

the Journals. There are certain entries made upon a motion, and certain proceedings of a formal character such as commissions issued by the Crown, are entered as a matter of course without a motion. For example, when a senator is called to the Senate and sworn in at the Table, and his commission is duly read, it appears in the Journals. No one thinks of moving a motion. I think the Speaker is perfectly right in regarding this as a pro forma proceeding which would be recorded without any motion.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY: I quite agree that it should go in the Journals, but I object to the order. If we may distinguish between two motions, we might distinguish between two procedures. As a matter of fact, what takes place in this House goes in the Journals, but who gives the order? Is there an order to be given? If it goes by custom, it goes by custom; if it is by order, who gives the order? I never had such authority when I was Speaker of this House.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: You were not persona grata.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY: I suppose I may be allowed to say a few words on this question with the permission of the House. What I say is in no way personal to the new Clerk of the House. He is a gentleman, I know him by reputation, and I have not a word to say against him; but if I had been Speaker and if the Government had said to me, "We are going to impose on you a new deputy minister"—because the Clerk of the House is the Deputy Minister of the Speaker, who is a minister, as the law says—I would have said, "Well, perhaps I may object or perhaps I will not object," but I would have felt it very annoying if I had not been consulted on the subject. The House through its Speaker may be ignored altogether.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: Has been.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY: It is a nomination of the Crown, and yet I would have felt hurt if the Government had not consulted me on the subject. I might have had a candidate of my own, and I would have had to pass him by. They might have said, "That is not your business; we propose this man and you must take him." That is what has been done in the present instance, I think. I am speaking in vindication of the right of each individual here—not the right of nomination, but the right to be properly treated. I

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED.

should like the Speaker to be treated as I would like to be treated myself if I were in his place. That is the golden rule, and I would like to see it applied to every one. We have a tradition in this House that has been disregarded. Not as a right, but as an act of courtesy, we have always had a French-speaking Clerk in this House. This tradition is not being observed. I repeat that I have nothing to say against the gentleman himself; I am very glad of his appointment and congratulate him upon it, and I think we shall have a very splendid officer in him. The tradition has been to have an English Clerk in the House of Commons, while since Confederation we have had a French Clerk in this House.

Hon. Mr. DANIEL: How about Bourinot, who was Clerk of the House of Commons? I understood my hon. friend to say that the House of Commons always had an English-speaking Clerk, but I was under the impression that Mr. Bourinot was French.

An hon. SENATOR: He was from Cape Breton.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY: Bourinot was not a Frenchman. As I was saying, this tradition is no more. We are living in very difficult times for our language. I shall not make any allusion to what goes on in other legislatures. In Ottawa we cannot sing our national hymn these days because the music of it is French. I am very sorry that some belonging to the Irish nationality have voted against it.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: Who are they?

Hon. Mr. LANDRY: Why name people?

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: Because there are none to name.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY: I think Fitzpatrick is an Irish name.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: No, that is a go-between.

Some hon. SENATORS: Order.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY: I do not wish to go further, but I think it is my duty to protest against the way in which the Clerk of this House has been nominated, and against the fact that the traditions of the past are being thrust aside altogether.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: I rise on behalf of the late Clerk, who has departed not from life but from the Senate. The day after the newspapers announced his dismissal I happened to meet him on Sparks Street, near the post office. I had learned of his