REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE.

FIRST REPORT.

Tuesday, March 16, 1909.

The Select Standing Committee on Mines and Minerals beg leave to present the following as their First Report:—

Your committee recommend that they be given leave to sit while the House is in

session.

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All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES CONMEE,

Chairman.

(Concurred in by the House, March 16).

SECOND REPORT.

THURSDAY, April 22, 1909.

The Select Standing Committee on Mines and Minerals beg leave to present the following as their Second Report:—

Your committee recommend that their quorum be reduced from ten to seven

members.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES CONMEE,

Chairman.

(Concurred in by the House April 22).

THIRD REPORT.

TUESDAY, May 18, 1909.

The Select Standing Committee on Mines and Minerals beg leave to present the following as their Third Report:—

Your committee is of opinion:-

1. That there should be assigned to the Mines Department the administration of mines, including the issue of title thereto, and of all mining laws.

2. That an Act should be passed consolidating all the laws relating to mines under

federal control.

3. That consideration should be given to a policy which will have for its object the re-acquisition by the Crown of mining rights heretofore granted in patents of land.

Your committee recommend that leave be granted to them to have all their proceedings and the evidence taken by them, printed, and that Rule 72 be suspended in reference thereto.

All which is respectfully submitted.

F. T. CONGDON, for Chairman.