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we will depart from that policy. I hope that is the answer that my hon. friend had in mind.

Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood): I think it is reasonably clear that the minister does not make this assumption.

Mr. Chevrier: Oh, thank you.

Mr. Knowles: I should like to support the request made by the hon. member for Greenwood. If the Minister of Transport feels that the argument was not as strong as it might be concerning the point that we were taken by surprise, might I underline the other point made by the hon. member for Greenwood. There are some members necessarily absent tonight who wish to speak on this matter, and the first item in the minister's department seems to be the place for it to be discussed. It would also seem desirable to have a continuous discussion. If the minister and the government insist that the best members of the house, as the hon. member for Vancouver-Quadra styled us, sit here for the rest of the evening, we may find ourselves changing the subject but still remaining on the first item. I think consideration might be given to the suggestion that the house adjourn.

Mr. Chevrier: I did not refer to that before I sat down. I think it is a matter for the house to decide. If the house is of the view that we should adjourn at this hour I have no objection.

Item stands.

Progress reported.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Chevrier moved the adjournment of the house.

He said: The business for tomorrow will be the consideration of item No. 5, a resolution concerning emergency gold mining assistance; a motion to go into committee of supply for discussion of the estimates of the Department of Transport and Department of Agriculture, but not necessarily in that order.

Mr. Knowles: No motion is necessary.

Mr. Green: Could we not know whether it is the intention to continue with one department during the remainder of the day or whether both departments are to be considered?

Mr. Chevrier: I have not had an opportunity to discuss the matter with my colleague but if I could I should like to proceed tomorrow.

Mr. Green: Perhaps the minister could ask the Minister of Agriculture now.

Mr. Chevrier: I would rather leave it on that basis, transport and agriculture, either one or the other, but not necessarily in that order.

Mr. Knowles: Would it be possible for the various parties in the house to be informed tomorrow morning as to the order in which these departments will be called?

Mr. Chevrier: Yes.

Motion agreed to and the house adjourned at 10.10 p.m.