

a few days ago, a firm from Fogo proper acquired in Bay Bulls all the extensive naval buildings, dockyards and piers. I do not know what they paid for them. And what they have done it for? Is it for fun, as Mr. Higgins said? They are going in for the development of fresh fish, frozen fish, canning and all the rest. There is going to be a very big development in Bay Bulls in a few years. Earle and Sons are the business people who are doing it and they are men of vision. Now are we to take that as meaning our fish industry is doomed to failure? I hardly think so. We have men like Messrs. Crosbie and Job investing thousands in the fishery — not for now, but for the future. Is that a criterion that our fishery is doomed? One thing that was brought up here about the Labrador fishery — men going to Labrador and not bringing home any fish. No person ... can say how much each individual schooner is going to bring home. The fishermen would like to know it. What a person can do is to look around the world in which he lives and see what can be done for the fisheries with capable handling and administration. New processing, new ways of improving existing processing, especially in fresh and frozen fish industry, there I contend lies the future for our fishing industry. Another thing that can be done is finding bigger and more profitable markets. That brings me to a subject which has been discussed by Hon. Mr. Job at great length; but to quote our absent friend, Professor Wheare, "at the risk of being an echo", I wish to mention this question of markets in the USA. I firmly believe that there is a market big enough to take just about every fish we produce, and that that market could be secured if we could get at it. I think we can, providing we had the proper government and we are going to get that government in the future. The USA was granted territories in this country for 99 years for practically nothing without the consent of the people. It is my belief that when we get our own government....

Mr. Smallwood Mr. Chairman, I have overlooked that point of order. I have overlooked several such references from Mr. Watton; references to "when we get our own government" are completely out of order. If Mr. Watton can do it, I can do it, and so can any other member. I ask you to rule it completely out of order, what he has said in that line, and what he is likely to do. He is

simply not supposed to do it.

Mr. Chairman I must sustain Mr. Smallwood on that point. I was about to check you myself. Forms of government are not the concern of this debate. That was laid down by the Chairman a few days ago, and it must stand.

Mr. Higgins Would they not be permissible in elaboration of the argument of the speaker? I don't want to embarrass you in any way, but would they not be permissible in that case, sir?

Mr. Watton Mr. Chairman, may I make an explanation? Remember, I am expressing my opinion, not yours, but mine. I am trying to express what I believe in, and I am trying to bring it to bear on this Economic Report, and I don't think Mr. Smallwood has any right to object to it.

Mr. Smallwood Mr. Chairman, to a point of order. I have a perfect right to raise a point of order. I raised a point of order to the effect that Mr. Watton, and no other member of this Convention, during the time that this Economic Report is being debated, has any right whatsoever to be talking about forms of government, and to be advocating forms of government. You have ruled him out of order Mr. Chairman, and he has no right to be advocating forms of government, or making allusions to it and getting in wisecracks about it. That will come in its time, and not when the Economic Report is being debated...

Mr. Watton I will let it go.

Mr. Chairman What is the point of order?

Mr. Smallwood It is this: Mr. Watton, in the course of his discussion of the Economic Report...

Mr. Hollett That point of order has already been ruled on by the Chairman, and you have no right to bring it up. The point of order has been ruled on, Mr. Chairman, and you have no right to do so again.

Mr. Chairman I am sorry. I understood that the point had been raised, but no ruling has been made.

Mr. Miller I rise to a point of order. For the matter of information, sir, just the word "government", or "Canada", or the word "confederation" is required to put a person out of order, and if our deliberations are words, and if these must be taken from the dictionary, we might as well stop.

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Mr. Chairman Gentlemen will please refrain