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Turgeon, O. (Gloucester)—605.

Uneasiness of mind was not confined to people in Halifax or St. John only at that time. Know that both harbours are equally equipped and that improvements are going on daily, 606. Our duty is to remedy conditions existing along line of Intercolonial railway. If it is necessary to impose these charges it is nothing but robbery; people are paying for advantage given C.P.R., 607. People of New Brunswick are watching with interest the development and consequences of agreement, 608.

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Inquiry.—*Mr. Lemieux*, 1645.

Lemieux, Hon. R. (Rouville)—1645.

Ask Postmaster General if he will see that the Postal Guide will give the dates of sailings of New York steamers, 1645.

Pelletier, Hon. L. P. (Postmaster General)—1645.

Will call the attention of my officer to the matter, 1646.

TRANSPORTATION OF FISH.

Motion.

That in the opinion of this House, the question of improved means of transportation for fresh fish between the Maritime provinces and the United States should receive the early attention of the Government.—*Mr. Sinclair*, 376.

Carroll, W. F. (Cape Breton South)—390.

The United States fish market would have been worth a great deal more under reciprocity. A direct line of steamers from the eastern sections of Nova Scotia is a matter which the Government should consider, 391. The very best fishing grounds in the world along that shore but the difficulty is in getting the fish to market, 392.

Chisholm, A. W. (Inverness)—386.

Reference made to what late Government did to assist and encourage the fishing industry. Reference also made to the Fishery Advisory Board, 386. We have competitors in the American market with some of the most aggressive traders in the world in fish and fish products. The construction of a railway from Orange-dale on the Intercolonial railway to Cheticamp the one way by which we can hope to develop our fisheries along that coast, 387. With the adoption of modern methods, great results can be expected, 388.

Hazen, Hon. J. D. (Minister of Marine and Fisheries)—392.

The resolution is worthy of very careful attention on the part of the House and of the government, 392. My hon. friends opposite who have discussed the question, seemed more desirous of making political capital against the Government than of

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advancing the interests of the fisherman. If the harbours were in good condition when the Conservative party came into power they would not be in a deplorable condition now, 393. In the last twelve months by arrangements made by the present government fish are carried in refrigerator express cars and placed on the markets of Ontario and the west in very much better condition, 394. Extract from report of Marine and Fisheries quoted, 395. Reference made to Fishery Advisory Board and the subsidy granted to the West Indian line of steamships, 396. Department has not been idle in regard to transportations of fresh fish between the Maritime provinces and United States, 397. In a few years Prince Rupert will not only be the greatest sea port on the continent of America, but probably the greatest fish port in the world, 398. The officials of the department are doing their utmost to promote and develop the fishing industry, 399.

Kyle, G. W. (Richmond, N.S.)

Estimates of steamships subventions quoted, 382. It would be a very desirable and commendable object if the government would adopt a system which would induce some steamship company to place steamers on that route that would call and take the fish week by week that would offer for transportation, 383.

Law, B. B. (Yarmouth)—383.

This resolution embodies one of the most important questions that this House has been called on to consider. 20 to 25 years ago we had two steamships per week from Yarmouth to Boston and we have the same to-day, 383. If the people of Nova Scotia are hogs we like to deal with them. The fisherman of Nova Scotia and of Canada have had very little done for them, 384. Cold storage on board steamers advocated, by which a large amount of money would be saved by the fisherman, 385.

McCurdy, F. B. (Shelburne and Queens)—389.

To land fresh fish on the market we require an express refrigerator car service. The policy of the Conservative party with regard to reciprocity has been vindicated because we have got without cost to us as valuable concession from the United States as we would have obtained had the reciprocity pact been confirmed and our home markets sacrificed, 389. So far as legitimate assistance can be given to encourage the fishing industry it should be given, 390.

McLean, A. A. (Queens, P.E.I.)—385.

Suggests that government provide transportation facilities in connection with the I.C.R. so that the people of the West can get the benefit of the fish taken in eastern waters, 385.

Sinclair, J. H. (Guysborough)—376.

The fishermen are not here asking for any favours, they never get any and they do