

Privilege—Mr. Pouliot

INQUIRY AS TO FURTHER LEGISLATION

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Leader of the Opposition): Now may I ask my right hon. friend whether the house now has before it all the legislation which the government intend to introduce, with the exception of such legislation as may be based upon the resolutions which will follow the budget?

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): There are some departmental measures. There is a measure which I mentioned in connection with the consolidation of the statutes dealing with the expenditures of public moneys, and two if not three, other measures which we will determine within the next week whether or not to bring down. The reason I gave the answer I did give in connection with the action to be taken as to the budget was that we have a Copyright Act which has been reported by a committee. Our accession to the Rome convention must be signified by the 1st day of July, and it may be desirable to make an exception in the case of the Copyright Act and one or two other measures, notably an interim supply bill, before the motion which was passed last year on May 7 is submitted to the house. By that time we will be able to indicate clearly all the measures that will be submitted.

INQUIRY FOR RETURN

EMPLOYEES OF THE MIKULA RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF TÉMISCOUATA

On the orders of the day:

Mr. JEAN-FRANCOIS POULIOT (Témiscouata) (Translation): May I ask the hon. Minister of Marine (Mr. Duranleau) on what date may I expect an answer to an order of the house that first appeared as a question on the orders of the day and which, inadvertently, was changed to an order of the house, No. 285, with reference to employees of the Mikula who are residents of the county of Témiscouata.

Will the hon. Minister of Marine be kind enough to inform us when an answer may be expected?

Hon. ALFRED DURANLEAU (Minister of Marine) (Translation): Can the hon. member tell us exactly what was the nature of the question asked?

[Mr. Mackenzie King.]

Mr. POULIOT (Translation): I shall send over a copy of the orders of the house to the hon. minister.

Hon. Mr. DURANLEAU (Translation): With reference to the question just asked as regards the Mikula, I have had the answer before me for the last few days and I was wondering what had happened to this question, noticing that it had been struck off the orders of the day. If an order exists, I shall immediately place the answer on the table of the house.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE

TRIP OF THE HON. MAURICE DUPRÉ

On the orders of the day:

Mr. JEAN-FRANCOIS POULIOT (Témiscouata) (Translation): May I ask the hon. Solicitor General (Mr. Dupré) if he will be kind enough to inform us when we can expect an answer to the order of the house of May 28, with reference to his trip in connection with the Imperial conference?

Hon. MAURICE DUPRÉ (Solicitor General) (Translation): May I inform my hon. friend that we shall follow the usual practice, and when this information reaches me I shall place it on the table of the house.

PRIVILEGE—MR. POULIOT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. JEAN FRANÇOIS POULIOT (Témiscouata): May I direct your attention, Mr. Speaker, to another occurrence during the same sitting of the house. This is a matter which will be of interest to all hon. members. When on June 1, question 59 was called, it was answered by the minister of Public Works, and at the same time the right hon. Prime Minister called "Order for return." In Hansard of that day, at pages 2198 and 2199, there appears the answer to the question, while in the votes and proceedings of the same day there is the order for return, which already had been answered in Hansard. I would like to take the part of the ministers and ask my right hon. friend the Prime Minister to give them a freer hand in the house. Then I have another question.

Mr. SPEAKER: The hon. gentleman should not impose unduly on the indulgence of the house.

Mr. POULIOT: Very well; that is enough for to-day.