

2. Does the Government contemplate the granting of aid towards the holding of such a celebration?

The Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden, in reply, said before the House of Commons information furnished by the officers of the Canadian Peace Centenary Association substantially identical with the earlier portions of this report. He proceeded:—

The American Committee showed a zeal and interest in the movement which created a most favourable impression on all who came in contact with them.

The British and Canadian delegates received many courtesies and attentions from the United States Committee as well as from other prominent and representative citizens.

The Government understands that the proceedings of the conference, which were entirely harmonious, resulted in the passing of resolutions recommending a definite scheme of commemoration, partly by the erection of visible monuments, possibly of identical design; partly by the ceremonies attending the laying of the corner stone of these monuments, and partly by the establishment of lectureships, scholarships and similar methods of diffusing correct information upon international relations.

The Canadian delegation has communicated full information with regard to the conference in a letter which is herewith laid on the table for the information of the House.

While the Canadian Peace Centenary Association is an unofficial body, the Government strongly sympathizes with and approves of its object and purpose of promoting good will and peace between the nations of the world. The Government is disposed to give favourable consideration to a grant such as that mentioned in the question in case similar action should be taken in other countries.

#### **Royal Hospitality**

The letter, which appears at length in Hansard of June 5, contains the information already given, and in addition included the following passages:—

The proceedings of the Conference began on May 5th and terminated on May 9th. During their continuance the American committee constituted themselves the hosts of the visiting delegates, and discharged that function with the utmost generosity. Great interest was evinced in the Conference while it sat in New York, an interest which in part took the form of a hospitality which culminated in a banquet held on the