

ROOM 231, HOUSE OF COMMONS,
THURSDAY, 19th June, 1924.

The Committee met at 10.30 a.m., Mr. Euler, the Chairman, presiding.

Present: Messrs. Drayton, Drummond, Euler, Gauvreau, Graham, Harris, Jelliff, Kyte, Mackinnon, Milne, Stewart (Humboldt), Stork—12.

Consequent on yesterday's order of the Committee for 25 typewritten copies of the proceedings of the Committee, the Chairman intimated that these could not be supplied until the end of the week, and that a charge would be incurred for typing. Sir Henry Thornton offered to have 25 copies of all proceedings struck off, and this was agreed to.

Sir Henry Thornton was questioned in reference to the West Indies service and to its possibilities, to the shipment of grain on the Great Lakes, to the matter of transporting Nova Scotia coal by water to Ontario, and to the Oriental service.

Discussion ensued as to what should be incorporated in the Report of the Committee to the House, mention being made of

- (a) a United Kingdom chilled meat trade;
- (b) augmentation of the West India service;
- (c) augmentation of the Pacific Coastal service;
- (d) Pacific to Atlantic service, via Panama Canal.

Sir Henry Drayton suggested that the Management should bring their recommendations before the Committee for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Mackinnon,—

Resolved,—That Item No. 138 of the Estimates for the Year ending March 31, 1925, viz. "Loan to Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Limited, \$900,000.00" be approved.

Consideration was given to Item No. 137 of the Estimates, viz. "Loans to Canadian National Railway Company, \$56,000,000.00", Sir Henry Thornton making a statement regarding the purchase of the Scribe Hotel, Paris.

On motion of Mr. Stork,—

Resolved,—That Major Bell, Deputy Minister of Railways and Canals, be heard regarding the Scribe Hotel purchase.

Major Bell was called and heard.

On the completion of Major Bell's remarks, Sir Henry Thornton was cross-examined by Sir Henry Drayton.

The Committee adjourned at 1.10 p.m. until tomorrow at 10.30 a.m.

ROOM 231, HOUSE OF COMMONS,
FRIDAY, 20th June, 1924.

The Committee met at 10.30 a.m., Mr. Euler, the Chairman, presiding.

Present: Messrs. Drayton, Drummond, Euler, Gauvreau, Harris, Jelliff, Kyte, Mackinnon, Milne, Stewart (Humboldt), Stork—11.