

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Sub-committee appointed on Wednesday brought in the following report:—

“Moved by Mr. Dunbar, seconded by Mr. Lovering, and carried, that all childless wives married before enlistment and where they have complied with the requirements of the Fund be entitled to an allowance of \$5.00 a month.”

“Moved by Mr. Allan, seconded by Mr. Dunbar, and carried, that no post-enlistment wives be assisted unless the wife is an expectant mother, that while an expectant mother, she be treated as a childless wife, married before enlistment, and when the child is born, she be treated as a mother married before enlistment.

“An amendment proposed by Mr. Nickle—that all wives be treated alike, including post-enlistment wives, where they have married with the commanding officer's consent, received no seconder.”

“It was moved by Mr. Dunbar, seconded by Mr. Collins, and carried, that women whose domestic duties do not require their attention should be encouraged to work, and that no deduction be made on account of casual earnings.”

“It was moved by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Elliott, and carried, that a uniform scale throughout Eastern Canada is impracticable, but the Central Executive's maximum allowance to dependents be not exceeded by any branch, and that the Central Executive be urged to obtain conformity in the scale of grants in neighboring communities similarly situated.”

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#### ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES.

Introducing the subject of Administration Expenses, Sir Herbert Ames said:—

May I say a word in advance as to the policy of the Head Office? When the Fund was first organized we relied almost entirely on our branch management for voluntary effort, but as some of our branches began to get 100 or more dependents, and a fund as high as \$5,000, it was necessary to get a certain amount of clerical assistance which had to be paid. We issued in February a little classification, as representing our view on the matter of paid assistants. (Reads.) That scale being followed is just about bringing us out even on the matter of interest and expenses, and we have divided our branches into five classes, pretty well along the lines which you see here. We have not expected our fifth class, or smallest branch, to have any expenses excepting printing, stationery and possibly a campaign;