

Members, as we may notice, sit with their hats on, if they please to do so, but they must take them off when they address the house. When a member speaks, he must address himself to the Speaker and not to the other members, and, should he forget this fact, he is called to order. No one is allowed to interrupt a speaker or pass between him and the Speaker's throne. In referring to other members, no names are mentioned but they are addressed with reference to the constituency which they represent, and in this way, personalities are repressed and the debate is conducted in a calm and temperate manner.

On the conclusion of the debating on a motion, the Speaker calls for the opinion of the house and the question is decided by the number of "yeas" and "nays."

But of more interest to us, than many of these proceedings, are the Honorable Ministers of the Borden Cabinet and all the other Members of Parliament who are seated below us. There we see men who assemble from all parts of our large Dominion, to represent the people of their different constituencies, that all may have an equal voice, in the making of our laws. Among them are men representing nearly all religions and nationalities in Canada. The prominent profession found among the members is that of the lawyer, there being over seventy per cent. of the them members of the bar. In the Borden Cabinet there are but six who are not lawyers.

Occupying the Speaker's chair, arrayed in his robes of office, we find Hon. T. S. Sproule. In the middle of the front bench to his right is seated the Hon. R. L. Borden, the Prime Minister of Canada, surrounded by the ministers of his Cabinet and the members of his government party. Beside the Prime Minister is the Hon. Geo. E. Foster, the Minister of Trade and Commerce, while on his left is the Hon. Mr. Pelletier, Postmaster-General. On the opposite side of the House, directly across from Mr. Borden, is the Leader of the Liberal Party, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, while by his side we find the Hon. Geo. P. Graham, the ex-Minister of Railways and Canals.

We can sit there for hours, and listen attentively to the well-delivered speeches of Canada's prominent politicians. And we do not find the time slipping by, till, on taking a glance at the large clock across from us, we find that the entire afternoon has been spent in furthering our knowledge of the political questions of our country.

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