MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, February 9, 1944.

The Special Committee on Reconstruction and Re-establishment met this day at 11.00 o'clock, a.m.

The following members were present:—Messrs. Bence, Bertrand (Prescott), Black (Cumberland), Castleden, Eudes, Ferron, Gillis, Hill, Jean, MacNicol, McDonald (Pontiac), Marshall, Matthews, Nielson (Mrs.), Purdy, Quelch, Ross (Calgary East), Ross (Middlesex East), Sanderson, Turgeon, Tustin and White.—22.

On motion of Mr. Sanderson, Mr. J. G. Turgeon was unanimously elected Chairman. Mr. Turgeon took the Chair and expressed his appreciation of the honour conferred on him.

On motion of Mr. MacNicol, Mr. McNiven was elected Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Castleden moved, "That the Committee ask leave to print from day to day 1,500 copies in English and 400 copies in French of its minutes of proceedings and evidence, and such other documents as it may authorize; also 500 copies in English of the final report of the Committee in 1943, which was presented to the House on January 26, 1944; and that Standing Order 64 be suspended in relation thereto."

Motion adopted.

Mr. Bertrand (Prescott), moved, "That the Committee recommend that its quorum be reduced to ten members."

Motion adopted.

Mr. MacNicol moved, "That the Committee ask leave to sit while the House is sitting."

Motion adopted.

On motion of Mr. Matthews the Chairman was authorized to appoint a sub-committee on Agenda.

The hearing of evidence from the following was discussed:-

The Provincial Governments, of British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Ontario and Quebec;

The Economic Advisory Board;

The Toronto Transportation Commission;

Bus, Railway and Air Transport;

Canadian Teachers' Federation; and

The Commercial Travellers Association.

On motion of Mr. MacNicol the Committee adjourned at 11.30 a.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.