

OPPOSES DIVORCE FOR THE I. C. R.

Ivan C. Rand of Moncton Tells Halifax Commercial Club Increases in Freight Rates Are a Curse.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Halifax, June 9—Strongly scoring the politics "which corroded maritime affairs" and urging united action on the part of the maritime provinces, Ivan C. Rand, of Moncton, official representative of the New Brunswick government on the maritime freight rates delegation which recently visited Ottawa, addressed

the Halifax Commercial Club at its weekly luncheon here today on railway affairs. With reference especially to Canadian National Railway matters and the freight rates question in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, Mr. Rand, decidedly opposed a divorce of the federal system from the trans-continental lines. He suggested that some solution of the freight difficulties might be found in the adoption of a zone system. He pleaded against insularity. Dr. D. W. Cowan, M. P. for Regina, was optimistic with regard to railway situation. Increases in freight rates he denounced as a curse. They were destroying trade and not providing revenue for the roads, he said.

NINTH NEST STAYS.

Rome, N. Y., June 10—Carpenters building a house here found a robin's nest on the inside of a window casing. They destroyed it, but the bird started to build another the next day. After this had occurred eight times the owner of the house, who had his own troubles in home building, ordered that the nest be left alone.



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W. SHIVES FISHER OF ST. JOHN HEAD OF MANUFACTURERS

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Quebec, Que., June 9—The fifth annual convention of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association came to a conclusion, this evening, with a banquet in the Chateau Frontenac. The chair was taken by the new president, W. S. Fisher, of St. John (N. B.), and the speakers of the evening were Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, lieutenant-governor of Quebec, Sir George Foster, acting premier of Canada and minister of trade and commerce and James E. Emery of Washington, counsel of the National Association of Manufacturers of the United States.

The convention wound up its business sessions this afternoon when officers were elected and resolutions passed. The most important resolutions dealt with the tariff, the government being urged at the next revision to provide an adequate protection for Canadian enterprise and industry, the necessity for all Canadians to buy made-in-Canada goods and the economic necessity of the establishment of a government-aided institute of industrial research.

Welcome the Immigrant.

Mr. Fisher, in the course of his remarks at the banquet said that if their ancestors won this country from nature and if men of the present generation defended it from a worse enemy, surely succeeding generations could keep it. Canadians had three kinds of international affairs, the affairs concerning the group of nations which comprise the British empire and, thirdly, international affairs. Everywhere the forces of separation, rebellion and unrest, in other words, the forces that tear apart, had been working, and Canada had not escaped.

Let them welcome the immigrant and help him to settle in Canada's great agricultural lands. As Canada could not depend entirely on a natural growth of population, immigration had to be encouraged. But they did not want more unemployment. Hence, they required wise immigration laws. Also those not content to live under Canada's laws should be kept out. Canadians did not want advice from immigrants as to how they should either govern themselves or conduct their lives. While empire affairs were not of such keen interest as domestic matters, there was an unshakable determination upon the part of Canadians to remain one of the group of free commonwealths, whose people do not trouble themselves much with theories, forms, or documents or written constitutions but lined up shoulder to shoulder when danger threatened one or all. In regard to international affairs, Canadians since the war, realized that if they were to take their place in the world they must study international conditions and become more familiar with the customs, traditions and peoples of other countries.

Mr. Fisher closed by saying that the duty of Canadians at the present juncture was to reduce imports, practice economy and exercise the old-fashioned virtues of courage, cheerfulness and faith.

Sir Charles Fitzpatrick said that it was idle to deny that Canada today faces a serious situation, but he thought it

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could be borne if all would bend their backs to the task and all bend them the same way. There must, however, be no difference of race or creed. The difficulties were due to the geographical and geographical conditions of Canada. Geographically speaking, there were two Canadas, divided by the barren waste north of Lake Superior. In the west they had a population 65 per cent foreign-born and immediately to the south of them were 20,000,000 people willing to take everything Canada could produce.

Dealing with the east and the racial question, Sir Charles asked: What is the matter with this country anyway? There were more races in France than in the United States, yet the name of the Frenchman was synonymous with patriotism. What about England? There were a good many races there, but did they interfere with one another? They must remember that at the time of the secession there were 60,000 people in Canada of French extraction. Today there were 3,000,000 of them in Canada and 1,000,000 in the United States. That had been their growth since 1789. What were they going to do with a people like that? Look at their progress; their investments in roads, education, electric power!

They had spent many millions on them, yet the per capita debt was the smallest in Canada except Prince Edward Island.

Election of Officers. The election of officers this afternoon resulted as follows: W. S. Fisher, St. John, president; John R. Shaw, Woodstock (Ont.), first vice-president; C. Howard Smith, Montreal, second vice-president; Thomas Roden, Toronto, treasurer.

The following were elected as chairmen of the standing committees: tariff committee, Joseph Dickard, Quebec; transportation committee, Arthur F. Hatch, Hamilton; legislation committee, C. J. MacFarlane, Toronto; membership committee, P. E. Joubert, Toronto; insurance committee, Arthur Hewitt, Toronto; industrial relations, S. R. Parsons, Toronto; commercial intelligence, J. O. McMurray, Toronto; publishing committee, F. M. Stewart, Toronto; education, B. W. Coughlin, Montreal.

Sketch of New President. William Shives Fisher, who was yesterday elected president of the Canadian Manufacturers Association, is president of the Enterprise Foundry Company, Sackville and St. John. He also is vice-president of Emerson & Fisher, Ltd., St. John. Mr. Fisher was born in Fredericton, February 20, 1854, a son of William and Katherine Valentine Fisher, and nephew of the Hon. Charles Fisher, D. C. L., one of the judges of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, and one of the fathers of Confederation. Mr. Fisher is of United Empire Loyalist stock. He was educated at the St. John Grammar School and began his business career with Adam Young in St. John in 1870. He took charge of that business in 1874 and established the present business in 1878. He was president of the St. John Hardware Association in 1897; president of the St. John Board of Trade, 1898-1899; president of the Maritime Board of Trade, 1900; president of the Maritime Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers Association, 1916-1917-1918; president of the St. John Art Club; president board of Associated Charities; president of Home for Aged Females; director of the Protestant Orphan Asylum and Boys' Industrial Home; founded the New Brunswick Tourist Association; member National Committee, Anglican Laymen's Missionary Movement, 1909. In 1910 he was appointed as one lay member of the Royal Commission to investigate the charges made against former Premier Fleming and others in connection with the graft on the Valley Railway and Timber Limits. In 1916 he was called upon by Sir Edward Kemp, then head of the War Purchasing Commission, to take charge of the outfitting of the First Construction Battalion to France. In April of 1917 he was appointed by the government as commissioner in charge of the Dominion Rifle Factory, Quebec. He married Mable Shaw, daughter of Charles S. Shaw, on June 14, 1881. He has three sons and one daughter. He is a member of the Union Club and his chief forms of re-

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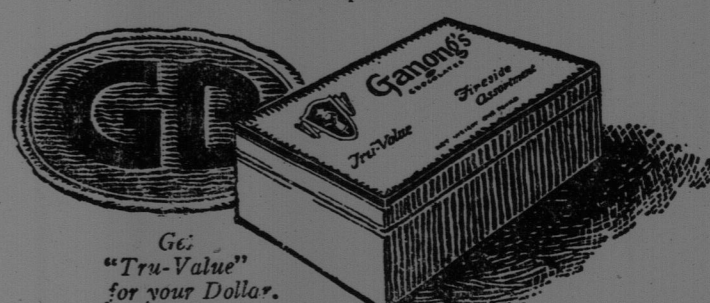
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