

any case the item was discussed later under another item; several members spoke on class B fails then, so surely there can be no complaint now.

Mr. GARDINER: I just wish to make a statement with regard to your reference a moment ago, Mr. Speaker. When it is brought to your attention that members of this house take exception to a matter, and when we produce what we believe to be good evidence that something has not occurred I do not think you, sir, as the Speaker of this house, should take the position that merely because it is inscribed on the scroll is evidence of the thing having transpired. I do not think you are justified in taking that attitude, and I wish to resent the statements you made.

Mr. SPEAKER: I do not wish to prolong this discussion, but if the hon. member will refer to Bourinot he will find that the scroll of the house is the evidence which is produced in the courts of the land as a true statement of what has happened in the house. When I am handed these scrolls by the clerk of the house, when I am handed the votes and proceedings, when I know that the item is in the appropriation bill, and when in addition I have the word of the Deputy Speaker, it seems to me that my good faith must not be questioned. However, the incident is closed.

#### SUPPLY—CONCURRENCE

Mr. ROBB moved that the reports of the committee of supply made to the house on February 14 and 17, May 3, 4, 10, 11, 18, 21, 23, 25, 26, 29, 30 and 31, June 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 be read the second time and concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

#### PRIVILEGE—MR. THORSON

Mr. J. T. THORSON (Winnipeg South Centre): Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of privilege. I am quite willing to speak to it this afternoon if the house desires to adjourn now, I shall not be very long.

Mr. SPEAKER: The hon. gentleman might bring up his question of privilege while the house will be awaiting the supply bill from the Senate. Meanwhile we might complete this procedure in order to facilitate matters this afternoon.

Mr. THORSON: Very well, provided I have an opportunity to speak to the question of privilege.

Mr. SPEAKER: Certainly.

## WAYS AND MEANS

### SUPPLY BILL

The house in committee of ways and means, Mr. Johnston in the chair.

Mr. ROBB moved:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service of the financial year ending 31st March, 1929, the sum of \$244,477,639.96 be granted out of the consolidated revenue fund of Canada.

Motion agreed to.

Resolution reported, read the second time and concurred in. Mr. Robb thereupon moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 359, for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending the 31st March, 1929.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first and second time and the house went into committee thereon. Mr. Johnston in the chair.

On schedule C.

Mr. BENNETT: What is schedule C?

Mr. SPENCER: We have not a copy of the bill before us; will the chairman tell us what these various sections are?

The CHAIRMAN: They are the estimates adopted by the committee of the whole.

Mr. BENNETT: Which supplementary does schedule C cover?

The CHAIRMAN: Based on supplementary estimates, 1928-29. The amount hereby granted is \$10,468,611.91. Schedule D is based on further supplementary estimates, 1928-29. The amount hereby granted is \$1,000,200.

Sir GEORGE PERLEY: What is schedule B, Mr. Chairman?

The CHAIRMAN: Schedule B covers the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Government Merchant Marine.

Bill reported.

Mr. SPEAKER: When shall the said bill be read the third time?

Mr. BENNETT: At the next sitting of this house, this day.

At one o'clock the house took recess.