

MANUFACTURERS WANT NO CHANGE IN TARIFF LAWS

Commission Hears Much Evidence in Session it Holds in Halifax.

FISH DUTIES OF PRESENT SUFFICIENT

Retail Merchants Lodge Strong Protest Against Dominion's Luxury Tax.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 8.—Sir Henry Dwyer, Minister of Finance and Hon. D. Robertson, Minister of Labor, representing the Federal Tariff Commission spent a busy morning at the Provincial Building here getting the views of Nova Scotia on the question of "protection." Groups of representatives of the manufacturers, the fishing interests, the farmers and the retail and wholesale merchants presented stated cases to the commissioners.

W. D. Piercy read the manufacturers' brief which opened with the direct assertion that "the manufacturers of Halifax and other parts of Nova Scotia," as a class believe it to be in their interests, in the interests of the workmen, of the consumers and the nation as a whole that a policy of protection, such as has been enforced since 1879, should continue to be the policy followed by the government of Canada.

The Fish Trade

A. H. Brittain, of Montreal, vice president and general manager of the Maritime Fish Corporation, urged the case of the fishing interests. The best interests of the Canadian consumer, well as those of the fishermen, will be served by the continuance of the present duty on fresh fish. It will enable us to develop plans for marketing, so as to make fresh fish available at reasonable prices to practically all communities in Canada, reads an extract from Mr. Brittain's brief.

Against Luxury Tax

The retail merchants, as represented by their committee on the Board of Trade, lodged a protest against the luxury tax, at present in force, suggesting in its place the enforcement of a "turnover" tax.

Wholesalers also urged the adoption of a "turnover" tax in place of the "business-profits" tax at present in force.

The farmers were represented by Adam Harris, M. P. of Upper Mersey, and J. B. Archibald of Middle Musquodoboit, unsuccessful Conservative candidate at the recent provincial election, and John Stacey, one of the most prominent farmers of King's County.

Case for Manufacturers

During his presentation of the manufacturers' case to the commission, W. D. Piercy, of the Piercy Supply Co., said:

"As manufacturers we desire the commission to understand clearly that we are not advocates of an unduly high tariff. As no systematic revision of the tariff has taken place since 1907, we anticipate that the investigation now being conducted will reveal some anomalies. It cases are found where protection is higher than necessary, we fully approve of a reduction being made in such cases but we likewise feel that where cases are brought to the attention of the commission in which it is shown that expansion of industries which should be located within the dominion cannot be expected unless there is an upward revision of the tariff covering such commodities then we expect that the government will provide for such upward revision; in other words, we ask for adequate protection for all industries already established within the dominion or which it is reasonable to expect can be successfully established."

Fertilizer Duties

Miss R. M. Smith, speaking on behalf of the Nova Scotia Fertilizer Co., pleaded for the remission of the sales tax so far as fertilizers were concerned as well as for the retention of the present protection of ten per cent.

W. T. Ritcey, president and manager

the director of Canadian Gas Engines Ltd., urged the retention of the present protection afforded gas engines manufactured in Canada.

Cordage Regulations

R. E. Graham, of Dartmouth, maritime manager of the Commercial Cordage Co., strongly urged a change in the present tariff regulations.

"We would suggest that importers of foreign cordage should be required to pay a twenty-five per cent duty on importations, and that they may be given a drawback of 50 per cent when they furnish satisfactory evidence that the rope had been used either for holding traps in the lobster fishing, or as head ropes of fishing nets."

The Case for the Farmers

Nova Scotia farmers as represented by D. L. Taggart, president of the United Farmers of the province, expressed themselves before the commission as being in favor of a substantial reduction in tariff on articles necessary to agriculturalists. He attributed the "languishing" of the agricultural industry and the depopulation of farms in part indirectly to a protective tariff which favored certain industries enabling them to offer better wages and shorter hours than the farms.

Mr. Taggart was in favor of a moderate degree of protection wherever he was convinced that it was absolutely necessary to maintain a natural industry. However, he believed that all manufacturing implements and tools used in production should be placed as near as possible on the free list so that the costs of these might be lowered to the consumer and food production costs reduced. He urged the removal of a ten per cent duty on acid phosphate which was used by the farmer in his raw form. He could not say whether the ten per cent protection was essential to the existence of Canadian fertilizer companies. He pointed out that ten per cent duty at the present price of fertilizer meant nearly three times as much duty as when the tariff was put on.

Fears the Republicans

Mr. Taggart expressed some fear as to the possible policy of the Republican Party. "The farmers of Nova Scotia think that the tariff agreement between the United States and Canada should be such that they could depend upon a continuation of the present trade conditions in the United States in respect to natural food products. We fear, however, that if Canada persists in keeping up the bars between the two countries in respect to tariff matters, there is every danger of the new United States administration re-enacting the old McKinley legislation."

Principal Melville Cumming, secretary of agriculture for Nova Scotia, supported Mr. Taggart in his contention.

Mr. Taggart admitted the association of farmers generally favored a

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land tax as an alternative scheme for raising revenue.

P. H. Johnstone, speaking as a Nova Scotia apple grower, did not think a removal of the tariff on apples would be detrimental to the industry in the province since American brands were usually of an earlier variety than those grown in Nova Scotia.

The Smaller Industries

R. H. Mackay, speaking for the smaller industries of Pictou County, said they viewed with apprehension any reduction in the tariff.

J. P. Fraser, speaking on behalf of the pork packers of Halifax, said they favored retention of the tariff on hogs and meat products.



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EVIDENCE SHOWS PROOF OF WRONG

Divorce Court Concludes Hearing of Josephs Case But Judgment Not Given.

Special to The Standard

Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 8.—The case of Annie Josephs vs Russell Robert Josephs was continued in the New Brunswick divorce court when two witnesses, James A. Simpson, keeper of the Cumberland County Jail in Nova Scotia and Herbert M. Sherwood of Bellefleur, N. B., were called. The former stated that he had gone to Bellefleur to see the defendant and that when he called he had been told by a colored woman that the defendant was out. He met the defendant some distance down the road and the latter stated that he was living with his wife down the road. Simpson had stated "You needn't tell me that as I know better," whereupon the defendant stated that he and his wife had parted and that he was living with the other woman.

H. M. Sherwood, of Bellefleur, stated that he had been asked to get the defendant's first name, as well as that of his wife for the voters' list and he had gone to the defendant's house where he saw the defendant and a colored woman, whom he judged would weigh about 350 pounds. He stated that he had asked their names and had been told the defendant's name was "Russell" and the woman's name "Maudie."

This concluded the evidence in the case and the court stated that proof of the adultery had been given as well as proof of the domicile but that time would be taken to consider where the evidence under the commission was sufficient to prove the validity of the marriage. The plaintiff is a white woman.

MARINE NEWS

	High	Low	Time
Tuesday	10.20	9.58	2.34
Wednesday	11.12	11.42	5.18
Thursday	11.53	11.11	6.00
Friday	12.24	12.33	6.40
Saturday	1.15	1.13	7.10
Sunday	1.45	1.54	7.57
Monday	2.26	2.36	8.36

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Tuesday, Nov. 9.

Arrived Monday.

S.S. Chaudiere from Bermuda. Coastwise—Sch Viola Pearl, 23, Wadlin, Wilson's Beach; str Stadium, 46, Pike, Alma; sch Margery, Austin, 118, Arsenault, Albert; str Glenholme, 125, Blenkhorn, Spencer's Island; str Harbinger, 70, Moore, Beaver Harbor.

Cleared Monday.

Coastwise—Str Empress, 612, McDonald, Digby; str Stadium, 46, Pike, Alma; sch Viola Pearl 23, Wadlin, Beaver Harbor; str Connors Bros. 64, Warnock, Chance Harbor.

Cargo of Sugar.

The R. M. S. P. Chaudiere arrived yesterday afternoon from Bermuda with sugar for the Atlantic Sugar Refinery, passengers, mails and general cargo. William Thomson & Co. are the local agents.

Brings Lumber Here.

Sch Margery Austin, Capt. Arsenault, arrived here yesterday morning from Buenos Ayres, sailing about the 15th. She was wrecked on her first voyage and this is the first trip she has made since being rebuilt. Hon. C. W. Robinson is principal owner. J. Willard is local agent.

Mails Here for Cargo.

S.S. Millias arrived at noon yesterday and docked at No. 6 berth, West Side, where she will load cargo for the United Kingdom. J. T. Knight & Co. are local agents.



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Nov. 10 *Dec. 15. Emp. of Britain
Nov. 20 *Dec. 25. Emp. of France
Nov. 27 *Dec. 31. Emp. of France

Montreal-Liverpool

Nov. 20 *Dec. 24. Minnedosa
Nov. 24 *Jan. 7. Metagama
*Dec. 10 *Jan. 15. Melita

Montreal-Glasgow

Nov. 26 *Jan. 6. Pretorian
Montreal-Havre-London
Nov. 19 *Dec. 22. Grampan
*Dec. 11, Jan. 21. Corsican
Montreal-Southampton-Antwerp
Nov. 13 *Dec. 21. Scandinavian
Nov. 24 *Jan. 1. Sicilian

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