

seaports—Canada for the Canadians. That the hearty thanks of this meeting be tendered to the president of the St. John, N.B., Board of Trade, Mr. W. S. Fisher, for the very valuable and instructive manner in which he has laid before us the claims of St. John, N.B., as a Canadian winter port.

WHAT SHIPPERS DESIRE.

One of the members of the Board of Trade, who explained that he was a flour exporter, stated to Mr. Fisher that there were a few matters he would like to bring to the attention of the steamship companies. The first was that unless they could give quick transportation they should not take the freight; also, when the stuff was loaded shippers should be notified. The steamship companies should be asked, also, not to load flour with chain hoists, and not to make platforms of sack flour on the other side to unload other goods over, as was sometimes done.

Mr. A. E. Kemp, in moving the resolution, expressed the thanks of the Board of Trade to Mr. Fisher. He said the tendency now was to send our own produce via Canadian ports, and he thought shippers should pay more attention to St. John as a winter port.

A BANKER'S VIEW.

Mr. B. E. Walker, who seconded the resolution, said he thought Canadians had largely themselves to blame that more was not known about Canada. There was no question as to the desirability of shipping goods via St. John in winter, but a business man must get just as good terms from there as he could obtain anywhere else. Canada desired that other countries should know her as one of the great shipping powers of the world, but for us to admit that we had no port from which we could ship goods in winter was an admission that we could not hold all the year round the position of a great shipping place.

Dr. Parkin, of Upper Canada College, referred to the fact that the Maritime Provinces had at first not prospered under Confederation, and the great effort St. John had made was really a struggle to get out of the depression that took place as a result of the changes

of Confederation. He believed with Mr. Walker that Canada would never be able to take her proper place till she shipped goods through her own ports all the year round. People's views had changed very much lately in regard to the value of St. John as a winter port, and the results that would come from such a change of mind were well worth striving for. Dr. Parkin believed that the Government should back up St. John in its efforts, and grant it as much assistance proportionately as it was giving to Montreal. The motion was passed unanimously, and after Mr. Fisher had expressed his thanks to the members of the Board of Trade the meeting adjourned.

NEW GOODS.

John Macdonald & Co. are showing a special line of 45-inch victoria lawn, to retail at 10c.

John Macdonald & Co. have an unusually attractive stock of trimmings for fall and winter costumes. The style this season is for braids in all forms, especially tubular, bretonne and hercules, and for loop edge braid trimmings.

The Gault Bros. Co. are offering several lines of new dress skirts in plain and brocade lustres, serges and meltons.

Custom and convenience combine to make a nice Swiss handkerchief a very suitable Christmas present. Caldecott, Burton & Spence are clearing out a choice collection of these goods, and buyers seeking some salable lines for holiday purposes cannot do better than see these Swiss embroidered handkerchiefs.

Wyld, Grasett & Darling are experiencing difficulty in filling orders for blankets, the supply being limited and the demand active. Flannels in navy and grey are moving well, the enquiry being for a much better quality of goods than has been enquired for in the last few years. Linenette linings are still in good demand, with easier deliveries. Comforters and quilts are meeting with good sale.

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