

**ASHCROFT, BARKERVILLE AND FORT-GEORGE RAILWAY.**

Amendment made by the Senate to Bill (89) to incorporate the Ashcroft, Barkerville and Fort George Railway Company, read the first time—5401.

Motion by Mr. D. Ross that said amendment be read the second time and agreed to. Motion agreed to, and amendment read the second time and agreed to—5402.

*Emmerson, Hon. H. R.* (Minister of Railways)—5401.

There is under consideration an amendment to the Railway Act which would cover this point—5402.

*Gallihier, W. A.* (Kootenay)—5401.

Where a railway goes through a pass, and it is impracticable or very expensive to build a separate line, we shall have running rights over that road—5401.

*Ross, D.* (Yale-Cariboo)—5401.

The other House, anticipating general legislation, has framed a clause of its own which it has put in all these railways that go through the mountains—5401.

**AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT.**

On motion to adjourn, Mr. Borden (Carleton, Ont.), asks the Premier when may the Auditor General's Report be expected?—7. Matter drops and motion agreed to.—11.

*Borden, R. L.* (Carleton, Ont.)—7.

Would like to know when the report of the Auditor General might be expected—7.

*Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid* (Prime Minister)—8.

Have no doubt it will be presented within the time prescribed by Parliament—8.

**AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT.**

On the Orders of the Day, Mr. Borden suggests that the Auditor General's Report be presented in instalments, as prepared—5127.

*Borden, R. L.* (Carleton, Ont.)—5127.

I suppose it would be possible for the Auditor General to get his report ready in parts, and to arrange to put out each part as it is completed—6127.

*Fielding, Hon. W. S.* (Minister of Finance)—6127.

I think that the most that can be said is that, where there is a probability of delay in the presentation of the report, it would be better to have it brought down in instalments—6127.

*Sproule, T. S.* (East Grey)—6127.

On a former occasion we had the report presented in instalments, each branch separately, and then the completed volumes issued after that—6127.

**AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT. THE**

Mr. Parmelee explains in answer to request for information by member for Beauharnois (Mr. Bergeron) that French version of the Auditor General's Report is in type and will be ready next week—5886.

**AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT IN FRENCH. THE**

On the Orders of the Day, Mr. Bergeron calls the attention of the chairman of the Printing Committee to the fact that the Auditor General's Report in French has not yet appeared—5754.

**BARRISTERS IN THE GOVERNMENT.**

On the notice of motion, that it is inexpedient that any member of the government, or deputy-head should act or appear as counsel in any action, suit or proceeding except where the interests of the Crown are involved—Mr. Lennox—1396. Mr. Fitzpatrick asks that it be allowed to stand over. Motion allowed to stand—1397.

**BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY—IN COMMITTEE.**

Motion, that the House go into committee on Bill (81) respecting the Bell Telephone Company of Canada—Mr. Bureau—3953. Amendment by Mr. Lennox—3957. Amendment negatived and motion (Mr. Bureau) agreed to—3964.

*Bergeron, J. G. H.* (Beauharnois)—3959.

I have no doubt that when the chair declared the Bill passed the other day it was passed—3959. My impression is that what was promised by the Minister of Justice will be carried out, and if the Minister of Railways will bring down the amendments to the Railway Act, which were promised, it will satisfy the great majority of the members of the House—3960.

*Bureau, Jacques* (Three Rivers)—3953.

If the hon. gentleman (Mr. W. F. Maclean) will read the Bill, he will see the understanding. It is added to the Bill as section 2—3953. Explains the action that led to the question before the House—3962. I do not want the Bell Company to press anything through the committee, but I do not want the Bill to go back to the committee, and be treated as it was before—3963.

*Campbell, A.* (Centre York)—3957.

There did not seem to be any serious objection to reporting the Bill; as chairman, I did not feel that there was any member of the committee, or any respectable number of the committee, who did not wish the Bill reported—3957. The chairman did not leave the chair, as the hon. member for Lincoln (Mr. Lancaster) stated. I remember distinctly that when