

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that the Senate do insist upon their amendments to the said Bill, for the following reasons:—

The third clause of the Bill, as it passed the Commons, contained a proviso, intended to protect the public interests, to the effect that no such lease should have any force or effect until the Government Railways Managing Board and the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals should have approved the terms and conditions of such lease and until the Parliament of Canada had first ratified such lease. The amendment made by the Senate proposed to further protect the public interests by enacting that certain further information necessary to enable Parliament to form an intelligent opinion should be submitted to Parliament before the ratification of any such lease.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy and Contingent Accounts of the Senate.

The Honourable Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. McLaren,

That the said Report be adopted.

The Honourable Mr. Landry in amendment moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Roy, the following:—

And declares, That in its opinion the classification made last year of its employees failing to answer the enactments of the Civil Service Act should be corrected so as to make it conform to the law.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the negative.

The question being put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons to return the Bill (II) intitled: "An Act to incorporate Ottawa and Montreal Transmission Company," with several amendments.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk, and they are as follows:—

Page 1, line 12.—Strike out "Power and."

Page 1, line 27.—After "place" insert "in Canada."

Page 2, line 14.—Strike out Clause 8 of Bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following:—

"8. The Company may,—

(a) for the purpose only of transmitting electricity or electric or other current or energy, construct, maintain, operate, use and manage conduits and tunnels, transmission lines, structures, buildings, machinery, plant, appliances, instruments and devices in connection therewith and for such purposes erect and maintain poles and towers and lay and maintain pipes, cables, wires or other conductors and connect them with the lines of other companies having similar powers.

(b) acquire by purchase or lease electricity and electric, pneumatic or other current or force, and may supply, distribute, sell, lease, contract for or otherwise dispose thereof for the purposes of light, heat or electrical power, or any other purpose for which electricity or electric or other current or energy can be used;

(c) acquire such lands, easements and privileges as are necessary for the purposes of its undertaking.

9. In case of any dispute or difference as to the price to be charged by the Company for power or electrical or other energy for any of the purposes in this Act mentioned, or as to the methods of distribution thereof, or as to the time within which it shall be furnished, or as to the quantity to be furnished, or as to the conditions