SECRETARY LAWLER'S LECTURES.

On the last day of November the Secretary left on a trip between Toronto and Ottawa to speak at a number of places on the way. These were Peterborough, Belleville, Trenton, Kingston, Brockville, Ottawa and Carleton Place. The organizations under whose auspices he appeared were Boards of Trade, Canadian Clubs and Boards of Education.

In Peterborough he first delivered a lecture before the Board of Trade. Then upon invitation this was repeated before the Peterborough County Council then in session. The councillors took hold of the subject and it was stated that there were 128,000 acres in the northern part of the county fit only to grow trees. This area has been nearly all cut off and the few settlers remaining are now moving out since their market, the lumbermen and the chance of working during the winter in the shanties have been removed. Evidently it will not be long before Peterborough county will be wrestling with its deforested lands problem.

At Belleville the lecture was held in the city hall under the auspices of the Canadian Club. On the second evening of his stay he was invited to address the students of Albert College. In Kingston it was the Board of Trade which arranged for the meeting. Several of the professors of Queen's University attended and upon invitation the Secretary addressed the members of the Engineering Society of the University on the following afternoon.

In Brockville the lecture was delivered in Victoria Hall, the Board of Trade being the sponsors, while at Ottawa, Trenton and Carleton Place the Boards of Education arranged for the meetings. In Ottawa the meeting was held in the fine new Assembly Hall of the Collegiate Institute and Mr. Peter Whelen, the President of the Board of Trade, was in the chair. In every case the lectures were illustrated by stereopticon views and no small interest was aroused in all these places. This form of work is to be continued during the winter and spring.

TIMBER ALONG THE FRASER RIVER.

Mr. G. S. Mallock of the Geological Survey, during the past summer travelled down the Fraser River from Tete Jaune Cache to Fort George. After Tete Jaune Cache is left twenty miles in the rear the banks of the river are very heavily timbered till one gets to a point some sixty miles from Fort George. At the latter place a sawmill is being built. Spruce predominates, with some fir. Practically no fires have occurred of late. The province keeps a fire ranger along the river. For a stretch of fully two hundred miles, viz., from Gisborne Portage to within seventy miles of the Cache there has been practically no fire. Some fine cedar was met with, usually some little distance from the river, on the first slopes of the mountains; it runs up to 12 feet in diameter. Other species met with were white birch, fir and cottonwood, some specimens of the last-named species running up to eight to ten feet in diameter. Near Fort George, for a stretch of some seventy miles, there have been fires and jack pine and aspen poplar predominate.

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