

(Joint Meeting).

COMMITTEE ROOM No. 8 of the Senate,
THURSDAY, 14th May, 1914.

The Special Committee of the House of Commons on Senate Bill B2, met in a joint meeting with a similar Committee of the Senate. Present:—

Commoners.

Messrs. Armstrong (Lambton),
Blain,
Carroll,
Green,
Macdonell,
Maclean (York).
McKay,
Nesbitt,
Rainville, and
Sinclair.

Senators.

Hon. Messrs. Béique,
Bowell (Sir Mackenzie),
Bostock,
Gordon,
Kerr,
Lougheed,
Power,
Ross (Middleton),
Thompson,
Watson, and
Young.

Senator Young, and Mr. Armstrong (Lambton), presiding.

Mr. Samuel Price, compiler of the Bill, was present.

A letter from D. McCaughrin regretting his inability to attend the present meeting, was read. (*Printed herewith*).

Also, a letter from the Acting Minister of Railways, enclosing two communications from E. B. Read, of London, England, respecting certain sections of the bill. (*Printed herewith*).

Mr. J. L. Archambault, K.C., city attorney of Montreal, submitted a report from N. McLeod, engineer in charge of Railways, to Geo. Janin, chief engineer of Public Works (city of Montreal), respecting certain provisions of the bill. Which report was read. (*Printed herewith*).

Mr. Frank Hawkins, secretary, Canadian Lumbermen's Association, was asked if he wished to be now heard. Negative answer.

Mr. Fred Cook was heard briefly on behalf of the Union Canadian Municipalities. The question of procedure being raised:—

Mr. Maclean (York) moved, that the first sections of the bill dealing with the interpretation, &c., be now taken up.

Whereupon, Mr. Nesbitt drew the attention of the two Committees on the important legislation now going on in the Commons and the inability of the members of the Commons Committee to give serious consideration to the Bill at this late period of the session.

After discussion on the point raised by Mr. Nesbitt,—

Mr. Maclean (York) by consent withdrew his motion, and it was

Resolved, that notice be given to each member to attend the next joint meeting for a decision whether the consideration of the bill should be proceeded with during the present session.

On motion of Mr. Nesbitt, the two Committees then adjourned until Tuesday next, 19th instant.

Attest,

N. ROBIDOUX,

Clerk of Committee.