

cussion can take place only on a motion for concurrence.

Mr. CURRIE: I understand the report will appear in the Votes and Proceedings on Monday.

Mr. SPEAKER: Yes.

#### BOARD OF COMMERCE—RESIGNATION OF JUDGE ROBSON.

Sir ROBERT BORDEN (Prime Minister): I beg to lay on the Table correspondence with regard to the resignation of Judge Robson. This is in response to the request of the leader of the Opposition (Mr. Mackenzie King), and also in compliance with orders that have been passed by the House upon the motions of the hon. member for Maisonneuve (Mr. Lemieux) and the hon. member for Pontiac (Mr. Cahill).

Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING: Does the return the Prime Minister has just presented include all the correspondence, or has some been withheld?

Sir ROBERT BORDEN: It is all included so far as I am aware.

#### REPORT TABLED.

Report of Administrative Chairman of the Honourary Advisory Council for Scientific and Industrial Research of Canada, for the year ended March 31, 1919.—Sir George Foster.

Report relating to mail subsidies and steamship subventions for the year ended March 31, 1919.—Sir George Foster.

#### INQUIRIES FOR RETRUNS.

Mr. JOSEPH ARCHAMBAULT (Chambly and Verchères): I wish to call the attention of the Government to some orders for returns which were passed by the House, some even last session, and which have not yet been brought down. There were two returns of last session, one regarding the Ste. Anne military hospital, the second regarding the list of the Grand Trunk shareholders. On the 29th March of this session an order was passed calling for specifications and plans in connection with the Vancouver drydock and the contract given to Messrs. J. Coughlan and Sons, Limited. Another was passed on April 19 calling for a list of all farmers who enlisted in the Canadian Expeditionary Force. Another was passed on April 21 regarding the War Stamps Act, amounts collected, expenses of administration and fines in the different cases. Another was passed on April 26 asking for a return showing the amount of

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liquor imported into Canada from 1913 to 1919. Another was passed on May 26 asking for a return showing the average prices of anthracite coal from 1914 to the present. Another was passed on June 14 asking for a return showing the names of insurance companies which have complied with section 115 of the Insurance Act of 1910, chapter 157. All these returns are important, and I hope the ministers will find time to lay them on the table of the House before the end of the session. I wish to call special attention to the order respecting the list of Grand Trunk shareholders. I insist on this one especially.

Sir ROBERT BORDEN: I shall direct the attention of the ministers to my hon. friend's request. It brings back to me some old memories, because I recollect that on one occasion, as leader of the Opposition I read out a list of about three typewritten pages of returns that had been ordered during the then session and two previous sessions and which had not been brought down. The failure to bring down returns seems to be common to all administrations but I shall endeavour to expedite these returns.

Mr. BELAND: When the right hon. gentleman is leader of the Opposition we shall see that he gets his returns.

Mr. J. H. SINCLAIR (Antigonish and Guysborough): More than a year ago I obtained an order of the House of Commons for the production of all correspondence relating to the appointment of a Lieutenant Governor for Prince Edward Island. The order has not yet been complied with. I should like to know when I may expect the return to be brought down.

Sir ROBERT BORDEN: I do not think there is any correspondence; at all events, any that can be brought down, but I shall make inquiry.

#### THE BOARD OF COMMERCE.

On the Orders of the Day:

Mr. M. STEELE (South Perth): In view of the fact that all three members of the Board of Commerce have resigned, and that there is now no board in existence, is it still necessary that merchants and others shall continue to supply the reports demanded by the former members of the board, and especially the report of the monthly purchases and sales by retail grocers.

Rt. Hon. Sir ROBERT BORDEN (Prime Minister): My hon. friend is not quite ac-