

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the House of Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which Your Excellency has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

And on the proposed motion of Mr. Bracken in amendment thereto:—That the following be added to the motion:—

“We respectfully submit to Your Excellency that Your Excellency's advisers do not possess the confidence of the Canadian people.”

And the Debate continuing;

Mr. Coldwell, seconded by Mr. Irvine, moved in amendment to the amendment:—That the following words be inserted in the amendment, after the word “motion” and before the word “We”:

“This House regrets that Your Excellency's Advisers have failed to use the powers provided by Parliament to control prices, and by their actions have caused alarming increases in the cost of living and a dangerous lowering of the living standards of the Canadian people.

“Therefore . . . ”

And the Debate still continuing; the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Abbott, adjourned, on division.

Mr. Mackenzie King moved,—Resolved, That it is expedient that Parliament do approve the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, including the Protocol of Provisional Application thereof, annexed to the Final Act of the Second Session of the Preparatory Committee of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment held at Geneva from April 10 to October 30, 1947, together with the complementary agreements of October 30, 1947, between Canada and the United States of America and between Canada and the United Kingdom; and that this House do approve of the same, subject to the legislation required in order to give effect to the provisions thereof.

And a Debate arising thereon; the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Howe, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 10.45 o'clock, p.m., until to-morrow, at three o'clock, p.m.