

throughout the world. If that result shall have been reached, it will indeed be a happy conclusion to a most auspicious gathering. And we might voice another sentiment, too, that the happy circumstances which have called this Conference together will be but the prelude of occasions on which we shall not only have the opportunity of meeting the statesmen of other colonies in Canada, but in which we shall have the greater opportunities and facilities for meeting in the times to come the people they represent." (Loud applause.)

The Conference held several meetings, and on the 11th July the following resolutions were given to the press :—

Sir Henry Wrixon, in accordance with previous notice, made the following motion, which was seconded by Hon. F. B. Suttor :

"Resolved, that provision should be made by Imperial legislation enabling the dependencies of the Empire to enter into agreements of commercial reciprocity with Great Britain, or with one another, without foreign nations being entitled to share therein."

A discussion having arisen therefrom, the mover and seconder, with the consent of the Conference, withdrew the resolution as submitted, and substituted the following :—

"Resolved, that provision should be made by Imperial legislation enabling the dependencies of the Empire to enter into agreements of commercial reciprocity, including power of making differential tariffs, with Great Britain or with one another."

After discussion the latter resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was moved by Hon. Mr. Suttor, seconded by Hon. Mr. Fitzgerald, and

"Resolved, without dissent, that this Conference is of opinion that any provisions in existing treaties between Great Britain and any foreign power which prevent the self-governing dependencies of the Empire from entering into agreements of commercial reciprocity with each other, or with Great Britain, should be removed."

On motion of Hon. Mr. Suttor, seconded by Sir Henry Wrixon, it was resolved :—

"That, in the opinion of this Conference, immediate steps should be taken to provide telegraphic communications by cable, free from foreign control, between the Dominion of Canada and Australasia."