

tunity to deny the accuracy of the report to which he alluded. I have not looked at Hansard, but if the right hon. gentleman says that he has gone over Hansard and that the statements made in the newspaper to which he refers are not extracts from speeches reported in Hansard, then it must be that the statements are incorrect. I am perfectly content to take his word in that regard. Beyond that I cannot go.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SECRETARY

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the house that I have received the following message.

Ottawa, August 3, 1931.

I have the honour to inform you that the Right Honourable Lyman P. Duff, acting as the deputy of the governor general, will proceed to the Senate chamber on Monday, August 3, at 5 p.m., for the purpose of proroguing the present session of parliament.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

James F. Crowdy,

Assistant Secretary to the Governor General.

PRIVILEGE—MR. LAVERGNE

Mr. ARMAND LAVERGNE (Montmagny): Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of privilege. I have observed that after hon. gentlemen have spoken in the house they are entitled to correct their speeches as reported in Hansard. I am getting up in years, but I can remember that in the old days if an hon. member wished to correct Hansard he had to rise in the house on a question of privilege. I have read recently some speeches reported in Hansard, to the delivery of which I listened carefully, and which were entirely different as reported. I would suggest that the first edition of Hansard, at any rate, should not be open to correction on the part of members without at least having the corrections brought before the house. Certainly speeches have been made in this house during this session, which I have read in Hansard, and the reports have not accorded with the original. I think the old practice was much better. When we wanted to correct Hansard we had to rise to a question of privilege.

Mr. SPEAKER: The hon. gentleman should state some specific instance instead of making a general charge against Hansard.

Mr. LAVERGNE: Mr. Speaker, in my remarks I was referring to hon. members personally and not to Hansard.

SUPPLY—CONCURRENCE

The house proceeded to consider certain resolutions reported from committee of supply.

Resolutions reported, read the second time and concurred in.

WAYS AND MEANS

SUPPLY BILL

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Minister of Finance) moved that the house go into committee of ways and means.

Motion agreed to, and the house went into committee, Mr. LaVergne in the chair.

Mr. BENNETT moved:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the year ending March 31, 1932, the sum of \$181,101,991.28 be granted out of the consolidated revenue fund of Canada.

Motion agreed to.

Resolution reported, read the second time, and concurred in. Mr. Bennett thereupon moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 145, for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service for the financial year ending March 31, 1932.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first and second times, considered in committee, and reported.

Mr. BENNETT: I move that the bill be read the third time. In doing so, may I avail myself of this opportunity to thank the right hon. gentleman opposite for having made it possible to close before six o'clock.

Motion agreed to, and bill read the third time and passed.

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT

A message was delivered by Major A. R. Thompson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, as follows:

Mr. Speaker, the Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this honourable house in the chamber of the honourable the Senate.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the house went up to the Senate chamber.

In the Senate chamber the deputy of His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to give, in His Majesty's name, the royal assent to the following bills:

BILLS ASSENTED TO

An Act respecting The Kettle Valley Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.