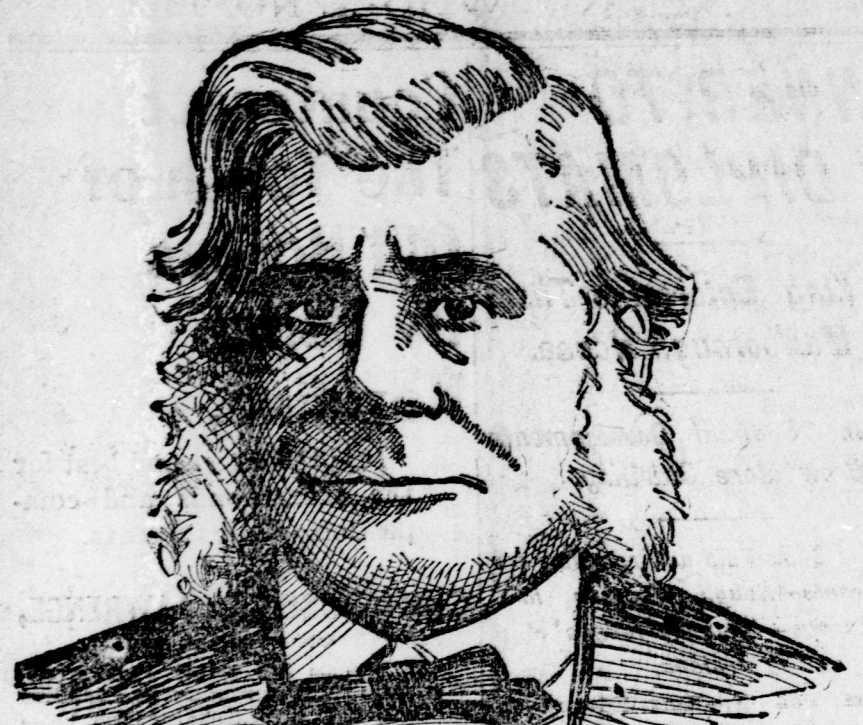


A Law unto Himself.

Every Man Must be That, to Retain His Health and Digestion.



THE GREAT HUXLEY.

There are thousands of people in this world who eat no meat from one year's end to another, and certain savage tribes in Africa and Polynesia are almost exclusively meat eaters; but while there are thousands of these there are millions who live upon a mixed diet of meat, vegetables and grains, and if numbers is a criterion, it would seem that a mixed diet is best for the human family.

The fact that you will find many vegetarians who appear healthy and vigorous and meat eaters equally so, and any number of robust specimens who eat both meat and vegetables and anything else that comes their way all goes to show that the old saw is the true one, that every man must be a law to himself as to what he shall eat and drink.

To repair the waste of tissue in brain workers, as well as to replace the muscles and sinews of the laborer, can only be done through the process of digestion.

Every nerve, muscle, sinew, every drop of blood is extracted from the food we eat and digest.

In these days of haste and worry, and artificial habits of life, scarcely one person in a thousand can lay claim to a perfect digestion; dyspepsia is a national affliction, and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the national blessing.

Most cases of poor digestion are caused by failure of the stomach to secrete sufficient gastric juice, or too little Hydrochloric acid, and lack of pepsin, and all of these important essentials to perfect digestion are found in Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets in convenient palatable form.

The greatest English scientist, Huxley, said the best start in life is a sound stomach. Weak stomachs fail to digest food properly, because they lack the proper quantity of digestive acids (gastric and hydrochloric), and pepsin, and the most sensible remedy in all cases of indigestion, is to take after each meal one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, because they supply in a pleasant, harmless form all the elements that weak stomachs lack.

One or two of these tablets taken after meals insure perfect digestion and assimilation of the food.

Cathartic pills and laxative medicines have no effect whatever in digesting food, and to call such remedies a cure for dyspepsia is far fetched and absurd.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets contain pepsin free from animal matter, dextrin, and other digestives, and not only digest all wholesome food, but tend to increase the flow of gastric juices, and by giving the weak stomach a much needed rest bring about a healthy condition of the digestive organs and a normal appetite.

Nervous, thin-blooded, run-down people should bear in mind, that drugs

and stimulants cannot furnish good blood, strong muscles and steady nerves; these come only from whole some food, thoroughly digested. A 50-cent box of Stuart's Tablets taken after meals for a few weeks will do you more real good than drugs, stimulants and dieting combined.

Henry Kirkpatrick, of Lawrence, Mass., says: "Men and women whose occupation precludes an active outdoor life should make it a daily practice to use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals. I have done so myself, and I know positively that I owe my present health and vigor to their daily use."

"From the time I was 22, when I graduated from school with a B.A., I scarcely knew what it was to be free from stomach weakness. I had no appetite whatever for breakfast, and very little for any other meal."

"I had acidity and heartburn nearly every day, and sometimes was alarmed by irregularity and pain of the bowels. I had been using Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and I can eat my meals with relish and satisfaction which I had not known since I was a growing boy."

Mrs. James Barton, of Toronto, Canada, writes: "For eighteen months I suffered from what I supposed was bladder and kidney trouble, and took medicine from different doctors without any sign of cure. I felt so ill at last I was hardly able to do my work."

"I thought I would try a box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and see if they would make me feel better. I had been using them for a few days, and after only three or four tablets disappeared, and then I discovered that the doctors had been treating me for kidney and bladder trouble, and one of them told me that I had rheumatism."

"My digestion is fine, my complexion clear, and I am able to do my work, and low spirits are unknown to me."

"I am so thankful for finding a cure so good and so pleasant to take as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I am surprised at the change they have made in me."

Mr. Thomas Seale, Mayfield, Cal., says: "Have used and recommended Stuart's Tablets because there is nothing like them to keep the stomach right."

Mr. E. H. Davis, of Hampton, Va., says: "I doctored five years for dyspepsia, but in the last months I got more benefit from Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets than in five years of the doctors' treatment."

"My Dyspepsia Tablets is probably the safest, most popular and successful digestive on the market, and sold by druggists everywhere in the United States, Canada and Great Britain."

wedged in the ice and had to be relieved by the Promiss, which is considered the best of the ice coming down from the St. Clair has caused heavy windows eight and nine feet thick in many places. The Promiss, however, got through with but little trouble.

The field is heaviest on this side of the river.

THE ROBERIA SAFE.
Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 10.—Advices from Nanaimo, received on Saturday, state that the United States steamer Roberia, which arrived at Union Bay, and reported that she had left the Roberia on the west coast, which the Roberia was a good and reliable ship, and that some mishap might have befallen the British survey ship, which had gone out to look for the Condon.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.
Feb. 7. Reported at: From
Rhynland.....Liverpool.....Philadelphia
Columbia.....Gibraltar.....New York
Pennina.....Antwerp.....Philadelphia
Lucania.....New York.....Liverpool
Breslau.....New York.....Liverpool
Cymric.....New York.....Liverpool
Vandalia.....Antwerp.....New York
page.....Havre.....New York
Umbria.....Queenstown.....New York
Lake Ontario.....Halifax.....Liverpool
Manchester.....Halifax.....Manchester

JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

DORCHESTER STATION
Dorchester Station, Feb. 8.—Mrs. Annie Hunter, second daughter of Thos. Hunter, and Mr. Walter Spence, of Mossley, were united in marriage by Rev. J. Veale, at the residence of the bride's parents, on Wednesday, Feb. 5.

The funeral of the late Mr. J. R. L. Waugh, of Ohio, took place from the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. Lawson, Niles, to Union Cemetery, Feb. 6. The funeral was conducted by Belmont and Niles' Sons.

Mr. Robert Murray, of Five Points, Wis., is visiting friends in this village.

Mr. George Wiley shipped a carload of hogs from here on Thursday. The price paid was \$5 75 per cwt, live weight.

The annual meeting of the patrons of Dorchester cheese factory was held on Friday afternoon in the factory. Everything proved satisfactory, and the patrons seemed well pleased.

A LADY WRITER.—"I was enabled to remove the corns, root and branch, by the use of Holloway's Corn Cure." Others who have tried it have the same experience.

LOSS OF ALLAN LINER GRECIAN

Dashed on the Rock of Nova Scotia's Coast.

Went Out of Her Course in a Heavy Snowstorm—All the Passengers Saved—Three Steamers Sunk in the Thames.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 9.—Four and a half miles from this city, on the western side of the entrance to Halifax harbor, the big Allan-Furness liner Greician lies a hopeless wreck.

The steamer sailed from Liverpool on Jan. 25, bound to this port, via St. Johns, Nfld., and left the latter port on Thursday evening. She was off this harbor at 2:30 this morning, took a pilot on board, and was coming in, when a thick snow storm came on suddenly, and the ship was driven over the rocks, passed over and struck a second time, and remained.

There was not much sea on at the time, but a heavy undertow, and this soon ground her keel in. The water poured through the hold. When daylight broke it was found that the ship was lying on her side, with the bow pointed towards the shore, between Holyrood and Martin's Rock.

RESCUE OF THE PASSENGERS.
When the steamer struck the weather was so thick that it was impossible to see land, although the sea could be heard breaking a short distance off. Life-saving crews from Herring Cove and Devil's Island responded to the signals of distress, and the Greician was towed to the shore, and remained by the ship in case of emergency. The captain in the meantime ordered the crew to lower the boats, and have everything ready to leave the ship.

Over 100 tons of the cargo have been removed. The captain hopes to get the steamer off the rocks at high water in the morning. Capt. James Harris, who commanded the Greician, brought Lord Dufferin's yacht to the rescue, and the ship was towed to the shore.

THREE STEAMERS SUNK.
London, Feb. 8.—There was a remarkable series of collisions in the Thames today. The collision, which took place, while entering the Regent's Canal basin, was run down by the French steamer Cordillera from River La Platte, with a cargo of frozen meat. The Poplar swung off and struck the British steamer Cordillera on her bow, and the latter sank, with a cargo for Morocco. All really thinking I had dyspepsia, but after only three or four tablets disappeared, and then I discovered that the doctors had been treating me for kidney and bladder trouble, and one of them told me that I had rheumatism.

A ROUGH VOYAGE.
London, Feb. 8.—The passengers of the St. Paul, which has arrived at the wharf, have had a very rough voyage. The ship was hit by a unusually rough experience with wind, waves and fog. The ship was hit by a unusually rough experience with wind, waves and fog. The ship was hit by a unusually rough experience with wind, waves and fog.

THE DEATH RECORD
Judge Lister Expired Suddenly Sunday Morning—Formerly a Prominent Politician and Leading Lawyer of Sarina.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Mr. Justice Lister, of the court of appeal, died at his residence, 14 Walmer road, at 2 o'clock this morning, of heart failure, following upon indigestion. The judge was at Osgoode Hall from 11 to 5:30 on Saturday. After dinner he went to bed feeling rather unwell. At 11 o'clock he became so much worse that Dr. Temple was called in, and prescribed for the patient. Mr. Justice Lister died at 2 o'clock. Dr. Temple and Mr. Justice Lister were again hastily summoned, but when they arrived, shortly after 2 o'clock, the judge was dead.

The members of the family present were: Mrs. Lister, Miss Bessie, Miss Frances, and Mr. Blake Lister. Mr. Justice Lister was born in 1845, and was called to the bar in 1868, and was called to the bar in 1868, and was called to the bar in 1868.

Judge Lister was a prominent politician and leading lawyer of Sarina. He was a member of the House of Commons, and was a member of the House of Commons.

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WESTERN ONTARIO

Live Items Cuffed for Busy People's Information.

Lent begins on Wednesday, Feb. 12. Dutton's Episcopians will celebrate subscription lists for a new \$10,000 church.

The Yarmouth board of health has warned the people of that township to be vaccinated against the smallpox.

St. Thomas Orangemen will celebrate the Battle of the Boyne at Tilsonburg on July 12 next.

E. R. L. Gould, Ph.D., a nephew of Mrs. Thomas Evans, of St. Marys, has been appointed city chamberlain of New Brunswick, at a salary of \$2,000 per year.

M. R. and J. M. Hughes, of St. Thomas, formerly of Aylmer, have bought the late E. J. Day's house at Fairview avenue, Yarmouth Heights, and will take possession in March.

Miss Frances T. Sharp, who has been connected with the Toronto general hospital for the past six years, has been appointed superintendent of the Woodstock general hospital.

R. J. Young, of Glenora, has received the appointment of assistant secretary of the Manufacturers' Association of Canada, and secretary of the Toronto Manufacturers' Association.

McClure, of St. Thomas, a nephew of Mrs. Thomas Evans, of St. Marys, has been appointed city chamberlain of New Brunswick, at a salary of \$2,000 per year.

At the Windsor police, on instruction from the warden of Kingston penitentiary, arrested Paul Walker, a former inmate of the penitentiary, and released him, after serving half of an eighteen year sentence, for holding up and robbing William Archer, of Newbury, on McDougall street, Windsor.

At the circuit court in Detroit on Thursday, Judge Morrison, of Detroit, filed a bill for divorce from James Morrison, to whom she was married at Windsor, on May 12, 1881. The complaint alleges that her husband deserted her June 28, 1881. There are seven children, whose ages range from 20 to 10 years.

Thomas O'Connor, an Ingersoll man, off the rocks at high water in the morning. Capt. James Harris, who commanded the Greician, brought Lord Dufferin's yacht to the rescue, and the ship was towed to the shore.

At noon on Thursday, says the Clinton News-Record, a quiet but very regrettable accident occurred at the residence of Mr. John Bell, when his eldest daughter, Mrs. M. M. Bell, daughter of Mr. M. M. Bell, of Windsor, was killed by a horse and carriage.

License Inspector Pacad on Friday served every hotel-keeper, and tobacco dealer in Windsor a notice, and a warning with a written order to no longer allow the operation of slot machines in their premises, and the same notice has been sent through the mails to all hotels throughout the county of Kent.

Extremity Case of Nervousness

Female Weakness and Exhaustion—Had a Very Painful Operation—Was Pale and Weak and Fainted Often—Doctors Failed to Help Her.

There is scarcely a limit to the sufferings which women endure when their nervous systems become run down and give way beneath the strain of life. There are many cases of this kind, which in nine cases out of ten are the result of a low state of vitality, and which can be cured by the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

Every woman will read with interest the following letter from a lady who has been cured of a serious illness by the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

Mrs. Benjamin Hatfield, Hilliard, Ohio, writes: "For three years I was a sufferer from extreme nervousness and female weakness, and found it necessary to undergo a very painful operation. I was pale and weak, had no appetite, and would sometimes faint two or three times a day. For seven weeks I was under the doctor's care, but he seemed unable to help me. Despairing of recovery I took the advice of a friend, and bought a box of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, which I took as directed, and in a few days I felt much better. After four months' use of this preparation I found myself greatly improved, and continued the treatment for one year, using in all sixteen boxes. I have been blessed with a young daughter now, and believe that I owe my recovery and well as ever in my life. As a result I cannot say too much in favor of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. It has performed a complete and thorough cure in my case, and I am healthier and fleshier than I have been for years."

The testimonials I see are not through elaborate advertising, but are genuine as a remedy for bodily pains and ailments of the respiratory organs. It has carried the fame with it wherever it has gone, and it is prized at the apothecaries as well as at home. Dose small, effect sure.

PICKING THE NOSE is a common symptom of many diseases who suspect their child is troubled with Worms should administer Dr. Low's Worm Syrup. It is pleasant, safe and effectual.

All Plump and Rosy.

If all the plump and rosy children in the world could be collected together into one place it would be surprising to find how many of them owe their strength and health to Scott's Emulsion.

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London, Monday, Feb. 10.

Mr. Pattullo's Speech.

An influential visitor from New Zealand, interviewed a few days ago at Toronto, by the Globe newspaper, said the thing that struck him in Ontario was the reckless and foolish manner in which Canada and Ontario were giving away to private companies electric railway and other privileges that in New Zealand would be kept as public utilities for the benefit of the masses of the people. In this connection, reference may be made to the recent able speech by Mr. Andrew Pattullo, M.P., in the budget debate. The member of North Oxford favors the nationalization or municipalization of public utilities, wherever that is practicable; and also the insertion of a clause in every electric railway charter which is granted, providing the terms on which the charter could be re-acquired by the community. Mr. Pattullo points out that the charter-monger is abroad; and that, among other dangers, there is the danger of many of these electric lines falling into the hands of the great corporations. Mr. Pattullo said:

"The capital stock of some of the companies was too large and their bonding privileges too extensive. There was no adequate provision for the public in regard to rates. There should be a provincial railway committee empowered to regulate rates. A score of electric railway bills were now before the House, which meant the giving over of a large area of the Province to the people of Ontario who might either serve the public to the advantage of the country or tax it unduly for the benefit of themselves. All depended on the wisdom or unwisdom of the incorporation acts secured from the Legislature. The bills were inadequately dealt with by the Railway Committee of the House. It was urgent, and the people looked to the Legislature to protect their interests, not only for the present, but for generations to come."

Mr. Pattullo then directed his attention to the subject of the protection of investors, upon which he said:

"He also wished to press upon the Government's attention the law of reference to joint stock companies and financial corporations generally. He regretted the foolish investment and loss by speculation in recent years of tens of thousands. Something, he urged, should be done to protect honest investors against dishonest promoters. The manner in which water was sold to the people of Ontario was simply a scandal. No company should be allowed to issue stock for more than the actual value of its assets, and its actual net carrying out its objects. The prospectus of every company should state the value of its assets and the value to which the money raised from shareholders was to be put. If the amounts handed over for promotion had been stated in the prospectuses of the past few years, tens of millions of dollars might have been saved to the people of Ontario. An annual audit should be made obligatory, and not optional, and the auditor's statement should be in the hands of every shareholder before each annual meeting."

Mr. Pattullo, in concluding, referred to the efficient administration of the Government in all departments, and said the Legislature would have the opportunity during the next few years of rendering the highest public service in connection with the acquisition of public utilities, which had been publicly managed with great success in Great Britain. He commended the proposal to build a Government railway to Lake Temiskamingue as the beginning of a solution of the problem in Ontario. "No one longer dreamed," said Mr. Pattullo, "of railway competition. We must choose between railway control and state ownership and management of railways."

How New Ontario Was Saved for the Province.

At a time when so much is being said about New Ontario, and some criticism is being indulged in because it is not being developed faster, it is well to bear in mind how nearly the vast and rich territory came to be filched from us, and who were the friends of the taxpayers of this fair Province when the long-sustained opposition to the rights of Ontario was maintained.

When the Government of Hon. Alexander Mackenzie found that there was a dispute between the Dominion authorities and the Government of this Province, it arranged with the Provincial authorities for the submission of the dispute as to the western and northern boundary of Ontario to a commission of arbitrators.

The arbitrators chosen were men of the highest standing, viz., Chief Justice Harrison, Sir Edward Thornton, and Sir Francis Hincks.

There was not the slightest objection to their appointment, the payment of the necessary expenses met with no opposition, and an award was made. The Conservative Government which succeeded to power in Ottawa, however, declined to ratify the award. For years it refused to do more than acknowledge the receipt of Oliver Mowat of the Government of the arbitrators, that the award of the arbitrators, made in good faith, should be ratified by the Dominion Government. In vain did the Ontario authorities point to the injurious effects to the territory

from the failure of the Dominion Administration to do its duty.

The reply of Sir John Macdonald, as representing the Government at Ottawa, was that not one stick of timber nor one pound of minerals within the disputed territory should be placed under the control of Sir Oliver Mowat, then the Premier of Ontario, and fighting for the maintenance of the integrity of his native Province. Sir John called Premier Mowat "the little tyrant" at that time; he must have been in a bad temper; but Oliver Mowat did not mind being called names when he was fighting a good cause.

When the Conservative Government at Ottawa assumed such an antagonistic position its supporters in this Province took it for granted that impalpable and unpopular though the anti-Ontario course might be, it had to be adopted, and so we find, on reference to the records, that the Toronto Mail made a bid for the defeat of the Government of Sir Oliver Mowat by bluntly telling the people of the Province that if they wanted to get the disputed territory they should defeat Mr. Mowat, and thus make parties in Ottawa and Toronto "at one with each other." In other words, that Ontario could not get justice while she was in the hands of the Legislature in support of Mr. Mowat, and that by changing the Government of Ontario alone would there be a change in the hostile attitude of the Dominion Government.

The people of Ontario refused to be bulldozed. They stood by Mr. Mowat, Mr. George W. Ross, and Mr. A. S. Hardy. Then other tactics were resorted to by the Dominion Government. It parcelled out the timber and the mineral lands to its political favorites for a mere song. It invited the Norquay Government of Manitoba—politically in accord with it—to claim possession of the territory of the Province as far east as the Portage, and it so irritated the people of this Province as to bring a bill to the people to the verge of civil war.

To make matters worse, Mr. Laurier (now Prime Minister of Canada), who was then leader of the Quebec Liberal contingent in the House of Commons, was attacked by his political opponents in that Province, for being politically in accord with Oliver Mowat, who was regarded as standing out for the territory north of the height of land being kept for Ontario to the prejudice of the Province of Quebec. Appeals were made to the sectional interests of the people of Quebec, and it was persistently represented that Mr. Laurier and his friends had sacrificed the interests of Quebec by agreeing to the award that was highly favorable to Ontario. How unfair this attack was subsequent history has shown. For after resisting the award made by Chief Justice Harrison, Sir Edward Thornton and Sir Francis Hincks for many years, causing no end of bad feeling, and retarding the progress of the Province, the opponents of the Ontario Government were compelled to admit that Oliver Mowat and his advocates were right, and that the parceling out of Ontario's northwestern territory to political favorites was altogether unwarranted.

It was a notable fight for Provincial rights and for the territorial belongings of this fair Province. If the Dominion Government of that day had his way, this Province would have been despoiled of over 100,000 square miles of territory, containing, as has since been proved, hundreds of millions of dollars worth of farm land, timber and minerals. Without these resources, which the friends of Mr. Whitney, are ready and willing to give away for next to nothing to their political friends, the Province of Ontario would have been greatly crippled in its ability to provide for the care of the aged, the sick, the insane, the deaf and the dumb, to aid in advancing the agricultural development of the country and the schools, to all of which the Government has been a most liberal contributor.

It was indeed fortunate that the Province then had a Government, as it has had ever since, which stood up for the rights of Ontario, and refused to permit her to be despoiled either for the extension of Manitoba or for the benefit of the election fund contributors of the Administration at Ottawa.

Mr. Bryce, M.P., has an interesting article in the Fortnightly, headed "Some Traits of Mr. Gladstone's Character." Sometimes "he felt the activity of his mind press too hardly upon him"; "I remember one misty evening, between 10 and 11 o'clock, to have seen his remarkable figure a few yards before me in St. James' Park. There was his walk; indeed, so that people who did not know him turned to watch him as he went by the street. Thinking it was for him, famous as he was, alone in so solitary a place, I took him and asked if I might walk by him, apologizing if I should be disturbing his thoughts. 'My wish,' he answered, 'with a touch of sadness, and my difficulty is to avoid thinking, so I am glad to be disturbed.'"

The trouble with most of us is that at times we get our thinking too much into a groove, we become over-anxious; and the step to worry is easy. That is probably what was the matter with Britain's Grand Old Man.

SALT FACTORY FOR SANDWICH.

Windsor, Feb. 10.—With the locating of the Saginaw Lumber and Salt Company's plant another industrial competitor has been added in Canada company with a large salt lumber mill, and will at once manufacture salt.

The Legislature -- Weekly Review.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Feb. 8.

The desire of Mr. J. P. Whitney, the present leader of the opposition, to get in the last word on the budget is accounted for the fact that no division upon the matter to adopt it has as yet taken place. Had he not been so eager to throw out statements in debate that could not be met by some member on the government side, the house would now be discussing more important business. It is regrettable that wearisome speeches of no practical value should be allowed to take up the legislature's time when measures of solid value to the province are waiting to be placed on the statute books. The week has not been a heavy one, the members of the press gallery finding any unusual work attached to it. Of course the railway and private bills committees have dealt with a multitude of important matters, and to them belong any credit there may be for rushing the parliamentary programme through. Some little disappointment was occasioned by the delay in dealing with the London Railway, and London, St. Thomas and Aylmer Railway measures, but there would seem to be small ground for doubt that disposal will have been accorded them by Thursday.

Col. Leys, with the shrewdness and ability he has always displayed in defending London's industrial and financial interests against the onslaughts of private capital, can be depended upon to put up a determined fight against any legislation likely to affect the London and Port Stanley line. He has been censured in some quarters for not notifying the city council of the time a certain bill would be brought before the railway committee, but unjustly so. In conversation with him on Friday he declared, in his characteristically emphatic manner, that the city had lost nothing by his being the local member. Last year he had fought down a measure inimical to the welfare of the L. and P. S. R., and could be relied on to repeat the effort.

When an act respecting the city comes before a committee, Col. Leys takes up a commanding position beside the chairman. There he is in a place to watch the great game as the financial consolidations play it, and to safeguard the rights of his constituency in every way known to a man well versed in the workings of moneyed powers and commercial enterprises.

Western Ontario, and more especially the great farming class which composes a large portion of its people, should feel a good deal of pride in Mr. H. J. Pettypiece, of East Lambton. His measure to place upon the railway, telegraph and telephone companies a fair share of the general taxation has set the provincial legislators a-thinking. That it is radical no one will deny, but that it presents one of the gravest problems of the future goes without saying. The assessment question is of vital importance, and no present doubt exists that before long it will have to be taken up along the lines laid down by East Lambton's able representative. As a matter of fact the Premier eulogized Mr. Pettypiece for his thorough grasp of the conditions obtaining at the present moment, and intimated that his utterances would yet prove to have been prophetic.

For some days past the opposition has twitted the government with the statement that no farmer had risen on the treasury side in defense of the administration's agricultural policy. The time for that has passed by, however, Mr. W. H. Taylor, North Middlesex, having made a strong pronouncement in favor of the treatment being accorded the farming community by the province. He placed the Agricultural College in its right light, that of a superior institution, and hurled back at the opposition the insinuation that the government had not done the right thing by the bone and sinew of Ontario.

It seems pretty generally understood that the prohibition bill will be brought down next Wednesday. The premier will deliver a lengthy speech in presenting it.

The three bills introduced by Col. Leys this week reflect the character of the man who made them. They are sound, businesslike propositions, and no fear is entertained that any objections will be raised to their approval by the legislature.

A LITTLE SUNSHINE.

As to Valentines.—Biggs—Silly custom this sending of Valentines, don't you think? Boggs—Worse than that—is dangerous. It often leads to matrimony.—Judge.

Her Idea of It.—Clara—So Ethel is married at last. Did she marry a man of family? Maude—Yes; she married a widower with six children.—Chicago Daily News.

The Surgeon's Valentine.—You know about the surgeon's operating on Tom Archer for appendicitis and discovering that their diagnosis was wrong? She—Oh, yes. Well? He—Well, they sent him home on Valentine's day with a note reading, "Opened by mistake."—Judge.

"I don't understand why any wealthy gentleman should object to giving up his box at the opera for the accommodation of Prince Henry," said Mr. Cumrox, as he looked in the glass to see if his white necktie was on straight. "It does seem a little inopportune," replied his wife. "Not only that, why should he neglect such a splendid excuse for not going to grand opera?"—Washington Star.

ARBITRATION THE BEST WAY.

Settlement of Labor Disputes by Labor Bureau Secretary.

Interesting Discussion in the Legislature on Mr. Preston's Bill—Favored by the Premier, But Not by the Opposition Leader.

There was an interesting discussion in the legislature on Friday which arose out of Mr. Preston's bill, which has in view the facilitating of the settlement of labor disputes by the intervention of the secretary of the Labor Bureau, on the request of parties interested or affected. The minister of public works and the premier heartily endorsed the bill. Mr. Whitney and several of his followers, while not opposing it, declared that the measure would be of no practical benefit to the working classes, although as Mr. Preston pointed out, in answer to this objection, it was cordially supported by several labor bodies.

Mr. Preston (South Brant), in moving the second reading of his bill to amend the act respecting councils of conciliation and arbitration, said it provided that the registrar of the secretary of the bureau of labor should be empowered at the request of the mayor or reeve of the municipality where a strike or lockout was threatened, or at the request of the employers or employees, to proceed to the seat of the difficulty and offer his services to mediate between the parties. A clause empowered the registrar to seek to promote the formation of boards of conciliation and arbitration between employers and employees throughout the province, a method which had been of great assistance in the settlement of labor disputes in Great Britain. The measure was so complicated that it was difficult to set it in motion, hence the need for the proposed measure.

THE PROPOSAL INDORSED. Hon. Mr. Latchford, as minister of the department, most directly interested in the bill, said that not only could he see no objection to the proposition, but he thought it would be welcomed by the house and country. He was sure it would be greatly to the interest of both employers and employees. Incidentally Mr. Latchford referred to the excellent work accomplished by Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, the Dominion deputy minister of labor, in the settlement of labor disputes. He hoped that the measure proposed by Mr. Preston, who had always shown great interest in the cause of labor, would enable the office to whom the duty was relegated to accomplish good work in the settlement of strikes and other labor disputes.

MR. WHITNEY'S VIEW. Mr. Whitney could not see much harm or much benefit in the measure. It left a sort of justice to the effect that when the registrar of the department spoke he would promote good feeling. "To which," said Mr. Whitney, "we say 'God-speed.' He did think that Hon. Mr. Latchford's reference to Mr. King was a particularly happy one. That gentleman might have done all that Mr. Latchford said, but he had done other things, and had left things undone, too.

Mr. Crawford (West Toronto) thought there was nothing in the bill. If the honorarium for the registrar tended to accomplish anything in the way of settling difficulties between employers and employees, he should have brought in a definite salary suggestion, and he would then have had the hearty support of members of the opposition. The bill contained nothing in which a definite salary gentleman was entitled to credit.

LABOR BODIES APPROVE. Mr. Preston said the present act offered no opportunity for personal intervention by the registrar; the proposed amendment would provide that the Marine Engineers' Association and the executive of the Ontario Trades and Labor Council had passed resolutions approving the bill.

THE OPPOSITION'S CLAIMS. Mr. Wardell (North Westwot) said that he had frequently endeavored since becoming a member of the house to get organized and to organize labor, and every time he had met with the opposition of Hon. Mr. Latchford and the member for South Brant, through the Dominion department of the laboring people, and the government against them. He did not believe the proposed measure would help the laboring people in any way.

IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. The premier expressed the opinion that the proposed act was in the right direction. In the old country conciliation had been effected over and over again by the intervention of a third party. It was not proposed to force anyone; action under the measure would be voluntary. The intention of the bill was to provide a machinery simple, and the official who would deal with the question involved was not a political partisan. As an instance of the wisdom of the measure, he pointed to the fact that the government had been able to settle the dispute between the Lake Temagami, Algonquin Park, the eastern reserve, Sibley township, which have a total acreage of 2,583,388. As an instance of the wealth of these, it is estimated that the Temagami reserve alone contains 3,000,000,000 to 5,000,000,000 feet board measure. If these reserves had not been set aside, they would probably have been partially settled and disastrous forest fires

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PROHIBITION BILL FOR WEDNESDAY.

The Budget Debate Likely To Be Concluded on Tuesday.

Some of the Speakers—Further Details of the Forestry Report.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The proceedings at the legislature this week will include two features of decided interest. The first and most important will be the introduction of the prohibition bill by the premier on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Ross will make a lengthy speech in introducing the measure. It was the premier's intention to have brought in the bill earlier, but the continuation of the budget debate interfered with this plan. The budget debate, it is expected, will be finished on Tuesday and a division taken, and among the speakers will be Mr. Whitney, Hon. Mr. Davis, Hon. Mr. Stratton and the premier.

REPORT ON FORESTRY. The annual report of the director of forestry, Mr. Theo. Southworth, contains the recommendation that the unpatented part of Sibley township be added to the permanent forest reserve. The report deals at length with the forest reserves, namely, Lake Temagami, Algonquin Park, the eastern reserve, Sibley township, which have a total acreage of 2,583,388. As an instance of the wealth of these, it is estimated that the Temagami reserve alone contains 3,000,000,000 to 5,000,000,000 feet board measure. If these reserves had not been set aside, they would probably have been partially settled and disastrous forest fires

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London, Feb. 8.—Sir Charles Vincent, M.P., who has just returned from South Africa, said in the course of a speech at Eton College last night that by busi-nesslike methods Gen. Kitchener was getting back \$2,500,000 a month from the field canteens. Gen. Kitchener advised that people at home should not send the soldiers chocolate and cigarettes, as they can be obtained at the field canteens, but to devote the money to the soldiers' families at home. Many persons think Col. Vincent said he had extraordinary judgment, and a wonderful facility for work. He woke up every morning at 5 o'clock, telegraphed everywhere, interviewing heads of departments, and devoting the rest of the day to problems of the campaign.

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The Dominion Revenue.

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—The ordinary revenue of the Dominion for the six months ending Jan. 31 amounted to \$32,545,486, as against an expenditure of \$32,372,153, showing a surplus of \$173,333. A capital expenditure of \$7,515,351 must be placed against this excess of revenue over disbursements. The revenue for the last seven months is \$26,081,000 ahead of the same period in the preceding year. For the month of January, the receipts were \$2,388,888 better than for the first four weeks of 1901. The revenue for January last was \$4,961,631, as against an expenditure of \$7,133,921. The following is a comparative statement of the receipts for the seven months:

Customs	\$18,428,859	\$18,257,850
Excise	6,180,149	6,080,252
Postoffice	1,892,308	2,110,832
Public works	3,363,617	8,717,430
Miscellaneous	2,051,369	1,790,119
Total revenue	\$32,946,299	\$32,545,486
Expenditure	\$34,167,157	\$32,372,153
Surplus	\$5,697,142	\$8,273,333

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Toronto, Feb. 9-8 p.m.—The weather is nearly the same in all parts of the Dominion between Lake Superior and the Maritime Provinces, the wind being fresh, westerly and the weather fair. In Manitoba and the Territories it is moderately cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 18 below—11; Victoria, 44—52; Calgary, 18 below—4; Qu'Appelle, 40—52; Winnipeg, 8 below—8; Port Arthur, 4—20; Fanny Sound, 22—26; Toronto, 21—27; Ottawa, 16—30; Montreal, 14—30; Quebec, 18—24; Halifax, 20—28.

Today (Monday) the sun rose at 7:23 a.m. and sets at 5:40 p.m. The moon rises at 8:09 a.m. and sets at 8:28 p.m.

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A LOCAL BUDGET.

A MID-WINTER NIGHT'S DREAM. The snows outside are white and white. The gusty flue shouts through the night. And by the lonely chimney light. Last and dream of Summer.

The orchard bough creaks in the blast. That like a ghost goes shrieking past. And coils are dying fast and fast. But still I dream of Summer.

'Tis not the voice of falling rain. Or the wind blowing through latticed pane. When earth will laugh in green again. That makes me dream of Summer.

But hopes will then have backward Like fleets of promise, long outblown. And Love once more will greet his own: This is my dream of Summer.

—William Wilfrid Campbell.

—Miss Agnes N. Scott, of 127 Central avenue, left today for Niagara Falls to visit her sister, Mrs. Hilliard, Wismer.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Moyer, of Oxford street, have returned from spending a few days with their brother, Rev. H. D. Moyer, at Belmont.

—Mr. W. W. Lewis, of Hamilton, Man., formerly of Crediton, Ont., who has been visiting his friends in this province, and is now staying with his brother-in-law, Mr. Sadler, of Lambeth, returns home on Tuesday.

PRAISE FOR LONDON MUSICIAN.

Referring to the sacred concert given in Knox Church, Guelph, on Thursday evening, the Guelph Mercury says: "This was Mr. Hewlett's first appearance in the city for a number of years, and Guelph's musicians and music-loving public earnestly hope it will be only the first of a number of such appearances. Mr. Hewlett is undoubtedly one of the first organists of the Dominion, and displays a degree of skill and expression such as is seldom met with. His audience were delighted with his playing, and Mr. Hewlett paid the penalty of appreciation by having to respond to three encores. Mr. Hewlett's contribution to the programme consisted of four numbers, one of these being a double number."

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Mr. W. J. Percy, Queen's avenue, after a comparatively slight attack of measles and congestion of the lungs, from which she had almost recovered. Heart disease developed, as a complication, and resulted fatally. The intense grief of a large and loving circle of friends. Miss Eden came to this city from Belmont, where her father followed the occupation of farming. She had accepted a position with the Spramotor Company, as bookkeeper, six years ago, where she had since been employed. One brother, C. R. Eden, of Harrietsville, and one sister, Mrs. Percy, of this city, survive.

FUNERAL OF CONDUCTOR ALLEN

The funeral of Conductor R. D. Allen took place yesterday to Woodland Cemetery from his late home, 766 Queen's avenue. Members of No. 16, Railroad Conductors, walked before the hearse, and many of his railroad companions followed in carriages. Services were conducted at the house by Rev. C. W. Owen, and at the grave by Rev. Joseph W. Beaumont. The floral tributes included a large wreath from the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and wreaths from brothers and sisters of the conductor, and from Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Waterman, and a bouquet from Mr. and Mrs. George Logan. The pall-bearers, all C. P. R. conductors, were: Messrs. Wm. Shortell, Owen Mulvey, Thos. A. Baker, H. D. Hume, D. Baker and John H. Dazell.

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

"San Toy" Delights Packed House at the Grand.

To say that the large and fashionable Opera House on Saturday night was packed with a "San Toy" as presented by the Augustin Daly Musical Company, is to put it quite mildly. Probably no engagement in the city this season has been so productive of thorough satisfaction in every respect. The principals of the company were fully competent to do all the requirements of the piece, the choruses were trained to an advanced degree of precision, and the settings of both acts proved sumptuous stage pictures. The first scene, a street scene in Peking, glowing with oriental coloring, and the second showed the throne room of the emperor's palace, with its varied grotesqueries of Chinese imagination.

The roster of names of those responsible for the name—concerns the fortunes of San Toy, daughter of the mandarin Yen How. She was brought up as a boy in order to escape being forwarded to Peking, to enter the emperor's court and become one of his wives. Her father has incurred the displeasure of the powers that be by refusing to produce her. She is finally an unignorable summons secures her attendance. Her charms capture the heart of the senile old emperor, and her cajoleries secure for her father pardon and preferment, while she herself is permitted to marry her English lover, Capt. Bobby Preston. Thus, slight as is the plot, no one is supposed to cavil at the slenderness of the framework, for it is hidden in the dainty grace of the superstructure erected upon it.

Marie Celeste, last seen here over two years ago in Sousa's "The Bride Elect," scored a success as "San Toy." In both her singing and her dancing, she displayed a grace and spirit which won the favor of her audience. Many present, however, would be disposed to lay a large share of the honors at the feet of Paula Edwards, whose overflowing vivacity and good humor made her every appearance as Dudley, the lady's maid, a source of never-failing delight. No other picture of femininity has been seen on a London stage for years than Miss Edwards' person to these encores. Her time of red and brown in the final act. Equally fetching was her umbrella dance with Mr. Collins in the first act. Miss Edwards can have all sorts of appreciation from a London audience whenever she comes this way again. Miss Julia Millard made the

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most of her role as Poppy Preston, and showed the possession of a sweet and well-cultivated voice. Miss Nora Lamm caught the audience with her graceful dance in the last act. Miss Annie Cameron, a statuesque beauty, made an attractive commander of the "Emperor's Own." Miss Edgie Bowen, as Yung Shi, made a favorable impression with her rendition of "The Maid in the Moon." The effectiveness of the song was greatly increased by the pretty illusion of the rising moon. Miss Bowen, at the matinee, sang the role of San Toy to the complete satisfaction of the audience present.

The bulk of the fun-making fell to Mr. Samuel Collins and he worked faithfully to please his audience. So well did he perform his task that few present would be disposed to exchange him for even the inimitable Jimmy Powers, the originator of Lt. Mr. Collins was unfortunately suffering from a cold, which made his singing about his lips, but his earnest endeavor to amuse compensated in a measure for his shortcomings in this respect.

Mr. George K. Porteus invested the part of Yen How with the humorous humor which it demanded. His topical song, "I'll introduce it into China," provoked half a dozen recalls.

The vocal laurels easily went to Mr. Melville Stewart as San Toy's soldier lover, Capt. Bobby Preston. His rendering of "Love Has Come From Lotus Land" was particularly pleasing, while his song, "The Soldier's Song," with its singing of "Tommy Atkins." This song, first heard in "The Gaiety Girl," some eight or nine years ago, possessed more genuine swing and spirit than all the popular (and pulpy) patriotic airs that were the product of the Boer war. It has been brought up to date by the addition of two verses, extolling the deeds of Canadians of the South African field. Mr. Harold Vizard was amusing as Sir Bingo Preston, the fussy consul; Mr. Jos. Casio was forcible as To Ho, San Toy's disappointed suitor; Mr. R. S. Pigott was acceptable as Lieut. Harvey Tucker, and Mr. Saroney Lambert, as the decrepit old ruler of China, had a wheezy laugh that never failed to bring a mirthful response from the crowd. The minor roles were filled with the same care and characterized the work of the principals.

Some of the best musical numbers,

in addition to those mentioned, are: "Rhoda Ran-a-Pagoda" and "The Lady's Maid," by Paula Edwards; "It's Nice to Be a Boy Sometimes" and "I'm the Girl for Fun," by Marie Celeste; and "Same Game" and "The Chinese Soldier Man," by Mr. Collins. The costumes were as rich, striking and picturesque as the scenery. London theatergoers could stand a "San Toy" every week in this year, but unfortunately, they seem scarce.

"STRANGE ADVENTURES OF MISS BROWN."

Mr. Will S. Rising has appeared successfully in London, England, in "The Mascot," "Boccaccio," "Estrella," "Rip Van Winkle" and "Prince Methusalem." The conservative London press spoke of him as "the king of comic opera tenors," and he was complimented by Boucicault and Windham as the "best actor-singer on the English-speaking stage." As a writer in the New York Sun recently remarked, "Will rising is an all-round man, an author, an expert baseball player, a good sparrer, a clever actor, an admirable singer, an adorable lover, and a linguist." He will be seen at the New Grand next Thursday evening in "The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown."

WENT THROUGH BELT-PULLEY.

Employee at McClary Works Has Exciting Experience.

Fred Krantz, Whirled About Revolving Wheel, Escaped With Only Slight Bruises.

Fred Krantz, of 254 Wellington street, an employee of the McClary works, went through a rather exciting experience this morning at 8 o'clock.

He was working near a large belt, and while stooping over it, it is supposed, some part of his clothing became entangled in the belt. He was thrown around at a tremendous rate, and passed between the pulley, on which the belt runs, and the belt. Every portion of his clothing excepting his boots and socks, was torn off him, but, strange as it may seem, he was not seriously injured. A few bruises and small cuts resulted, but no bones were broken.

But few cases are recorded in which a man drawn around a pulley has escaped without serious if not fatal injuries, and Mr. Krantz feels that he has been as close to death's door as most men get without entering.

Distress after eating, belching and nausea between meals are symptoms of dyspepsia, which Hood's Sarsaparilla always cures.

THE EQUITY FIRE INSURANCE CO.

4th Annual Meeting Held February 5th, 1902.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The Directors of the Equity Fire Insurance Company beg to herewith present to the Shareholders of the Company their Financial Statement for the fourth year of business operations, ending 31st December, 1901, duly certified to by the Auditors.

In presenting this Statement, the Directors have pleasure in calling attention to the fact that the reference made in their last Annual Report as to the fourth year of business operations, including the year 1901, and adjustments, cancellations and reinsurance, have been only \$100,976 65, which leaves the handsome balance of \$28,548 20. Adding to this the balance of \$8,295 19, brought forward from the previous year, we have a total surplus earnings upon the 31st December, 1901, of \$36,843 39.

Although the year 1900 was generally regarded by fire underwriters throughout Canada and the United States as being exceptionally heavy in record of fire losses, yet the year just closed was even more marked in that respect.

Under such circumstances, it will be a source of particular gratification to our Shareholders and others interested, to learn, and especially to your directors in being able to report that, while our total income for the year has been \$129,524 85, including the balance of \$129,524 85 for the year, cancellations and reinsurance, have been only \$100,976 65, which leaves the handsome balance of \$28,548 20. Adding to this the balance of \$8,295 19, brought forward from the previous year, we have a total surplus earnings upon the 31st December, 1901, of \$36,843 39.

In order to fully realize the Company's present position, it is well to bear in mind that we have, in addition to the foregoing, paid the entire cost and expenses of the organization of the Company out of the earnings of the business.

Your Directors have therefore felt justified in declaring out of last year's earnings a dividend of 6 per cent.

Upon July 1, the Company secured a Dominion license, depositing with the Registrar of Companies, and the Registrar of Companies, as you are aware, without any extra call upon the Shareholders.

The cost of extending and organizing our business outside of the Province of Ontario has kept our expense ratio higher than it would otherwise have been, somewhat higher than we had hoped to show at the close of the year's business.

In March last, Mr. Taylor, one of the Auditors, resigned, and the Directors appointed Mr. Fred Roper in his place.

Mr. Roper is pleased to testify to the zeal and care of the officers, staff and agents of the Company.

The term for which the Directors were elected now expires. They are eligible for re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. GREENWOOD BROWN, Secretary.
ARCH. CAMPBELL, President.

THE EQUITY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Dr. Revenue Balance for Year Ending 31st December, 1901. Cr. To premium income, net of commissions and cancellations..... \$28,548 20

To interest..... 2,563 62

To net revenue balance, Dec. 31, 1901..... 3,731 07

To net revenue balance for 1901..... 28,548 20

\$36,843 39

Assets. Balance Sheet. To capital stock (able to call)..... \$500,000 00

To first mortgage on real estate..... 20,135 00

To City of Toronto debentures..... 41,694 80

To Town of Woodstock debentures..... 11,382 12

To premiums outstanding..... 11,482 80

To reinsurance on claims..... 2,888 87

To cash in banks and on hand..... 908 21

To sundry accounts..... 338 18

\$642,638 62

Liabilities. By dividend No. 1 (6 per cent)..... \$3,731 07

By accumulated reserve fund..... 33,843 39

\$37,574 46

By reinsurance and cancellations..... 28,548 20

By commissions..... 2,177 04

By general expenses, salaries, directors' fees, printing, advertising, license fees, traveling, etc..... 12,394 26

By fire losses and adjustment..... 36,572 58

By balance to profit and loss..... 28,548 20

\$129,524 85

This is to certify that we have maintained a continuing audit of the books, and examined all vouchers and securities of The Equity Fire Insurance Company, for the year ending 31st December, 1901, and find they have been correctly kept and are truly set forth in the above statement.

Toronto, January 31, 1902.

C. E. ARNOLD, FRED. ROPER, Auditors.

Security to Policy-Holders.

Capital Stock liable to call..... \$500,000

Mortgage and Debenture Securities..... 73,229

Other Assets..... \$532,948

The retiring Directors are again elected:

Arch. Campbell, M. P., President, Toronto Junction; Thos. Crawford, M. P., Vice-President, Toronto; C. VanNorman, Toronto (Vice-President The Harvey, VanNorman & Co., Ltd.); Edward Morgan, Toronto (Judge, County Court, County of York); David Carlyle, J. P., Toronto (Vice-President The Dominion Radiator Co., Ltd.); H. E. Irwin, Toronto (Barrister, Clerk of the Peace for County of York); Wm. Hendrie, Jun., Hamilton (Vice-President and Manager Hendrie & Co., Ltd.); W. H. Biggar, K. C., Belleville (Bell & Biggar, Solicitors, G. T. R.); A. F. McLaren, M. P., Stratford (Cheese Manufacturer and Exporter); Stephen Noson, Ingersoll (ex-President Noson Bros. Manufacturing Co., Ltd.); C. E. Elliott, London, (Elliott, Marr & Co., Wholesale Grocers).

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