

5. Forestry is in its infancy in Canada, and there is urgent need for opportunity of consultation on the ground with experts from countries where forest management is on an established basis. The proposed conference will afford a unique opportunity for such consultation and for discussion of questions of forest policy, forestry education and silvicultural research.

It is proposed that the official meetings shall take place in Ottawa. The expenses of the delegates, while travelling to and attending meetings in Ottawa will be borne by the delegates or the services they represent. As a most important feature of the Conference, however, a tour should be arranged in order to give the delegates an opportunity of studying Canadian forest conditions and industries. As far as the Dominion is concerned it is estimated that the expenditure will not exceed \$30,000. This sum it is proposed to augment by contributions from the provinces and from interested forest industries. On this basis it is anticipated that modest but satisfactory arrangements can be made.

The Minister recommends, in view of the great advantages which would accrue to Canada as a result of the proposed Conference, that a communication be sent to His Majesty's Imperial Government, and to the Governments of the other Dominions, officially inviting them to hold the next Conference in Canada.

The Minister further recommends that the sum of \$30,000 be provided for expenditure in connection therewith.

The Committee concur in the foregoing recommendations and submit the same for Your Excellency's approval.

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