

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to bring in a measure to provide pensions to or in respect of members of the Canadian Naval, Military and Air Forces, who served in the war that began in August, 1914, and who were killed or suffered disability while so serving; and therein to provide,—

1. That there shall be a Commission to be known as The Board of Pension Commissioners for Canada, to consist of three Commissioners appointed by the Governor in Council.

(a) Each Commissioner shall hold office for ten years, but shall be removable at any time for cause; he shall cease to hold office upon reaching the age of seventy years, and, if not disqualified by age, shall be eligible for reappointment;

(b) One of the Commissioners shall be appointed by the Governor in Council to be Chairman of the Commission;

(c) The Commissioners shall devote the whole of their time to their duties under the proposed Act, and shall not accept or hold any office or employment inconsistent therewith.

2. That the Chairman of the Commission shall be paid a salary of seven thousand dollars per annum, and each of the other Commissioners shall be paid a salary of five thousand dollars per annum. Such salaries shall be paid monthly out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. That the salaries or other remuneration of the officers, clerks and employees of the Commission, and all the expenses of the Commission incidental to the carrying out of the proposed Act, shall be paid out of moneys to be provided by Parliament.

4. That the Commission shall award pensions to or in respect of members of the forces who have suffered disability in accordance with Schedule A hereto.

5. That the Commission shall award pensions to or in respect of members of the forces who have died, in accordance with Schedule B hereto.

6. That the Commission shall also have power to pay pensions, allowances and gratuities or other grants awarded in virtue of the Militia Pension Act, or any amendment to that Act, or awarded to or in respect of members of those forces who served in connection with the Fenian Raids or the Northwest Rebellion.

7. That the Governor in Council may transfer to the Commission full power and authority and exclusive jurisdiction to consider, award, pay, administer and deal with any pensions, allowances, gratuities or other grants authorized by any other statute or law of Canada.

8. That when a person who was domiciled and resident in Canada at the beginning of the war has been awarded a smaller pension than he would have been entitled to under this proposed Act for a disability incurred during the war in any of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces other than the naval, military or air forces of Canada, he shall, on resuming his residence in Canada and during the continuance of such residence, be entitled to such additional pension as will make the total of the two pensions received by him equal to the pension he would have been awarded in respect to such disability, had he been serving in the military service of Canada.

9. That when a person in any of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces other than the naval, military or air forces of Canada or in the naval, military or air forces of one of His Majesty's Allies, who was domiciled and resident in Canada at the beginning of the war has died during the war or thereafter as the result of a disability incurred during the war or demobilization, and his widow or children have been awarded a smaller pension than they would have been entitled to under this proposed Act in respect of his death, such widow and such children if they were domiciled and resident in Canada at the beginning of the war, shall be entitled during the continuance of their residence in Canada to such additional pension as will make the total of the two pensions received by them equal to the pension that would have been awarded if the person aforesaid had died in the military service of Canada.