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DAIRY SCHOOLS.

Mr. TAPLING asked the honourable member for Lewisham whether the Government intended to persevere in their scheme of dairy schools; whether the attention of the Government had been drawn to the exceptional claims of the County of Leicester as a great grazing county in a very central position; and whether the Government would consent to the principal dairy school being established in the County of Leicester.

Viscount LEWISHAM.—The honourable member probably refers to the recommendation of the Departmental Commission on Agricultural and Dairy Schools that a central school should be established for Great Britain at the sole cost of the State. It has already been explained that the Government have not come to any decision on this point, but that they have decided to make a grant during the present year of £5,000 in aid of dairy or agricultural schools or lectures established by local effort, and found, on inspection, to be doing useful work. If any such school or system of lectures should be established in the County of Leicester during the current year an application for a portion of the grant-in-aid will be considered.

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