

CANADIAN ATTACHE AT WASHINGTON.

Motion:

That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable that a petition be sent to His Majesty's government, praying that a Canadian attaché be appointed to the British Embassy at Washington, with a view to providing a direct medium whereby the government of Canada may advise with the British Ambassador at Washington in respect to matters pertaining to international relations affecting solely the Dominion of Canada and the United States—Mr. E. N. Lewis, 1582.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—1583.

Friendly relations between Great Britain and the United States, 1583. Does not know that our affairs would be better attended to if we had an attaché, 1584. Best to leave well alone and not try to improve where there is no grievance, 1585.

Lewis, E. N. (West Huron)—1582.

The question not one of loyalty, but a matter purely of business relations, 1582. Seven-tenths of the business of the British legation at Washington concerns Canada. Should have a representative, 1583. No expression of want of confidence. Asks to withdraw the motion, 1584.

CANADIAN BUSINESS AGENT AT WASHINGTON.

Inquiry by Mr. E. N. Lewis, 4708.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—4710.

It may be opportune to discuss the question, but not on reasons given, 4710.

Lewis, E. Norman (West Huron)—4708.

Quotes an item in the *Toronto Daily Star*, 4708, another article. Is it not about time we had a business agent? 4709.

CANADIAN NICKEL MINES—EVIDENCE OF MR. ARTHUR WILSON.

Attention called to an article in the *Free Press*, Mr. Geo. Gordon, 2189.

Connec, James (Thunder Bay)—2190.

Wishes to make an explanation, 2190. No remarks made from which the report could be justified, reporters were not present, 2191.

Gordon, Geo. (Nipissing)—2189.

Calls attention to and reads the article, 2189. The statement reported there is absolutely incorrect, 2190.

Templeman, Hon. Wm. (Minister of Mines)—2190.

Is informed that the report is inaccurate; but cannot answer categorically, 2190.

CANADIAN NORTHERN ALBERTA RAILWAY COMPANY, AID TO.

House in Committee to consider proposed resolution, 8483.

Graham, Hon. Geo. P. (Minister of Railways)—8485.

This resolution is somewhat unusual, but under the conditions that exist the introduction of such legislation seems imperative, 8485. The \$25,000 per mile is granted on account of representations made that this part of the line would be quite expensive, 8486. It is not much of a road that can be built for \$25,000 per mile, 8487.

Henderson, D. (Halton, Ont.)—8486.

Perhaps the minister can tell us what the estimated cost of his road will be? 8486. If it is to be very expensive, my impression is that it would be better to drop it, 8487.

CANADIAN NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Bill No. 61 in Committee—Mr. Cash, 3150.

Graham, Hon. Geo. P. (Minister of Railways)—3150.

A misprint in the orders of the day affecting this Bill, 3150. The Bill relates to the Canadian Northern Railway Company, 3151.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

House in Committee on Bill 96—Mr. German, 3150.

Graham, Hon. Geo. P. (Minister of Railways)—3150.

It was agreed by the Committee that section 11 should be added to the Bill, 3150.

CANADIANS ENTERING THE UNITED STATES.

Attention called to the matter—Mr. F. L. Schaffner, 1101.

Foster, Hon. Geo. E. (North Toronto)—1101.

Last year the Prime Minister promised that the matter would be looked into, 1101.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—1101.

Will have the matter looked into and give further information, 1101.

Oliver, Hon. Frank (Minister of the Interior)—1101.

We have no jurisdiction over the immigration officials of the United States, 1101.

Schaffner, F. L. (Souris)—1101.

Reads an article from the *Ottawa Citizen*. A matter which requires most serious consideration, 1101.