

dière), Dandurand, Dever, Dobson, Fiset, Gilmor, Gowan, C.M.G., Hingston, Sir William, Kt., Landry, McHugh, McSweeney, Merner, Mills, Montplaisir, O'Brien, O'Donohoe, Reid, Shehyn, Snowball, Sullivan, Young.—25.

Hon. Mr. FERGUSON—I wish to call the attention of the hon. gentleman from Marquette to the fact that the minority in this House have a majority on that committee.

Hon. Mr. WATSON—I observed in my opening remarks that the Liberals were put on the least important committees.

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL—It is one of the most important committees of the House.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND—I rise to protest against the majority being unfairly treated in the appointments to this committee.

The motion agreed to.

CONTINGENT ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT moved that the Committee on Internal Economy and Contingent Accounts consist of the following members :

The Hon. Messrs. Bernier, Bolduc, Bowell, Sir Mackenzie, K.C.M.G., Casgrain (Windsor), Fiset, King, Kirchhoffer, Landry, Lougheed, Lovitt, Macdonald (Victoria), McCallum, McDonald (Cape Breton), McLaren, Miller, Montplaisir, Owens, Pelletier, Sir Alphonse, K.C.M.G., Perley, Prowse, Scott, Vidal, Villeneuve, Watson, Wood (Westmoreland).—25.

The motion was agreed to on a division.

THE DEBATES COMMITTEE.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT moved that the Committee on Debates and Reporting consist of :

The Hon. Messrs. Bernier, Ellis, Ferguson, Kerr, Landry, Macdonald (P.E.I.), McCallum, Templeman, Vidal.—9.

The motion was agreed to.

RESTAURANT COMMITTEE.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT moved that the Committee on the Restaurant consist of :

The Hon. the Speaker, and the Hon. Messrs. Bolduc, Lougheed, McKay (Truro), McMillan, Miller, Pelletier, Sir Alphonse, K.C.M.G.—7.

The motion was agreed to.

THE DIVORCE COMMITTEE.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT moved that the Committee on Divorce consist of :

The Hon. Messrs. Baker, Gowan, C.M.G., Kerr, Kirchhoffer, Lougheed, Mills, Primrose, Templeman, Wood (Westmoreland).—9.

The motion was agreed to on a division.

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THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—We now come back to the Library Committee.

The SPEAKER—The hon. gentleman from Montarville asked a question: in reply, I may say, that up to 1894, the wording of the report appointing the Joint Committee on the Library gave the names of sixteen members 'to assist the Hon. the Speaker in the management of the Library.' Since 1895, the report has included the Speaker as one of the committee.

Hon. Mr. DeBOUCHERVILLE—It seems to me that as the Speaker, either of the Senate or of the House of Commons, is ex-officio chairman of this committee, it shows that it is not necessary for him to be named. The old way of putting it was to my mind better.

The motion was agreed to.

THE LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT.

REPORT ADOPTED.

Hon. Sir ALPHONSE PELLETIER moved the adoption of the report of the Joint Librarians of Parliament for 1900. He said: I hope hon. gentlemen have had time to examine this report. Many suggestions are made which are important, but the most important is the one calling attention to the want of a suitable building. This concerns the Public Works Department, and there is no reason why the report should not be adopted now.

The motion was agreed to.

AN ADJOURNMENT.

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL—Would it not be well, before adjourning, if the hon. Minister of Justice would indicate what adjournment he proposes, and that he should give a notice of it, because some hon. member might take advantage of the rule and say that no notice had been given.

Hon. Mr. MILLS—I thought of suggesting an adjournment for a fortnight from next Tuesday to meet at eight o'clock in the evening. I do not think the House of Commons will have made such progress by that time that we cannot overtake the work.

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL—Is it proposed by the government to introduce