

handicaps to this trade up to the present time.

While all Canadian trade will be benefited by these latest important steps taken towards expansion, the ratification of the British West Indies Trade Treaty is destined to prove an especial boon to the maritimes.

(Almost 100% via Canadian ports)
The extent to which Canadian trade via Canadian ports has been developed under the policy of allowing additional preference of ten per cent upon commodities enjoying the British Preference came as rather a revelation during the visit to Ottawa of a large Maritime delegation early in the session. One of the requests presented to the Federal cabinet was that the British Preference should be restricted to goods entered at Canadian ports.

Replying, the Prime Minister pointed out that since Mr. Fielding two years previous made provision for encouraging more importation of goods through Canadian ports by granting a discount of ten per cent on British preferred goods entered at Canadian ports, the desired effect had been achieved. Almost one hundred per cent of British preferred goods were coming in by way of Canadian ports and there would be no advantage in the way of extending trade by restricting the British Preference entirely to Canadian ports.

*Chapter IV
(Soldiers Benefit by Amendments)*

The welfare of soldiers suffering disability and of the dependents of the fallen was further insured in the amendments to the Pension Act introduced by Hon. Dr. Beland on behalf of the Liberal Government. Similar amendments along with provision for distribution of the Canteen Fund were killed or mangled beyond recognition by the Senate (with large Conservative majority) for two preceding years in succession.

(Bonus made permanent)
Among the amendments made effective in legislation the past session was (1) provision to make permanent the bonus which up to the present has been temporary and voted from year to year. The act as amended provides for extending the pension to include the bonus.

(Time extended to apply for Pension)
(2) Under the act as it formerly stood the time for making application for disability pension expired August 31st, 1924, three years after the proclamation of peace. The 1925 amendments extend the time to (a) three years after the date of death in respect of which pension

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