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COMMITTEE ROOM 436,

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 1924.

The Committee met at 11 a.m., Mr. Jean J. Denis, the Chairman, presiding.

*Other Members present were*,—Miss Macphail, Messrs. Arthurs, Caldwell, Carroll, Chisholm, Clark, Humphrey, Knox, Robinson, Ross (Kingston), Speakman, and Wallace.—13.

*In attendance*,—Col. Thompson and Major Flexman of the Board of Pension Commissioners.

The Clerk read a letter from the Hon. A. B. Hudson enclosing a resolution passed by the Brooklands and Weston Branch of the Great War Veterans Association, Winnipeg, Man., urging that the recommendations contained in the Report of the Royal Commission be given legislative effect WITHOUT INTERFERENCE during the present session of Parliament.

The Chairman reported to the Committee the result of his conference with the Deputy Minister of Justice regarding the framing of a "compassionate" or "meritorious" clause, in accordance with the wishes of the Committee as expressed at the previous Meeting.

At the suggestion of Dr. Chisholm it was decided that the Deputy Minister of Justice should be invited to attend the next meeting of the Committee in order to get their views to enable him to draft the above mentioned clause.

Col. Thompson was recalled and proceeded with his evidence.

The Committee then adjourned at 1.05 p.m. to meet again Friday, June 13th at 11 a.m.

J. P. DOYLE,

*Acting Clerk of the Committee.*

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*Other Members present were*:—Messrs. Arthurs, Brown, Caldwell, Clark, Hudson, Humphrey, Knox, McKay, Raymond, Robinson, Robichaud, Ross (Kingston), Sinclair (Hon. J. E.), Shaw, Speakman, and Wallace.—17.

*In attendance*:—Mr. Newcombe, Deputy Minister of Justice; Col. Thompson, Chairman of the Board of Pension Commissioners, and Major Flexman, of the Insurance Branch of the D.S.C.R.

Mr. Newcombe submitted a draft of the "compassionate" or "meritorious" clause as requested by the Chairman, and after consideration thereof, it was moved by Mr. Arthurs, seconded by Mr. Wallace, "That Messrs. Clark, Caldwell, Speakman, Arthurs, and the Chairman, be appointed a Sub-committee to confer with Mr. C. Grant MacNeil and draft a statement covering what the Committee has in view, for submission to the Justice Department to enable the said Department to draft a suitable clause."—Carried.