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Borden, R. L.—*Con.*

the canals are as open to citizens of Canada as to those of the United States, 5208.

Broder, A. (Dundas)—5205.

There are some private owned canals as well, 5205. All the treaty bound them to do was to urge the state to give us the freedom of using the canals, 5207.

Haggart, Hon. John. (South Lanark)—5208.

The Prime Minister and Broder perfectly right, the Treaty of Washington gave us the right to use the canals, 5208. After the effort of Mr. Murphy and friends no other effort was made to obtain use of the New York canals, 5209.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—5207.

While the legislature of the State of New York gave the use of the canals, it was made nugatory by subsequent regulations. Will answer later on, 5207-8.

Perley, G. H. (Argenteuil)—5202.

Quotes a question and answer of February 24, 5202. Judging from this that the Department of Justice does not think Canadians have a right to use the canals of New York State, 5203. Opinion of the Consul General that the canals are open to the vessels of all nations, quotes constitution, 5204. Simply puts on record what he understands; reads a letter from Winslow M. Mead, 5205. Appears to him that the State of New York allows us absolutely to use the canals, 5206.

Supply. Representation of Ottawa and Quebec East.

Amendment to the motion to go into supply, Mr. A. Meighen, 1305.

Aylesworth, Hon. A. B. (Minister of Justice)—1309.

The ordinary and proper course would have been to appeal from the Speaker's ruling, 1309. Review the former proceedings; the Speaker's ruling in every respect correct, 1310. Technical criticisms of the ruling; the nature of sessional orders; three distinct things collated, 1311. Quotes Bourinot: difference between 'sessional orders' and rules, 1312. Could not with such light as he has conclude that the Speaker's ruling was erroneous, 1313-4.

Borden, R. L. (Halifax)—1314.

Very little to add to what has been said, 1314. Must look not to the language of a rule but the probable length of its duration. Cannot understand the minister's argument, 1315.

Brodeur, Hon. L. P. (Minister of Marine and Fisheries)—1323.

The proper proceeding would have been to ask for a special committee to revise the rules, 1323. Mr. Campbell by introduc-

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ing a Bill has shown a knowledge of correct procedure, 1324. The procedure we have followed has been to refer the rules to a committee, 1325. The Speaker's decision stands as final unless there is an appeal from it, 1326. Not prepared to declare whether a sessional order does or does not form part of the rules, 1327.

Crothers, T. W. (Elgin West)—1327.

The contention of the government; quotes Bourinot. If the authority is good, the contention is erroneous. The Premier's duty perfectly clear, 1327 8. Since June the Prime Minister has been violating the constitution of the country, 1329.

Haggart, Hon. J. G. (North Lanark)—1322.

Have always gone on the assumption that the British rules were in force in Canada. Importance of the question, 1322. The sessional rules in force in England in 1867 are the rules which govern the House, 1323.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—1315.

Realizes by experience that the law of parliament is far more intricate and difficult than is imagined, 1315. A maze in which it is easy to lose one's way. The Speaker's ruling, 1316. The Committee on Privileges and Elections should deal with the matter. Matter will be considered by a Committee, 1317.

Maddin, J. W. (Cape Breton, South)—1314.

Quotes Redlich, the sessional and standing orders are rules to which this House is subject, 1314.

Meighen, A. (Portage la Prairie)—1305.

Reference to previous discussions. The Speaker's ruling; sessional orders and rules, 1305. Reads the amendment. No distinction between 'rules' and 'orders.' English practice, 1306. Quotes Redlich procedure in the House of Commons, 1307. If sessional orders are not included in rules, it may be more serious for the House than is imagined, 1308. The position they are in. Moves his amendment, 1309.

Northrup, W. B. (East Hastings)—1317.

The Reform party questioning the rights of the people to secure representation, 1317. The Premier has no other justification than the appointment of a committee to revise the rules, 1318. Quotes the Speaker's ruling. The Minister of Justice's argument, 1319. Reads the rule; what Redlich says. Quotes May sessional orders, 1320. The Premier is wrongfully depriving the people of Canada of a seat to which they are entitled, 1321.

SUPPLY—RICHIBUCTO WHARF.

Amendment to the motion to go into Supply. Mr. O. S. Crocket, 7592.