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affecting the rights of certain hon. gentlemen, 5582. He places himself in a peculiar position before the House when he declines to answer, 5583. It was the bounden duty of the Prime Minister to see that the mistake was corrected 5584. Not a very usual form of tactics to call him to order under the circumstances under which he was called to order, 5599. If there was not some object in that mistake then it would have been rectified, 5600.

Bristol, E. (Toronto Centre)—5600.

This matter very simple if the Prime Minister wants to do what is right, 5600. The chairman quibbles as to whether he read the document out or whether it was read to him, 5601. Trusts they will see that what is just and fair and right is done in this matter without delay, 5602.

Crothers, T. W. (East Elgin)—5574.

Does not understand that this is the proper time for the discussion, 5574. The motion was put in in writing, read by the chairman and carried, 5575. The question is whether the report made by the chairman of that committee is an accurate report, 5576. The Prime Minister does control this House and the committees of this House when he desires to do so, 5577. Will take good care that people know why they retired from the committee, 5578.

Geoffrion, Victor (Chambly and Verchères)—5578.

What took place in the committee; quotes, 5578. We could not have the report made every day; where is the great harm after all? 5579. The reporters said it would be very hard to have the report from day to day, 5580. Will be very glad to see them; will discuss the matter and come to a conclusion, 5581. Could not admit that a charge was made, because he did not know of it, 5582. Cannot tell till he sees the original motion, 5583.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—5584.

Does not claim to have any other power or right here than any other member of the House; cannot distate to the majority, 5584. Has carefully abstained from discussing the report of the committee because it is not before the House, 5585. Is sure that the members of the committee will do what is proper, 5597.

Lennox, H. (South Simcoe)—5585.

There was a second report, have a right to discuss the matter, 5585. Does not know that the opposition from a party standpoint have any reason to complain, 5586. We were to have the report to the House from day to day, 5587. The premier should suggest to the committee

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that he appoints fair play, 5588. The Prime Minister and his following desire that the minority shall be gagged, 5589.

Macdonald, E. M. (Pictou)—5572.

Entirely out of order to discuss the proceedings of a committee before the committee has reported, 5572. The clerk prepared the report, first version of what the hon. gentleman wants done, 5573. Up to date the committee has not been able to get a single piece of printed evidence from the printers, 5574.

Middlebro, W. S. (North Grey)—5593.

It was the bounden duty of the committee to print and report the evidence from day to day, 5593. The appointment of Mr. Nesbitt, 5594. He is brought here to prove that the government is guilty of the charges we have laid at their door, 5595. The reform press stated that the three members were not justified in retiring, 5596. Did not know that it was nearly a week since their attention was called to the mistake, and it is not rectified, 5597. On the Lumsden inquiry the minority members are representing the public, 5598. Any one could see that Mr. Lumsden had he counsel there; would prove his charges, 5599.

Reid, J. D. (Grenville)—5589.

Not surprised at the anxiety of the leader of the government to prevent discussion, 5589. Mr. Lumsden in his letter made charges against parties in the railway, 5590. The whole object of the government and its supporters is to try and prevent us getting facts, 5591. The evidence shows a motion to have been made, 5592. In this case justice will not be done in such a way as people have a right to expect, 5593.

SUPPLY—MANITOBA FISHERIES COMMISSION.

Attention is called to a return. Mr. G. H. Bradbury, 2667-2683.

Bradbury, Geo. H. (Selkirk)—2667.

Refers to an interview published in the Montreal 'Star' of December 22, 1909, 2667. Reads the interview. Way allegation made by himself has been borne out; the Interim Report, 2668. Conclusions of the Commission, 2669-70. Was referring to the report at six o'clock, 2683. It seemed impossible to obtain from the department any redress for the people, 2684. The report of 1885 up to the present time remains a dead letter, 2685. Quotes from the interim report, 2686. The danger is that the department is not strong enough to carry out the recommendations, 2687. Trust they will see to it that the spirit of the report is put in operation, 2688. The law of the country is very distinct, only British