

TARIFF BOARD ENDS SESSIONS IN MARITIME

Half Day Session at Moncton Where Protective Tariff is Advocated.

FARMERS ARE NOT AT THE COMMISSION

Senator Wants Straight Tariff of Twenty Per Cent. on Woolens and Cottons.

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 10.—Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, and Hon. G. D. Robertson, minister of labour, held a special tariff commission here this morning. J. L. MacDonald of the Atlantic Underwear Co., Ltd., advocated the maintenance of adequate protection.

Mayor A. C. Chapman, on behalf of the New Brunswick Wire Fence Co., Ltd., urged that no tariff reduction be made. W. C. Newcombe, president and general manager of Maritime Linen Mills, Ltd., argued against any lowering of duties as they affected their output.

Senator McCreedy addressed the commission urging that a twenty per cent "straight" tariff be placed on all woolen and cotton goods.

G. Archibald of the United Farmers Guild, spoke briefly regarding the absence of a member of the United Farmers party, who was expected to attend the session.

J. L. MacDonald presented a statement on behalf of Moncton manufacturers. He said in part: "There are today over 1,200 employees in the different manufacturing concerns, and with their dependents number nearly 4,000 people, occupying approximately 700 houses in the city which would be unoccupied were there no manufacturing carried on here."

"In the province of New Brunswick we have potential power in our water falls of hundreds of thousands of horsepower waiting to be harnessed and right alongside rich mineral deposits of coal, gold, iron, clay, limestone, granite, lead, copper, zinc, shale, tungsten and manganese, none of which is yet being exploited, and which to any extent developed, and the development of which cannot be carried out until the necessary capital is secured."

"We believe that the maintenance of adequate protection by preserving the home markets will gradually bring about quantity production to the point where we will be able to successfully enter foreign fields and for these reasons we desire to impress strongly upon the commission the inadvisability of disturbing the fiscal policy under which our comparatively rapid development has taken place."

GREAT BRITAIN IS PREPARING TREATY CHANGES

These Will be Submitted at Geneva Meeting—Hope for United States Support.

By WILLIAM J. BUTLER. (Copyright, 1920, by Cross-Atlantic.) London, Nov. 10.—Great Britain is already preparing changes in the covenant of the League of Nations to meet the new political conditions of the United States. I learn that Lloyd George brought the matter up at the Cabinet meeting Saturday, and a proposal was formulated which will be presented at the meeting of the League at Geneva shortly.

Further concession to American opinion will come Article 10 is dropped, as now seems likely. The question of the British Empire's six votes to America's one in the League's Assembly is not likely to be considered, as it is pointed out here that with American influence in South America, America is really able to outvote Britain.

"I preferred tariffs, such as are provided in the tariff of Canada, can be arranged between different overseas dominions, I consider that my firm would have a good chance of securing a good market for our goods in the provinces of South America."

"In view of the very moderate proportion not only to get into foreign markets, but likewise enable us to sell to consumers in our home market at lower prices than our rivals. On the other hand, if through change of customs duties we should lose part of our own market to foreign competitors, our overhead expenditure and our unit cost of production would be increased, thus necessitating an increase in the price of our goods, which would take away all our opportunity for entering the export field and likewise make it more difficult, year by year, to retain our home market against foreign competition."

"Guard Home Markets. We find in Europe and in all the countries the world over they are jealously guarding their home markets for their own people by restrictions on imports and the raising of their tariff walls. Why should Canada alone voluntarily assume the role of Cinderella in the family of nations."

"The tariff on goods manufactured in Moncton and vicinity is barely sufficient to maintain Canadian markets for Canadian industry and should not be lowered."

"The United States with a population of over twelve times that of Canada finds it necessary to maintain a tariff very much higher than ours and under the Republican party recently elected increases to it are certain to be made."

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Exchange Helped Traveller Out in His Expenses on European Tour.

Venice, Nov. 9.—A Dutchman, who has been making a tour of Europe, leaving Venice among other places, gives the following curious account of his travelling expenses.

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"LAST SUPPER" ROOM
CAUSE OF DISPUTE
Athens, Nov. 10.—The disposal of the supper room at Jerusalem which was the scene of the Last Supper of Christ and His Disciples has recently been the subject of considerable dispute. It has been stated that the Sultan of Turkey has presented it as a personal gift to the King of Italy. The view of the Greek Orthodox Church is that, since the room is a sacred one and is, in fact, the most important in Christendom, its disposition should be left, not to a Mohammedan power, but to the British High Commissioner for Palestine, Sir Herbert Samuel; and it is urged that, as a Hebrew, and therefore neutral in religion, Sir Herbert is best able to consider the rival claims of the Greek, Roman and English churches.

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