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Resolutions at Moose Jaw

The following portion of the report of the Saskatchewan Grain; Growers' Convention was crowded out of the last issue of The Guide

Lake and Ocean Freights

A resolution was brought before the convention asking the federal government to investigate lake and ocean freight rates on grain and flour, and to take the necessary steps to relieve the situation. An amendment was offered striking out all reference to flour and millers. Hon. George Langley supported the amendment. When he was in Scotland last summer, he said, Scotch millers in Glasgow came to him and the other commissioners and stated that Canadian-made flour was being sold in Glasgow at such a low price that the Scotch millers could not compete with it unless they beat down the price of Canadian wheat to the lowest possible figure. Mr. Langley pointed out that Canadian millers were selling their flour cheaper in Great Britain than in Saskatchewan. In Canada they charged a high price because of the protective tariff, and in Great Britain they sold at a low price because they had real competition. Recently the Miller's As sociation had gone to Ottawa to fight against the farmers getting free wheat, and Mr. Langley said that the Grain Growers, as a protest against this action, should not help the millers get lower freight rates on flour. The amendment was carried.

The convention declared unanimously against any further free grants of land or cash being given to railways.

Right-of-way Settlement

It was resolved that in the opinion of this convention the Dominion Government should enlarge the powers of the present railway commission, so that they may have the power to appoint an authority to settle all differences regarding rightof-way between private property owners and railways.

On the motion of J. Murray, of Wapella, seconded by James Hunter, of Wolseley, was resolved that this convention is of the opinion that the provincial government should take steps for the establishment of a co-operative public abattoir and a cold storage plant, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the government.

A number of delegates were prepared to speak in support of this motion, but as the time for the closing of the convention was near, with much business still to be dealt with, speeches were dispensed with. No one was opposed and the resolution carried unanimously.

Scale Inspections

Resolved that this convention request the Dominion government to amend the Canada Grain Act, and the Weights and Measures Act, so that the inspection and control of all scales in all grain elevators and warehouses in Canada be transferred from the department of inland revenue and placed under the administration of the department of trade and commerce, under the jurisdiction of the board of grain commissioners for Canada.

Grain Act

Resolved that the Grain Commission be asked to provide for grain tickets showing gross, tare and net weights, thus providing sellers with better means of checking their weights and obviating a lot of suspicion.

Conservation of Water Power

Resolved that this to the government giving control of the public streams to any private interest for power purposes.

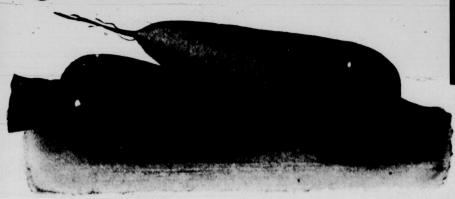
Spirits for Power

Whereas cheap power is a great necessity in Western development; and whereas the cost of same is being unnecessarily increased; and whereas on our Western farms from time to time quantities of grain damaged by climatic conditions could be advantageously used in the manufacture of spirit for power produc-tion; therefore be it resolved that we memorialize the Dominion government to inquire into the feasibility of the manufacture of same.

Percentage Commission

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