

A LIBERAL MEMBER WANTS SOME WAR TIME ECONOMY

Mr. Carvell of Cape Breton Asks That a \$2500 Vote for a Wharf be Struck Out --Mr. Carvell Refers to Raw Deal Put Over by the Maritime Dredging Company of St. John.

Ottawa, Sept. 4. — Lieut. W. F. Carroll, Liberal member for Cape Breton, who went to the front as a private with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, made a new record in Canada's parliament today. The House was sitting in supply on the supplementary estimates for harbors and rivers in Nova Scotia. Mr. Carroll moved for the striking out of a vote of \$2,200 for a new wharf in his constituency.

"This is war time," he said, "and we should have war time economy. I must say quite candidly that I think the building of this wharf at the present time will do no good to anyone. If the appropriation is to be spent, let it be devoted to needed repairs on other wharves."

Hon. Dr. Reid, acting minister of

public works, was patently surprised and non-plussed. He explained that the engineers had reported that the wharf was necessary. Mr. Carroll said there were only some seven families in the locality. Even if the vote were an "election vote," he thought it unjustified at the present time.

Dr. Stewart of Lunenburg, who was temporarily in the chair, ruled that Mr. Carroll could not move to strike out the vote.

"Why not?" demanded Mr. Fred F. Pardee.

Hon. George P. Graham wanted to know upon what authority the chairman made his remarkable ruling, whereupon Dr. Stewart admitted that he was wrong, and withdrew the ruling.

"In any event," put in Hon. Dr. Reid, "if the member so desires, I'll move myself that the vote be struck out." This was done, and the item removed from the estimates.

The House occupied the whole of the afternoon sitting upon estimates for the Maritime Provinces.

Quarter Million Vote Opposed.

At the evening session Mr. F. B. Carvell protested against the proposed expenditure of \$250,000 on a breakwater at Negro Point, St. John harbor.

Dr. Reid, acting minister of public works, said the need was very urgent. The secretary of the St. John Board of Trade had written to the Government declaring the new piers were endangered and the work had also been asked for by the Harbor Commissioners.

Suspicious of "St. John Gang."

"I am very glad to hear the gang in St. John won't get their fingers in it," commented Mr. Carvell. "But the acting minister would be well advised to make sure of that. It may be an Ontario firm that has submitted the tender, but I fear the St. John crowd may be connected with it in some way. You cannot keep them out of it while the Government is run as it is. This is an enormous amount of money to be spent just before a general election, and knowing this St. John gang as I do, and knowing of the barefaced way in which they take public money for election purposes, I protest against the Government entering into a contract to spend such a large sum in St. John just before a general election."

Item Stands Over.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley suggested that the tenders received by the Government should be tabled for inspection by members of the committee.

Dr. Reid said in view of what had been said, he would suggest that they allow the item to stand over.

In the course of the discussion the acting minister mentioned that the Government some time ago received a tender from the Maritime Dredging Company.

This reminded Mr. Carvell that huge profits had been made by that company, and that the men behind it were somewhat versatile, politically.

ENGLISH FARMER FINED \$27,500

Violated Regulations Fixed by Food Controller — Fifty-five Different Charges Against Him.

Spalding, Eng., Sept. 6. — George Thompson, a Lincolnshire farmer, has been fined £25,500 (\$27,500) for selling potatoes above the maximum prices fixed by the food controller.

Thompson sold his potatoes at an average of £15 (\$75) per ton, while the price fixed by the controller was £11, 10 shillings. There were 55 charges against Thompson, to which he pleaded guilty, and he was fined £100 on each charge, in addition to £250 costs.

Thompson sold more than 1,000 tons of potatoes above the legal price.

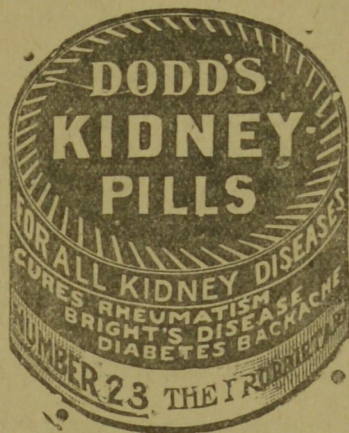
MAY PUT SPUDS ON FREE LIST

Ottawa, Sept. 6. — The Government will take under consideration the advisability of placing potatoes on the tariff-free list as a war measure. The announcement was made at a recent sitting of Parliament, in response to an urgent suggestion by Mr. F. B. Carvell.

Mr. Carvell, who rose upon the calling of the orders of the day, referred to the action taken in placing wheat and wheat products upon the free list. In view of the fact that, particularly in central Canada, there were indications of an almost unmarketable quantity of potatoes, Mr. Carvell urged the Government as a war measure for the conservation of food, to take action similar to that taken with wheat and wheat products and place potatoes upon the free list.

"The Government will give its best consideration to the suggestion made by the honorable gentleman," replied Premier Borden, "and should any announcement be forthcoming, it will be made within a few days."

In 1911 they had turned from Liberals to Conservatives about the time the Conservative Government came into power. "Of all the raw deals that have been put over this Government," said Mr. Carvell, "the deal put over by the Maritime Dredging Company was the worst."



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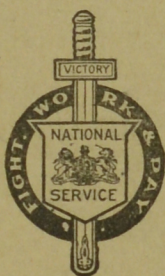
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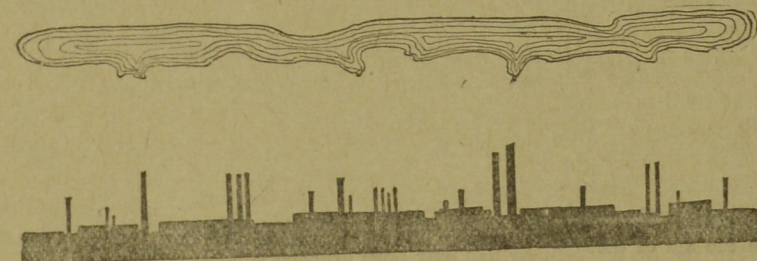
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