

We have had quite a discussion, Mr. Chairman, and I would move that the committee rise, report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Progress reported.

On motion of Right Hon. Mr. Doherty, the House adjourned at 12.05 a.m. Saturday.

Saturday, May 7, 1921.

The House met at Two o'clock.

PRIVATE BILLS

FROM THE SENATE—FIRST READINGS

Bill No. 142, for the relief of Lily Appleton.—Mr. Douglas (Strathcona).

Bill No. 143, for the relief of Harry Hirshenbain.—Mr. Jacobs.

Bill No. 144, for the relief of Percy Christopher Paul.—Mr. Harrison.

Bill No. 145, for the relief of John Graham.—Mr. Smith.

TARIFF INVESTIGATION REPORT

On the Orders of the Day:

Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (leader of the Opposition): I think it is the intention of the Government to have the Budget presented on Monday. Is it the intention of the Government to lay on the table of the House any report of the committee of the Cabinet which held an inquiry into questions of the tariff during last year? In the speech from the Throne, it is mentioned that the conclusions of that investigation will be presented in due course. Shall we have them in a form in which the House can consider them?

Hon. J. D. REID (Minister of Railways and Canals): I will make inquiry of the Minister of Finance and let the hon. member know a little later in the day.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Before the Budget speech is brought down?

Hon. Mr. REID: A little later in the day.

INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE

Hon. J. D. REID (Minister of Railways and Canals) for Right Hon. C. J. Doherty (Minister of Justice), moved the third reading of Bill No. 73, to authorize the ratification and carrying into effect of the Protocol of December 16, 1920, accepting the statute for the Permanent Court of International Justice of December 13, 1920.

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Motion agreed to, and Bill read the third time.

SUPPLY

The House again in Committee of Supply, Mr. Boivin in the Chair:

Immigration and Colonization—salaries and contingencies, \$223,257.50.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Will the minister kindly explain the increase of \$48,205?

Mr. CALDER: There is an apparent increase in the staff of the department. It will be noted in the statement of details that the number of officials employed last year was 102, whereas the Estimates this year show 126. As a matter of fact, however, there has not been any addition to the departmental staff. During the year there has been a process of readjustment. Heretofore, we have had on the regular staff at Ottawa employees who were paid out of general votes, and I am of opinion that that practice should cease. All that has been done in this case is that a number of officials who being on the staff, were paid out of general votes of the department, have been placed on the Civil Service List. I think that is the better practice. Therefore, there is no increase in the number of the staff, and any other increase there is as regards the staff is due to increases of salaries arranged for by the classification.

Mr. JACOBS: I do not know whether I am in order or not; but with the approval of the committee, I should like to ask if the minister would tell us something about a new Order in Council passed by the department, I think, on April 30.

Mr. CALDER: I did not know to what Order in Council the hon. gentleman was referring—

Mr. JACOBS: There were so many.

Mr. CALDER: Not so very many; there are a goodly number necessary in connection with the administration of the work of the department. If I understand what the hon. gentleman has in mind, it was an Order in Council issued recently providing for the payment of a small fee where permits are granted to people who are allowed to enter Canada temporarily. In the case of persons affected mentally, that is, insane persons or persons approaching insanity, a fee of \$25 has been fixed for the granting of temporary admission of those persons to Canada. In the case of others, I think the fee is \$5. As the committee