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NOT INTIMATES AID FOR LUMBERMEN

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TO INVESTIGATE

Government Ready to Assist in
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THAT some action may be taken by the Government of New Brunswick to assist the lumbermen of the province in the present trying period was gathered today from an interview given by Hon. P. J. Veniot, Premier, who is in Saint John. Reference was made to a possible change in scaling policy and also to action on the stumpage if the market conditions continue as at present.

SCALING SYSTEM

"I read with considerable interest," Hon. Dr. Veniot said, "a report of the discussion that took place at the meeting of the lumbermen here yesterday and I wish to say that the matter of the serious competition they are meeting in the lumber markets of the world, particularly the United States, has already engaged the attention of the Government. The matter was considered fully at our last meeting and we have decided to investigate thoroughly into market conditions with a view to ascertaining what could be done to help out our lumbermen. Among other matters, we discussed the adoption of a new system of scaling, such as is in vogue in the Province of Quebec."

STUMPAGE

Asked concerning stumpage rates, Premier Veniot said that the date on which this is fixed annually is August 1. While no definite decision was taken at the last meeting of the Government, he said, it was hoped that something along the lines of regulating the stumpage rates would take place before August 1. He declared that if market conditions continued as they were at present, he felt that the scaling of the important industry of the province something of a tangible nature should be done to assist it.

LUMBERMEN'S CASE

In the discussion referred to by Premier Veniot the lumbermen yesterday set forth the conditions of the business in New Brunswick and compared the operation of the crown lands in New Brunswick with that of Quebec and Ontario. The stumpage on spruce was \$4 a thousand here while in Quebec the amount charged by the government was \$2.70 a thousand and in Ontario only \$2. The scaling in Quebec, he said, was more favorable to the lumbermen than in New Brunswick.

MAN'S BODY FOUND
IN ONT. BOX CAR

Death Due to Starvation and Exposure, Occurred Six Weeks Ago.
A committee from the New Brunswick Lumbermen's Association met the council of the Board of Trade this morning and discussed the lumber situation. The committee was made up of Angus McLean, C. T. Fenderson and J. L. O'Brien.

ASK BOARD'S HELP

The lumbermen sought the aid of the Board of Trade in having the government reduce the stumpage rate and also be more generous in the scaling.

AGAINST PROTOCOL

South Africa in Accord With Other Dominions, Says Hertzog.

Confesses Killing Neighbor
But Coroner's Jury Frees Him

JUNEAU, Alaska, May 7.—Engene Owens, an old resident of this vicinity, arrived here yesterday from Sundum, a mining camp 80 miles south of Juneau, and confessed killing John Poto, a neighbor. On the same boat with Owens was the body of Poto. Owens told a coroner's jury that Poto had threatened to "get" him, if he crossed a creek from where his cabin was located.

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Canadian Press Cable via Reuters. ROME, May 7.—Official Italy was represented yesterday afternoon, at the meeting to George H. Smyth, Canadian consular, when he completed his paddling trip from London to the Italian capital.

The government was represented by the Minister of War and the Minister of Naval Affairs, while the mayor of Rome found time from his many duties to attend and present the Canadian with a gold medal.

Majors of Municipalities in the vicinity also attended as well as officials of aquatic clubs.

Smyth's entry into Rome by way of the Tiber, was in the nature of a triumph. He was accompanied by hundreds of canoeists, who joined him along the route, and when he reached his destination great crowds on the river banks cheered him wildly.

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