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MACKENZIE KING'S STATEMENT DENIED

J. H. Thomas Says He Kept **Dominion Government Fully** and Promptly Informed

Canadian Press Cable.

London, July 21.-The matter of Premier Mackenzie King's complaint in the Dominion Parliament that he had been unable to get information from the British Government on the question of Canada's representation on the Inter-Allied conference at London and was dependent upon press reports for his information came up in the House of Commons again today when questions were submitted to the Colonial Secretary. J. H. Thomas, the inquirers de-manding an explanation of why the Canadian Premier was unable to get the required information from the

Imperial Government.

Secretary Thomas replied that he had dealt with the point raised in replies made by him to supplementary questions last Friday, when he stated that it was not true that he had falled to communicate with the Canadian Construction. Canadian Government on the sub-ject and that there had been no delay in the matter on the part of his department.

Mr. Thomas reminded the questioners that he had made a statement in the House on Friday as to Dominion representation at the con-

ment in the House on Friday as to Dominion representation at the conference, the plan for such representation having been settled upon only on Friday, a short time before he made his statement.

Mr. Thomas said he would add to the statement of Friday last only that very full communications had been passing for some weeks past between His Majesty's Government and the Dominion Governments concerning the arrangements in connection with the conference.

The Marquis of Hartington asked Mr. Thomas if he could say that the delay of which the Canadian Premier had complained had taken place, and if so, why?

Mr. Thomas said the very fact that he had been able within a few hours of Premier Mackenzie King's statement in the Canadian House of Commons to assure the British House of Commons that the metter

Commons to assure the British House of Commons that the matter was settled, ought in itself to be the best answer to the Marquis of Hartington's question and no useful purpose would be served in merely raking it up again. 106

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