RIVIERE DU LOUP STATION

Mr. POULIOT:

1. When the hon. Solicitor-General left for the Imperial conference? 2. When he returned?

3. While he was at sea or abroad, whether he communicated by mail, wireless, cablegram, or wireless telephone, with anyone regarding the proposed building of a new station at Riviere du Loup?

4. If so, on what dates?

REPORT ON OYSTER CULTURE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. E. MacLEAN (Prince): I should like to ask the Minister of Fisheries whether a report has been submitted to the department by Mr. Needler, who is in charge of the biological station in Prince county in connection with oyster culture, and if that report will be tabled.

Hon. E. N. RHODES (Minister of Fisheries): There is a report in the department from Doctor Needler, and if it has been the practice in the department to table these reports as they come in, that practice will be followed in this instance.

QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. C. G. POWER (Quebec South) (Translation): May I ask the hon. Minister of Marine whether the sum of \$1,600,000 mentioned by the right hon. Prime Minister (Mr. Bennett) as the amount required this year by the Quebec Harbour Commission, is a balance of the \$10,000,000 appropriated by parliament or whether it is the vote which the department intends to ask parliament in this respect?

Hon. ALFRED DURANLEAU (Minister of Marine) (Translation): I would request the hon. member for Quebec South to kindly place his question on the Orders of the day and it will be answered in writing.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

PRECEDENCE FOR THE DEBATE ON THE BUDGET

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Leader of the Opposition): May I ask the Prime Minister if it is the intention of the government to give the debate on the budget right of way, once it is entered upon?

Business of the House

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): I observe that on May 7 last year the right hon. gentleman, then Prime Minister, moved that standing order 28, respecting the committee of ways and means, be suspended. The decision as to what shall be done will be announced within the six-day period that was made use of last year. It is not definitely determined what action shall be taken.

PRINTING OF TARIFF SCHEDULES FOR PURPOSES OF COMPARISON

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Leader of the Opposition): May I ask my right hon. friend if his attention has been drawn to the request which has been made for a comparative table showing the rates under the customs tariff of 1930, and the changes which have been made since or are in contemplation.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): Do I understand the right hon. gentleman to desire the reprinting of the schedules with which we dealt at the short session?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Yes. The understanding at the last session was that we would have an opportunity during this session—

Mr. BENNETT: To discuss those matters.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING:--to discuss those matters, and it would assist us very materially if we had before us the changes made at the last session, together with those proposed during this session.

Mr. BENNETT: That will run to very substantial expense. Last year it will be recalled that we did print them, and they were printed the year before. This will mean the printing of the three tables, and to print in large numbers the original tariff on all the items as it stood before the Dunning budget, and as it was affected by the changes of 1930 and of this year will involve a considerable expense.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: No, it is not desired to have the tariff printed as it was before the Dunning budget, but rather as it stood after the Dunning budget had been introduced. As far as the expense is concerned, I believe that in the end the expense will be more than saved by the opportunities of quick comparison which will thereby be afforded.