

their own course, but it must be surprising to see me in this instance for the first time voting against that company and that great enterprise, but I am bound in honesty to do so. The Minister of Justice has said to-day, and the fact of his stating it shows that it must be true, that the intention of the Government is to make Port Moody the terminus, and that they have abandoned their claims to lands west of Port Moody. Then the logical consequence of that is that the buildings which the Government by their contract are bound to erect at the terminus ought to be constructed at Port Moody, I believe that is sound and logical. If it is, then there is only one thing to do—it is to stand by it and put it in practice. As to the interests of the hon. mover of this amendment I was astonished to hear such a discussion. If there was any kind of objection to their votes or to their right to vote in this House on this question, then we would have probably to force Ministers to withdraw—to force members of both Houses to withdraw, and from what I have seen in the past they have not withdrawn on such occasions. The interest of the mover of this resolution is not a direct one, any more than when the North Shore was built I should be told not to vote for the enterprise because that road passed my property. I every day seem to become more and more set in my own way. It is because I find there is not enough respect for what is right or what is just. I cannot understand public matters being dealt with except in a just and straight-forward way, and I cannot refuse to support this amendment. As I said the other day, when justice, equity and principle are not at stake, then I follow my leaders blindly, but when justice or equity are in question then I have to stand by those grand principles, and if I have to vote against my leaders I am sorry for it. I have been for forty-three years in public life, and have stood by Conservative principles, and I should not like to desert them now; but there are responsibilities which must be respected by every conscientious man. In my opinion the amendment ought to be adopted, and I shall vote for it.

HON. MR. DEVER—As I am about to vote on this motion I should like to put one question to the Minister of Justice.

HON. MR. BELLEROSE.

It is this: In case the Government of Canada will be compelled at some future day to take back this road from the Company will they have the power to also take the extension from Port Moody to Coal Harbor?

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—Yes.

HON. MR. DEVER—Without any restriction or legal quibble?

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—Yes.

HON. MR. DEVER—Then I am satisfied.

HON. MR. MCINNES—I certainly felt very much hurt, as the hon. member from Lunenburg did, when the Minister of Justice referred to the fact that my hon. friend and I were interested in property at Port Moody, after the full and ample explanation which I made at the commencement of my remarks, and after the hon. Minister of Justice himself referring to it in reply to my address about a week ago. I really thought my explanation was sufficiently plain and explicit, and that I would not need to make any further reference to it. I stated distinctly that it was not on my own behalf, but on behalf of those that the Government and myself had induced to invest at Port Moody that I was standing up here to advocate their rights and claims. I stated also that I had property, not quite as valuable, probably, at the other place; so that, to a certain extent, I was largely benefitted by the building of the railway, no matter whether the terminus remained at Port Moody or went to English Bay. Just one word in reply to my hon. and considerable colleague from British Columbia. I am very sure this House must be often surprised to find that scarcely a question arises in this House but my hon. friend is sure to take the opposite side—he is sure to echo, never fails to echo, the sentiments of the Government of the day. I say I regret it, and it must appear unseemly that when there are only three of us from that distant province, we are generally divided on every subject that comes before this House affecting the interests of our province. He often rises to advocate points which do not