

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, February 18, 1935.

The meeting came to order at 11 a.m.

Members present: Messrs. Woodsworth, Guthrie, Cowan, Turnbull, and Gagnon.

Mr. Turnbull was elected Chairman.

Mr. Turnbull took the Chair and read the Order of Reference.

Discussion took place as to the advisability of having the number of members of the committee increased, when it was decided to leave the matter of determining numbers and personnel with the government.

Discussion followed as to procedure to be adopted in the conduct of the business of the committee, when it was decided to call as witness, Mr. Edwards, Deputy Minister of the Department of Justice, for the next meeting; the subject of procedure to be given further consideration.

Mr. Gagnon moved that leave be asked of the House to print the day to day proceedings and evidence, 500 copies in English and 250 copies in French.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned till Tuesday, February 26th at 11 a.m.

A. A. FRASER,  
*Clerk of Committee.*

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HOUSE OF COMMONS,  
TUESDAY, February 26, 1935.

The meeting came to order at 11 a.m., Mr. Turnbull, presiding.

Members present: Messrs. Cowan, Turnbull, Gagnon, Mackenzie, Woodsworth, Bourassa, Stewart, and Veniot.

Upon request the Chairman read the Order of Reference.

W. S. Edwards, K.C., Deputy Minister, Department of Justice, was called and addressed the committee on the subject matter of the Order of Reference. The witness agreed to submit a memorandum showing the trend of judicial decisions respecting constitutional questions.

The witness retired to reappear at a subsequent meeting.

The meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair.

A. A. FRASER,  
*Committee Clerk.*