

CANADA

House of Commons Debates

OFFICIAL REPORT

Tuesday, May 12, 1925

The House met at three o'clock.

PRINTING OF PARLIAMENT

Hon. CHARLES MARCIL (Bonaventure) moved that the second report of the Joint Committee on the Printing of Parliament be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

CANADA-FINLAND TREATY OF COMMERCE

Hon. J. A. ROBB (Acting Minister of Finance) moved that the House go into committee to consider the following proposed resolution:

Resolved, that it is expedient to introduce a measure to provide that goods produced or manufactured in Finland shall receive treatment as favourable as that accorded to goods produced or manufactured in any foreign country so long as goods produced or manufactured in Canada enjoy in Finland the same treatment as is enjoyed by similar goods produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom, as set out in Article 23 of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and Finland, made at Helsingfors the 14th day of December, 1923.

Mr. MEIGHEN: Mr. Speaker, is this not a notice of motion to go into committee to-morrow?

Mr. ROBB: To-morrow, if my right hon. friend insists, but I thought we might make some progress by taking it up to-day.

Mr. MEIGHEN: Oh, it cannot be anything else.

Mr. ROBB: I move that we go into committee to-morrow on this resolution.

Motion as amended agreed to.

CANADA-NETHERLANDS CONVENTION OF COMMERCE

Hon. J. A. ROBB (Acting Minister of Finance) moved that the House go into committee to-morrow on the following proposed resolution:

Resolved, that it is expedient to bring in a measure to provide that a certain convention of commerce dated

the eleventh day of July, 1924, entered into at Ottawa by the plenipotentiaries appointed by His Majesty and by Her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands be approved, and to give effect to the provisions of the said convention.

Mr. MEIGHEN: Both these resolutions were on the order paper yesterday, and I think the day before. This notice could have been given then, and we could then have gone into committee to-day.

Mr. ROBB: The day before, I was not here.

Mr. MEIGHEN: Somebody else could have done it.

Motion agreed to.

DEATH OF MR. A. B. HUNT, M.P.

On the Orders of the Day:

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that I have received the following letter:

Bury, Quebec, May 11, 1925.

The Honourable RODOLPHE LEMIEUX, K.C., M.P.,
Speaker of the House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir,—Please convey to the House of Commons on behalf of my mother and the other members of our family our deep appreciation and gratitude for the great tributes paid to my father's memory and for the sympathy so kindly extended to us in our great and sudden bereavement.

Respectfully,
WALTER G. HUNT.

BRITISH PREFERENCE ON SUGAR

On the Orders of the Day:

Mr. NEIL McTAGGART (Maple Creek): I desire to rise to what I presume would be a question of privilege. I desire to challenge the correctness of an answer given by the hon. Minister of Marine and Fisheries (Mr. Cardin) to a question appearing in my name on the order paper a few days ago. The question concerned the tariff on sugar, and especially the British preference, and was based on information which came into my possession that the British preference on sugar had been withdrawn.

Mr. SPEAKER: I would remind the hon. gentleman that a question of privilege can only be raised if the matter at issue affects the honour of a member of the House. A