

sire of hon. members with regard to the employment of stenographers unless there was an expression in this House on the matter? The hon. gentleman from Compton wants a good looker, we want an old one in our room.

Hon. Mr. WATSON—Speak for yourself.

Hon. Mr. THOMPSON—I think the Committee on Internal Economy should make a recommendation with respect to this matter. It would be in the hands of the members of the Senate when this recommendation was made, to amend it, to increase or decrease the amount that would be required for a service of this character.

Hon. Mr. YOUNG—Or rejected altogether.

Hon. Mr. THOMPSON—And I think, with the sentiments expressed by members this afternoon, that it would be the duty of the Committee on Internal Economy, when it is organized, to take up this matter and make certain recommendations, which, being placed in the hands of the House, the House would deal with.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND—I still favour the idea that a resolution should be referred from this Chamber to the committee, because committees generally deal with matters referred to them by the Chamber.

Hon. Mr. THOMPSON—It is not necessary.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—They could take the initiative.

Hon. Mr. POWER—Perhaps my hon. friend will give notice of motion?

Hon. Mr. YOUNG—I will give notice that the Committee on Internal Economy and Contingent Accounts be requested to investigate the matter regarding stenographers and report to this House.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—They do not require to investigate.

Hon. Mr. YOUNG—Yes, if they want to make a common sense report.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—It should be to devise means by which stenographers would be employed.

Hon. Mr. YOUNG—We cannot instruct the committee.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—Our business is to instruct the committee what they are to do. It might take all year to investigate.

Hon. Mr. TAYLOR—I would suggest, with the consent of the House, that the motion he made now because the committee meets to-morrow and they could deal with it. The chances are we will adjourn at the end of this week, and the committee might not meet again before adjournment. During the adjournment arrangements could be made with the government by our leader and he would be in a position to tell us when we return whether we could have this assistance or not. I understand that in the House of Commons a sum of \$65,000 was placed in the estimates, but only \$10,000 of that amount was used last year, a much smaller amount I fancy would be sufficient for the Senate, but a few stenographers should be employed to look after the wants of those senators requiring such assistance.

Hon. Mr. POWER—The right thing is to make a notice of motion. The proposal is to alter the practice of the House in a very serious manner, and a notice of motion is a desirable thing in this case. It would be irregular to make such a motion without notice.

Hon. Mr. YOUNG—It will be a notice of motion; otherwise it would require to be unanimous.

DECEASED SENATORS.

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED — Before the orders of the day are proceeded with, may I say that it has long been the practice of this House to direct the attention of the Chamber to the deaths, if any, that have taken place in our Chamber since our last meeting. During the late recess there have been three deaths amongst our number. The duty, therefore, devolves upon me of making mention of this. The late Senator Wilson was for some years a member of this Chamber. He had passed the allotted span of life, in fact he reached what may be said a ripe old age, but up to the time of his death he had been an