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THE TARIFF COMMISSION HEARD MANY DELEGATIONS

Important Meeting of the Commission at St. John Yesterday—

Manufacturers Speak on Behalf of the Infant Industries—

Employees of Marysville Cotton Mill Heard—Farmers Give

Their Views on the Tariff—T. W. Caldwell, M. P., Has

Something to Say.

St. John, Nov. 10—Reduction in the duties of articles on which heavy profits are being made and in the tariff on fertilizer and agricultural machinery were advocated by representatives of the United Farmers' organization before the federal tariff commission which held two sessions in the board of trade rooms here yesterday. Spokesmen for various industries favored the retention of sufficient duties to enable the mills and factories to exist in the face of foreign competition and the merchants of the province made a strong protest against the method of levying the luxury tax on goods sold. The merchants advocated taxing the goods at their source, namely the manufacturer, and abolishing the stamp system.

The commissioners, Sir Henry Drayton, finance minister of Canada, and Hon. G. D. Robertson, minister of labor, were accompanied by W. B. Roberts, secretary Guy Morton, of the Toronto Mail and Empire; Joseph Fortier, of La Patrie, Quebec; J. W. Stevenson of the Toronto Star and Farmers' Sun; Geo. Simpson, Fred Derryman and D. G. Cole, of the Hansard staff, Ottawa.

After luncheon at the Union Club, the cabinet ministers and party were taken on board Nagle & Wigmore's tug Lord Beatty, for a view of the harbor. The party was taken down as far as the breakwater, where they could see Courtenay Bay, and then up as far as the bridge. The commission left late last night for Moncton, where a hearing will take place today.

Mr. W. S. Fisher of St. John delivered a lengthy address on behalf of the manufacturers of New Brunswick. He gave a list of the industries of the province and urged a continuance of the protective tariff.

Mr. L. W. Simms of St. John and Lewis Connors of Connors Bros. Black's Harbor were also heard along the same line.

W. G. Clark of J. Clark & Sons, Fredericton, dealers in farm machinery carriages, etc., said that most of the potato machinery was purchased in the United States and paid 20 per cent. duty, while mowers and others farm machinery manufactured in Canada paid on 12½ per cent., which he considered was unfair. Again parts of this machinery paid 27½ per cent., whereas parts of other farm machinery paid the same rate as the whole machine; he thought this was unfair.

Cotton Men Heard.

Alfred J. Persley, a cotton mill employee of the Canadian Cottons, Ltd., said that the employees were enjoying the protection of assurance of between \$500 to \$1,500 and a profit sharing bonus of 20 per cent. on wages. This was due to the protection of a tariff. He was of the opinion that low tariff meant low wages. He explained that the profit sharing was on the basis of production. He said there were about 500 employed in the mills here. He said he earned \$23.10 a week plus 5 per cent bonus and the profit sharing bonus of about 20 per cent.

To the minister of labor Mr. Persley said they employed nobody under 16 years of age.

J. W. Walker, mayor of Marysville, and an employee of the Canada Cotton, Ltd., said that there were 650 employed averaging \$9 to \$30 a week. The employees in Marysville received \$22,000 on the profit sharing plan last year. He said \$4,300 was paid in insurance last year. He said that the reduction of the tariff would practically wipe out the town. He said 180 families occupied homes owned by the company, paying \$6 a month, as compared with \$16 paid in Fredericton.

A. E. White, another resident of Marysville, corroborated what Mr. Walker said.

Asa Libby, a cotton mill worker of Milltown, also spoke on the same lines as the other cotton mill employees. He said his average pay was \$27 a week, an advance of 157 per cent. on the pre-war rate.

C. O. Morris, of W. H. Thorne & Co. suggested that item 412 of the tariff be amended from an ad valorem and specific duty to ad valorem only. He also objected to the Canadian importers paying duty on American taxes of 5 and 10 per cent. which is added when figured invoice prices.

Farmers' Vice-President.

W. S. Poole, vice-president of the United Farmers of N. B. and president of the United Farmers co-opera-

tive Co., of St. Stephen, read the tariff plank in the farmers' platform. He said it was reported that the Canadian Cottons, Ltd., was making as high as 315 per cent profit during the last year. He thought the duty on wearing apparel, farm machinery, etc., should be reduced. Revenue could be raised to replace the duties lost, he said, by direct tax on unimproved values, graduated income tax and other means as outlined in the farmers' platform.

In reply to the chairman he said the farmers were contributing as much as they could to Canada's war debt.

Mr. Poole said a payment of \$1 an acre direct tax to the dominion government would be a hardship to some of the farmers.

The chairman said that the farmers of New Brunswick paid six-tenths of one per cent. of the assessment during the last year.

Mr. Poole said the reason most farmers paid no income tax was that they had no income on which to pay.

Sir Henry said the basis on which farmers were taxed was different than in the case of other people. He said the farmers would leave to the government the ways and means of raising sufficient revenue. Mr. Poole was asked to submit a statement of earnings and expenses this year.

Replying to Mr. Robertson, Mr. Poole said the farmers did not want the tariff reduced so as to destroy any of the industries, but he thought where companies were making enormous profits, they could afford to drop some of them.

J. Dolphin, manager of the Canadian Cottons, Ltd., objected to Mr. Poole's statement that the company was making 315 per cent. profit.

T. W. Caldwell, M. P.

T. W. Caldwell, M. P. of Carleton county, president of the United Farmers of New Brunswick, introduced the subject of farm machinery and fertilizer and submitted a price list of both as delivered in Aroostook and Carleton countries. This list indicated that the duties here made the fertilizer and machinery higher on the New Brunswick side of the border. He favored duties still lower, particularly on fertilizer, which now paid ten per cent. duty. The Farmers' platform favored a land tax if everything used on the farm were free. The organization was willing to have a land tax as perhaps \$3 of every \$4 collected did not go into the revenue of the country. Mr. Caldwell agreed with Sir Henry that the farmers were not wearing \$60 or \$70 suits. The farmers were willing to make any contribution to government revenues that was fair and equitable. A statement Sir Henry characterized as too general and indefinite.

The finance minister remarked on the big profits some farmer had been making, whereupon Mr. Caldwell said that he would be pleased to pay an income tax if he had an income. He said he farmed one hundred acres and had not sufficient income on which to pay taxes. He said he did not figure his house as rental as the city man did because he figured the interest on the money it cost him to build would amount to more than the city man's rental. The man who paid rent was no worse off than the farmer who owned his house.

The list of speakers having been exhausted, Sir Henry Drayton told of the necessity for the new taxes, saying that the people should now look at public business in a frame of mind different from what they did before. He knew they were all facing a heavy burden, but he was sure, as Canadian citizens, they must see that Canada properly carried on and discharged her obligations. If the luxury tax worked against the country it should be stopped. He knew it was a confounded nuisance and the commission had come here to get the views of the people directly interested. They had been much impressed and would take the matter up at the earliest possible moment, although nothing could be done before the next session of parliament.

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