

Throne with regard to agricultural conditions, I suppose its inquiry will include the marketing of the grain. I am speaking for western Canada now, but I do not forget eastern Canada and other parts of Canada have their problems to solve; but what we in western Canada need is more outlets for our grain. I have referred to the enormous loss on account of the congestion of traffic. It seems to me that if we had three outlets for grain instead of one, or instead of two, it would help us greatly. I suppose it might be said that we already have two, because some of our grain goes by the Pacific route. I hope in the near future to see a great deal more of it go by that route. The question arises whether the elevator facilities at Vancouver should be increased. I have been led to believe, from information I have received, that the trouble during this last crop season was not that there were no elevator facilities at Vancouver, but simply that those who control the space do not control the grain. Grain men had grain that they could not ship because they had not chartered any boats. Others had chartered boats but had no grain to put in them. In some cases they had chartered space hoping to sell it at a higher price than they paid for it. An adjustment had to be made, and I believe the Grain Commission served a very useful purpose in loosening up the deadlock there. The arrangements had been made, the grain had to be loaned and replaced. As soon as it was arranged so that this transfer elevator performed the service and the function for which it was intended, the grain was loaded out in the boats that arrived, and there was space for every man. I believe I am correct in saying that later on the railway took this position—and I am not sure that they were not supported by the Grain Commission—a grain man had a quantity of grain at the elevator at Calgary and wished to have it shipped to the Vancouver elevator, and they said, "Where is your space? Show us your space and you will get the cars"; he said, "All right, there is the space"; he gave them the proof that he had the space, the cars were supplied and the grain went forward. In other cases the grain man said, "I want cars to ship out a quantity of grain", but he failed to show that he had space, and they said, "You cannot have the cars". An important question arises as to what elevators should be demanded for that western route. Elevator facilities should be provided at Calgary or Edmonton for the Canadian National Railways, or at Vancouver. I am not prepared to commit myself just yet to say where,

but it is a matter to which the government should give serious consideration.

I shall not detain the House longer, but I shall have an opportunity to discuss many of these questions again in regard to the grain marketing problem. I have a resolution on the order paper that will enable me to discuss this question fully later on.

Mr. KYTE: There is an understanding between the Whips that the debate should adjourn at six o'clock, and that the House should adjourn thereafter. As it is now nearly six o'clock, I move that the debate be adjourned.

Motion agreed to.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS ORDERS IN COUNCIL RESPECTING AMAL- GAMATION TABLED

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: The right hon. leader of the Opposition asked me to lay on the Table of the House such orders in council as had been passed with relation to the amalgamation of the Grand Trunk Railway system and the Canadian National Railway system. I beg to lay on the Table of the House five orders in council relating to this matter.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie King the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Monday, February 5, 1923

The House met at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARY, PRINT- ING AND RESTAURANT

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that a message has been received from the Senate informing this House:—

That His Honour the Speaker, the Honourable Messieurs Bennett, Bolduc, Chapais, David, Gillis, Godbout, Gordon, Griesbach, Hardy, Laird, McHugh, McLennan, Poirier, Taylor, Turriff, and Webster (Brockville), have been appointed a committee to assist His Honour the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of the Senate are concerned, and to act on behalf of the Senate as members of a joint committee of both Houses on the said Library.

Also,—A message acquainting this House that the Honourable Messieurs Chapais, Dessaulles, DeVeber, Donnelly, Farrell, Forget, Green, Legris, McCall, McDonald, McLean, McLennan, Pardee, Pope, Ratz, Robertson, Sharpe, Thibaudeau, Todd, White (Inkerman) and White (Pembroke), have been appointed a committee to superintend the printing of the Senate during the present Session, and to act on behalf of the Senate as members of a joint committee of both Houses on the subject of Printing of parliament.