PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS AND PENSION REGULATIONS.

House of Commons, Room 318, Thursday, April 10, 1919.

The Committee met at 11 a.m., the Chairman, Hon. Mr. Rowell, presiding.

Members present: Messieurs Andrews, Bonnell, Brien, Green, Lang, Nesbitt, Nickle (vice-chairman), Rowell (chairman), and Savard.

The following communications were read and considered:-

(1) Letter from the Deputy Minister of Labour submitting a memorandum in respect to cost of living and family budgets, prepared by the statistical officer of the department.—Ordered that copies be typewritten for the use of the committee.

(2) Letter dated April 1, from Frank M. Mallette, supplementing letter of March 17, in reference to insufficient British pension, but incurring no expense upon the Canadian Government for treatment.—Ordered extended on the records. See No. 10 copy of Evidence.

(3) Extracts from the Act of 1919, relating to French military pensions with tables showing the new rates of pensions for 10 per cent, 50 per cent, and 100 per cent disability, as to privates, corporals, sergeants, etc., to the rank of a General of Divisions; also rates of pensions to widows and orphans, and children who are under 18 years.—Ordered extended on the records. See Appendix to No. 9 copy of Evidence.

The committee then proceeded to consider the question of pensions relating to widows of certain Generals who had served in the Canadian militia; also the question of pensions relating to widows and dependents of British and Allied reservists who are Canadian citizens.

On motion of Mr. Nesbitt, seconded by Mr. Andrews, it was resolved that further considerations upon the various questions pertaining to pensions, now before the committee, and the question of preparing a Bill relating thereto, be deferred until next meeting to be held on Thursday, April 24—which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green, the committee then adjourned.

V. CLOUTIER, Clerk.

N. W. ROWELL, Chairman.

THURSDAY, April 24, 1919.

Owing to a Government caucus held this day, notices were sent to members of the committee, on instructions received from the chairman, requesting that the meeting be postponed.

> House of Commons, Room 318, Tuesday, April 29, 1919.

The Committee met at 10.30 a.m., the Chairman, Hon. Mr. Rowell, presiding.

Members present: Messieurs Andrews, Bonnell, Brien, Clark (N. Bruce), Cronyn, Green, Lapointe (St. James), McCurdy, McGibbon (Muskoka), Nesbitt, Nickle, Pardee, Redman, Ross, Rowell, and Sutherland.