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REMOVAL OF THE DIFFERENTIAL AND REVISION OF RATES.

Hon. E. M. Macdonald makes Important Announcement at
North Sydney.

GOOD NEWS FOR MARITIME PEOPLE.

Minister Accepts the Meighen Challenge and Gets Fine Ovation
at the Biggest Meeting of the Campaign.

(Special to the Morning Chronicle).

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NORTH SYDNEY, July 28.- Revision of freight rates on the Canadian National Railways generally, at least insofar as the Maritime Provinces are concerned, and the removal of the differential against North Sydney and other ports in the Maritime Provinces, were announced here tonight by Hon. E.M. Macdonald, Minister of Defence, at a meeting addressed by himself, Hon. A. K. Maclean, M.P. for Halifax, and George W. Kyte, M.P. for Cape Breton and Richmond, Chief Liberal Whip.

The announcement was received by the people of North Sydney with great pleasure. The question of freight rates has been a matter of discussion between the North Sydney Board of Trade and the Department of Railways for over three years and this intimation of the success of their pless earned for the Minister of Defence one of the finest ovations ever given to a public man at a political meeting in North Sydney.

Hon. E. M. Macdonald, in the course of a discussion of the freight rates problems which have faced the Maritime Provinces since the heavy increases were imposed under the Meighen-Borden Administration, announced that a revision of freight rates had been prepared and was now awaiting the return of Sir Henry Thornton from the West to put them into effect.

WILL RESTORE TRADE.

He told the people of North Sydney that the high freight rate and differential which has destroyed the trade of this port to and from Newfoundland were to be respectively lowered and eli-

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