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Who was Right?

Many of our readers-especially those of them who are ratepayers of Chatham-will recall the criticisms of the ADVANCE at the time a contract was so hurriedly made for the waterworks boiler and pumps in April 1901. In view of a resolution passed unanimously at Monday night's meeting of the Town Council, it is well to recall transaction -

There

One of these was for a 90 million duty Worthington at \$8,626; another

in favor of other items of the plant which made their offer \$2.017 lower than that of the Worthington agents. Mr. Coffin, the Town's engineer, to

incorrectly stated to his fellow alderof some \$1,500 more than the Smart-Eby. it would be the most economical in the long run because it would require less fuel to supply the power to run it. The council accepted this statement

which was endorsed-as to the superiority of the Worthington pump-by an alderman of that time, but who is now in chief charge of the water-works, and the outgoing Mayor hastely signed a contract with the agent of the Worthington people.

Mr. C.ffin, subsequently wrote to the Mayor repudiating any responsibility for the action of the council in contracting for the higher priced pump in preference to the other, which he had stated in his report before the contract was closed. was apparently as good.

Everybody in Chatham who, has kept himself informed on the subject knows the delays of the Worthingtons in furn ishing the pump. They were far behind the time agreed upon in delivering it. When they professed to be ready for the official test, and Mr. Coffin came to superintend the making of it, the contract ors would not agree to the conditions on which it was to be made, so there was a dead-lock. Mr. Coffin, however, made an informal test, and inst al of the pump doing an ecomonic duty of ninety millions as tendered for, it did only sixty two and a half millions.

Turning to the Snart Eny pump, what are the facts? - O ie of the same capic tv as that offered to Chatham was put in at Picton, N. S. The Mayor of Chatham wrote to the Mayor of Pictou last October for information as to that town's experience with it. The reply of the Mayor of Pict on was read in Chatham Town Council at the regular meeting of December. Amongst other things he said. "Our Smart-Eby Pumps are as near per

fection as can be made, at least we think so "Big Pump: Compound h.p. 14; L. P. 25; Stroke 22; Plunger 9 inches "Fire Pump: Steam end 15 inch bore; water 9 inch; stroke 12 inches. Duty test called for 100 million. Upon the final test they succeeded in getting about 103

"We have about 400 water consumers now, and are burning between 8 and 9 tons coal per month. We expect to supply 500/600 consumers and feel confident that we can do it on not over 10 tons per month. "The Smart-Eby Company carried out their contract with us faithfully-no people could have acted more honorably. We can not to-day say that ten cents worth has been kept back that we should have had; they Bank of Montreal did it all without any watching. Our experience with this firm leads us to believe them to be a first class firm in every way. and we are more than satisfied with the charges

pumps they supplied to us." There are less than one hundred and thirty water consumers, so fa , in Chatham. and it takes about 14 tous of coal per month, when coal alone is burned, to run the pump which the town council was humbugged into buying under

circums ances we have stated.

making the contract for the Worthing:on plant were received by those interested Some of them withdrew their patronage from the ADVANCE; threatened us with law proceedings, others we'e going to thrash the editor, while they all had the long as the fish lasted. active sympathy and support of the other town papers in what they were doing. the Saturday closing hour to 12 O'CLOCK, The people of the town, however, will, we hope, be saved, in some measure, from the fleering with which they were threatened when we performed our duty in giving warning of the manner in which their interests were being sacrificed by those in whom they had reposed confidence at the time the contract was made

Paying too Dearly for the Whistle.

A Campbellton despatch to the St. John Sun and Moncton Times says :-"It is reported that the Upsalquitch salmon fishing is to be sold. Last year it was eserved for days' fishing, and although the fact was not generally known until late in the season, quite a number fished it, and a very large number of strangers have written to the hotels here and the Tourist Association to arrange for fishing it this year. Local members of the Tourist Association assert that tourist travel would be injured by not continuing the same system as last year, and are asking the representatives of

Restigouche to prevent its being put up for The Upsalguitch and other salmon rivers of the province which had been leased by the government were advertised for sale for the usual terms of years in March, 1902. Before the date of the sale, the government was induced not to part with that particular river, but to open it to the public for fishing at a rod fee, it being shall be found that she is entitled to it? urged that it would be a great attrac- He appears to think that because \$155,tion to tourists. Although it is a very | 000 a year has been paid by the Dominion | tears | because | Hon. | Solictor General certain Toronto gentlemen were pre- and Quebec-therefore New Brunswick the Globe's parish politicians secure a pared to bid as high as \$1000 a year should not receive the large sum named nomination and get another drubbing? for it for a term of ten years—the as her share of the awar! paid on account To have the Globe in favor of a candilate ment and who are sworn to do their duty. 'In regard to the fishery matter, there Company.

\$2 per day per rod. Those in charge of the tourist interest on the Resti-APRIL 9, 1903. gouche had from the last week in March until salmon fishing began to make the attractions of the Upsalquitch known. As a matter of tact it was known very generally at an early date in the year, that salmon fishing was practically free on that river and statement that the fact was not "until

late in the season" is not in accordance

with the facts. Mr. Verge, of Campbellton, was appointed to furnish angler-tourists the main points involved in that | with permits and for these some thirtythree or tour applied and paid the were several tenders for magnificent sum of \$2 per day, or \$10 a week each. They were issued in nearly every instance to either loca people, or persons who had already was for a 100 million duty Smart-Eby, fished the Restigouche waters-people who either lived on the river, or would, There was also a difference of price according to their custom, have revisited it. We heard of but one person who was a stranger on the Restigouche -or who did not go there in company with old Restigouche fishermen-who essayed to go under the direction of the whom the tenders were submitted, "tourist" promoters there to fish the recommended that the Smart-Eby Upsalquitch. When he reached point within a few miles of the mouth The acting chairman of the com- of the river on his way up from mittee in charge of the matter, and to Campbellton, he learned that he had whom Mr. Coffin's letter was addressed, not been very well posted. He had a guide and canoe and his fishing tackle, men, and in council, that Mr. Coffin | but he had been allowed to start on the his expedition without tent or provi-Worthington people's pump, on the sions and said he was given to underground that although it would cost stand that he could fish along the river where the houses were and board in hearted resident loaned him a tent and commissariat stores, and he kept on towards the Upsalquitch, but he be came discouraged and turned back without doing any fishing in it. That was the only real tourist who was sent

> to the Upsalquitch last season. The local government maintained four guardians on the river all the season and well into the fall, and while the receipts must have been less than \$200 and the guardianship cost more than \$600, to which must be added the loss of rental, say \$1,000, it becomes a serious question as to whether the interests of the province in the Upsalquitch should be sacrificed to so large an extent as our Campbellton friends require in the alleged tourist

If so valuable a river as the Upsalquitch is to be thrown open to the public-practically free-why should the same policy not be followed with the other salmon rivers of the North Shore? The people of Chatham and Newcastle may with equal right demand free fishing on the Northwest, Little Southwest, Sevogle, etc., and that the province shall pay the piper in the way of guardians' wages; those of Bathurst would be entitled to the same in regard to the Nepisguit and, to be consistent, the main Restigouche should also be thrown open to the local anglers in the name of alleged tourist travelpromotion. It the same guardianship maintained by lessees were kept up, under these conditions the province would have some \$6,000 to pay and, at the same time, forego the present revenue of about \$11,000.

Then, if people are to have ou salmon-angling privileges opened to them in this way, why should not the same policy be followed in regard to the other Crown land privileges; why should the local, as well as the touristhunter not have free moose and caribou and the "lumber lord" also be perdid it all without any watching. Our ex- mitted to take all the logs he could

tourist is well satisfied if he can get good trout-fishing, for he has not the time or the means, as a rule, to indulge in the luxury of salmon-fishing. The the Crown trout waters of the province are nearly all free to everybody, or are avail-Our readers rememember, doubtless, able for fishing at nominal fees. That is the spirit in which our protests against all that can be reasonably asked. and exposure of the methods pursued in Besides, were our salmon-angling waters open to the public, they would soon cease to be attractive to real anglers, because the poacher, with his spear and nets, would get most of the fishing as

> The province cannot, therefore, afford to open its salmon-rivers as Campbellton tourist people demand.

> Against the Province and the Press.

Mr. W. S. Loggie, M. P. P., made his first speech in the legislature at Fredericton as a repres ntative of Northumberfollows :

Mr. Loggie took issue with the attorneygeneral in regard to the fi hery award. The latter did not state on what basis he claimed claimed intere t at 4 per cent. making up This claim was a most unfair one, for the dominion government had paid over about

\$155,000 a year ever since to the fishermen in the shape of bounties for the encourage-He was not in favor of the government names." undertaking to administer this modey. It would cost a large sum to do so, for there were last year about 14 000 fishery claims. His advice was to leave well enough alone. that if we got \$130,000 a year more from the dominion government, it would be

coming out of our own pockets. portion of the press in regard to the ballot oxes being stuffed in the parishes of Alpwick and Hardwick. There was not the They could not find a more respectable portion of the county than these two partshes. Why should Mr. Loggie object t

New Branswick being paid the \$2 000,000 which it is claim d is due to her, if it government as bounties to the off shore McKeown was returned for St. John fishermen-chiefly those of Nova Scot a without opposition. Why didnt some of Department consented to fix the fees of the inshore fisheries-which are owned in St. John, however, means defeat,

for fishing it at the nominal charge of by the provinces-which was handed over Is there any guarantee that Supe into the Domit ion government and should tendent McKiy's estimate of the cost of have been apport oned among t the pro- removing the E ectric Light station and

> ambitious and sanguine temperament, he economic efficiency of the Worthington wants to go too f.st. To use a nautical pump? term, he shows a disposition to "carry too much sail for his ballast." He, therefore. falls into errors from which larger experiences, greater prulence and better equipment for the position would save him. Imagine our Mr. W. S. Loggie "taking issue" with the attorney general on a point which is purely one of law and of the class which are generally referred for ultimate decision to the Privy Council of Great Britain !

Mr. Loggie talks from the standpoint of one who assumes that the Halifax award was made on account of United States fishermen's operations in the waters for the fishing of which Canadian vessels are now paid bounties by the Dominion Government. That, however, is an error. As we have state I, the money was paid by the United States as compensation for its fishermen having had for many years the privilege of taking fish within our three mile limit—these fish being the property of the people of the different provinces on whose coasts and bays they were taken. New Brunswick has never authorised the Dominion Government to administer its share of the award, nor can its government be expected to recognise any action taken by the Dominion in that regard. But, let us suppose-as Mr. Loggie

affirms-that the Dominion was right in retaining the money and expending an equivalent of its interest in granting bounties to off-shore fishermen. And. from that point of view, let us see the extent to which he-as a New Brunswicker - is prepared to stand up for justice to his province.

Of the \$155,000 bounty money paid last year, Nova Scotia received, in round numbers. \$101,000; Quebec, \$33,000 New Bonnswick, \$13 500 and Prince Etward Island, \$8,500.

Or the other han I, we have the interest on New Bru swick's share of the award and its increment, for which the Dominion must account, which would yield from \$75 000 to \$80,000 annually.

Mr. Loggie ought to readily understand that even if the Dominion were abandon its bounty system, as applied to off-shore fishermen, and New Brunswick were to take it up, so far as its own vessels were concerned, it would have, after paying the \$13,500-including the \$473 paid to the W. S. Loggie companyhave, at least, \$60,000 annually to devote the other interests of the province.

If he would be useful and succeed in public life, Mr. Loggie must learn to take broader views of such questions as this, and avoid being misled by Mr. Hazen and his other conservative allies against what is best for New Brun wick. He will, if he studies this fishery award matrer, even superficially, realise that Nova Scotia fishermen are now receiving more than the equivalent of the interest of that province in the award, while New Brunswick's fishermen get only about one-sixth of what is annually the due of this province. Does he think that is an arrangement which a loval New Brunswicker ought to stand up for ? He talks

Mr. Loggie's statement that there we e 14 000 fishery claims last year, and his apparent inference that if New Bruns vick received the \$2,000 000 claimed it would have to deal with a similar number of claims, is so absurd as to be ludicrous. It would be a waste of time to treat that phase of his speech seriously.

As to his remarks on the subject of the \$130,000 which the province will probably receive under the proposed subsidy readjustment, Mr. Loggie expressed his leas exactly when he said he agreed with the leader of the opposition. He seems to be at Fredericton to do that, however, and that only. He will the better commend himself to Northumberland if he will do a little thinking for himself.

the slander of a portion of the press

worse, in the performance of their duties. | ahead, the distance covered being between We do not think that there was any such four and five miles. neglect or fault on the part of those Mr. Loggie should be required to amend his vague charge of slander against "a portion of the press." The press has its rights as well as me nbers of the legislature have theirs, and the man who goes to the legislatu e and uses his position there to make general charges of slander against land on 1st April. He is reported as the press, engages in a not very elevating or desirable occupation.

On the whole, Mr. Loggie might have made a better use of hi: opportunity t \$1,000,000 of it for this province. He also speak for the first time in the Assembly than by opposing the financial interests of the province, and also assailing the press in such a way as to leave the impression that -l'ke Mr. Morrissy-he is willing to make charges but is not there "to give

We observe that Mr. Morrison -another Northumbe land member-expressed the He agreed with the leader of the opposition same view as Mr. Loggie did against New Brunswick getting its rightful share of the Halifax award. It may be said He desired also to refute the slander of a | that in this matter the voices are those of Loggie and Morrison but the sentiments are those of Hazen. Representatives of generally done their own thinking, hereto fore. The change observable under the county has reason to congratulate itself.

his condemnation of so much of the Mr. L ggie is a brand new man to present plant are any more reliable than legislative life and, like others of his was his opinion of the high relative

> If we are to judge by the tone of the two Chatham papers which have always stood against the town and on the side the pumping plant contractors, those organs are anxious to see the present aldermen replace I by others. Is it be cause the aldermen have unanimously voted to do what they can to protect the ratepayers against the designs of those by whose misrepresentations some of them were deceived when the pumping plant contract was made with susp cious histe? We hope that an effort will be made to induce the present aldermen to again offer, and if Mayor Snowball will also take an alterman's seat, so much the better. The town needs to be saved from the designs of the gentlemen who engineered that Worthington pump contract through, although the newspap rereferred to have been so anxious to wh tewash

Mr. Morrissy's friends will experience a feeling akin to humil ation over the fact that he is, apparently, in his old time form, and does not seem to realise that the legislature is not a bear-garden. He ought to remember that he is not sent to Fredericton by a const tuency that desires to see the dignity of the House lowered. The following from the Gleaner is not pleasant reading for Northumberland people :-

"Mr. Morrissey of Northumberland, and Mr. Grimmer of Charlotte, delivered their maiden speeches in the House of Assembly yesterday. They both spoke with a considerable amount of ease and freedom; but their tone was hardly that to which the Legislature has of late been accustomed. Mr. Morrissey in particular spoke in much sary amount of asperity. For the past two sessious at least it has been a matter of congratulation that the tone of the debating has been much better than that of any Legislature in Canada, not even excepting the House of Commons, This has been due to the extreme courtesy displayed by the leader of the Government and the Attorney Gen ral on one side, and by the leader of the Opposition and the senior member from Carleton on the other. We should be very sorry to see this pleasing state of affars brought to an end, or the tone of the House lowered by a style of speaking which is not suited to a deliberative body.

The Herald also comments on Mr. Morri sey's reculiar style in the Assembly and in reference to Hon. Mr. Dann's reply to that gentleman's wild assertions

in the House, but his observations are generally to the point. He knows his departmental business thoroughly, and was able to meet and overcome Mr. Morrissey's wild assertions. The surveyor general is a successful alministrator and an honorable man, his words also carry weight and are promptly accepted in the leg stature as they are in the country."

in the House of Commons on Tuesday of last wiek, but the speake decided that they could not be received, as the g anting of their prayers would involve the expenditure of public money: "Of the Rev. T. C. Duret, Cure and others, of Teberge and others, of the Parish of Metapetia, and of Lame at Gallant and others of the Parish of St. Alexis, all the County of Bonaventure, Quebec, praying the House to press the Governmen to construct the line of railway along the coast from Paspebiac to Gaspe; if not then not to permit those interested in the Petroleum Companies to inte fere in the construction of the road, but to give the preference, in this regard, to the trustees of the deb-nture holders of the Atlastic and Lake Suje for Rilway Company. Also to confer with the Government with the view of having placed in the E timates a sum sufficient to meet the claims for work done on the Bay Chaleur Railway, and for other

The thir I trial of Sir Thomas L'pton's new challenge: for the America Cup, Shamrock III, was male at Gourock on Toursday last. She had Shamrock I as a It might be well also for Mr. Loggie to trial mate. The wind was fresh, and this regard. Mr. Loggie said, as above to Rothesay, three miles. In cross tackreported, "that he desired also to refute | ing in a fresh breeze the c'allenger again showed great ability on this important in regard to the ballot-boxes being stuffed point of sailing, and went further ahead in the parishes of Alnwick and Hard- and further to windward on every tack and in a half hour's sailing beat Shamrock We submit that he should have either I by four minutes. The braze was named the papers which were guilty of steady and of moderate strength. Shamthese slanders, or been silent on the rock I was given a lead of exactly one subject. The charge of ballot box stuff | minute, but it a twenty minutes' run the ing involves the imputation against the challenger closed the gap, overlap, ed her presiding officers, of gross neglect, or and ten minutes later had drawn clear

So far the new Shamrock has proved officers in the parishes referred to, so her superior speed on all points of

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In the Legislattre.

In the Legislature on Friday last, in view of the remarks of Mr. Morrisey, to which the ADVANCE referred last week

Hon. Mr. Tweedie said : -"I would not have thought it necessary to address the house on this occasion, but for the extraordinary remarks made by one of my colle gues from the county of Northumber-

"During the time that I have had the then because I doubted the sincerity of honor to be the leader of this house, and those who passed them, they not having it while the honorable member for Sunbury in their power to do anything to carry them has been the leader of the opposition, we out. But when Mr. Blair and Mr. Fielding, have tried to keep within the rules of the who were members of the Quebec conference. house. I was, therefore, somewhat hurt got into power at Ottawa, I thought it my slightest foundation to justify such a slande . Northumbe land at Fredericton have when I heard of the remarks made by the duty as leader of the provincial government first member for Northumberland who to call upon them to give effect to their own spoke, in which he traduced the characters policy. This house, I am proud to say, of men who are building up the North Shore of this province, stating that they Quebec resolutions operative, were men who were not to be relied on and | "We took the lead in the matter and who wore robbing the government, yet every province in Canada has joined with us when he was asked the name of one man in passing these resolutions, It has been

yet he could not name a man. The honor. are many difficulties owing to the chan e in

ow that he has made these charges, to formulate them in a proper manner and 1 here and now dare and challenge him to

"It is easy for anyone to destroy the reputation of a business man. It is easy for a yone to destroy the reputation of a woman, but I do not envy the man who undertakes his kind of work. If the honorable member does not formulate his charges, he stands in the position of one who is not able to sub stantiate them. He has charged the surveyor general's department with gross maladministration and if he has any evidence to prove the statements he has made it is his duty to place the charges in proper shape, so that they can be investigated.

"The government employs the best system available for ascertaining the amount of lumber that is cut by the operators on crown lands. They empley scalers who are all sworn men and also a cruiser, whose duty is to look after the scalers. The ruiser on the north shore is Mr. Andrew McInto-h, a man of high character.

"The scaler goes into the woods, visits the camps, sees how many men and horses are employed and makes an estimate of the probable cut. This estimate is sent to Fredericton to the crown land office. Then comes the cruiser, who goes carefully over the ground, and, without knowing what the estimate of the scaler is, make, a separate estimate of his own and sends it to the crown land office. Then, if there is a serious discrepancy in these estimates the matter is looked into for the purpose of ascertaining which is correct. LIKE TO THE SERPENT.

"Now, if there is any member of this house who knows of a scaler acting dishonestly, it is his duty to bring charges against him, but do not let us take away the character of these men without giving them a chance to be heard. The member for Northumberland says that there is one operator who is only paying 18 cents a this Season thousand stumpage for his lumber. I challenge him to name that man. We cannot control what outsiders say or what appears in the newspapers, but we can control statements that are male in this house.

"Ic seems to be the idea of some men that the only way they can advance themselves is by slandering other men. They are in the position of the serpent on whom the curse was pronounced: "Because thou has done this thou art cursed above all cattle and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go and dust shalt thou eat al the days of thy life." The serpend's carse seems to have descended on some men. Morally, they crawl on ground.

If there is any wrong in connection with the administration of the crown land office I challenge the leader of the opposition to have it investigated. I regret that this member for Northamberland has seen fit to "Hon. Mr. Dann is not a frequent talker bring his own county to disgrace. It is about 30 years since I first became a member this house, and never before did I hear a 11 20 lv man slander the leading man of his own county as this member had done. So far he got in his evil work that another representative of Northumberland who spoke yesterday attempted to explain away his injurious statements.

The following petitions were presented The leader of the opposition has accused us of delaying the adjustment of the question connected with the fi-heries. I can assure him th t we have pressed those matters on as rapidly as possible. He has himselt been in Ottawa and knows how hard it is to get the departments to acr. During the period the two years that he must have spent Mr. H. z n- 'I got the first sub-ily for winter port steamer from the port of St

Hon. Mr. Tweedie-"A great many claim s are made with regard to the winter port. It viote the letters of Junius, which is still

is something like the question as to wh undecided, but I am glad to know that the leader of the opposition is able to make this claim. I thought that he had only lad claim to having settled the Harris land job. I believe that afterwards he was willing to give the credit of accomplishing that to

Mr. Hazen-"I have not claimed the Northumberland deal or that I sold my principles for an office.'

Hon. Mr. Tweedie-"The honorable gentleman seems to be ruffled by my remarks, but there is no reason why he should get annoyed. He cannot expect to make attackwithout receiving some answer. He had a good deal to say about me coming back to the house without the support of the calcivate the virtue of plain speaking squally at times. The yachts started members who were my colleagues in my own when he makes serious charges in his place from off Toward Point. Sheets were county. I do regret their absence One of As a matter of fact, the angling in the legislature. He may well leave to trimmed there and they raced in close them was How. Mr. Burchill, a gentleman his colleague, Mr. Morrisay, the monopoly company until abeam of Skillory Bay, of great ability, who filled the position of of vituperative vagueness of statement in where they luffed and beat to windward speaker for two terms. His absence is much regretted by me and I think it will he regretted by many others in the house.

THEY WERE TO HAVE HAD PORTFOLIOS. "My former colleagues from Northumberland conducted themselves as gentlemen and were honest and competent men. They were defeated, for the rice is not always to the swift nor the battle to the strong. One of my new colleagues claims to be a native of Alawick. I hope he will look well after the interest of his constituents in that parish for I intend to leave them to his care. If I was disappointed in the defeat of colleagues, I think there was some disappointment among the gentlemen who were

"All three expected to hold portfolios. The gentleman from Alnwick was to be provincial secretary and I have no doubt he would also have been willing to take the office of attorney general for before he had been here 48 hours, he was prepared to challenge the attorney general on a point of

"The Northumberland gentleman who spoke first was to have been chief commis sioner of public works and his colleague from Newcastle surveyor general. There must be a lot of disappointed office seekers among their supporters, for every man they canvassed they promised to make a scaler of lumber. Still I need not feel very sore in regard to the result of the election when I have got 35 good men behind me who have the utmost confidence in me.

"The leader of the opposition says that ! should take no credit to myself for the Quebec resolutions in regard to better terms because I opposed them in 1887. I did so was the first to take steps to make the

against whom he could bring such a charge, said that the provinces are bringing an unfair pressure upon the dominion government but "In his speech, he traduced not only the the people of the provinces are the people of characters of the lumber operators, but of Canada and surely they have a right to say the scalers who are employed by the govern- what shall be done with their own money.



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the personnel of the depar ment of marine and fisheries, Sr Louis Davies, being succeeded by Mr. Sutherland and Mr. Sutherland being succeeded by Mr. Prefontaine. The principal difficulty was the working out of the details of the fishery question in connection with the leases and the protection of the fisheries. We had the power to stop all dominion licenses as owners of the fisheries, but we have refrained from doing so and only de ire a proper readjustment of the matter.

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"I think it better that the fisheries should be admidistered by the dominion because they have got the machinery with which to do the work, but many large questions have arisen and are likely to arise in all the provinces. In Ontario they have undertaken to manage the fisheries themselves and the dominion account shows that there connection with the Ontario fisheries. That from the dominion government. This is one branch of the case, which I have been

trying to get settled. "The Halifax award is a simple matter because the fisheries for which it was given undoubtedly belong to the province and the payment of this money w.l. net bar us from participating in any bounties for deep sea fishing. Look at the case of Newfoundland: that province got \$1,000 000 of the Halifax award, but if she came into confederation tomorrow, the fact that she had received this money would be no bar to her fishermen obtaining their share of the \$160,000 a year

"The member of Northumberland savs that we should get interest on the award. I have the question brought up by resolution so that the house can say whether what we have done meets with its approval or not. The same member thinks that it would require a separate department to pay out \$13,000 in bounties. We may leave that work to the dominion government which, under the decision of the privy council, has the right to regulate the fisheries.

"All these questions have been discussed with the minister of marine and I believe and hope that at an early day the matter will be settled. In regard to the question of redistribution of seats, we have already taken the house into our confidence, Our opinion is that we shoul i not lose a member and that also seems to be the opinion of the leader of the opposition at Ottawa, who is to introduce a resolution on the subject. believe it will be a good thlog if we can keep our present representation because am averse to any redistribution that would join Albert on to Kings or Restig suche to Goucester. In conclusion, I desire to apologize to the house for any imperfections in my address, not being in a c n lition to speak at length, and I trust that the work of

members of the house and on the province The address was then put and carried without devision and Messrs. Jones and Tweeddale and Hon, Mr. Farris appointed a committee to present it to the lieutenant

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