FIRST

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SECOND SESSION.

RESOLUTION No. L.

Whereas the Honourable Senior Member for New Amsterdam laid on the table on Friday last a document from the Chamber of Commerce relating to the parlous condition of the sugar industry of the Colony, and it appears necessary that something should immediately be done in the interest of that industry; and

WHEREAS the British Government are desirous and wisely so of protecting the poor and working man's table in the United Kingdom; and

Whereas the protection of the poor and working-man's table of the colonies is equally a matter of concern of His Majesty's ministers; and

WHEREAS it would appear that it is desirable to suggest to the British Government that both these objects may be achieved by admitting British grown sugar from the colonies into the markets of the United Kingdom on the same terms as Home-grown beet by granting duty free entry":

Be it Resolved,—That the neighbouring West India Islands be invited to unite in a common cable to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for transmission to the Chancellor of the Exchequer praying that all British Colonies be allowed to dispose of their sugar and its by-products in the markets of the United Kingdom free of Customs duties in order that these Colonies may be saved from extinction and the working-classes thereof be enabled to earn bread.

Passed by the Legislative Council this 18th day of March, 1930.

M. B. LAING, Clerk of the Council.

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