ment of Bonne Esperance and Etamamioux as inspection districts for Fish and Fish Oils, having been presented to the Board with a view of obtaining their co-operation therein, your Council considering that it would be in the interest of this branch of trade that the prayer of the petitioners should be granted, addressed His Excellency the Governor-General on the subject, recommending the same to his favorable consideration.

DIFFERENTIAL DUTY ON CANADIAN BUILT VESSELS IN FRANCE.

The Council have again had before them the important subject of "Differential Duty on Canadian built vessels re-"gistered in France," and on the 12th of June last forwarded a petition to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, praying that the influence of the Dominion Government might be brought to bear in procuring an equality of footing in France for vessels built in the Dominion with those constructed in Great Britain, and subsequently the Council wrote to the St. John Board of Trade, communicating what action had already taken place and asking their co-operation with the Dominion Government towards obtaining the desired end.

CULLERS' PETITION.

A memorial to the Honble. Minister of Inland Revenue from 15 square timber Cullers, praying that their salary be increased from seven hundred dollars to one thousand dollars each, and accompanied by numerously signed recommendations from Lumbermen, Merchants and others, was presented to the Board, asking their support in behalf of the desired object. Your Council being of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners was reasonable, endorsed the said petition recommending it to the favorable consideration of the Government.