

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

FRIDAY, April 8, 1921.

The Special Committee appointed to consider the subject of proportional representation and the subject of the single transferable or preferential vote met at eleven o'clock a.m.

*Present.*—Messrs. Blair, Calder, Crowe, Davidson, Denis, Harold, Manion, McMaster, Molloy, Sexsmith, Thomson (Qu'Appelle and Whidden.—(12)

On motion of Mr. Davidson it was

*Ordered.*—That leave of the House be asked to reduce the quorum of the Committee to seven members, also empower it to report from time to time and authorize it to have its proceedings and such evidence as may be taken printed from day to day for the use of members of the Committee and that Rule 74 be suspended in reference thereto.

The desirability of obtaining such information as will facilitate the work of the Committee in relation to the matters referred to it for consideration was discussed and it was after deliberation on motion of Mr. Sexsmith

*Ordered.*—That Mr. Ronald H. Hooper of the Department of Labour, who has had considerable experience with respect to proportional representation, be invited to address the Committee thereon at its next meeting.

On motion of Mr. Thomson (Qu'Appelle), it was

*Ordered.*—That a sub-committee, composed of Hon. Mr. Calder, McMaster and the mover be appointed for the purpose of considering what statistics relative to both Federal and Provincial elections, maps, etc., will be required with a view of furthering the work of the Committee.

The Committee then adjourned to the call of the Chair.

J. A. SEXSMITH,

*Chairman.*

*Attest.*

L. C. PANET,

Clerk of the Committee.

WEDNESDAY, April 13, 1921.

*Ordered.*—That the quorum of the said Committee consist of seven members, and that the said Committee be also empowered to report from time to time, and authorized to have its proceedings and such evidence as may be taken, printed from day to day for the use of the members of the Committee, and that Rule 74 be suspended in reference thereto.

*Attest.*

W. B. NORTHRUP,

*Clerk of the Committee.*