whether parliament can finish its business in time to prorogue this evening, but I have been asked to request the Senate to hold itself in readiness for that eventuality. I therefore move that the house adjourn during pleasure, to resume at the call of the bell, probably at 9 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

At 9 o'clock the sitting was resumed.

Hon. Mr. ROBERTSON: Honourable senators, there seems to be no reasonable prospect that prorogation will take place this evening. In the circumstances, I move that this house do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 3 p.m.