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### CONSUMERS' COAL

### Suffrage Bill is Introduced

Hon. Dr. Roberts Gives Able Address in Support of Measure—F. L. Potts on Conscriptio

In a stirring address in the legislature yesterday, Hon. Dr. Roberts gave an eloquent plea for votes for women. He introduced the bill as a private measure and dealt with the subject in an able manner. A large number of ladies were present in the house during the debate. The bill has been referred to the law committee.

Mr. Potts' resolution dealing with selective conscription, the need of men for the empire, the high price of food and other things, was amended by the premier, who spoke effectively on the subject. Mr. Baxter then made an amendment to the amendment, dropping all of Mr. Potts' sections with the exception of one.

The Foster government takes the stand that it is inadvisable for the legislature here to interfere with parliament at Ottawa at the present time, and Mr. Potts' resolution was amended to that effect.

### WILL SELL THE OLD LORNVILLE CHURCH

The St. John district of the N. B. and P. E. I. Methodist conference met in annual session yesterday in the Carleton Methodist church, Rev. Thomas Hicks, retiring president of the conference, in the chair. All circuits were represented by clergymen and some by lay delegates. The financial report for the year showed an increase in missionary subscriptions of \$106, and an increase in membership.

Mason S. Linton, a St. John boy, passed successfully his examination and was recommended to the conference as a probationer of one year.

Rev. W. G. Lane asked for a superannuation relation. He is retiring from Exmouth street church after forty-three years in the ministry. Rev. Mr. Steele and Rev. Robert Crisp expressed the regret of the district that St. John and the



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### COMPENSATION FOR WORKMEN

Report of Local Commission Which Has Been Investigating

### SOME RECOMMENDATIONS

Authority to See Pay Rolls, An Official to Tabulate Them—Weekly Payments—Cannot Recommend Act Similar to Ontario's or Nova Scotia's at Present

The following report will be read with interest:—  
To His Honor The Lieutenant Governor in Council:  
Your Honor:—  
By an Order-in-Council dated 31st January last past, the undersigned were appointed a commission to enquire into the working of the Ontario and Nova Scotia Workmen's Compensation Acts, with reference to their applicability to this province. In this connection we had the honor to address you on the 31st March last, asking enlarged powers so that we might give consideration to acts other than those of Nova Scotia and Ontario.

The Commission has held eleven meetings, of which five were open to the public, and testimony was taken from representatives of the labor interests in this province, of manufacturers, of several experts from Toronto, representing insurance interests, and one F. W. Wegman, who appeared before the Ontario Commission as solicitor on behalf of Canadian manufacturers; he has also been interested in the drafting of the present Nova Scotia act. One member of this commission has had an opportunity of discussing the Ontario act with the members of the permanent commission in that province, and with those who compose the commission now administering the law in Nova Scotia. To the members of these commissions our gratitude is due for their full verbal information and for kindly courtesy in sending to us all the documents for which we asked, in order to consider the operation of each act.

We have also, as far as the time at our disposal permitted, given attention to the acts of the province of Manitoba, the province of British Columbia, and a number of states in the American Union.

There are three systems which are in operation. First, what may be called an Employers' Liability law, which finds expression in the act now in force in this province.

Second, Workmen's Compensation as represented by such an act as that in Nova Scotia, British Columbia, and to a lesser degree in Ontario, in which employers are required to file their pay rolls with a commission; the industries are grouped and classified as heavily similar as possible, and then an assessment is made upon the various groups, in order to carry the liability of the employer to the employee.

In several acts the amount so collected is defined as one and indivisible, and the amount collected from all groups may be applied to make up the deficiency in any one. There is in this case no state liability, but the assessments collected are administered by a commission consisting of one or more which fixes the amount of the assessment, adjusts the liability between the employer and the employee, and pays the amount to the employee without the intervention of any third person.

The third, is called State Insurance, which means that the state becomes the insurer, fixes rates or assessments, administers the funds, adjusts the losses, and pays in like manner, as in the case of the second class described and this system is best illustrated by the act of the State of Washington.

In considering the question of the applicability of a Workmen's Compensation Act to this province, it is very difficult to find precedent to warrant the adoption of such an act with the information now before us.

The Province of Ontario was the first one to adopt a Workmen's Compensation Act along the lines of the second class described. This passed the Ontario legislature on 1st May, 1914, and became operative as respects payments of compensation on 1st January, 1915. The act is a worked fairly well, so far as the province of Ontario is concerned, and Ontario is a very large province, having very large manufacturing industries, and consequently very heavy pay rolls upon which assessment can be made, and therefore there may not be, and in fact there is not a complete analogy between the conditions in that province and those which obtain here.

The Nova Scotia Act, and the conditions in that province more nearly approach those in New Brunswick, and other, was passed on 23rd April, 1915, and became operative 1st January, 1917.

The act of the province of British Columbia was passed 23rd May, 1916, and has since become operative.

The act of Manitoba was assented to 10th March, 1916. It will therefore be readily apparent that in the smaller provinces sufficient time has not elapsed in order to show clearly, and in what way these acts will operate, either in the interests of the employer or the employee, and in the case of the province of Ontario, the act has only been in force three years.

Under the two systems those of the Workmen's Compensation collectively, and state administered insurance, generally speaking, 95 per cent of the wages of injured workmen is paid, and if as a result of injury he died, instead of a lump sum payment as in the case of the Employers' Liability Act in this province, a pension is paid to the widow of \$20 per month until re-marriage or death. In the event of re-marriage, in the majority of acts a lump sum of two years' pension is given, which terminates the liability of the employer or group so far as the widow is concerned. But in nearly all of these acts, there is also a provision that \$5 monthly shall be paid for each child until he or she attains the age of sixteen years, when it ceases, unless the child is incapable of working, when in some instances it is continued. The total amount of pension to widow and children is usually limited to \$40 monthly.

It is therefore clear that a very heavy liability is assumed by the state in adopting the principle of either of these two last mentioned classes of acts. Then, too, the expenses of a commission appointed to administer the acts are in nearly all cases paid by the state



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and are not a charge upon the fund. For example, in the case of Nova Scotia, authority is given to pay from the public revenue \$25,000 yearly towards the expense of the commission. In Ontario the amount is \$100,000, in British Columbia \$50,000, and in Manitoba an amount to be determined by the lieutenant-governor-in-council.

If the principle of these acts is adopted it will therefore readily be seen that it will involve quite a large expense (although, of course, not as great as in the case of Nova Scotia, because that province is larger) upon the funds of New Brunswick.

It may be well to say right here, that the insurance companies have practically been displaced from business in all provinces where these acts are in force, except in Manitoba where they are licensed to do business, but all rates are fixed, and all losses paid by the Workmen's Compensation Act Commission without reference either to the insurance company or to the employer.

In view of these facts we have therefore reached the conclusion that we are not by any means able at this time to recommend the adoption of an act similar to that of Nova Scotia or Ontario, for the reason that there is no evidence before us as to what the pay rolls of the province is, and we think it absolutely necessary to determine whether the province is sufficiently large, and whether the amount of assessments which may be realized, would justify the formation of a commission and the administration of a Workmen's Compensation Act similar to those in force in other provinces.

We therefore recommend in order to determine this point, that an act be passed by the legislature empowering a commission to require pay rolls from manufacturers or employers of labor, to be filed for the year 1916, on or before the first day of October, 1917, and that it be imposed as a duty upon the sheriffs of each county, and also upon the assessors of taxes of each city, town and municipality, to secure such pay rolls within the area in which their jurisdiction extends, and that a penalty be imposed upon all employers and manufacturers who fail to file such pay rolls within the time which their jurisdiction extends, and that a penalty be made upon blanks to be approved by a government commission, or any authority having charge of the question.

If this suggestion is adopted it will be

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necessary to appoint an official whose duty it will be, and upon whom the responsibility will rest, to secure the pay rolls and tabulate the results, which is submitted is necessary before further recommendations can be made safely by any commissioner.

In the course of our investigations we heard representatives from many of the labor organizations in this province, and they while seeking a Workmen's Compensation Act, when the difficulties in recommending such a proposal were placed before them, stated that they were fully prepared to await complete investigation, raising the capital sum for which the employer is liable from \$2,000 to \$2,500, the maximum weekly wages to be increased from \$12 to \$16 and that it be made compulsory that each employer should pay the amount due to the workman weekly.

It was put forward that when the present act was passed the purchasing power of \$2,000 was as great as would be \$2,500 today, and that the increased cost of living has made one about the equivalent of the other, and the same view was expressed with regard to maximum weekly wages.

On the question of compelling weekly payments, it was pointed out that while the present act provides for weekly payment, it does not make it compulsory that they should be made, for which they ask.

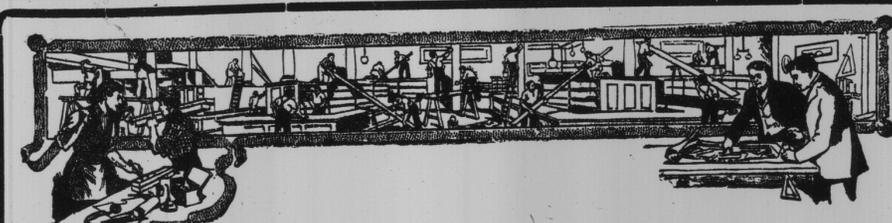
We believe that these recommendations are reasonable and should receive the serious consideration of your honor's advisers, and if adopted, would respectfully suggest that to enforce weekly payment, an amendment be made by which the employer would be so directed to a supreme or county court judge, such order to be enforceable in the same manner as a judgment of the supreme court.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Sgd.) F. J. G. KNOWLTON, Chairman.  
(Sgd.) ROY A. DAVIDSON, Secretary.

JOHN B. CUDLIP,  
L. W. SIMMS,  
JAMES L. SUGRUE,  
FRED W. DALEY,  
St. John, N.B., 14th May, 1917.

The victory must be a real and final victory. The long line, extending to 2,000 miles, held by the enemy must be broken. You must not think of a deadlock. You must crack the nut before you get at the kernel. It may take a long time, but you must crack—Lloyd George.

At a singing competition at the Camberwell Palace (London) one of the big prizes was a sack of potatoes.



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Ladies' Seamless Lisle Hose, black or white, fashioned, double heel and toe. Sale 23c. pair. Silk Lisle Hose, extra quality, full fashioned, high spliced heel, double toe. Sale 50c. pair. Large Boys' Hose, extra strong elastic rib. Sizes 9, 9½ and 10 only; black. Sale 28c. pair.

#### ALTERATION SALE VEILS AND HANDKERCHIEFS, FRIDAY

Special Separate Veils, 1¼ yards long with fancy borders, new necks and figures; black or colors. Sale 29c. each. Ten dozen Ladies' Hemstitched Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs; special for summer use. Sale 3 for 25c.

#### ALTERATION SALE CHILDREN'S DRESSES AND WASH SUITS

Kiddies' Wash Dresses in long waist styles for 4 to 6 years. Pretty checks piped with deep blue on yoke, belt and cuffs. All new goods. Regular \$1.75. Sale price, \$1.28 each. Boys' Buster Suits—A number of odd lines. Sizes 4 to 7 years, striped or plain chambray or drill. Navy, sky or tan. Regular \$1.98. Sale price, \$1.25 each.

#### ALTERATION SALE WHITE DRESSING SACQUES, FRIDAY

For week-end trips, Dainty Little Summer Dressing Sacques or Combing Jackets, white, self-striping, large collar, trimmed ruffles of ribbon in delicate colorings. Sale Friday, \$1.78 each.

#### ALTERATION SALE WOMEN'S AND MISSES' SPRING COATS AND SUITS

Sport Styles and Utility Coats in tweeds, high colored corduroy, jersey cloth, etc. Regular \$8.50 to \$22.50. Sale prices, \$6.75 to \$16.90. Navy and Black Serge Suits, and also Black and White Check Suits, all new spring designs, plain tailored style; also some trimmed braid or embroidery. All sizes represented up to 44. Regular \$18.90 to \$16.90. Sale price, \$12.25.

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Women's Middy Blouses—Good fine drail, all white. Some piped black and white stripe on pockets, band and cuffs; others with navy collars, cuffs and pockets. Sizes 36 to 40. Sale price, \$1.78.

#### ALTERATION SALE—STAPLE DEPARTMENT, FRIDAY

White Sheets, full double bed size, strong cotton, deep hem. Sale 95c. each. Pillow Cases, well made, 2½ inch hem. Size 40 and 42 inches. Sale 16c. each. Turkish Towels, bleached or colored centres. Sale 35c. pair. Embroidered Pillow Cases, Irish, three new designs, deep hem, large size, 44 inch. Special for this sale, \$1.19 pair.

#### ALTERATION SALE HOUSE FURNISHINGS, FRIDAY

Bargain in Window Scrim for Friday, cream or white, fancy lace edge effect. Sale 5 yards for 79c. White Quills, special, full double bed size, soft finish, hemmed ends. Sale, \$1.98 each. Curtain Rods, 54 inch Extension, strong, large detachable ends. Sale 15c. each, 2 for 25c. Curtain Scrim—800 yards of Hemstitched Curtain Scrim, in white or cream, wide tape edge, soft, strong finish. Alteration Sale, 5 yards for \$1.00. White Spreads—Soft Finished White Bedspreads with hemmed ends; good size. Alteration Sale, \$1.69 each. White Marseilles Bedspreads—Double bed size, fine pattern, extra good value. Alteration Sale, \$2.49 each.

#### ALTERATION SALE CURTAINS

Curtain Scrim Remnants—All short lengths of Window Scrim on sale this week, 2½ to 6 yard ends. White, cream or ecru, plain or hemstitched. Some with insertion. Reduced Prices. Curtains—Choice of a large number of single pairs and Sample Curtains. Some slightly soiled from use as samples; also special lot of Odd Curtains to clear, white, cream or ecru. Sale prices, 30 p.c. to 1/2 off. Nottingham Curtains—Special lot of good quality Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, double thread, strong net, overcast edge. A number of attractive designs. Regular \$1.75. Alteration Sale, \$1.29 a pair.

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