

TOKYO

Does the Government intend to send a Minister to Tokyo?

Answer: - Decision on the appointment of a Minister has been deferred in view of the necessity of considering the situation in a number of other Legations. It is expected that an appointment will be made shortly. In the meantime, the Legation has been competently looked after by Mr. McGreer, the Chargé d'Affaires, ~~and~~ Mr. E.H. Norman, who was born in Japan, ~~He is~~ the son of a Canadian Missionary, and a specialist in oriental languages, ~~and~~ has recently been appointed language officer in the Legation.

Does the Canadian Government intend to <sup>follow the course</sup> ~~adopt the proposal~~ of the United States, which has prohibited exports of petroleum and scrap <sup>iron and steel</sup> metals to Japan?

Answer: - So far as I am aware the United States has not prohibited exports of these commodities to Japan or any other country. It has prohibited the export without a licence from the Administrator of Export Control. Canada is an importer rather than an exporter of petroleum and has not in recent months been <sup>a</sup> the substantial exporter of scrap iron or steel.