

(Resolutions circulated separately). The Chief Commissioner for Japan asked ~~Mr~~ the Netherlands Delegation whether the Resolution under discussion was intended as an Amendment to the one presented by the British Delegation and just adopted. Mr. de Jongh said that it was not meant as an Amendment, but was based on broader principles; it might be possible, however, to mould the two together. In the opinion of the Japanese Delegation the two Resolutions were incompatible, and this was also the view of the Chief Commissioner for Great Britain, who criticised the several proposals contained in the Netherlands Resolution.

Dr. Rössler stated that he had not been able to follow the explanation given by Mr. de Jongh regarding the Resolution, and he proposed that it should be withdrawn from further discussion but placed on record as a Statement in the Minutes of the proceedings. It would there have almost the same effect as if carried in Resolution form by the Commission. This suggestion met with the approval of the House.

Mr. de Jongh then moved the adoption of the second Resolution. This led to further discussion, the proposals not being acceptable to some, though their utility was recognised by other Delegations. Eventually it was agreed that the same course should be adopted for the second as for the first Resolution, *viz.*, That it should be incorporated in the Minutes.

The Chinese Delegation brought forward two Resolutions for the consideration of the House. In submitting them, Mr. T'ang Kuo-An made a powerful speech, insisting that to the Chinese the opium problem was the most acute moral and economic question which as a nation they had to face. His speech will appear verbatim in the printed Minutes. Dr. Tenney moved that the discussion of the Chinese Resolutions should be deferred until the next sitting of the House.

Sir Alexander Hosie having ~~being~~ presented the report of the Committee appointed to investigate into the question of Poppy cultivation and the Production of Opium, the Commission rose at 5 p.m., the next Session being fixed for 10.30 am. on the 25th. February.

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