DELIBERATIONS

TUESDAY, May 12, 1959.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, I see a quorum. We have some routine matters in respect of organization which we should take up at this time.

Before that, and before someone else moves it, your chairman wishes to say he regrets that this meeting conflicts with other important committee meetings. In the future, we shall do our best to avoid such a conflict. Having made that abject confession, we will go on to the next item of business, which is the election of a vice-chairman. I do not know why I should so closely juxtapose these two things. Nominations are in order.

Mr. Webster: I would like to propose Mr. Deschambault as vice-chairman of this committee.

Mr. AIKEN: I second the motion.

Mr. PAUL: Mr. Deschambault has not arrived yet.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Deschambault performed faithfully and well at the last session. Are there any further nominations?

Mr. Fraser: I move the nominations close.

The CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Fraser.

Motion agreed to.

The Chairman: Thank you, gentlemen. The mantle has fallen upon Mr. Deschambault. He will be so advised when he comes along.

It also has been the procedure that we have a steering committee on agenda. In the past it has been composed of six members of the committee and the chairman.

Mr. AIKEN: I would move that the chairman be authorized to appoint a steering committee of six members.

Mr. ORMISTON: I second the motion.

Motion agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: We also have the mater of the printing of the evidence.

Mr. KUCHEREPA: What is the usual motion?

The Chairman: In the past, the committee has authorized the printing of 750 copies in English and 200 copies in French.

Mr. KUCHEREPA: I so move.

The CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Kucherepa that the committee have printed 750 copies in English and 200 copies in French of its minutes of proceedings and evidence; seconded by Mr. Paul.

Motion agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Deschambault, you have been acclaimed vice-chairman of this committee.

Would the clerk be good enough to read the reference from the house as to our procedure?

The CLERK of the COMMITTEE:

WEDNESDAY, April 29, 1959.

That the standing Committee on Privileges and Elections be empowered to study the Canada Elections Act, and the several amendments thereto suggested by the chief electoral officer; and to report