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FROST PROOF WAREHOUSE AT GEORGETOWN DISCUSSED

In House of Commons Mr. J. A. Macdonald Raises Question of Withdrawal of Estimate and the Souris Red Herring is Thrown Across the Trail.

Prince Edward Island estimates were under discussion in the House of Commons on 22nd inst. when the principal item under fire was the proposed frost proof warehouse at Georgetown with the alternative scheme for one at Souris. The debate follows:

The CHAIRMAN: Is it the desire of the committee that this vote should be taken item by item? Some hon. MEMBERS: Yes. Mr. J. A. MACDONALD (Kings): I would like to ask the minister if it is the intention of the government to provide anything this year for accommodation at Georgetown or Souris. The question of accommodation at Georgetown has been before the government for a couple of years at least, and it was generally expected that something would certainly be done this year.

Mr. GUTHRIE: There is nothing in the estimates to show that this is a re-voite. When was the item voted before? Mr. ELLIOTT: Last session, I understand, but it does not appear in the main estimates. Possibly it will be found in the supplementaries.

Mr. JENKINS: I should like to say for the information of the House that potato growing in Prince Edward Island is going ahead at a very rapid rate. The votes included in the estimates were for the purpose of making provision for the expansion of this particular industry. In order to show the matter is, I shall quote from the issue, dated February 19, last, of the Commercial Intelligence Journal, gotten out by the Department of Trade and Commerce, wherein appears an article by Trade Commissioner Frederick Hudd on Canada's trade with the United States. In the course of this article the Commissioner says:

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There are many reasons which could be given for accommodation at these points other than the local needs of these places. There are a number of places in the eastern and northern parts of the province which have no railway accommodation whatever but have water accommodation, such as Murray Harbour, North, Lower Montserrat, Gasport, and some points on New Brunswick and some points on the north side of the Gulf of St. Lawrence in Queen's county. These and other points would be served by accommodation at either Souris or Georgetown because these people would be able at any season of the year to assemble their produce at Georgetown or Souris by means of small schooners, large motor boats or other means of water transportation, without fear of frost. This is a most important matter; while I do not like to take up too much time of the House I would like to go further into it, but I hardly think it necessary. I think probably the minister has all the information required, and if there is anything further he would like to ask I would be glad to tell him.

Before closing I would like to say that when this matter was brought up last year the minister practically told us the warehouse would be built after the railway was standardized. The Prime Minister was at Georgetown last year; at that time this matter was put up to him very strongly, and the people at the meeting understood his statement to be a practical promise that a warehouse would be built at Georgetown. I think I am justified in saying that—and I am not speaking politically at all but rather in the interests of the industry in Prince Edward Island because The Patriot newspaper, which is the Liberal organ in that province, reported Mr. Mackenzie King as follows:

Mr. King spoke of his landing at Georgetown and of the discussion in parliament as to the need of improved facilities at that port. He was interested in seeing the large warehouse on the railway wharf which had been referred to, and did not wish to be charged with making promises to influence the electors, but as a result of representations made to him, the Liberal government had taken steps to have this shed made frost-proof. The then Minister of Public Works, Hon. Dr. King, had declared that as soon as the standardization of the railway east was completed the work of making the warehouse frost-proof would be undertaken.

Mr. ELLIOTT: I might ask my friend a question which can answer in the course of his remarks. I have received representations with regard to both Souris and Georgetown, and as to the relative amounts of potatoes shipped from both places. There is no doubt that there is quite an extensive traffic in potatoes, which I understand to be largely seed potatoes shipped to the United States from both these places. Would my friend feel disposed, in case the government should not feel able to grant both requests, to state which is the larger? The figures differ somewhat.

It must also be remembered that even during the open season, the harbour of Charlottetown was taxed last year to its utmost capacity, and as a result about 800,000 bushels of potatoes were shipped from that port. About 200,000 bushels passed through the port of Summerside, and an additional 200,000 bushels were handled by schooners and other sailing craft. The car ferry, during the shipping months, handled 2,271 carloads; as I said before, during the month of November the car ferry worked day and night and was taxed to its utmost capacity, handling about 1,165 carloads. These figures are taken from the records of the railway officials. I am satisfied that about the utmost that could be handled, with the rail and water facilities available, was handled last fall. Unless some further accommodation is given so that larger shipments can be made, there is a prospect that we shall be seriously handicapped in the matter of shipping facilities next fall.

Mr. ELLIOTT: I may say to my hon. friend that representations have been made by at least two delegations on behalf of Georgetown, and one or more on behalf of Souris. They have pointed out that the potato industry in Prince Edward Island has doubled in production in the last three or four years, and the exports have more than trebled. There is a great difference of opinion between the representatives of these two places as to which port is best entitled to consideration. I do not think that either of them quite expected that much could be done for both. However, a survey of the Souris district is now being made, and I shall be very glad to go into the matter further as soon as that report is received.

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Mr. MACDONALD (Kings): I would say to the minister that the local traffic is not considered in the matter as of any consequence, although of course it is important to the people of these different localities. I am not speaking for the county of Kings or for the town of Georgetown or Souris; I am speaking for the province of Prince Edward Island. Queens county is just as much interested as Kings county, because the main features apply equally to both. The harbour of Souris cannot be used as a shipping point during the month of December because it has no storage facilities, and the people in the vicinity of Georgetown cannot use that



Trebitch Lincoln—former member of the British parliament and self-confessed spy, who is believed to have again espoused the cause of a Chinese general and to be acting as financial and political adviser for the Cantonese government.

Mr. ELLIOTT: The representations on behalf of Georgetown, made shortly prior to the preparation of the estimates, asked, as I recollect, for a frost proof potato warehouse much larger than called for in the first estimate, and it was necessary to have a survey made before any decision could be arrived at. The warehouse which had been discussed before was stated by the representatives from Georgetown to be totally inadequate to the present needs of that port, and consequently a further survey was made. That survey was not completed nor reported upon when the estimates were in preparation, and in the meantime Souris represented that the production there was four times as large as the production at Georgetown. That matter is now being inquired into.

Mr. MACDONALD (Kings): It is not at all a question of production at either Souris or Georgetown; that is only a minor detail in connection with the scheme. Does the minister intend to put anything in the supplementary estimates this year for this work at either of these places? Mr. ELLIOTT: Something will depend upon the reports received. I am not in a position to answer that question.

Mr. MACDONALD (Kings): Am I to assume that it is not the intention of the government to do anything this year in regard to this matter? Mr. ELLIOTT: My hon. friend should not assume that I want him to understand clearly that I cannot give an undertaking to include any amount in the estimates for either Souris or Georgetown or any other place.

Item agreed to. Summerside wharf repairs and improvements, \$63,000. Mr. MACDONALD (Kings): The minister might explain what this vote is intended for. What construction is contemplated? Mr. ELLIOTT: The proposed work will consist of: (1) Rebuilding outer end and outer west side of wharf to original width of 100 feet on a length of 350 feet.

(2) Construction of two warehouses each 230 feet long, 26 feet wide. (3) Provision for two lines of railway track between the sheds above referred to. Mr. MACDONALD (Kings): I was not objecting; I just wanted the information. Item agreed to. West Point—wharf repairs, \$6,800. Mr. MACDONALD (Kings): Before this resolution is reported I have just one remark to make. We have in this total vote \$189,600 for the province of Prince Edward Island, and it will be found on analysis that almost every dollar of that money, with the exception of a small item for Naufrage, is to be spent in Queens and Prince counties. There is just \$1,000 for Kings county. The department is fully aware, from information submitted by its district engineer, how urgent the needs of Kings county are, and it is surprising to find that this large sum of money practically every cent is to go to Queens and Prince counties and only \$1,000 to Kings county. Naturally I feel, as the people of Kings county feel, that we should not be shut out altogether even though by a small majority they voted me here instead of returning a supporter of the government.

Mr. ELLIOTT: My hon. friend is overlooking the fact that these items are made up largely of work in Charlottetown amounting to \$75,000 and the vote for Summerside of \$63,000, which are the recommendations of the Duncan report. Mr. MACDONALD (Kings): But apart from that there is \$50,000 for the other counties and nothing for Kings. Item agreed to.

Gleanings From Tryon And Vicinity (By scribe) The Tryon (Protestant) Orphanage Guild held a very successful Concert and Basket Social in Tryon Hall, Wednesday evening, Mar. 23rd, realising in all over \$80.00. The concert starting about 8.15, consisted of choruses, duets, quartettes, recitations, also a dialogue. While the whole concert was good, exceptionally so, special mention is deserved by the Misses Muriel and Francis Holland, little daughters of Mr. J. C. Holland, Tryon, who sang in a naive and charming manner "Billy Boy," also of Mr. Geo. Wood, who has a way in reciting. He certainly knows how to handle Habitant and Old Irish, both in poetry and prose. The chairman Mr. Louis Howatt, when called upon to address the gathering, called to the platform the Rev. Mr. Balyard (Baptist Pastor, Tryon), late of London, England, who in a short pleasant address, reminded those present that today—as in the past, boys and girls who will perhaps become leaders are situated as are those in the Protestant Orphanage, and that the cause was one worthy of help. Mr. Howatt followed with a recitation and a story in his own inimitable style and when, with the National Anthem, the concert concluded, the baskets, bidding was brisk and snappy, and many a young man dug deep in his jeans for the money to buy his best girl's basket. And no doubt the report of the Guild as rendered by Mrs. Bruce Howatt, shortly after the opening of the concert, helped in many ways to loose the purse strings. This, of course, together with the fact that each Laddie had a Laddie, and the lassie had a basket there. We all enjoyed ourselves very much and the good ladies of the Guild are to be congratulated on the success of the entertainment.

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"Ginger" looked rather lonesome assembled at her home in Tryon, on Wednesday evening. Why so ad the States, will sure be missed in Ginger? Z

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Miss Mary A. Johnson has returned to her home in Long River having spent the week end with her friend Miss Irma Constable.

Mrs. John E. Campbell has returned to her home in Sea View, having spent a pleasant week with friends in New London.

Mr. Harry Dunning is busily engaged in hauling lumber to repair the approaches of the New London Bridge.

Among the latest arrivals in New London was a touring party of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. and Mrs. Chester Buntain. (Congratulations.)

We are pleased to hear that Mr. Foster Dunning has secured the contract of Mr. Samuel Bernard's barn in French River, which is to be built this coming season.

We are glad to hear that Mr. George MacKay has been confined to his home with illness is improving.

The farmers of the vicinity are busily engaged in hauling their potatoes to Kensington and getting out their fire-wood.

On the evening of March 16th, Miss Clara MacKay was completely taken by surprise when she was invited to the home of Mrs. Marshall Constable, where a goodly number of her friends had assembled to welcome her back to the community, where she has recently moved into her beautiful new home. The chair was taken by Mr. Hugh MacKay, who in a few suitable words expressed the cause of their coming together. A nicely printed address was read by Mrs. C. B. Goss, and a substantial gift presented by Mrs. Constable. Miss MacKay expressed her thanks to those assembled for the valuable gift they had presented to her. The evening was pleasantly spent in music and old time songs. A dainty luncheon was served by the ladies. Following is the address:

We, your friends and neighbours have gathered here to-night to welcome you back to this community, hence you have lived, since your childhood, and where you have been regarded as a kind obliging neighbour and friend. During the past few years, you have been in the western part of our fair island, and when you left there, the people with whom you came by contact in closing we ask you to accept a little gift, not for its intrinsic value, but for the love and respect we have for you; and may you have health and happiness in your beautiful new home.

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"Say, dar, Sam, what kind of cigarette yo' all smokin' now?" "Small cigarettes, Small cigarettes."

"How come baseball cigarettes?" "Cunder's boy, grounders."

Nervous Headache

