

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

COMMITTEE ROOM 429,

MONDAY, February 15, 1937.

The Standing Committee on Marine and Fisheries met at 11 o'clock a.m. this day, Mr. MacLean (Prince), Chairman, presided.

The following members of the Committee were present,—

Messieurs: Ferron, Green, Hanson, Kinley, MacLean (*Prince*), MacNicol, McDonald (*Souris*), Michaud, Neill, Pelletier, Pottier, Reid, Ryan, Stirling, Taylor (*Nanaimo*), Telford, Tolmie, Tomlinson, and Veniot.—19.

In Attendance as a witness:

Mr. Chas. F. Goodrich, President, Sooke Harbour Fishing and Packing Company, Sooke Harbour, B.C.

Present: Mr. L. Clare Moyer, K.C., Barrister of Ottawa, counsel for the above named company.

Dr. W. A. Found, Deputy Minister of Fisheries, and Mr. A. J. Whitmore, Head Western Fisheries Division, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa.

The Minister of Fisheries, Hon. Mr. Michaud, in response to request of the Committee at its last meeting, laid before the Committee for its information, part of a Departmental File comprising a petition from residents of British Columbia, with 1794 names attached, asking that fish-traps in B.C. be prohibited, file to be returned to the Department when inquiry is completed and reported upon by the Committee.

Note was taken that the name of Mr. Tomlinson was not registered in the attendance list of the previous meeting, although he was present on that date.

Discussion arose as to whether or not petitions to the Department, when laid before the Committee should become a part of the record. It was finally decided that the body of the petition itself should be printed as part of the record, together with the names of two or three of the first named petitioners and the *number only* of other signatures.

(See evidence this date for above petition, as Appendix No. 1).

Mr. Chas. F. Goodrich called and sworn.

The witness was examined by his counsel Mr. Moyer, and numerous questions were asked by different members of the Committee. The examination continued to one o'clock.