

Mr. DUNNING: The right hon. gentleman will recall, I think, that the hon. member spoke after me on a former occasion and did not agree with me then.

Mr. BENNETT: The hon. minister had not widened his vision on that occasion to the extent he has done to-day; he was in charge of that Canada-United States agreement to hardly the same extent that he is in charge of this measure, and that broad vision which has manifested itself this afternoon to the hon. member for Brant had not then become apparent. He was merely dealing with the matter in a narrower sense. Now, with a broader view and a wider vision, the hon. member for Brant is persuaded that the course suggested by the Minister of Finance is the right one, and I congratulate him upon such an admirable evidence of discipline, so good for the solidarity of his party.

Mr. WOOD: I recommend that same broad vision to the leader of the opposition himself.

Mr. BENNETT: I have great hope that if the hon. gentleman lives long enough and follows public discussions closely enough he will adopt many of the suggestions that have been made from this side this afternoon.

Item as amended agreed to.

Customs tariff—663d. Soya bean oil meal and soya bean flour, inedible, when imported by manufacturers of glues or adhesives for use exclusively in the manufacture of such glues or adhesives, in their own factories: British preferential tariff, free; intermediate tariff, free; general tariff, free.

Mr. DUNNING: I think, Mr. Chairman, you have the amendment, which is to strike out the word "inedible."

The CHAIRMAN: I have not received the amendment.

Mr. BENNETT: So you strike out the word "exclusively" in both 663c and 663d?

Mr. DUNNING: No, not in the second one. It is stricken out in 663c but not in 663d; and "inedible" is stricken out in 663d.

Mr. BENNETT: Is it not as difficult to administer in one case as in the other? That is the reason I asked.

Mr. DUNNING: No. Glue and mucilage, you see.

Mr. BENNETT: One is glue and mucilage and the other is not.

Mr. STIRLING: The removal of the word "inedible" hardly meets the contention raised by the hon. member for Fraser Valley (Mr. Barber), does it?

Mr. DUNNING: No, it does not, because the use of soya beans and soya bean products for human food and so forth is and always has been dutiable under the tariff. It is only for such special purposes as this that it has ever been free.

Amendment agreed to.

Item as amended agreed to.

Mr. DUNNING: I move that the committee rise, report progress and ask leave to sit again. If it is thought desirable we may take up the harbours board bill after recess.

Mr. BENNETT: Do you want to sit again this day?

Mr. DUNNING: This day, yes. I move accordingly.

Progress reported.

At six o'clock the house took recess.

After Recess

The house resumed at eight o'clock.

NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD

PROVISION FOR ADMINISTRATION AND CONTROL OF PUBLIC HARBOURS

The house resumed, from Wednesday, May 20, consideration in committee of Bill No. 17, respecting the national harbours board.—Mr. Howe.—Mr. Sanderson in the chair.

On section 37—Amalgamation.

Mr. CAHAN: Mr. Chairman, when the committee had this bill under consideration on Wednesday last the amendment which I then moved to section 37 was held over for further consideration. That amendment reads as follows:

That section 37 of the bill be amended by adding the following subsections:

(3) That the board shall become and be liable to be sued in tort, and that in the case of any such suit in tort, the same procedure shall apply as that which regulates the conduct of similar cases between subjects, including such matters as discovery, the receiving and paying of costs by the board, and the like.

(4) Service upon the board of any writ or process may be effected by personal service upon an officer or employee of the board at any of the harbours over which the board has jurisdiction.

I call the attention of the committee to the fact that this bill by section 3, subsection 3, provides that:

(3) The board shall have the capacity to contract and to sue and be sued in the name of the board.