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HOUSE

Thursday, March 7, 1929.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Porter of Gardiner.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Mr. HOLMAN of Farmington: Mr. Speaker, I wish to present the following resolution, out of order, and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Farmington, Mr. Holman, asks leave to present out of order a resolution and moves its adoption.

The Clerk will read the resolution.

RESOLVED that in the untimely death of Bert H. Farrington, who died at Jay, March 5th, 1929, the town of his adoption, his county and the State at large has met with an irreparable loss;

RESOLVED that the House instruct the Clerk to send his wife the following telegram:

"The House of the Eighty-fourth Legislature extends to you and your children its sympathy in this great hour of grief."

RESOLVED that a committee of seven be appointed to represent the House at the funeral of our deceased member, that the same be appointed by the Speaker, of which committee he shall be a member.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

Mr. CHASE of Cape Elizabeth: Mr. Speaker, my friendship with the late member from Jay, Mr. Farrington, was based upon our association in this and in the last Legislature. It is easy for me to understand the faith and confidence which his fellow townsmen placed in him. Firm in purpose and strong in his convictions, yet, withal, modest and unassuming, he soon won the respect and admiration of his associates. He never would cherish animosity or countenance unfair methods. He was

honorable and reliable and always diligent in his duty. It is indeed with few and simple words that I take my leave of our late friend. May his spirit of courage and fairness animate all of us in the work which lies before us.

Thereupon the Speaker appointed as the committee to attend the funeral Representatives Wing of Kingfield, Blanchard of Phillips, Gillespie of Meddybemps, Crawford of Houlton, Campbell of Leeds and Wright of Bath.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Kitchen.

Mr. KITCHEN: Mr. Speaker and members of the House: In connection with the ceremony this morning I can think of nothing more appropriate than these few lines by John White Chadwick, entitled "Auld Lang Syne," which I will read:

It singeth low in every heart,
We hear it each and all,—
A song of those who answer not,
However we may call;
They throng the silence of the breast,
We see them as of yore,—
The kind, the brave, the true, the
sweet,
Who walk with us no more.

'Tis hard to take the burden up,
When these have laid it down;
They brightened all the joy of life,
They softened every frown;
But oh, 'tis good to think of them,
When we are troubled sore!
Thanks be to God that such have
been,
Although they are no more!

More homelike seems the vast unknown,

Since they have entered there;
To follow them were not so hard,
Wherever they may fare;
They cannot be where God is not,
On any sea or shore;
Whate'er betides, Thy love abides,
Our God, for evermore.

Mr. Speaker and members of the House: In further respect to our deceased member, I now move that the House adjourn until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

The motion prevailed, and the House so adjourned.