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The Committee concur in the above recommendation and submit the same for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified.

(Signed),

W. A. HIMSWORTH,
Clerk, Privy Council.

To the Honorable
The Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

(1.)

OTTAWA, 5th April, 1875.

The undersigned has the honour to report to Council that he has received information that a Bill has been introduced into the Imperial Parliament, the provisions of which, if adopted, he believes will seriously affect the sea-going shipping of Canada trading to and from the United Kingdom ; and he, therefore, recommends that Her Majesty's Government be communicated with by cable telegraph immediately, requesting them to urge upon Parliament the exemption of Canadian Shipping from the operation of such Bill.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed), A. J. SMITH,

Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

Proposed Telegram to be sent by the Governor General to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

My Government regard Plimsoll proposed amendments to Shipping Bill as very objectionable, and request your Government to delay measure until mine have time to remonstrate.

(2.)

Extract of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 22nd April, 1875.

The Committee of Council have had under consideration the Report, dated 20th April, 1875, from the Hon. the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, having reference to the reports to Council of his predecessor of the 10th and 14th May, 1873, recommending that Her Majesty Government be requested to urge upon Parliament the exemption of Canadian Shipping from the operation of the Plimsoll Bill, &c., &c.,

The Committee concur in the foregoing Report, and recommend that a copy of this minute and documents appended, be transmitted to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Certified.

(Signed),

W. A. HIMSWORTH,
Clerk, Privy Council.

To the Honorable
The Minister of Marine and Fisheries.