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On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. A. BRADETTE (North Timiskaming): On a question of personal privilege, I want to correct an article which appears in the Vancouver Sun of June 24, 1931, in which I am recorded as being a French-Canadian Conservative member from the province of Quebec and with having voted against the present administration. The article reads:

It is reported in the lobbies that the government faced defeat at the hands of its own followers from Quebec one day last week.

J. A. Bradette, Conservative member for Timiskaming North, is said to have gone so far as to draft a resolution of non-confidence in the government based on two grievances.

That statement is only partly true. I am a Canadian of French descent, but I was elected as Liberal member for the constituency of North Timiskaming in the province of Ontario. I believe there is in the province of Quebec a man whose name is similar to mine and that is probably the reason why the mistake has been made by the correspondent.

## INQUIRY FOR RETURN

## EMBARGO ON RUSSIAN GOODS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. A. HEAPS (North Winnipeg): On March 16 last I had a motion on the order paper asking for the production of all letters, documents, correspondence, pertaining to the embargo of certain commodities produced in Soviet Russia, including a report of any arrangement or understanding between the Dominion government and any other government, relating to importation of commodities from Soviet Russia.

I should like to ask the Prime Minister when I may expect the tabling of these documents.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): So far as I am aware, when the matter was investigated, no correspondence was found in the department. I think there were some confidential communications between governments of the British Empire with respect to the matter. These will not be produced. Beyond that I know of none, but the officials are still endeavouring to ascertain whether by chance there are other papers elsewhere dealing with the matter. I am having an investigation made and shall advise the hon. gentleman to-morrow.

[Mr. Bennett.]

## INCOME TAX

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Leader of the Opposition): When we come to consider the changes in the income tax, I assume there will be some discussion as to the actual effect of the decreases and increases. Might I ask my right hon. friend if he could, in advance of that discussion, favour hon. members with a statement which would show as respects a given amount of income, say, \$1,000 and upwards, in increases of \$1,000 what the old rate was, what the new rate will be, what the new rate with allowance for exemption of dividends from Canadian corporations will be and the difference between the new rate with exemptions and the old rate. A comparative statement of that character would enable us to see at a glance what these changes are.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): I shall look into the matter.

## REVENUE AND AUDIT ACT

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Minister of Finance) moved that the house go into committee on Bill No. 102, to amend the Consolidated Revenue and Audit Act.

Motion agreed to and the house went into committee, Mr. Ernst in the chair.

Sections 1 and 2 agreed to.

On section 3— Consolidated revenue fund.

Mr. LAPOINTE: May I ask whether the committee on banking and commerce has amended the bill in any way?

Mr. BENNETT: Yes, they amended one section of it dealing with the tenure of office of the comptroller of the treasury. He could be removed for cause; they used those words and then they grouped together the words used in connection with the Inspector General under the Bank Act. They made some slight changes, I think to section 21.

Mr. LAPOINTE: The right hon. gentleman will indicate the section when we come to it?

Mr. BENNETT: Yes. Would the chairman indicate the amendments made in the banking and commerce committee as we come to them?

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Ernst): Yes.

Mr. BOTHWELL: There are two or three amendments.