

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, April 7, 1927.

The Committee met at 11 a.m., Mr. Young (Saskatoon), Acting Chairman, presiding.

*Present:* Messrs. Anderson (Halton), Anderson (Toronto-High Park), Arthurs, Auger, Bell (St. Antoine), Bell (St. John-Albert), Bettez, Blatchford, Bothwell, Bourgeois, Bowen, Bradette, Brown, Cahan, Cantley, Casgrain, Casselman, Charters, Cotnam, Cowan, Donnelly, Dubuc, Duff, Dunning, Dussault, Edwards (Waterloo South), Embury, Esling, Evans, Fafard, Fansher (Lambton East), Fansher (Last Mountain), Fraser, Gardiner, Geary, Gershaw, Girouard, Glen, Goodison, Hanson, Harris, Heaps, Hepburn, Hocken, Howard, Howden, Jelif, Jones, Kay, Kellner, Kennedy, Lacroix, Laflamme, Lanctot, Lavigueur, Letellier, Lovie, Lucas, Luchkovich, MacDonald (Cape Breton South), Macdonald (Kings), MacLaren, MacLean (Prince), McIntosh, McKenzie, McLean (Melfort), McPhee, Maloney, Matthews, Maybee, Millar, Milne, Parent, Perley (Sir George), Pettit, Pouliot, Price, Rennie, Ross (Moose Jaw), Rowe, Ryerson, St. Pere, Sanderson, Simpson, Smith (Cumberland), Smith (Stormont), Spence (Maple Creek), Stevens, Stewart (Leeds), Stirling, Sylvestre, Taylor, Totzke, Tummon, Vallance, Ward, Wilson (Wentworth), Young (Saskatoon), Young (Toronto-Northeast), Young (Weyburn)—100.

Mr. Winfield Sifton filed a list of the stockholders of the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal Company.

Mr. J. A. Ritchie, counsel for Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal Company, was recalled and again heard by the Committee.

Witness retired.

Major Bell, Deputy Minister of Railways and Canals, was called and examined.

Witness retired.

Colonel Arthur E. Dubuc, Chief Engineer, Department of Railways and Canals, was called and examined.

Witness retired.

The Committee took recess at 1 p.m.

The Committee resumed at 3.30 p.m.

Colonel Arthur E. Dubuc was recalled and further examined.

Witness retired.

Mr. C. R. Coutlee, Engineer, Department of Public Works, was called and examined.

Witness retired.

The question being put on the Preamble, it was negatived.

On motion of Mr. Sanderson:—

Resolved.—That the Committee report to the House that it would be contrary to the public interest to grant the prayer of the petitioners.

On motion of Mr. Parent:—

Resolved.—That the Committee recommend to the House that the fees and charges paid on Bill No. 78, An Act respecting the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal Company, be refunded, less the cost of printing and translation.

The Committee adjourned at 4.55 p.m. until to-morrow at 11 a.m.