

loyal to this country, because I want them to remember that there is no length to which I would not go to defend the people I represent and Newfoundland as a whole.

Mr. Hollett May I ask a question without losing my right to speak to this motion, Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman On a question of order, yes.

Mr. Hollett Is Mr. Smallwood prepared to amend the third section of the resolution,¹ which reads: "and shall proceed to Ottawa as soon as possible after the Convention shall have received from His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom...." Is Mr. Smallwood prepared to delete that and insert the following words: "as soon as possible after the return of the delegation from the United Kingdom Government" without my name being appended to it? I intend to make that amendment when I rise, if he is not prepared to do it now.

Mr. ChairmanOn the question asked by Mr. Hollett have you any answer to make, Mr. Smallwood?

Mr. Smallwood I am in absolute agreement with the suggestion made by Mr. Hollett. It appears that our minds think alike, because I have written here a change in that third section that I thought would be an improvement, almost the same as his was worded, perhaps slightly better. In the seventh line of the last paragraph, the two first words of that line are "after the"; after the word "the" omit the rest, and substitute these: "after the delegation pursuant to Mr. Hollett's motion of even date shall have returned from London and submitted its report to the Convention, but not before." Does that make the same idea?

Mr. Chairman Is that acceptable to you, Mr. Hollett?

Mr. Hollett Yes, quite acceptable. There is a possibility, and it may not be a remote one, that the United Kingdom government will say, "We can answer these questions without having you fellows come over here, and answer them in black and white." As the motion of the member from Bonavista Centre expresses it, his delegation will go to Canada whether or not there is one going to England. I would like to make sure of this because I can't express here now what I feel about the matter, but I have my doubts about something. While I am on my feet, if you will permit

me I will speak to the motion under consideration, but before that I would like to say that I, too, have felt the cold icy blast from Labrador this afternoon....

Mr. Chairman Will you permit me to get this quite straight now. Mr. Hollett suggests all the words after "the" in the last paragraph of Mr. Smallwood's resolution should be stricken out, and the following substituted therefore: "return of the delegation elected pursuant to the resolution proposed by Mr. Hollett and adopted by this Convention on this date, but not before." Now that's acceptable to you, Mr. Smallwood?

Mr. Smallwood Yes.

Mr. Chairman Hon. Mr. Job, is it acceptable to you?

Mr. Job Yes.

Mr. Chairman Thank you. It now reads as it has been amended, and that now stands as the original motion.

Mr. Hollett Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Mr. Smallwood. I do feel somewhat as though I were included in the expressions used by my friend from Labrador this afternoon relative to certain things that may have been said in this assembly with regard to, as he said, the British people. There is no greater admirer in this assembly than myself of the British people as such, but I do not regard Dominions Office as truly representing the British people so far as Newfoundland is concerned. Any remarks I have made which may appear derogatory to the Dominions Office do not apply to the British people; like Major Cashin, I have given of my body for the people of Newfoundland, and when we meet here to discuss the future of Newfoundland we are not going to be so very particular about some of the things we say.

This afternoon there was a resolution passed that we send a delegation to Great Britain to interview the British government and not the Dominions Office. I would not be surprised if we did land in the Dominions Office, but I want it clearly understood that any delegation has not got to go over there with their fingers in their mouths, or in the conciliatory spirit that was proposed by my friend from Labrador. That delegation is not going to look for anything which it does not deserve. We are not going begging, and the delegation will not go in a conciliatory mood but

¹Above, p. 342.