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last ten years especially the m strikes has continually diminish in 1902 there were fewer of the in 1902 there were fewer of these fliets than at any time during the ten years. Not only the number the number of men aff the number of working days lost the amount of money expended by sides have been gradually dimining the principal cause of this compared to the principal cause of the condition of Boards of Conditiation and the trade unions and the tion of Boards of Conditiation and machinery for the settlement of tion of Boards of Concliation and machinery for the settlement of putes. These Boards of Concil grew up as soon as the unions recognized, and now exist in mos the important trades of the king in 1902 there were fifty-seven of boards which were known to have tied controversies and almost cases were brought before their a tion. Of these cases, one-half were tied either by conciliation or by tration and the other half were drawn or were settled by private a ment independently of the boards. Interesting to note that, as in Am drawn or were settled by private a ment independently of the boards, interesting to note that, as in Am the two parties when left to them usually agreed. Of the cases s by the boards, over three-fourths arranged by the parties themselves in only one-fourth of the cases we found necessary or advisable to found necessary or advisable to in an arbitrator. The important the settlement of 1,500 possible discannot be exaggrated and this sent could only have been effected a full and free recognition of the unions were the country of the America, when the unions were recognized and when war and not I was the chronic condition of indu Within the limits of an article of size, it is, of course, impossible to the growth of the general moves toward recognition and peace in all dustries, but what has occurred in industry, as for instance the coal dustry, is more or less true of othe In a large measure the prosperit Great Britain has always depended its coal mines. Until three years the output of coal in Great Britain are the world, and although she has been outstripped by the United States when the country in the world, and any other country in the world. In year 1902 there were considerably \$800,000 men employed in the mine the United Kingdom. These men for the most part well organized. I remarkable how rapidly the coal minave developed their organizations recent years, there being about a quarter of a million men organized in and over half a million men, or ov quarter of all the trades' unionist the kingdom. organized into minumous in 1901.

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BUSINESS OF THE BOARD OF TRAD

The Inspector of Imported Fr -Meeting of the Council.

Ane council of the Board of Tr.
held their ninth meeting since the e
tion, less than two months ago, yes
day. President S. J. Pitts occupied
chair and there were present: Mess
(T. M. Henderson, Jos. Kingham, T.
Peterson, Stephen, Jones J. J. Sh. Mr. Kingham reported for the

A letter from the Tourist Associat was read asking the board for an apropriation of \$125 towards the cost the publication of a pamphlet on fr growing and poultry raising. The cocil gave this matter full considerat and decided that they were not in a sition to aid the proposal financia but would heartily support it in a other way. It was pointed out there are already a number of publications on these subjects to be had the asking at the provincial bureau

inspection, to the detriment of the bers. Mr. Leiser, one of the commit bers. Mr. Leiser, one of the committed would not sign the report, and yest day presented a minority/report. The reports are printed below. Mr. Leistated at the meeting that in some case after the fruit has been passed by inspector on the wharf, further examination has been made at the restores and fruit has been condemn the vendor being referred to the job for compensation. The council order a letter to be sent to the department of agricultur requesting that arran

re delivery of fruit per San Fhancis steamer, beg to report—
That we waited upon Mr. J. R. An erson, deputy minister of agricultur and Mr. T. Cunningnam, inspector fruit pests, and laid our views on the control of th

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Mr. Leiser's report: In respect
the report presented to the Board of
Trade by the committee to intervie
the government as regards the inspetion of fruit for this port, which I coul
not sign, I beg to state that it was im
possible to sign the report such as presented, as the same did not clearly stat
the facts of the case. Our visit to th
government has resulted in the govern
ment agreeing to recommend addition
help for the inspection of fruit on