

1. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
2. The Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Industrial Standardization stated that the report of the Sub-Committee was complete and could be considered by the Committee as soon as members had had an opportunity to examine it.
3. The Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Industrial Co-operation (Mr. Downie) stated that the report of that body was complete. It was decided to postpone consideration of the report until members of the Committee had had an opportunity to examine it.
4. The report of the Sub-Committee on the Special Shipping Question was read by Mr. Coates, and adopted by the Committee.
5. It was announced that the report of the Sub-Committee on Grading and Standards of Agricultural Products would be circulated immediately and could be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.
6. The Chairman referred to the question of the arrangements for a Conference of Statisticians, arising out of a recommendation of the Imperial Conference of 1930 and originally intended to be held in 1932. It was agreed that this matter be left in abeyance pending the conclusions to be reached in regard to the broad subject of machinery for economic co-operation.
7. A general discussion followed relative to the report of the special Committee on existing machinery for economic co-operation and to the problems associated with the continuance, revision or extension of such machinery. The discussion centred upon the position and outlook with respect to the Empire Marketing Board and upon the advisability and means of promoting further co-ordination of the functions and work of existing organizations. Emphasis was placed upon the need for adequate organization with respect to work preparatory to or consequent upon successive Imperial Conferences.
8. It was agreed that a drafting Committee be appointed, consisting of the members of the special Committee which had prepared the report upon existing organizations, together with nominees of the Delegations not represented on that Committee, to prepare the text of a resolution for submission by the main Committee to the Conference, recommending that, following the adjournment of the present Imperial Conference, a Committee fully representative of the countries of the Commonwealth undertake an examination of the problem