

had that disastrous Privy Council judgment under which a New Brunswick company has been held liable for a very large sum of money because of gold provisions in a contract. I do not know why the 1937 legislation was so defective. This, however, has apparently been very carefully studied, and there is no reason why it should not go through.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved the third reading of the Bill.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD BILL

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

The Hon. the SPEAKER presented the following message from the House of Commons:

Resolved, that a message be sent to the Senate to acquaint Their Honours that this House concurs in the amendments made by the Senate to Bill 63, an Act to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act, 1935, and that a consequential amendment be made to the said Bill by striking out the words "Fort William" in lines 1 and 2, on page 2, and substituting therefor the words "Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver."

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Has my right honourable friend (Right Hon. Mr. Meighen) been informed of this?

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Yes, I have heard of it.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: We struck out the words "Fort William" and substituted "Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver" in the first part of section 3 of the Bill, but omitted to make a consequential change, to the same effect, which was necessary near the end of the section. The purpose of the amendment proposed by the Commons is simply to correct our omission. I move that this amendment be concurred in.

The motion was agreed to.

SALT FISH BOARD BILL

CONSIDERATION IN COMMITTEE

On the motion to adjourn:

Hon. Mr. TANNER: I should like to suggest to the honourable leader of the House (Hon. Mr. Dandurand) that he arrange to have present at the Banking and Commerce Committee, when we are discussing the Salt Fish Board Bill, some official from the Department of Fisheries capable of giving the com-

mittee information as to the comparative qualities of Norwegian, Icelandic, Newfoundland and Canadian salt cod. In my judgment quality is a vital factor in the export business.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I shall have that information available to-morrow.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: The honourable leader might also have someone to inform the committee why it is the department has no official possessing knowledge of matters which are to be investigated.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: The department has officials familiar with the general situation of the fishing industry throughout the country, but this Bill requires a study of something more than that, namely, the local situation in Nova Scotia.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Some officials are thoroughly familiar with that, too.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 3 p.m.

THE SENATE

Thursday, June 1, 1939.

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

SALT FISH BOARD BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. BLACK presented the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on Bill 130, an Act to provide for the constitution of a Salt Fish Board.

MOTION FOR THIRD READING—BILL REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved the third reading of the Bill.

Hon. C. E. TANNER: Honourable members, I refrained from discussing this Bill when it was up for second reading, as I desired to get information that would likely be available when the Bill was before the Banking and Commerce Committee. The committee considered the measure to-day, and we now have the report.

Personally, I am very much in sympathy with the main objective at which this Bill aims, namely, betterment of the men engaged in the fishing business—the fishermen—particularly in the province of Nova Scotia. I am well aware, as I have no doubt many honourable members are also, that the fishermen in that province are in a bad plight, and that