MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, February 4, 1937.

The Select Special Committee on Farm Implement Prices met this day at 11 a.m.

Members present: Messrs. Bouchard, Brooks, Cochrane, Coldwell, Davidson, Donnelly, Fraser, Gardiner, Golding, Johnston (Lake Centre), Lacroix, Leader, McLean, McNevin, Needham, Perley (Qu'Appelle), Reid, Robichaud, Taylor (Norfolk), Thorson, Tolmie, Ward.

The Clerk of the Committee called for nominations for a Chairman, and on motion of Mr. McLean (Melfort), seconded by Mr. Ward, Mr. J. F. Johnston (Lake Centre), was elected unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. Golding, Mr. Georges Bouchard was elected Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Bouchard, in the absence of Mr. Johnston, presided during the remainder of the sitting.

Order of Reference read by the Clerk.

The Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Mr. Gardiner, addressed the Committee briefly, outlining the work done in relation to the inquiry under his direction during the recess of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. Thorson,-

Resolved,—That Mr. R. T. Graham, K.C., Swift Current (Sask.), and Mr. Walter Macdonald, C.A., Winnipeg (Manitoba), Counsel and Auditor respectively, for the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization during its inquiry into the same subject matter of the Order of Reference now before this Committee, be reappointed at the same Rates and Remuneration for their services as last year (1936).

On motion of Mr. Needham,-

Resolved,—That the Committee do report and recommend to the House that it be given leave to sit while the House is sitting, also that the Quorum be reduced from 13 to 9.

Ordered,—That the Clerk print 1,000 copies in English and 400 copies in French of the Minutes of the Committee's Proceedings and the evidence to be heard, together with the papers and documents to be incorporated with such evidence.

The Committee then adjourned at 12.15 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

WALTER HILL, Clerk of the Committee.