## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1941.

The Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines met this day at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. Mr. Ernest Bertrand (*Laurier*), the Chairman, presided.

The following members were present:—Messrs. Bence, Bertrand (Laurier), Black (Cumberland), Breithaupt, Chevrier, Emmerson, Eudes, Fulford, Gregory, Hanson (Skeena), Isnor, Little, Lizotte, Lockhart, MacInnis, MacKinnon (Kootenay East), McIvor, McNiven, Mullins, Nixon, O'Neill, Ross (Souris), and Turner.—23.

The Chairman read letters from Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Premier of British Columbia, to the Prime Minister of Canada and the Secretary of State respecting the British Columbia Telephone Company. On motion of Mr. Mullins this was ordered to be filed.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Souris), it was resolved that the Committee ask leave to print from day to day 200 copies in English and 100 copies in French of the minutes of proceedings and evidence to be taken before the Committee respecting Bill No. 27, (Letter B2 of the Senate), An Act respecting British Columbia Telephone Company.

On motion of Mr. Hanson (Skeena), it was resolved that the Committee request that its quorum be reduced from twenty to twelve members.

On motion of Mr. MacInnis it was resolved that the Committee ask leave to sit while the House is sitting.

On motion of Mr. Hanson, Mr. Chevrier was elected Vice-chairman.

The Committee adjourned to meet again Friday, May 23, at 9.30 o'clock, a.m.

J. P. DOYLE,

Chairman of the Committee.

FRIDAY, May 23, 1941.

The Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines met this day at 9.30 a.m. Mr. Chevrier, Vice-Chairman, presided.

Members present: Messrs. Black (Cumberland), Chevrier, Côté, Dupuis, Emmerson, Fournier (Maisonneuve-Rosemont), Fulford, Gregory, Hanson (Skeena), Hatfield, Healy, Howden, Howe, Jackman, Little, Lockhart, MacInnis, MacKinnon (Kootenay-East), McCulloch, McIvor, McKinnon (Kenora-Rainy River), McNiven, Maybank, Mills, O'Brien, O'Neill, Picard, Ross, (Moose Jaw), Ross (Calgary East), Ross (Souris), Sissons, Turner and Whitman. (33).

Witnesses: Associated with Mr. G. Henderson, of Ottawa, Parliamentary Agent, were Colonel G. A. Stairs, of Montreal, Que., Solicitor for the British Columbia Telephone Company; Mr. Gordon Farrell, of Vancouver, President