

members make speeches. The Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Stanfield) speaks frequently throughout the country on a number of subjects. The Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) and ministers of the crown do the same. Members of Parliament can make time to do such things. Some Members of Parliament manage to carry on a business or farming activity in addition to their service in the House. There is the possibility that some members could find enough time for service on one of these boards. The hon. member may disagree, but I have a different opinion.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: On division.

Motion agreed to, amendments read the second time and concurred in.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Mr. Speaker, there have been discussions among the representatives of the parties. It has been agreed that we should now proceed to private members' hour, proceed with private members' business for one hour and rise at that time.

Some hon. Members: Where's the legislation?

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): I might point out to hon. members that there are about 30 pieces of legislation now before the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is that agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Translation]

PRIVATE MEMBERS PUBLIC BILLS

CANADA DAY ACT

MEASURE TO SUBSTITUTE "CANADA" FOR
"DOMINION"—REPORT STAGE

The House proceeded to the consideration of Bill C-29 (Amended title: An Act respecting Confederation Day), as reported (with amendments) from the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.

[English]

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please. In the event that these amendments might come forward for a vote later this day, I might make the following suggestion, that motions numbered 1, 3, 5 and 7, which were first received in order of time, be given priority, grouped

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for purposes of debate and disposed of in one division, if required. Since motions numbered 2, 4, 6 and 8 propose the same question as do motions numbered 1, 3, 5 and 7, those motions in effect will be disposed of at the same time. Is that agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: I will now put motion No. 1.

Mr. Colin D. Gibson (Hamilton-Wentworth) moved:

That Bill C-29, respecting Confederation Day, be amended by substituting in Clause 1 the words "Canada Day" for the words "Confederation Day" at lines 4 and 5.

Mr. Bell: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker. The public bills hours has been moved ahead this afternoon and we would like to put a reservation of a procedural nature on the debate. We were preparing a procedural argument on this bill. What would happen to it should it take the full hour this afternoon? There seems to be a disagreement among the procedural experts of the House as to whether it would drop to the bottom of the list. We are quite agreeable to going ahead with it, but I would like to put a full reservation on this subject. I hope that we will be given an opportunity at some stage to argue that this bill should not drop in the regular way to the bottom of the list should it be talked out this afternoon.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Mr. Speaker, that is a very legitimate concern on the part of the hon. member for Saint John-Lancaster (Mr. Bell). If this stage of the proceedings has not been disposed of by the end of the hour this afternoon, I suggest the bill should retain its place on the Order Paper so that it may come up first at the next time public bills are called. Perhaps if the House is agreeable, that could be made an order, and hon. members could present their arguments at a later stage in the proceedings.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is that agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Colin D. Gibson (Hamilton-Wentworth): Mr. Speaker, I take great pleasure in moving the amendments to Bill C-29, moving that the name of our national holiday be Canada Day as originally proposed by a respected senior member of this House, the hon. member for Brant (Mr. Brown), one of the most popular and respected members of