

Session; I merely moved a motion to try to get the opinion of the House.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Mr. McMeans, the Bill was referred to a Special Committee consisting of Hon. Messieurs Barnard, Béique, Bennett, Beaubien, Belcourt, Cloran, Dandurand, Foster (Alma), Fowler, Giroir, Loughheed (Sir James), Lynch-Staunton, Proudfoot, Ross (Middleton), Tanner, Tessier, Willoughby, and the mover.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 3 p.m.

### THE SENATE

Thursday, March 23, 1922.

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

#### GERMAN REPARATION COMMISSION INQUIRY

Hon. Mr. GREEN inquired of the Government:

1. Has any payment been received by the Canadian Government, through the British authorities, from the German Reparation Commission? If, so, what is the amount?
2. What is the total amount conceded to be due to Canada from this source?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I am not quite sure that I have the meaning of my honourable friend when he speaks of the "German Reparation Commission". The answer to the first question is as follows:

The Canadian Government has received from the British Government the sum of \$6,314,500 on account of the Canadian cost of the army of occupation. No further sum has been received.

As to the second question, I take it that this means the amount that would come to Canada under the treaty of Versailles.

Hon. Mr. GREEN: Yes.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: The amount payable for reparation by Germany is too doubtful a quantity to be approximated at the present moment.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE

On the Notice of Motion:

By Hon. Sir Eward Kemp:

That he will move, that pending further order, when the Senate adjourns on Friday, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday, at eight o'clock, p.m.

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Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I would ask the honourable gentlemen to adjourn his motion until to-morrow. Evidently the Senate will have to sit again next week. We have been expecting a provisional Supply Bill, and we shall know to-morrow on what day next week it will probably reach this Chamber. Therefore it is fairly certain that to-morrow we shall adjourn until next week. As to the day on which we should meet again, we can confer to-morrow afternoon.

Hon. Mr. POPE: Is it possible that this Government is going to present to us a Supply Bill of that character, after the remarks that we heard last year?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: My honourable friend is perhaps thinking of remarks made elsewhere. I do not know if he refers to remarks made in this Chamber.

Hon. Mr. POPE: No, because we do not originate money Bills here. But we must be permitted, in speaking of them, to refer to the place where they do originate.

Hon. Mr. DAVID: Will the honourable member allow me to put a question? If the Estimates were voted by the House of Commons to-morrow, could we not adjourn the Senate until Saturday?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I am informed that under the best conditions the Bill could not reach the Senate before Monday evening or Tuesday.

The Notice of Motion stands.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 3 p.m.

### THE SENATE

Friday, March 24, 1922.

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

#### LIGNITE CARBONIZING IN SASKATCHEWAN

##### INQUIRY

Hon. Mr. TURRIFF inquired:

1. How much money has been expended to date by the Research Council of Canada, in their experiments in carbonizing lignite near Bienfait, Sask?
2. Names of Commissioners and amount paid to each
  - (a) for salaries.
  - (b) for expenses.
3. When was active work stopped?