

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE—ORDER TO A WITNESS—*Con.*

Monk, F. D. (Jacques Cartier)—1157.

Agricultural committee instructed witness to communicate with Lord Strathcona by cable, and am credibly informed that the Minister of Interior forbade the witness to carry out the order—1157. Communicated with the witness: Mr Scott, and was informed that the minister had told him not to send the cablegram—1158. Witness said in committee room that he was willing to send cable—1159.

Oliver, Hon. Frank (Minister of the Interior)—1157.

Never interfered, or wished to interfere with any order issued by a committee of the House—1157. Did not see the witness, nor had any communication with him since the witness appeared before the committee—1158. If the committee has any orders to give let the committee give its orders and be responsible for the carrying out of them—1159.

Speaker, Mr.—1160.

The discussion is all irregular—1160.

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT.

On the presentation of the fifth report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization by Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Monk moves that, inasmuch as the report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization made this day refers to a matter of privilege, the said report be taken into consideration to-morrow—4152. Motion amended—Mr. Monk—4153. Motion as amended agreed to—4154.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—4153.

I do not see any reason why it should go on on Friday, especially under the circumstances, for we must hasten matters if we want to get away before the dog days—4153. Then it will be understood for Monday?—4154.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—4152.

I have my doubts whether this report is a matter of privilege. I have no objection to a notice being given for a future date, but in view of the debate which we are entering upon to-day would suggest either Monday or Tuesday—4152. It is better we should know in advance on what day this matter will be taken up. I see no reason why it should not go on on Monday—4153.

Monk, F. D. (Jacques Cartier)—4152.

In order to discuss a question of privilege which is referred to in a report from a committee it is necessary that that report be brought by a motion to the consideration of the House. Quotes Bourinot—4152 I move that the motion be amended by substituting the word 'Monday' for the word 'to-morrow'—4153.

ALASKAN BOUNDARY, THE

On the Orders of the Day, Mr Thompson brings up the question of marking the boundary line between the Territory of Yukon in the Dominion of Canada, and the District of Alaska in the United States—5185.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—5186.

We have agreed with the American authorities to have this line surveyed by our joint parties, and are negotiating to have boundary ratified by the two governments—5186.

Thompson, A. (Yukon Territory)—5185.

At some distance from the River Yukon, the miners from our country and the United States find it difficult to determine just where the boundary line crosses—5185. There has been some trouble in this regard in the White and Copper River Country—5186.

ALBERTA LAND COMPANY.

On adjournment, Mr. Borden directs attention of Prime Minister to a paragraph in the 'Globe' in reference to the registration of the Alberta Land Company, among the signatories being W. T. R. Preston, London—1217.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—1217.

I understand there is a rule expressed in the Statute which governs the Department of the Interior, that no person employed in the Department shall have any dealing in Dominion lands—1218.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister) 1218.

Have had no opportunity yet of talking it over with the Minister of the Interior, but will give an answer tomorrow—1218.

ALBERTA RAILWAY AND IRRIGATION COMPANY—IN COMMITTEE.

House in committee on Bill (100) respecting the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company—Mr. Turriff—Stands—3187.

Herron, John (Alberta)—3187.

Before the Railway Committee yesterday, I tried to get some information about this road; as the company is in my district, I should like to have the information before the Bill is finally disposed of—3187.

ANNUITY FOR CERTAIN PRIVY COUNCILLORS.

On the order for second reading of Bill (18) respecting annuities for certain Privy Councillors, and respecting Senate and House of Commons—Mr. W. F. Maclean—1711. Stands, 1711.