

COMBINES INVESTIGATION ACT.

Concurrence in Senate amendments—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, 8777.

King, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie (Minister of Labour)—8777.

Explains the Senate amendments, 8777-8.

COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT WITH GERMANY.

Announcement by Hon. W. S. Fielding, 3670.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Finance Minister)—3670.

By command of His Excellency lays the agreement signed this day, before the House, 3670.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA.

Bill 142 in Committee. Mr. Alex. Haggart, 4754.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Finance Minister)—4754.

Suggests that time be taken to instruct the law clerk on section 4, 4754.

Haggart, A. (Winnipeg)—4754.

Clause 4, amalgamation with similar societies. This clause thought objectionable, better come out, 4754.

CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

First reading of Bill 84. Mr. J. E. Armstrong, 1587.

Armstrong, J. E. (East Lambton)—1587.

At present a man can send out prospectors paid by the public, 1587, and purchase resources so discovered. This will prevent that, 1588.

CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

First reading of Bill 185—Hon. Sydney Fisher, 5884.

Fisher, Hon. Sydney (Minister of Agriculture)—5885.

Apart from civil government the only expense has been that for the meeting held in January, 5885.

Lennox, H. (South Simcoe)—5885.

Asks concerning the expenses so far, 5885.

CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

Motion for the House to go into committee on Monday—Hon. Sydney Fisher, 5687.

Maclean, W. F. (South York)—5687.

Hopes the minister will be prepared to state the relation of the commission to the House, 5687. And what ought to be the means of communication between the House and the commission, 5688.

CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES—Con.

Second reading of Bill 185—Hon. Sydney Fisher, 6332.

Armstrong, J. E. (East Lambton)—6332.

Afraid the minister has not investigated the matter, would have found the opposite of what he has stated, 6332. If the amendments he has suggested were embodied in the Bill there would be no further trouble in that regard, 6333. Had no other object in view that the promotion of the public welfare, 6335. Reads clauses he would like put in the Bill, 6338.

Fisher, Hon. Sydney (Minister of Agriculture)—6332.

Fears that the amendments are of such a character as to be entirely unworkable, 6332. The scope of the work of the commission though defined in the Bill, is still subject to practical experience, 6336. The report has to be laid on the table of parliament immediately it is made, 6337. Thinks the employees of the commission should be restricted in the same way as employees of the Geological Survey, 6341.

Maclean, W. F. (South York)—6335.

The other day he asked how communications would be interchanged with the commission, 6335. Railway Committee does not know how to proceed to get its advice, 6336.

Sifton, Hon. C. (Brandon)—6333.

Every one will admit that the least breath of suspicion would destroy the usefulness of the commission, 6333. The members of the commission are business men engaged in affairs giving their services gratuitously, 6334. In such case they would resign and the work commenced be practically destroyed, 6335. The commission is directly responsible to the House as a non-partisan body, 6337. As chairman does intend to discuss (a) will simply point its effects, 6340. When you decide what you will do, it will be for us to decide what we will do, 6341.

Sproule, T. S. (East Grey)—6336.

One of the defects is that the commission must report to the Governor in Council, 6336. Could not the report be made to the department and laid before parliament, 6337. There are questions relating to the work of the commission on which we desire to get their views, 6338. There is no provision for the punishment of employees giving out information, 6341.

CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

Bill 185 in Committee—Hon. Sydney Fisher, 6359.

Armstrong, J. E. (East Lambton)—6359.

Asks what is the change, 6359. Understands they will add the clauses of his Bill referring to employees only, 6360. Understands the minister and the member for Brandon will devise a clause, 6370.