

and other health matters. It would appear that the Dominion authorities have authority in quarantine matters only at the Seaboard and International Boundary Lines, and the Joint Health Committee requested Dr. O'Donnell to bring this matter before the conference and endeavor to have an understanding arrived at, that, in a case of emergency at least, Winnipeg shall be recognized as a quarantine point under Dominion regulations and expense.

DOMINION INSOLVENT ACT.

The following letter from the Montreal Board of Trade, accompanied by a printed draft of a proposed Insolvent Act was referred to a Committee of the Board :—

MONTREAL, 2nd March, 1892.

"DEAR SIR,—

"I am to inform you that the Council of this Board, believing that the time has arrived when Insolvency Legislation may be favorably considered by the Dominion Parliament, has given the subject attention through a special committee.

"That Committee decided to prepare a draft bill, and for that purpose took the old Insolvent Act of 1875, the 'Curran' Bill of 1885, prepared by this Board and approved by other Boards of Trade and the present local Acts of Ontario and Quebec, and drafted a bill which the Committee believes embodies the best points of all of these.

"The Council has generally approved this draft bill and has had it printed for communication to the several Boards of Trade throughout the Dominion in order that, if possible, their united support may be obtained to procure its adoption by Parliament, six copies being sent you under another cover.

"It is asked that your Council give the draft bill consideration and that you thereafter advise me of the result. If, as is hoped, the draft is generally approved, it will be amended to meet, as far as possible, any suggestions received, and steps taken to induce the Government to make the bill a Government measure.

The Council hopes that you will give this important matter early consideration, as it is very necessary to have prompt action.

"I am, dear sir,

"Yours truly,

"Chas. N. Bell, Esq.,

"GEO. HADRILL,

"Sec. Board of Trade,

"Secretary."

"Winnipeg."