

The second order is:—

That the fourth Report of the Special Committee of the House of Commons appointed to investigate the Beauharnois Power Project, laid on the Table of the Senate on the 1st August, 1931, be referred to the Special Committee of the Senate appointed for the purpose of taking into consideration the said report in so far as it relates to any Honourable Members of the Senate.

The next order will be found in the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate for the 12th February, 1932, page 30:—

That the following senators, namely: the Honourable Senators Béique, Chapais, Copp, Donnelly, Graham, Griesbach, McMeans, Robinson, and Tanner constitute the Special Committee appointed for the purpose of taking into consideration the Report of the Special Committee of the House of Commons of the last Session thereof to investigate the Beauharnois Power Project in so far as the said Report relates to any Honourable Members of the Senate, and that the said Committee be authorized to sit during sittings and adjournments of the Senate.

And then we have this order:—

That a Message be sent to the House of Commons requesting that House to grant leave to their Clerk to appear and produce before a Special Committee of the Senate a copy of the evidence adduced during the last Session before the Special Committee of the House of Commons appointed to investigate the Beauharnois Power Project.

Therefore it seems necessary that the Clerk of the House be here, Mr. Chairman, and that he be required to produce the evidence, included among which are the Exhibits; and I assume that, for the convenience of the Committee and the convenience of the public, that the printed copies may be used, and that that evidence is evidence before this Committee.

The CHAIRMAN: Do you want the Clerk called?

Mr. MANN: I want the Clerk of the House of Commons.

ARTHUR BEAUCHESNE, K.C., Clerk of the House of Commons, Ottawa, appeared as a witness, and, having been duly sworn, testified as follows:—

*By Mr. Mann:*

Q. You are Clerk of the House of Commons, Mr. Beauchesne?—A. Yes.

Q. Will you look at the Exhibits before you, listed in a list signed by Mr. Taschereau, the Clerk of Exhibits of the House of Commons, dated 29th of January, 1932, and will you look at the Appendix No. 5 of the House of Commons, 1931, being Report of the Special Committee, and say if you produce these documents before this Committee as the Evidence, Proceedings and Exhibits taken before the Special Committee of the House of Commons in the Beauharnois Project investigation in 1931?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Please produce the list of all the Exhibits that were produced in the House of Commons Special Committee, as the Exhibits now before this Committee.—A. I produce now the list of all the Exhibits that were produced before the Special Committee of the House of Commons which investigated the Beauharnois matter in the Session of 1931, together with the printed evidence that was taken before that Committee.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. That printed evidence is part of the Journals of the House of Commons; is that it?—A. Part of the Journals, yes.