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TOBIQUE DAM BILL THROUGH THE COMMITTEE

After Somewhat Stormy Passage, and Amid Much Criticism

BY LEGAL MEMBERS

Who Were Inclined to Regard Some of Its Provisions With a Considerable Amount of Suspicion and as Trespassing on Public Rights.

Fredericton, April 22.—A bill entitled an "Act to incorporate the Fraser Paper Company Limited, was before the Legislative Assembly today, sitting as a Committee of the Whole and it had a stormy passage before it handed safely into the hands of the Speaker.

Dr. Baxter was insistent that the bill should contain amendments that would safeguard the interests of the fishermen of St. John county, which he represented. He made an eloquent appeal to the members calling their attention to tricks that had previously been played on the public by corporations which had failed to live up to their agreements with the legislature. He argued that the fishermen must have some other assurance than that of the Fraser's that suitable and efficient fish ways should be built at their proposed dams on the Tobique, which would cut off their spawning beds. He considered it unwise that the House should rely upon the reputation of the Fraser's to assure the carrying out of a verbal agreement that suitable and efficient fish ways would be constructed. Dr. Baxter was ably supported in his contention by Dr. Campbell, Mr. Tilley and Mr. Sweeney.

As a result of Dr. Baxter's appeal that the successful paw of the mighty octopus should not smother the public, amendments were adopted making it obligatory upon the Fraser's to deposit a sum of money in a trust fund, which shall be approved by the Minister of Fisheries connected with the Marine and Fisheries department at Ottawa.

Other features of the bill were attacked by Dr. Baxter as giving the company a throttling grip upon the Province. He thought they were receiving powers which would permit them at any time to sell out to other interests, and those interested, he declared, would be on the other side of the line. He said it was the tendency of companies of this kind to acquire powers of amalgamation to grow bigger and bigger, and then be grabbed by somebody in the Republic to the south.

The Minister of Agriculture, who is sponsor on the floor of the House for the Fraser bill, devoted considerable time to championing the cause of the petitioners. He is noted for his great verbosity and in his reply to Dr. Baxter's attack he went into about all the words in the dictionary, but failed to say anything. He flew high lines, and had to be brought to earth by the chairman, Mr. Smith, of Albert.

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OFFICERS APPOINTED TO THE AIR BOARD

Ottawa, April 22.—(By Canadian Press)—Two active flying officers appointed to the new Air Board are Lieutenant Colonel Robert Lockie, and Lieutenant Colonel O. M. Blagden, C. C. who were respectively Superintendent of Flying Operations and Superintendent of the Flying Branch, under the existing board. O. M. Blagden, C. C. is re-appointed Vice Chairman of the Board and J. A. Wilson, of the Navy Department, who was a member of the existing board, is appointed Secretary. Lieutenant Colonel Lockie is a Toronto man and Lieutenant Colonel Blagden is from Quebec City. The original Board was made up of ministers and officials of the Government with the exception of Mr. Blagden who was unable to give more than halfhearted attention to flying affairs.

With the creation of a Canadian Air Force and the inauguration of a command in chief in Canada, the appointment of a permanent Board to devote all its energies to flying matters became a necessity. This board will be under the chairmanship of Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Solicitor General and Minister of Militia.

SIR CHAS. TOWNSEND TO VISIT TORONTO

New York, April 22.—(Canadian Press)—It was announced here tonight that General Sir Charles Townsend, the hero of Kut-el-Amara, will visit Toronto on May 3, and will probably accept an invitation to deliver an address there.

Details of the arrangements for his brief visit to Canada have not yet been worked out. He will likely spend only one day in Toronto.

The famous British General was entertained at luncheon at the Canadian Club today by a number of prominent Canadian residents here.

A MONCTON WEDDING

Moncton, April 22.—The marriage of Miss Helen P. Sackler, of this city to Peter A. McKinnon, well known C. N. R. brakeman, of Campbellton, was solemnized yesterday at the Highfield Street Baptist parsonage, Rev. E. H. Cochran officiating. The bride has been a stenographer in the office of the Maritime Sunday School Association during the past year. Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon left yesterday afternoon for Campbellton on a short wedding trip. They will reside in Moncton.

BRITISH WOMEN'S VOTE

London, April 22.—By a vote of 14 to 9, the committee of the House of Commons today laid on the table the Labor Party's Franchise Bill under which women would have been given the vote at the age of 21, the same as men.

SHORTCOMINGS OF THE PROVINCE'S LONDON OFFICE

Member of Legislature Thinks it Should Either be Made Effective or Abandoned.

Special to The Standard
Fredericton, N. B., April 22.—It is the opinion of the Public Accounts Committee that the New Brunswick office being maintained in London should be made a more effective medium to further the interests of the province or be abandoned.

In the opinion of Mr. Magee, a capable man, at a good salary, should be kept in London with proper facilities to represent the national resources of New Brunswick, as well as manufactured articles.

He thought that if a progressive policy could not be carried on it would be better to discontinue the office.

In keeping with the views of the chairman, Mr. Michael introduced the resolution as follows: "That it resolves that in the opinion of the committee the province of New Brunswick should be more adequately represented throughout England and that adequate public relations should be given to our interests and national resources."

THRILLING RESCUE BY FISHING SCHOONER

Of Crew of S.S. Westgate, Which is Probably Lost.

Halifax, N. S., April 22.—(By Canadian Press)—The fishing schooner W. G. Robertson, Captain Theriault, arrived at Shelburne, N. S., with the crew of the ship Westgate, Captain Steele, which was rescued at sea on Tuesday. The ship left Perth Amboy, N. J., Thursday last, for Halifax with 1,000 tons of coal. She ran into a stiff gale on Monday when on the northeast of George's Bay. The cargo shifted, throwing the vessel on her beam-ends. The masts were immediately cut. On Tuesday, the schooner W. G. Robertson was in sight and proceeded to the rescue, running under great difficulties rescued all from the vessel.

The sea was so rough that it was impossible for the Robertson to get close. Dories were put over, Captain Theriault himself in one. His dory went the closest to the Westgate, and the men, by one of the dories, were transferred to the other dories standing by. Captain Steele was the last to leave the ship. In all, there were 25 men on board. Several dories were badly smashed when the rescue was being made and came near going down. One member of the crew had his head somewhat cut, otherwise the men are in good shape and full of praise for the captain and the crew. The Westgate was owned in Quebec and registered 1,921 tons.

GOVT WINS BOTH EDINBURGH SEATS

London, April 22.—(By Canadian Associated Press)—The result of the voting in the by-election in North and South Edinburgh, which was announced today follows:

Edinburgh North—H. J. Ford, Coalition, 9,944.
W. Runciman, Liberal, 8,469.
Mayor Graham Cole, Labor, 3,808.
Edinburgh South—C. D. Murray, Coalition, 11,176.
D. T. Holman, Liberal, 8,177.

The Edinburgh North seat became vacant through the appointment of the late member, J. A. Clyde, K. C., to the Scottish bench. In Edinburgh South, Mr. Murray sought re-election after being appointed as Scottish Solicitor General.

MANUFACTURE OF OLEOMARGARINE

Is Protested Against by Montreal Board of Trade.

Montreal, April 22.—Restoration of its protest against prohibition of the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine in Canada was made by the Board of Trade at the meeting of the Council held yesterday. After the 20th of September next, unless legislation is adopted at this session of Parliament, the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine will be prevented, hence the reaffirmation of the protest previously taken by the Board of Trade.

THE DISMISSALS OF UNIV. PROFESSORS

Regina, Sask., April 22.—Decision of the judges who heard the evidence of the inquiry into the dismissals of the University of Saskatchewan professors are to be looked for early next week, according to a statement made by Mr. Justice Newlands. It is said that the judgment will be given to the Provincial Government before it is made public.

SPECULATION RIFE AS TO BUDGET PROPOSALS

Hoped That Business Profits Tax Would be Dropped, as of Insufficient Value.

COMMONS CONSIDERED

Franchise Bill and Grand Trunk Legislation — Mr. Fielding Under Fire for Some Political Appointments He Made.

Special to The Standard
Ottawa, April 22.—The Budget announcement, according to Sir George Foster, but a week or ten days off, speculation is rife as to the method which the new Minister will employ in the collection of much needed revenues. While Great Britain intends, under her new Budget, just announced, to clear off a goodly part of the principal of her debt, it is not anticipated that the new Canadian Finance Minister will be ambitious enough to do more than provide for a portion at least of the present anticipated deficit.

The decision of Great Britain to continue, and even increase her business profits tax was received here with very considerable interest. It has been anticipated that Canada would allow her business profits tax to drop, though collections for the past year are largely still to be made, and though there would be loss of time to receive the tax, if it is thought necessary before the next accounting period is up. The tax is not popular, either with the Government or with those upon whom it is imposed. And it has been disappointingly unsuccessful in the collection of wealth during the four years of its enforcement. During 1916-17 it realized only twenty and a half millions; in the succeeding year there were collected 21 millions; in 1918-19 the sum realized was 23 millions, or a total in the three years of about \$66,000,000. During the fiscal year just past the sum of about forty-five million was collected. In the four years of its incidence, therefore, about a hundred millions were produced from this form of taxation, or an average of twenty-five million a year. It is times when profits were high and war times were plentiful.

There is talk of a tax on luxuries, and also of a tax on the increase in the income tax, but it is doubtful if the Government has as yet fully made a plan as to these. As for the tariff, few changes are expected. The Prime Minister, however, who is expected to return to Ottawa during the Budget debate, will make a pronouncement on fiscal policy of the greatest significance, as it will make the tariff policy of a permanent United Kingdom.

(Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, Ont., April 22.—The House made progress today on two important subjects, the Franchise Bill and the Grand Trunk legislation. In the former, consideration was given to non-contentious clauses. Hon. W. S. Fielding (Continued on page 2.)

STORMY SCENES TRIAL OF LARKIN

The Irish Orator Complains of His Treatment by Court.

New York, April 22.—Stormy court scenes which have accompanied the trial of James Larkin, Irish leader charged with criminal anarchy were not lacking today.

Conducting his own case, Larkin objected strenuously to "interruptions" by Supreme Court Justice Weeks and frequently was ordered by the Justice locked in the Tombs prison.

The clash came during Larkin's explanation of George R. Lorrain, former member of the Winnipeg police force who was being questioned concerning the general strike in that city last year. Justice Weeks inquired concerning the relevancy of a certain question and at the same time Assistant District Attorney Torke entered an objection.

"I cannot prove my point if the court will observe with meaningless interruptions the interferences of thought between the defendant and the witness," began Larkin. "I have a right to—"

Justice Weeks' gavel descended. "You have no right to say the court is trying to obstruct anything in this case," said the Justice.

"I respectfully suggest right here now, you are doing so, and the penalty you can administer," retorted Larkin.

"This is a direct insult to the court," declared Justice Weeks, "and must be severely dealt with."

Excusing the jury, he called Larkin to the bench and said that his language was unjust and unfair, and that it called for severe punishment. He then directed a deputy sheriff to see that Larkin was imprisoned during the rest of the trial.

TROUBLE LIKELY IN POMERANIA

Berlin, April 22.—(By the Associated Press)—Despite official reports that no outbreak is threatened in Pomerania, special correspondents in the Berlin newspaper set to investigate report there is plenty of inflammatory material in the region.

A wireless message from Berlin received in London on Wednesday said that the investigations instituted by the Government in the Province of Pomerania showed there was no danger of a rupture in Pomerania.

BOARD TO STUDY THE PROBLEMS OF TUBERCULOSIS

Ottawa, April 22.—A Board of Tuberculosis Sanatoriums, Commissions has been appointed by the Director Medical Services of the Department of Soldiers Civil Establishment, to visit throughout Canada in which patients of the Department are receiving treatment.

The personnel of this Board includes Dr. A. F. Miller, Nova Scotia, Sanatorium, Kentville, N. S.

The function of the Board is to study the whole situation in Canada with respect to the treatment of tuberculosis among ex-military members of the force, and so far as possible to bring about adoption of uniform standards of treatment, equipment, records, etc., in such a way that the fullest benefit may be derived from the treatment in each case.

AN IGNOMINIOUS END.

Boston, April 22.—The wooden raft, Richmond, commissioned by the naval service in 1858, made her last voyage today. She is on her way in tow to Rockland, Maine, where she will be beached and burned for fuel.

PUSYFOOT RETURNS

New York, April 22.—William S. Pusyfoot Johnson, of Waterville, Ohio, returned here today from Liverpool on the steamer New York after literally having given an eye to make England dry. The crossing against the American prohibition laws was made by a host of prohibition advocates.

THE MURDER OF LORD MAYOR M'CURTAIN

Will Those Found Guilty by Coroner's Jury be Brought to Trial?

London, April 22.—The question how the persons accused of murder in the Cork jury's verdict at the inquest over the body of Lord Mayor M'Curcain would be brought to trial. The Attorney-General for Ireland, the Right Hon. Denis Hanney, in reply said he was awaiting the report of the evidence given before the coroner before he would consider the matter.

Replying to another query, Mr. Hanney said it was a matter affecting the public service he could give no further information as to whether the verdict brought by the Mayor M'Curcain was to be tried by a secret society, and, if so, why this evidence was not produced at the inquest.

Charges of wilful murder, in the death of Lord Mayor M'Curcain were made in the verdict brought by the Cork jury on April 17 against Premier Lloyd George, Lord French, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, Sir MacDonnell, late Chief Secretary for Ireland; Acting Inspector General Smith, of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and other officials.

FURTHER OUTRAGES OCCUR IN IRELAND

Sinn Fein Prisoners Taken Away on Destroyers—Raids Made by Military.

Belfast, April 22.—The removal of Sinn Fein prisoners from Belfast and a large number of Sinn Fein men on three destroyers leads to the belief that the authorities are planning to transport all Sinn Fein prisoners from Ireland.

The house of a merchant named Stewart was destroyed by fire this morning in County Down, in Lincolnton. The Theatre Royal was attacked last night by a dozen armed men who rushed the office and held up the manager abstracting the receipts of the theatre.

The last hunger striker was removed from Mount Joy prison today. He was taken to a hospital.

Evidence of Steamer's Loss

U. S. Cutter Found Sea Covered With Fuel Oil and Name Board of Steamer William O'Brien, Also Empty Lifeboat.

Boston, April 22.—The coast guard cutter Acushnet, which has been searching for the disabled steamer William O'Brien, reported early today by wireless that she had found the steamer covered with fuel oil and a name board of the steamer drifting about 500 miles off New York. An empty lifeboat from the William O'Brien was picked up Tuesday in the same locality.

It is feared that the steamer went down not long after she had asked for help during a gale Sunday.

UNITED FARMERS' GUIDE APPEARS

New Publication Emanating from Moncton Just Out.

Moncton, N. B., April 22.—The United Farmers' official organ in the Maritime Provinces, "The United Farmers' Guide," which is being published at Moncton, made its initial appearance today. The journal is a magazine form and the first issue consists of sixty-four pages. The subscription list of 14,793 is claimed.

BRITISH LABOR MEN'S VISIT TO RUSSIA

London, April 22.—The delegation of the British Labor Party which will go to Russia to investigate the situation will be composed of Philip Snowden, Ben Turner, Herbert Williams and Tom Shaw. Williams, who is regarded as the most radical member of the delegation, had long advocated direct action.

It was decided that the party will start next Tuesday by way of Stockholm and Helsingfors. The Laborites decline to assume responsibility for the accompanying correspondence, but it is stated that representatives of some of the London papers are planning to start and take charge of being able to enter Russia.

CAILLAUX FOUND GUILTY ON SOME LESSER COUNTS

Thus Escaping Conviction for High Treason—Sentence May be Five Years.

PROBABLY LIGHT THO'

In View of Fact That Accused Has Already Spent 28 Months' Incarceration — Many of His Friends Thought He Would be Acquitted.

Paris, April 22.—By the Associated Press)—Joseph Caillaux, former Premier of France and twice Minister of Finance, stands tonight convicted of having placed his personal political ambition during the war higher than the interest of the country that honor and gave him birth. Caillaux, while escaping conviction for high treason, was found to have been reckless and imprudent and very close to treasonable ambition, for such is the interpretation of the verdict of "guilty of commerce and correspondence with the enemy" which was rendered today by the Senate.

This is the first verdict of the sort rendered in any of the Allied countries since the war began, "commerce" as interpreted by the Senators who were the judges not meaning financial trading, but commerce by means of communication with the enemy. "Correspondence" in this particular case is employed in the sense of association. The Senators entered Luxembourg Palace this afternoon with the determination to have finished with the case, which has taken up their time during the past three months. They began the discussion in the "vigorous business-like manner" presenting a strange contrast to their bored attitude during the closing days of the trial. No one, however, took any notice of the fact that the verdict would be reached this evening. But after the court had disposed of the high treason charge and that of "intelligence with the enemy," and had decided its own sentence, which was less than four hours, word was passed that a decision was impending and Luxembourg Gardens were filled with overflowing in the neighborhood of the Palais by dense crowds and police reserves had to be called out.

The verdict followed on another with great rapidity and the vote was 150 to 18. The partisans of the former premier were thrilled with joy and hope while the treason charge was promptly eliminated, and confidently predicted acquittal and began to speculate among themselves the possibility of the cabinet which Caillaux was expected to form within six months after his release.

When they attempted to have the Senate refrain from establishing itself, it is the high constitutional authority surrounded by correspondents offering to purchase for him the best village in France if only he would talk. Many of the Senators did.

At times the noise—shouts and the ringing of bells—heard within the Chamber were simply deafening. It seemed on several occasions as though the disturbances might degenerate into a free-for-all fight. It was a stormy scene, a jurores room in a criminal court building, multiplied by twenty.

The verdict may mean a sentence of five years' banishment for Caillaux, which may, however, be diminished to one year, according to an extenuating circumstance as found. Incarceration in a fortress is another sentence which may be pronounced tomorrow when the high court convenes.

It was the consensus of opinion that the sentence would be light and that the 28 months which Caillaux has spent in jail, and a sanatorium would be taken into consideration.

TORNADO'S DAMAGE

Montgomery, Ala., April 22.—Late reports at the office of Governor Kibby indicate that 76 persons were killed in Alabama by the tornado on Tuesday, upwards of 500 injured and more than 1,000 farm buildings demolished.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE STILL VERY INQUISITIVE

Mr. Smith, Albert, Enquires Into Irregularities of Public Works Dept.

Fredericton, April 22.—Mr. Smith of Albert joined the information seekers today and took occasion for enquire of the Public Accounts Committee regarding certain expenditures and the roster of men employed in this county on public works.

The bills on file showed that one, Fletcher, who hails from York County had been handling considerable sums of money.

He had paid laborers their weekly salaries and had otherwise carried on in a manner contrary to the usual custom. It was also brought out by Mr. Smith, that Mr. Robinson of Moncton had furnished money for some of the work being done by the Public Works Department in Albert.

Mr. LePage, ordinarily a very mild-mannered gentleman, became somewhat excited at Mr. Smith's questioning of the Government methods of financing work in Albert, and considered the honesty of most officials and employees was being questioned. Mr. Smith said he had made inquiry in view of the fact that the Minister of Public Works had said all the money for the pay of employees was sent from the Department. When he found Mr. Fletcher had as having received over seven hundred dollars, and was paying the men, he thought it proper that he should enquire into the transaction. Mr. Smith thought it rather queer that the work in Albert should be under an engineer from Fredericton, a formerly from Westmorland and financial temporarily by a money lender from Moncton. He thought Albert had men capable of performing these duties, and the satisfaction of the Government, and they should be given prior consideration.

The Law Committee of the Legislative Assembly had under consideration today a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Central Trust Company." The incorporators are well known business and professional men of Westmorland. The capital stock of the proposed company is placed at five hundred thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each and the holders are to be at Moncton.

According to the terms of the Act the company shall not commence business until at least \$200,000 of stock have been paid up. The company is to have \$50,000 in cash paid thereon and deposited in one of the chartered banks of Canada.

The catbire of the men connected with the proposed financial institution is such as to assure its success. The proposed company is placed in the financial world of central New Brunswick. Mr. A. D. Holyoke of Woodstock is the promoter of the enterprise and appeared before the committee to explain the Bill.

CIVIL SERVANTS AND CLOTHING QUESTION

Civil Service Commission Says it Has Nothing to do With it.

Ottawa, April 22.—Any fears entertained in the minds of the thousands of civil servants in the capital as to the attitude of the Civil Service Commission towards their contemplated participation in the "old clothes" or "old clothes" campaign here may be quickly dispelled. The commission came out quite frankly today with the assurance that "it is none of its business" what form of wearing apparel employees of the Government appear in at their offices. Moreover there is good reason to believe that the individual members of the commission are completely in sympathy with the widespread movement having as its object the cutting down of the high cost of living.

"We have not the first thing to do with the personal appearance of members of the civil service," said Hon. Dr. Roche, Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, when asked for the commission's view upon civil servants adopting the regulation clothes of "old clothes league."

TAKING NO CHANCES.

New York, April 20.—Andy Holmes, guardian of the monkey cages at a circus which is now showing here, evidently keeps posted on all the latest scientific discoveries. He was found by a newspaperman the other day "shooting" away a man with a long white beard.

If one of our monkeys sees a set of white whiskers he becomes hysterical," said Andy.

He explained that the monkeys have been annoyed all winter by osteopaths trying to steal their interstitial glands.

MEETING CALLED CLEAR UP STRIKE

Chicago, April 22.—John Graman, President of the Chicago Yardsmen's Association, this afternoon called a meeting for tomorrow afternoon to clear up the entire situation.

Members of his organization and of the other "outlaw" union, the United Engineers, were invited to attend, along with Judge K. M. Landis, John M. Glenn, Representative Illinois manufacturers and general managers of the railroads.

Mr. Graman said he had no recommendations to make to the men. "Any proposition that they may make will be voted on," he said. "They are free to suggest any action they desire, and the vote of the majority will rule."

St. Louis, Mo., April 22.—The striking yardmen in the St. Louis district were invited to return to work pending a decision on their wage demands by the railroad Labor Board, providing the seniority rights are not denied them.

SOME HAUL.

New York, April 22.—A gang of expert burglars spent an entire night breaking into offices in a loft building on Barclay street. They "cracked" five different safes and the total proceeds of their night's work amounted to just \$20.

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE PORT OF ST. JOHN

Which Was Suggested by Mr. F. L. Potts Some Time Ago

NOW TAKEN UP BY GOV'T

Calls for Prompt Action by the Dominion Authorities Looking for the Development of the Harbor Facilities of This Port.

Special to The Standard
Fredericton, April 22.—Good advice from the Opposition side of the House is sometimes followed by the Government. This fact was demonstrated today when Dr. Roberts gave notice of motion to be moved tomorrow which has to do with the development of the port of St. John. It will be recalled that during the early days of the session Mr. Potts made a spirited address in reply to the speech from the Throne in which he took up the question of the development of the winter port.

He accused the Government of open neglect in not having acted as a Government to get busy, show some life on Ottawa in furthering the claims of St. John for consideration at the hands of the Federal Government. He maintained that the development of St. John Harbor meant a greater commercial development for the province as a whole and urged the Government to get busy, show some life and send a deputation to Ottawa with a determination to stick there until the Federal authorities showed a disposition to act.

The notice of motion given by Dr. Roberts is in keeping with the suggestions of Mr. Potts. The motion is as follows:

"Whereas, that as it is in the interests of the Province of New Brunswick that the port of St. John should be adequately prepared for the handling of the commerce, both inward and outward, that will naturally seek it as a port; and

"Whereas the port of St. John has for twenty years or more been one of the two ports on the eastern seaboard of Canada which have been availed of during winter months and outwardward overseas trade of Canada; and

"Whereas, it has become abundantly manifest that the development of the port of St. John is a matter of such importance that the said port is unable to handle such increased trade with the Province, and that such economy and necessary to such trade; and

"Whereas, such inability has been solely owing to the lack of wharves, docks, and other essential facilities to sea-borne commerce; and

"Whereas, the St. John Valley Railway has been built at great cost to this Province and it is to be extended to connect with the transcontinental rails of Canada, so as to afford an additional facility for the said sea-borne commerce of Canada, and so should be taken over and extended and operated by the Government of Canada;

"Therefore resolved, that this House do pass a resolution that a deputation composed of member of this House, and others be sent, as early as possible, to Ottawa, to confer with the Federal authorities, and to have the supervision and control of the said port, and to urge upon the authorities the vital necessity, not only in the interests of the port of St. John and the Province of New Brunswick, but that of the entire situation, that such additional facilities as hereinbefore mentioned in this resolution, be supplied to the port without further delay, and that such deputation be named by a committee of this House, appointed by the Hon. Speaker of this House, and composed of an equal number from each side of the House so far as the House membership of the delegation is concerned; and

"Further resolved, that the necessary travelling expenses of said deputation in consequence of said conference at Ottawa be a charge upon the public funds of this Province."

EXCHANGE RATE.

Montreal, April 22.—New York funds in Montreal are quoted at 7 1/4 per cent premium. Sterling in New York has advanced to 3.90 1/4 for demand, and sterling in Montreal is quoted at 4.26 1/4 for demand.