

## THE EVIDENCE ACT OF P. E. I., 1897

Moved by MR. PRENDERGAST, seconded by MR. SCHOFIELD, that the Council be authorized to address a memorial to the Minister of Justice, praying for the disallowance of an Act of the Prince Edward Island Legislature, entitled, "The Evidence Act, 1897," on the ground that it interferes with Interprovincial trade, and for reasons to be set forth by the Council.

THE PRESIDENT put the motion, and on a vote having been taken, declared it carried.

## SPECIAL LEGAL TENDER NOTES

MR. PRENDERGAST—May I ask a question about keeping a register of special legal tenders. Couldn't it be suggested to the incoming Council that they should take the matter into consideration? If some banks keep a register of special legal tender notes, and other banks do not, I believe that very little advantage will be gained by those who go to the trouble of keeping a register.

THE PRESIDENT—Would you make a motion, asking the incoming Council to take the matter up, with a view to suggesting to every bank that registers should be kept?

MR. PRENDERGAST moved, seconded by MR. PLUMMER—That the incoming Council be requested to suggest to all banks that a register should be kept of special legal tender notes, with a view to mutual protection.

THE PRESIDENT put the motion, and, on a vote having been taken, declared it carried.

MR. WINSLOW—Would it be practicable to confine these bank legal tender notes to points at which they would likely be used? It seems to me that there is no need for sending notes of that class from Toronto to Winnipeg or Montreal to Toronto.

THE PRESIDENT—That is one of the objects of the notes, so that they may be mailed. Very large amounts of money are sent from time to time from Toronto or Montreal to Winnipeg, and from Winnipeg to Montreal or Toronto.

MR. WINSLOW—If the assistant Receivers-General at those points had sufficient of them on hand at all times for the use of the banks at those points, I cannot see why they should be moved about.

THE PRESIDENT—The question would arise, how would