

circulation by the Canadian banks in Newfoundland, and what security has been deposited by these banks as a guarantee of redemption?

I move the deferring of item 1, Mr. Chairman.
[The motion carried]

Mr. Smallwood Mr. Chairman, I move item 2 on the order paper, and in doing so, I would like to make a brief explanation. A few days ago in the debate on this order in committee of the whole a rather heated exchange, at least on my side, took place between Mr. Higgins and myself. I got angry, as the Convention may recall, and in the course of my remarks said, "All right, let's have a showdown, and the whole story will come out". I don't know the exact words I used, but I conveyed the impression that there was a story to come out. There was nothing out of the way. I was not referring to anything that happened in Ottawa, and did not even have that in my mind. I was thinking of something altogether different, and I would like that to be thoroughly understood.

Mr. Chairman It is clear therefore you never intended to convey the impression that there was room for the slightest doubt upon the integrity and character and efficiency of Mr. Higgins.

Mr. Smallwood I was not referring to that at all. I may go so far as to say this, that the delegation in Ottawa were the best possible friends. We worked together, we collaborated, each man did his work, and his fair share, and there was no bad feeling. Mr. Higgins and I worked together on several things that the other members of the delegation did not work on, on the matter of housing for example, because Mr. Higgins hap-

pens to be very keenly interested in housing in St. John's; as I said here yesterday, we had gone to spend some hours one day talking with the head of the housing outfit of Canada. We worked together, as the whole delegation did, and there was not the slightest suggestion in the world that the whole seven of us did not work together and co-operate as Newfoundlanders and as friends, finding out all we could for the benefit of this Convention and this country.

Mr. Higgins Thank you very much, Mr. Smallwood.

Mr. Chairman Are you quite satisfied Mr. Higgins?

Mr. Higgins Quite, sir.

Mr. Smallwood I give notice that I will on tomorrow ask His Excellency the Governor in Commission to ascertain from the Government of Canada whether there exists a federal ship-building bounty, and, if so, to give an outline of the plan.

To ask His Excellency the Governor in Commission for statistics showing exports of salt dried codfish from Canada to the foreign markets over a period of years, together with some explanation of why salt dried codfish exports to the Mediterranean markets have fallen off in recent years.

To ask His Excellency the Governor in Commission to ascertain from the Government of Canada whether, in the event of union, existing or other privately owned broadcasting stations would be permitted to operate and what is the policy of the Government of Canada as to power output permitted to such private stations....

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Mr. Smallwood Mr. Chairman, last night we finished clause 6 and were ready to go on with clause 7; well, actually, clauses 7, 8 and 9, and a number of clauses from here on are under the general heading "Financial Arrangement".

Mr. Chairman Yes, with one qualification, and that is subsection 7 of clause 5 which was deferred pending the attendance of Mr. Ballam. Now, I don't know whether it is Mr. Ballam's intention to address himself on this question or not, or what the reason was.

Mr. Smallwood I think he just wanted to be

present while we were debating the matter of pensions and rehabilitation of war veterans and merchant seamen; I don't understand that it is his desire to have it gone into at this particular moment. We are to go back to it before the debate is over.

Mr. Higgins Mr. Chairman, so that we won't have to go back again, there are a couple of matters that I believe the chairman passed over. One was housing. I believe he said he did not have his notes there at the time. I don't know if he discussed it afterwards, but rather than go back