

of the United States, the largest and most extended measure for a reciprocal trade between the two countries.

8. That it be an instruction to the Council of this Board, that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the Provincial Secretary, and that a memorial embodying them be sent to the three branches of the Legislature at the next meeting of Parliament.

The resolutions were received with great applause, and,

These resolutions came up for discussion at a special general meeting, on 26th January last. Mr. Young spoke to the resolutions, and, by facts and figures compiled from public documents, no part of which were then, or have since been disputed, proved how unproductive were the Public Canals of the Province. He also stated that, in the present circumstances of the country, and in consequence of the interest felt by the people of the Western and Eastern States, in the matter of increased facilities for transport, there was no better way of inducing the people of these States to join us in urging on the General Government of the United States a much enlarged and extended measure of reciprocity.

An amendment to Mr. Young's resolutions was moved by Mr. Hugh Allan, seconded by Mr. Hugh Fraser, :—

1. That this Board, whilst recognizing the great benefit to the Province of the improvements made in its inland navigation by the construction of the Welland Canal and the St. Lawrence Canals, considers that the usefulness of these works is much impaired by the want of uniformity in the size of the Locks, and the depth of water throughout the route ; and that improvements to attain this uniformity are urgently needed.

2. That in the opinion of this Board the trade of the Province requires for its full development that all the Canal Locks should be enlarged to the full size of those on the St. Lawrence Canals ; and that such portions of the river as requires it, and the Canals should be deepened if practicable, to admit the free passage of vessels drawing ten feet of water.

3. That the large and increasing trade on the Ottawa river is much retarded by the imperfect state of the Carillon and Grenville Canal, as well as the insufficiency of the passage at St. Anns, at which places increased facilities are much required.

4. That the Council of this Board be instructed to urge upon the