

that the allocation of parking areas in the precincts of Parliament is in the hands of the Department of Public Works, which has lined out spaces for cars on both sides and at the rear of the buildings. I do not know whether it possesses the necessary authority to do that, but at any rate the spaces are plainly marked and cars are directed to them by police on the grounds. Unfortunately many cars encroach upon the adjacent lawns, and the intention of the Committee, as I understand it—at least, this was in my mind and I am sure it was in the minds of the other members—is that there should be a coping built, or some other means provided to prevent cars from doing this.

With reference to the remarks of my honourable friend from Parkdale (Hon. Mr. Murdoch), I think it can be said that additional parking facilities are needed on Parliament Hill. The Committee recommended that space should be provided in the rear of the new Confederation Building. As all honourable members know, the Government owns the whole tract of land in that vicinity from Wellington street down to the river, and room for a large number of cars should be available there. It is immaterial whether this space would be used exclusively by the cars of sightseers, or members of Parliament, or Government employees. That is a matter for regulation by the Department of Public Works, acting under authority of the Government. I suggest, honourable members, that the appearance of Parliament Hill would be greatly improved if no cars were allowed to be parked in the immediate precincts. My honourable friend from Parkdale has said that American visitors would not care to park their cars behind the Confederation Block and walk up to these buildings. He has no doubt visited Washington, and I presume is aware that he would not be allowed to leave his car standing close to the Capitol. By prohibiting parking in the rear of this building we should not cause offence to our American friends, for their Government at Washington has made similar regulations.

The remarks of the honourable gentleman from Pictou (Mr. Tanner) with regard to Sir Charles Tupper apply with equal pertinence to Sir Leonard Tilley. Had it not been for these two men and the parties that they led, Confederation certainly would not have been achieved at the time it was. The entry of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick into the Union was due very largely to the skill and adroitness of these two statesmen. I can only assume that the absence of monuments to their memory is due to an oversight, and I

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join with my honourable friend from Pictou in urging the Government to have those statues erected as soon as possible.

The report was concurred in.

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY moved that the Senate adjourn during pleasure.

He said: We have nothing more on the Order Paper, and I suggest that we should adjourn now, to meet again at the call of the Chair. As honourable senators know, two of the members of the committee that was struck yesterday for the purpose of conference on the Beauharnois matter went to Montreal to attend the funeral of Hon. Mr. Doherty. The train from Montreal will arrive about four o'clock, and it may or may not be that after those honourable senators have returned we shall have some business to bring before this honourable body. We shall await the call of the bell.

The motion was agreed to, and the Senate adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the sitting of the Senate was resumed.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I would ask the honourable leader whether he expects any legislation from the Commons to-day.

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: Nothing is expected to-day.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Then there is no reason why we should not adjourn. The fixing of the time of our next sitting is in the hands of my honourable friend.

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: I move that when the House adjourns it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at 10.30 in the forenoon.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10.30 a.m.

THE SENATE

Saturday, August 1, 1931.

The Senate met at 10.30 a.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

THE BEAUHARNOIS PROJECT

MESSAGE FROM HOUSE OF COMMONS

The Hon. the SPEAKER: Honourable senators, a communication has been received from the Speaker of the House of Commons, reading as follows: