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SURVEY OF MARITIMES TO BE MADE IN FREIGHT RATE MATTER

Premiers of Three Provinces Discuss Trade Matters in Moncton.

Moncton, Nov. 22.—A decision to engage a competent man to make a survey of freight rates in the Maritime Provinces, to compile a catalogue of the cases of alleged discrimination in the East, to gather instances of inadequate service and facilities, in short, to prepare a concrete statement of specific transportation complaints and grievances of the Maritime Provinces, was reached here today at a joint meeting of Premiers P. J. Veniot, H. A. Armstrong and J. S. Stewart, of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island, respectively, and a committee of five representing the Maritime Board of Trade.

The expense of engaging this expert will be borne jointly by the three provinces and upon the basis of his findings the governments of the three provinces will decide whether they shall engage at their expense a permanent freight rates expert to be under the control of the three provincial administrations.

Why Conference Called.

The conference was called to consider what the provinces were prepared to do in the way of subsidizing a freight rates expert and a permanent secretary of the Maritime Board of Trade, or one permanent official who would combine the duties of both offices.

Many were present besides the official delegates and two hours were spent in general discussion of an important meeting in the city hall before the committee and the premiers finally adjourned to another room to come to the foregoing decision.

After the discussion had run a course of two hours a resolution calling upon Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island governments to contribute, \$5,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 respectively, "to the Maritime Board of Trade for the purposes of the Board" was presented.

At this juncture Premier Veniot interjected to say that he expected that the committee would have a concrete proposal to present. The resolution was altogether too vague. He was supported in this stand by the other two premiers and as a result the resolution was withdrawn and the decision that the three premiers and the five committee-men action taken.

No Action Taken.

So far as the appointment of a permanent secretary of the Maritime Board of Trade is concerned no action was taken today. Premier Veniot and Armstrong were of the opinion that the transportation investigation would take all a good man's time and so this matter will be dealt with first. On the results of the inquiry will depend the next step whether a permanent freight rates expert will be engaged or a permanent secretary or both. Premier Armstrong pointed out that the Maritime Board of Trade were unanimous in their opinion that expert assistance should be obtained to deal with the transportation problem.

An Important Meeting.

Captain Masters, chairman of the committee, who presided, in opening the meeting, said that he regarded this as one of the most important meetings held in the Maritime Provinces in a long time. He said that decisions had been made from time to time in the past by the board regarding the promotion of the commercial interests of the Maritime Provinces. The difficulty was that there was no permanent official to carry on continuously to strive to realize the aims.

The Maritime Board was growing more aggressive, he said, and was hoping for more assistance from the three comparatively new premiers. Premier Foster had pledged his support previously but Premier Murray and Bell had not manifested so keen a desire to help.

Captain Masters explained that the Maritime Board of Trade was asking each of the maritime governments to make a contribution towards the maintenance of a permanent official. He thought that there was little room to argue over the merits of having a freight rates expert. Other provinces in the west were represented by freight rate experts. There were two proposals to consider. Two men, one a freight rate expert and the other a maritime secretary, or, one man who would fulfill the duties of both offices.

Wonderful Interest Shown.

A. E. Mahon, Kentville, president of the Maritime Board of Trade, spoke of the wonderful interest shown by business men in the maritime colonization proposal and he could see bright prospects for the maritimes if there was a real and widespread desire and willingness to promote the general and common interests of the maritimes.

He said that for the advance of the colonization and other work of the Maritime Provinces it was necessary to have a permanent secretary to co-ordinate all the work.

He was somewhat at sea on the matter of a traffic expert. If there was to be one, it was necessary to get a man of thorough experience. The permanent secretary would be an organizer. The maritimes considered that they had been given the go by. This was because there was an organized effort to attract traffic and settlers to the west. The maritimes wanted the monetary assistance of the three governments. The Maritime Board of Trade would give its personal services free.

Information regarding the possibilities of establishing a stock yard and abattoir would be sought. He concluded with an appeal to the three governments to subsidize the efforts of the board.

C. C. Avar, Sackville, said the Maritime Board wanted a man who could "sell" the Maritime Provinces to themselves and to the people of the world.

Against Maritime.

J. O. Hyndman, Charlottetown, said the belief was general that the Maritime Provinces had been discriminated against in the matter of transportation. An advocate of maritime interests was needed. He said the Island had suffered a monetary loss on its crops before the new car ferry was established because of poor transportation facilities. The necessity of having an expert on the job all the time was realized probably more intensely in the Island than in the other two provinces.

the resolution accordingly. Capt. Masters said there were 50 boards of trade and he suggested that the Boards of Trade would levy a per capita tax on their members to supplement the government grant.

Would Hear Proposal.

Premier Armstrong, of Nova Scotia, said he was in a receptive frame of mind with regard to the proposal. He would maintain an independent attitude with regard to the resolution and he would not vote upon it. He said he had been invited to consider certain specific proposals with certain specific delegates, namely, the appointment of a freight rate expert and the appointment of a permanent secretary of the Maritime Board of Trade. He hoped when he came to Moncton to get away from the discussion of current topics such as "Maritime rights" and "discrimination" which had become "pet terms" in the discussion which was now infesting Halifax city and county.

For some time he had felt that perhaps interests might be concentrated upon one expert who would be competent to advise the Maritime Board of Trade on freight rates and other matters. He hoped political questions would be kept clear of freight tariff discussions. McEwen went to various boards of trade who were protesting and could not get the real facts upon which to base a case that the C. M. A. was willing to present to the Board of Railway Commissioners. Perhaps a freight rate expert could prepare such a case. Such an official properly controlled would be the best aid to the Maritime Association, said there was an absolute need for the Maritime Provinces to stand shoulder to shoulder on all occasions in the light to promote their interests. Opinion was crystallizing that the Maritime must fight their common battles together.

In the Maritime conditions were not so good as we would like them to be. We were at an end of the country where we felt we were at a disadvantage sometimes.

He explained the plan upon which the regional secretaries of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association operated. He said the experts of the C. M. A. under Mr. Walsh, had done a great deal in having discriminations against the Maritime removed already.

The C. M. A. had spent several thousands of dollars on this work and had prepared a report which would be of interest to Maritime business men.

Strong Man Needed.

He favored a type of man who would be able to present the case of the Maritime from every angle. He did not think that a freight expert and a freight expert alone was what was needed, but a man who could carry the case of the Maritimes before the people of the rest of Canada.

A. Montgomery, Halifax, said his board was a little divided on the question until the situation became a little more clarified. A freight rate expert might be a most unsuitable person for a secretary of the Maritime Board of Trade, who would have to be a man capable of stirring up enthusiasm among the several boards of trade and be able to present the whole case of the Maritimes before the people of Canada. Again one man might combine the two offices.

M. E. Agar, St. John, said the re-union of the Maritime Boards of Trade after several years of disunion would have been followed by a growth in the spirit of Maritime unity. He thought that in this respect the Government was lagging behind the Board of Trade, and he declared that in order to have a fair deal and all the rest business must prosper to pay for it. There was a growing public opinion that the Maritime Provinces must co-operate. "No longer alone, let us all stand together," should be the slogan. He said that Halifax was not represented at the meeting. All were agreed to see Halifax get what would benefit it, for what benefited Halifax benefited the rest of the Maritime Provinces. The demands of the Maritimes, such as the ought to be abated, ought to be backed by the united public opinion of the Maritime Provinces and the support of the three Maritime Premiers. The Maritime Provinces should know no locality, he declared.

Must Help Themselves.

L. W. Simms, St. John, said there was a growing conviction that the solution was for the Maritime Provinces to help themselves and not expect help from Ottawa primarily.

He advocated union of effort. But there was no one machinery through which the provincial governments could function. He favored the appointment of a man who could realize the resources already to hand in the field such as the officials of the C. M. A. and the freight experts of the railways and transportation agencies. He felt that the man to get was one with executive ability rather than one with a long previous experience as a freight rate expert. A permanent official was necessary for in the intervals between sessions of voluntary committees enthusiasm tended to die down.

Mr. Mahon then moved the following:

"Resolved, that the Premiers of the Maritime Provinces be requested to arrange for immediate grants to the Maritime Board of Trade in order to facilitate the operations of that organization."

Premier Veniot said the resolution was too vague. The premises must have a concrete proposal to lay before the legislatures. He supported the idea of a permanent secretary. He was a little disappointed that no definite plan had been formulated upon which the three premiers could have met later and acted.

Mr. McMahon explained that in a previous resolution the sums of \$5,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 had been mentioned as the suggested contributions from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island, respectively, and he changed the resolution accordingly.

AN INTERNATIONAL COTTON COMBINE

Boston, Nov. 22.—Plans for the formation of the New England Southern Mills to consist of a consolidation of a number of mills in South Carolina and Georgia with the plants of the International Cotton Mills in Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts and Canada, have been approved by the directors of the International Cotton Mills.

The combined mills will have 586,000 spindles and will employ about 6,500 operators. The present International Corporation, incorporated in Massachusetts, will be retained but the management will be changed to New England Southern Mills.

WOMEN CALL FOR CLEAN MAGAZINES

Georgetown, Ont., Nov. 22.—A resolution asking the Federal Government for a closer censorship of magazines for women was passed by the executive of the National Council of Women here today, following a report submitted by Mrs. J. H. Wood on objectionable literature to be found in Canada. The sessions of the executive closed tonight. There was a conference in the morning on the work of the local councils, after which a plan for an enlarged budget prepared by Mrs. J. H. Bundy, of Toronto, was received and will go to the local councils for consideration.



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COLIN CAMERON'S TRIAL RESUMED

Montreal, Nov. 22.—Proceedings in the trial of Colin O. Cameron, charged with stealing \$200,000 from the brokerage firm of Thornton Davidson & Co., now in liquidation, were resumed today before Chief Judge Desautels in the Court of Special Sessions here.

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EARL CAVAN WILL VISIT DOMINION

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—No official notice is given to the forthcoming visit to Canada of Earl Cavan, chief of the Imperial Staff. This was stated today by Hon. E. M. Macdonald, Minister of National Defence, who has received an announcement of the visit from Lord Derby, British Secretary of State for War.

C. P. R. SHOPS ON 44-HOUR BASIS?

Montreal, Nov. 22.—A forty-hour week instead of 44 hours may come to the C. P. R. shops in the main shops of the Canadian Pacific Railway system as a result of meetings which have taken place this week between the management and officers of the C. P. R. system federation.

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The regular meeting of the Eclectic Club was held last night at the residence of Mrs. George E. Smith in Union Street. The programme for the evening was in charge of Miss Annie Puddington and the subject "Canadian Heroines" was presented in a very delightful series of papers. Miss Puddington read the introductory paper which was followed by a paper on Lady La Tour which was read by Mrs. W. M. Mackay. Miss Puddington's paper was a most interesting one and was followed by a paper on the life of the closing paper was read by Mrs. Herbert Vroom, who spoke of the part which women had taken in the great war. These were the unknown Canadian heroines. The programme was greatly enjoyed.

BOY'S BAD COLD TURNED TO BRONCHITIS

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