

COAL STRIKE IN THE NORTHWEST—*Con.*

Smith, Ralph (Nanaimo)—7139.

Will the minister inform the operators of their breach of the law—7139. Understands the mines are actually working, two propositions for settlement—7147. The proposition that the government should dictate is ridiculous, and impossible of being carried out—7148. The government would have to operate the business on a paying basis—7149. The government ought to seek the enforcement of the Act—7150. Does not think the situation is as serious as the telegram would indicate—7151. Believes the immediate enforcement of the Act against both parties would be beneficial—7152. Would it not be the same if it were a Canadian union—7155.

Sproule, T. S. (East Grey)—7147.

Does not Verville think parliament, in case of need, has the right to interfere—7147. You have an international union organized by people in a foreign country—7148. Borden was referring to government operating the mines—7153. The duty of the government is to bring every possible influence to bear on the situation—7154. There should be more federal authority to enforce the laws which parliament makes—7155. When international unions bring danger, the duty of parliament is to interfere—7156. He either misconceived me or misrepresented what I did say—7157. Asks if there is any news concerning the strike—7693.

Taylor, Geo. (Leeds)—7163.

Calls attention to a telegram received from Mr. Hill to-day—7163.

Verville, A. (Maisonneuve)—7135.

Protests against any board of trade urging the government to dictate to the working men—7135. Would enforce the law which has been passed by the government—7136. Denies any right to divorce our labour organizations from American unions—7155.

COASTING TRADE—TREATIES WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Resolution—That in the opinion of this House the government of Canada should take such steps as will secure for Canada the cancellation of existing coasting privileges now enjoyed by foreign countries, under imperial treaties, and to that end should open negotiations with the imperial government with a view to the abrogation or amendment of such treaties.—Mr. J. B. Black—1447.

Black, J. B. (Hants)—1444.

Importance of the coasting trade, former prosperity of the maritime provinces when the shipping trade was good—1445. Nova Scotian sailors still prominent in every service. Foreign ships on the Nova Scotian coast—1446. Norwegians

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have a monopoly, as they work for less wage than will any Canadian or American—1447. Quotes resolutions of the Maritime Board of Trade—1448. And resolutions of the Toronto branch of the Navy League—1449. Quotes the 'Citizen' of supreme interest; Canadians to support the shipping and ship-building trades—1450. Was never a free trader—1466. Asks to withdraw his motion, has attained his object by the full free and wide discussion—1469.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—1453.

Paterson's reply so remarkably definite and reassuring. Nothing can be more definite and comforting—1453. The government not quite so sure of their position this evening as they were a short time ago. Quotes questions and answers—1454. Apparently no doubt as to the power of the government, the only question is as to their policy—1455. Asks the government to take action to restore some share of the carrying trade to Canada—1456. But is an amendment—1457.

Emmerson, Hon. H. R. (Minister of Railways)—1460.

The same as the trade on the C.P.R.—1460. A large number of the ships carrying foreign flags are really Canadian ships; the question of bonus—1463.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Finance Minister)—1461.

The question affects all portions of the Dominion. The real difficulty, the passing of the wooden ship—1461. After you have shut out the foreigner, the competition of the British ship makes the difficulty—1462. The construction of ships under existing laws must take place abroad—1463.

Foster, Hon. Geo. E. (Toronto, W.)—1463.

The government made it clear, as regards the motion, that there is nothing in the way of their taking action—1463-4. The revolution of sentiment which appears to have taken place amongst gentlemen opposite—1465. They appear ready tonight to tax the ships carrying goods to Canada at so low a rate that no Canadian vessel can compete—1466. The Liberals took even the most objectionable features of the protective system and applied it to all the Liberal-Conservatives had applied it to—1467.

Laurence, F. A. (Colchester)—1450.

The statistics of the coasting trade teach a lesson by no means complimentary to Canada, decrease of tonnage—1450. Increased work every year for our ships, with less ships to do the work—1451. Our government and we as a parliament ought to be able to do something for the shipping industry—1452. The proclamation was issued in September last year—1458.