

of the Montreal Corn Exchange, while in Winnipeg in April last, addressed an informal joint meeting of this Board and the Grain Exchange, on which occasion the following resolution was approved:—

“Whereas, it is anticipated that there will be a large increase in the agricultural products of Manitoba and the North-West Territories, and ample transportation and terminal facilities for the handling of same will be of advantage to the producer; and

“Whereas, it is of paramount importance to the West, and also to the Eastern Province, that a large share of this business should pass through Canadian territory to the seaboard; and

“Whereas, the Canadian Inland Marine is insufficient to meet the requirements of the grain trade originating at Fort William elevators; and

“Whereas, there are no elevator facilities at Montreal for the storage of grain arriving by the water route;

* “Be it therefore resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting, in view of the large anticipated increase in the grain products of this country, which will require all the harbor space in the port of Montreal to provide for the same, that the property now controlled by the Montreal Harbor Trust be not alienated by long term of leases to either individuals or corporations;

“Be it further resolved, That, pending the increase of Canadian vessels sufficient for the requirements of the grain trade at Fort William, the United States vessels be allowed to load at Fort William for Canadian eastern ports for export;

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