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presented to us at least once a year in a manner that we can understand. In that way we would be enabled not only to get a financial picture of the result of that operation, but to get a grasp of the policy which is being followed within the department and within the government with respect to the administration and general purposes for which the corporation was set up. If that is to be the result of the portion of the act dealing with crown corporations, then it will go a long way toward meeting the objections we have advanced from time to time.

I find there were other notes I had with respect to matters which might be discussed at this time, but I think they are matters of detail which can be left until later. I shall not take any more time today, except to close on the same note on which I began, that I believe this legislation is probably amongst the most important which can ever come before any parliament. If we can find in it, and in our review of it, any method by which we may be able to come to grips with this

problem of reducing government expenditures, then however long we may spend on this study the time will be well spent.

On motion of Mr. Knowles the debate was adjourned.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Fournier (Hull) moved the adjournment of the house.

He said: On Monday we really hope to conclude the debate on the address and then proceed with Bill No. 18, an act to provide for the establishment of an agricultural products board, if the minister is here on that day. We would then take up third reading of Bills Nos. 21 and 22. Since Monday is a long day, perhaps I should mention Bill No. 19, an act to amend the Bills of Exchange Act, and the debate on this resolution concerning the financial bill. We could add the act to approve the financial agreement between Canada and the United Kingdom.

Motion agreed to and the house adjourned at six o'clock.
