

the member for South Simcoe should not have attempted to throw ridicule upon the institution. He thought the success of the experiment might have been more nearly assured had they and their organs acted differently. He thought that the Government had received full value in the stock which they had purchased. He was glad to see that the Government intended to establish a cheese factory in connection with the farm.

Mr. SINCLAIR said that he thought at its inception that the farm would be a failure, as it sought to supply a want which was not felt, and, judging also from the support awarded to similar institutions on the other side, would not be a success. He referred to the difficulties attendant upon its establishment, and he said that a policy had been pursued towards this institution from the very first which had not been adopted towards any other educational scheme in the country. It had been spoken of politically from the very first, and so long as this policy was pursued it would not be successful. Established in advance of the demand of the country, it would require their united efforts to make the farmers appreciate it. He thought that a good English education should be supplied, and afterwards the more advanced scientific training. For hon. members to say that there was no use of this education of the country attending, was from no fault of the institution. He anticipated that soon scientific training would be required, as lands were now being exhausted by the course of farming pursued, so he would support the demand of the Government.

Mr. SEXTON said that he did not think the college had been a success. He was not in favour of establishing it at first, but after it had been commenced he had supported the Government in their endeavours, and if the farm did not succeed it was from want of no effort on the Government. He said that the farm had not cost too much, and though it should not succeed, any money spent on it would not be wasted, as it would turn out a good financial success. He said that though the members of the Opposition were insisting constantly on the farm being made a success, still they were refusing to countenance the only method by which it could be made a success. The present Government was not responsible for the establishment of the school, and though the Opposition had had the control of the institution during the time that the Government has had it the result would not be different.

Mr. HUNTER thought that the college had not been a failure, and that a longer time should be given to it. He thought that a good deal of good might be done by sending the information into the country through practical men and in the form of teaching. He asked an explanation of how two half-bushel measures were charged \$60.

Mr. WOOD explained that it should be \$3, an error having occurred through the transposing of figures.

Mr. McDUGALL (Middlesex) thought that the college would be of no practical value to the farmer, and would result in a failure. Those who had visited the institution considered everything about it a failure, and thought that the country would resent the expending of this further sum. He thought that none of the students coming from this farm would ever attempt to put his learning into practice. Those who were not scientific farmers were learning as fast as they would from the good farmers emigrating from the old country. He thought the stock a failure, as the quality was not equal to what was found scattered over the country. To get one good animal would cost about as much as the whole stock. He was in favour of continuing the experiment on a small scale.

Mr. MCGOWAN thought that the farm would be much more useful as a place for experimenting with seeds. He defended the action of the Institution in acquiring the stock that it did in preference to ornamental. He thought that the sons of farmers and agriculturists should have a preference in admission.

Upon the amendment being put to the House it was lost upon the following vote:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Baker, Barr, Bell, Boulter, Broder, Brown, Code, Curtis, Creighton, Harlan Long, McDougall (Middlesex), Macdougall (Simcoe), McGowan, Meredith, Mark, Patterson (Essex), Preston, Richardson, Rosevear, Scott, Tooley, Wills.—24

NAYS.—Messrs. Appleby, Ballantyne, Baxter, Bishop, Bonfield, Cameron, Clissholm, Clarke (Wellington), Cole, Crooks, Dawson, Ferris, Finlayson, Gibson, Graham (Lambton), Grant, Haney, Hardy, Hargrave, Hay, Hodgins, Hunter, Lane, Lyon, McCrae, Maize, Miller, Mostyn, Mowat, O'Donoghue, Pardee, Patterson (York), Ross, Sexton, Sinclair, Springer, Striker, Watterworth, Widdfield, Williams, Wilson, Wood.—42

The resolution was then confirmed.

#### RETURNS.

Mr. WOOD presented a return respecting inquiries at the Central Prison.

Also—Respecting the Huron and Erie Railway.

Also—Report on the Ontario Exhibit at the Centennial.

#### RAILWAY AID.

Mr. CAMERON asked whether the Government intended to explain its railway policy this session, and if it had overlooked the appropriation for the Crown Lands Department. Both these subjects were treated of in the speech from the Throne.

Mr. MOWAT said the hon. gentleman fully knew that the railway policy involved the consideration of a variety of claims of considerable importance, and surrounded by more or less difficulties. The Government did not wish to avoid any claim it was possible to entertain, and consequently their policy would not be hastily declared. He hoped that one or other of the members of the Government would bring down the necessary resolutions to-morrow. With regard to the appropriations for the Crown Lands Department, it had not been overlooked.

The House adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Fraser—On the third reading of Bill No. 53, intitled "An Act respecting the Toronto Street Railway Company," will move that said Bill be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out the first and second clauses of the said Bill, and inserting in lieu thereof, and as the first clause of the said Bill, the words following "Section one of thirty-ninth Victoria, chapter sixty-three, and its several sub-sections are hereby repealed."

Mr. Meredith—On Friday next—Address for copies of the Order in Council passed for the appointment of a Commission under 31 Victoria, cap. 26, to enquire into the claims of the representatives of the late William A. Scott against the Province, the Commission issued thereunder, the instructions (if any) to the Commissioners, the evidence taken before the Commission, and the report of the Commissioners.

And also for copies of all correspondence between the Attorney-General or any other member of the Government and the representatives of the said William A. Scott or any other person with reference to the receipting of the said inquiry.