

party and to the country in the future as they have been in the past.

Motion agreed to.

REPORT PRESENTED.

Report of the Joint Librarians of parliament.—Mr. Speaker.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. Mr. Speaker, I beg to move that the House do now adjourn, and, if it be the unanimous consent of the House, I will say until Monday next, as no business will be transacted to-morrow.

Motion agreed to, and House adjourned at 4 p.m.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MONDAY, November 21, 1910.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

REPORTS PRESENTED.

Report of the Department of Agriculture and Report of Experimental Farms for the year ended March 31, 1910, and Report of Criminal Statistics for 1909.—Hon. Sydney Fisher.

Report of the Department of Inland Revenue, Report on Excise, Report on Weights and Measures, and Report on Adulteration of Foods, for the year ended March 31, 1910.—Hon. Wm. Templeman.

Report of the Militia Council for the same year.—Sir Frederick Borden.

Report of the Department of Public Works for the same year.—Hon. Wm. Pugsley.

Report of the Department of Indian Affairs and Report of the Department of the Interior, for the same year.—Hon. Frank Oliver.

Report of the Department of Customs, the Public Accounts, Report of the Superintendent of Insurance, and Report of the Auditor General for the same year, also Report of the Royal Commission on Trade Relations between Canada and the West Indies, together with the minutes of evidence.—Hon. Wm. Paterson.

Report of the Department of Marine, Report of the Department of Fisheries, and Report of Steamboat Inspection for the same year.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur.

Report of the Department of Railways and Canals, Report of the Transcontinental Railway Commission, and Report of the Board of Railway Commissioners, for the same year.—Hon. Geo. P. Graham.

Report of the Department of Labour for the same year.—Hon. Mackenzie King.

Report of the Department of the Secretary of State, Report of the Department of Ex-

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ternal Affairs, and Civil Service list, for the same year; also copies of Ordinances of the Yukon Territory; also Report of Inquiry into the Printing Bureau.—Hon. Charles Murphy.

PRINTING BUREAU INQUIRY.

Hon. CHARLES MURPHY moved:

With respect to the report of the Secretary of State of Canada upon his inquiry into the affairs of Public Printing and Stationery, now laid on the table, that Rule 74 be suspended, and that such report and all papers in connection therewith, presented to this House, be printed forthwith.

He said: I may add that in view of the recommendations contained in the report touching the work of parliament and the parliamentary printing, I intend at a later stage to move that it be referred to a special joint committee of both houses.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. Might I ask whether anything has been done towards printing the report up to date?

Mr. MURPHY. There has been nothing done towards printing it.

Motion agreed to.

RAILWAY ACT AMENDMENT.

Mr. LANCASTER moved for leave to introduce Bill (No. 2) to amend the Railway Act. He said: The object of this Bill is to require, in regard to all Dominion railways, in case of any person being killed on a train or on the property of the company, an inquest to be held by the nearest coroner forthwith. There have been a great many deaths throughout this country caused by railways without any inquiry being made as to the cause of death. This is becoming a scandal in some parts of the country, and this Bill is intended to remedy that evil.

Motion agreed to, and Bill read the first time.

THE PRIME MINISTER'S BIRTHDAY.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. Before the orders of the day are called, I would like to extend to the Prime Minister congratulations upon his having attained his sixty-ninth birthday. I am delighted to know that the cares and responsibilities and burdens of political life seem to sit so lightly upon his shoulders. Not long ago I observed that the right hon. the Prime Minister almost expressed the wish that he might again become leader of the opposition. He said he would be very glad indeed to undertake that task if he were 10 or 15 years younger. I venture to hope that, as he seems in such splendid health and spirits at present, he will not deem the task of leading an opposition too