N.S.; Sergt. Butler, B.C.

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