

M.E., of Ottawa, and Philip Argall, M.E., of Denver. The results of their investigations will be reported to Dr. Haanel, who is an expert on zinc deposits. The arrangements provide for the examination by the present party (1) of the present development of the mines to determine approximately the tonnage of zinc ore available at once; its occurrence and character and the future prospects, together with the cost of mining. (2) Examination of the present methods of milling. (3) Investigation of the adaptability of the ores to the new methods of concentration (magnetic, electrostatic, etc.). (4) Study of the conditions affecting marketing of the concentrate, including the question of smelting in the Province and elsewhere in Canada. (5) Investigation of the possibility of special utilization of the zinc ore of high silver content. So it will be seen what important results may follow the proposed survey.

MARITIME BOARD OF TRADE.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Maritime Board of Trade was held in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week, the 16th, 17th and 18th August, and a large number of questions of great interest to the Maritime Provinces came up for discussion. About fifty-five delegates were present, representing the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. Subjects for discussion had been proposed in advance by the different boards, as our article of last week stated in detail, and many of these were thoroughly ventilated at the gathering. The total number of members of Boards of Trade in the Maritime Provinces is 2,205. Two new boards have been established during the year and two have been affiliated.

President Spinney's address referred to the Transcontinental Railway and its effect on trade Maritime union; Government inspection of invested funds of insurance companies; fire insurance; new steamship lines, etc. It was a decidedly able summary of progress during the year and present conditions, and was received with enthusiasm. At this, the first session of the board, a subject which the Annapolis Board of Trade had proposed for discussion was crystallized into a resolution that a "uniform apple barrel" be established for Canada, and the coöperation thereof be Government inspected. Subjects discussed by the convention on Wednesday afternoon were: Improved railway service; fast Atlantic service; representation of incorporated towns on municipal councils; municipal ownership of electric light plants; preservation of historic grounds; compulsory militia drill; wider publication of the reports of Canadian commercial agents abroad. The proposal for a tunnel between Prince Edward Island and the main land was unanimously endorsed by the assemblage.

On Thursday, the 17th August, three sessions of the Board were held. The first subject discussed was the appointment of a permanent delegation to go to Ottawa when the business of the Board requires it. This standing delegation was named as follows: Ex-president, E. K. Spinney, Yarmouth; A. P. Price, Prince Edward Island; J. E. DeWolfe, Halifax; G. A. R. Rowlings, Sydney; W. M. Jarvis, St John; Hon. J. Robertson, Moncton; James Meikle, Charlottetown; W. J. Vroom, Fredericton; N. Rattenbury, Charlottetown; the president and two vice-presidents, ex-officio.

One of the subjects of particular interest discussed by the delegates at the gathering was that of union of the Maritime Provinces. The following resolution was exhaustively discussed and eventually carried:

"That in the opinion of this meeting the time has arrived for a union of the three Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island, and that a memorial to this effect be forwarded to each of the Governments and that they be urged to arrange for a meeting of representatives from each Government at an early date."

A resolution was passed asking that the Government make a survey of the shortest and most practicable route for a new line of the Intercolonial from Amherst to Truro.

A. M. Bell, of Halifax, addressed the Board at length on the urgent need of protecting the inland fisheries, from destruction by nets, dams, explosives and so forth. A resolution was passed that the Government institute a scientific enquiry to ascertain what should be done to protect the fisheries, and that the report be published and public opinion educated thereby, and an adequate protection law be then passed.

An unanimous resolution was passed urging the abolition of statute labor in Nova Scotia.

A resolution was passed calling on the Government to redeem worn coins at face value; also another that the Government deport the Newfoundland twenty-cent pieces now flooding the country.

A resolution favoring the union of Canada and the British West Indies was adopted. Likewise a resolution suggesting that the Provincial Governments make grants to assist in the carrying on of tourist work.

The new officers of the Board for the current year were elected as follows:—

President, Capt. Joseph Reed, Summerside, Prince Edward Island.

Vice-presidents W. S. Fisher, St. John; and A. M. Bell, Halifax.

Secretary, C. M. Creed, Halifax; auditor, M. G. DeWolfe, Kentville.

Amherst was selected as the next place of meeting.

FIRE AGENTS IN SESSION.

When we went to press last week the annual convention of the National Association of Local Fire Insurance Agents for the United States was in session at Denver, Colorado. We take from the annual address of the president, Mr. A. H. Robinson, the following paragraphs:—

If the declarations set forth in our platform be adhered to and the legislation already framed for the betterment of the agency business becomes operative, much of the purpose for which this organization was created, will have been accomplished.

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