

## HOUSE OF COMMONS

**Monday, February 14, 1949**

The house met at three o'clock.

### REPORTS AND PAPERS

Convention of the world meteorological organization, Washington, October 11, 1947.—Mr. Pearson.

Interim report of the organization for European economic co-operation.—Mr. Pearson.

Interim report of the Fraser river diking board for the period since its inception on July 22, 1948, to January 31, 1949.—Mr. Howe.

### CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD ACT

AMENDMENT RESPECTING PAYMENTS TO PRODUCERS IN CHURCHILL AREA

**Mr. P. E. Wright (Melfort)** moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 17, to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act, 1935.

He said: The only change made by this bill is to insert the words "or Churchill" in the appropriate place in two sections of the act, as underlined in the bill. The effect of this change will be to permit producers in the area accessible to the port of Churchill to get the advantage of the cheaper freight rate to Churchill, wherever such cheaper rates apply.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

### GAME EXPORT ACT

AMENDMENT AS TO ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS—OATH OF OFFICE TAKEN BY GAME OFFICERS

**Hon. J. A. MacKinnon (Minister of Mines and Resources)** moved the first reading of Bill No. 14 (from the Senate) to amend the Game Export Act.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

### CULLERS ACT

REPEAL OF CHAPTER 39 OF REVISED STATUTES

**Right Hon. C. D. Howe (Minister of Trade and Commerce)** moved the first reading of Bill No. 15 (from the Senate) to repeal the Cullers Act.

**Mr. Cruickshank:** Explain.

**Mr. Abbott:** One does not explain a Senate bill.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

### CHEESE

AMENDMENT OF CHEESE AND CHEESE FACTORY IMPROVEMENT ACT, AS TO PREMIUMS, ETC.

**Right Hon. J. G. Gardiner (Minister of Agriculture)** moved the first reading of Bill No. 16 (from the Senate) to amend the Cheese and Cheese Factory Improvement Act.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

### NEWFOUNDLAND

TERMS OF UNION WITH CANADA—ADDRESS TO HIS MAJESTY THE KING

**Right Hon. L. S. St. Laurent (Prime Minister)** moved:

That, whereas by a memorandum of agreement entered into on the eleventh day of December, 1948, between Canada and Newfoundland, the terms of union of Newfoundland with Canada were agreed to, subject to approval by the parliament of Canada and the government of Newfoundland;

And whereas the terms of union provide that they shall come into force immediately before the expiration of the thirty-first day of March, 1949, if His Majesty has theretofore given his assent to an act of the parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland confirming the same;

And whereas the terms of union have been approved by the parliament of Canada;

A humble address be presented to His Majesty the King in the following words:—

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty:

Most Gracious Sovereign:

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the House of Commons of Canada in parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty, praying that you may graciously be pleased to cause to be laid before the parliament of the United Kingdom a measure containing the recitals and clauses hereinafter set forth to confirm and give effect to the terms of union agreed between Canada and Newfoundland;

An act to confirm and give effect to the terms of union agreed between Canada and Newfoundland.

Whereas by means of a referendum the people of Newfoundland have by a majority signified their wish to enter into confederation with Canada;

And whereas the agreement containing terms of union between Canada and Newfoundland set out in the schedule to this act has been duly approved by the parliament of Canada and by the government of Newfoundland;

And whereas Canada has requested and consented to the enactment of an act of the parliament of the United Kingdom to confirm and give effect to the