

"That this Committee are of opinion from evidence placed before them, that the Creamery butter manufactured in Canada and sent to the English markets, suffers from an unfounded prejudice which has hitherto affected, materially, the prices obtained, and consequently the increase that this country should be making from year to year, in this important article of our dairy product, and therefore recommend that the Government take such steps as will place our butter on the markets, in fair competition with all other butter imported into that country."—Carried.

GEORGE JOHNSON,
Statistician.

DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, OTTAWA,
STATISTICAL DIVISION, March 8th, 1895.

The Minister of Agriculture has aimed at meeting the wishes of the Committee, and has adopted a plan for that purpose. The following letter explains the plan he has prepared.

OTTAWA, February 26th, 1895.

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 18th inst., in which you intimate to me, by instruction of the Butter and Cheese Association of the Montreal Board of Trade, that the Board in Montreal "views with alarm the proposed offer of the Government to pay advances at the rate of 20 cents per pound on creamery butter of the finest quality made between the 1st day of January, 1895, and the 30th day of March, 1895, when for shipment to the British market."