

APPENDIX

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REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARIAN

First Session of the Twenty-Ninth Parliament, 1973.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Senate

To the Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons

The Parliamentary Librarian has the honour to submit his report for the fiscal year April 1, 1971 to March 31, 1972. His last report covering the fiscal year 1970-1971 was presented to the House of Commons February 17, and to the Senate February 22, 1972.

1. INFORMATION Staff of 70

A. Reference, Lending, Clipping, Indexing Services

Use of the Reference Branch continued to increase, but the rate of growth moderated considerably. Circulation of all types of material, except periodicals, dropped slightly. However, while lending generally, was reduced, the use of books and periodicals in the reference room by Parliamentary readers increased greatly due to the extensive use of the library facilities by research staff employed by parliamentarians, and the party caucus research staffs. In general, direct use of materials by Senators and Members of Parliament continues to decline and it appears, also, that the browsing collection of new non-fiction is being less used.

A total of 11,648 reference inquiries was received including 380 letters from the general public and students compared with 10,678 inquiries for the year 1970-1971. Total loans dropped to 21,222 from 21,636 for last year. Inter-library loans increased to 1,061 from 872; lending up from 489 to 964 items, borrowing from 383 to 385.

Indexing of Committee Proceedings and Reports: At the beginning of 1971-72, this section's staff was doubled to 8 indexers, as committee work had increased. During the year, for the Second Session of the 28th Parliament, 17 indexes were completed for Senate Committee Proceedings (8 English, 9 French) and 3 for House of Commons Committee Proceedings (2 English, 1 French) while for the Third Session of the 28th Parliament, 6 indexes were completed for Senate Committee Proceedings (1 English, 5 French), 36 for House of Commons Committee Proceedings (17 English, 19 French) and 1 (in French) for the Proceedings of the Joint Committee on the Constitution of Canada. The indexes to the House of Commons Committee Proceedings are printed bilingually

while those to the Senate Committee Proceedings are printed separately in English and in French. The Senate kindly acknowledges that this work is done by the staff of the Library.

Vertical File and Clipping Service: The Vertical File Section answered 2,088 queries, a slight drop from the 2,196 in 1970-1971. This allowed work on the preparation and indexing of books of xeroxed clippings and, at the end of the year, there were 43 files mounted and awaiting xeroxing, with 14 volumes completed, and 22 mounted and xeroxed.

BOOKS MADE

Diefenbaker, Rt. Hon. John G.; 1970-1971	1
Federal-Provincial Constitutional Conferences Dec. 8-10, 1969	1
New Democratic Party of Canada—Winnipeg Convention; Oct. 28-31, 1969	1
Québec—Front de Libération de Québec—1971	1
Schreyer, Ed.; 1965—February 1972	1
Taxation—Canada—White Paper; November 1970—June 1971	1
Trudeau, Rt. Hon. Pierre E.; July—December 1970 ..	3
War and Emergency Powers; October 1970—May 1971	5
Total	14

FILES MOUNTED AND XEROXED

Federal-Provincial Constitutional Conference; June 14-16, 1971	2
Liberal Party—Canada; 1962-1970	5
Progressive Conservative Party—Canada; 1962-1970 ..	7
Taxation—Canada—Reform; February—November 1971	3
Trudeau, Rt. Hon. Pierre E.; July—December 1971 ..	5
Total	22

FILES MOUNTED

Bertrand, Hon. Jean-Jacques; 1962-1971	2
Diefenbaker, Rt. Hon. John G.; January 1971-June 1972	2
Federal-Provincial Relations—Constitution; December 1967-September 1970	6
Liberal Party—Canada; January 1971-June 1972 ...	2