

Mr. Clarkson James, Secretary to Department of Education, with us, to give a paper on education.

There is another matter to be taken up to-night, which we will have the pleasure of participating in. I will call upon Mr. Baldwin to introduce the subject.

Mr. Geo. Baldwin.—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen: On behalf of the representatives of the Canada Foundry Co. Limited, I have a pleasant duty to perform and thank the Engineering Club for granting me that privilege.

Until recently Mr. J. J. Fletcher was the superintendent of the Canada Foundry Boiler Dept. His connections with the Foundry have been severed, and on that account, several of his fellow foremen thought they could not allow him to leave without showing, in some tangible form, the esteem in which he was held by them.

For several years it has been our pleasure to know him in genial friendship, and recollecting those pleasant years made agreeable through his acquaintance, his fellow foremen have requested me, on their behalf, to present to him this diamond ring, and in doing so, Mr. Fletcher, we, one and all, wish you long life and happiness.

Mr. J. J. Fletcher.—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, this has kind of taken the wind out of my sails. I am sure it is gratifying to me to think that during my term of office at the Canada Foundry that I was held in such esteem by the employees. We have always had good fellowship among ourselves, always tried to help one another, and always tried to work to the interests of the company. I have always tried to do as near right as I possibly could with my fellow men.

You all know that I am not much of a speaker, but if I came to boiler matters I would say more. I wish to thank the foreman of the Canada Foundry for this valuable gift. I shall wear it and be proud of it, and I hope that our friendship will not cease whether I am in your midst or away. I do not know, but from the way things look at present, it seems as though I will have to become a Yank, as there is nothing doing in Toronto, but should I cross the line I shall always have the sweet memories of the Canada Foundry and its associates. I thank you gentlemen again. Applause.

Chairman.—I am sure that it has been a great pleasure to us to have a meeting of the club made an occasion for a presentation to one of our members. Mr. Fletcher has taken an active interest in the Club from the start and has served throughout on the Executive, and I am sure that I am only voicing the feelings of all the members of the Club as well as those of the