

I have just overheard the minister's remark accusing us of hypocrisy. I was never consulted in the matter and I would ask the Minister of Railways to take back that insinuation.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): I take the same position.

Mr. WOODSWORTH: It is beneath the dignity of a minister to make that statement and equally beneath the dignity of this House to let it go without protest.

Mr. DUNNING: I said that the other parties had agreed to it and I asked, why this hypocrisy. If my remarks did not apply to the hon. gentleman I do not know why he needs to take offence. I did not mention him.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Only two members have protested, the hon. member (Mr. Woodsworth) and myself, and neither of us was consulted. The remarks of the minister were obviously directed to the two of us and in so far as they were I ask that they be withdrawn. It is an impertinence unequalled in this House to declare that any member is guilty of hypocrisy.

Mr. POULIOT: I was not consulted either.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Just wait a moment; I have the floor. I ask the Minister of Railways to withdraw the reference to hypocrisy so far as I am concerned.

Mr. DUNNING: I shall withdraw nothing; I made no reference to any member of this House as an individual. I asked, "Why this hypocrisy;" I intend to stick to it, and it is not out of order.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Then I would ask the committee to rise and report progress, as it is now six o'clock.

Mr. ELLIOTT: May I just say a word?

The CHAIRMAN: No, I must put the motion.

Motion negatived.

Mr. ELLIOTT: May I just say a word by way of explanation to my hon. friend?

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): May I interrupt the hon. gentleman?

Some hon. MEMBERS: Order.

The CHAIRMAN: Order.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Is it not customary that a request to continue after six o'clock must be unanimous?

Mr. ELLIOTT: No, I think the House is master of its own deliberations. In order [Mr. Woodsworth.]

that there may be no misunderstanding, let me say to my hon. friend that the estimates we are now passing are almost all revotes of items which were in the supplementary estimates of last year, and which we were unable to spend. If there are any particular items on which my hon. friends would like any information I shall be pleased to give it, but they are all for dredging and repairs to wharves and so on, work deemed to be absolutely essential, and unfortunately we were not able to do nearly as much as the engineers reported to be necessary.

Mr. WOODSWORTH: Now, Mr. Chairman, may I have some answer to the question which I put before, as to whether when these supplementaries are passed we may have some assurance that next year the estimates will be referred to an appropriate committee early in the session?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: If my hon. friend moves that any estimates now being passed should go before a committee at the next session, the House will have the right to pass upon that motion and the government will be only too glad to abide by the decision of the House.

Mr. MACDOUGALL: Just before we pass that item, there was such a din and uproar in the House that I did not have an opportunity to say what I desired. I notice an item in which I am particularly interested, and concerning which I have made very strong representations not only to the present Minister of Public Works but to his predecessor. This item provides for very urgent harbour improvements at Port Hood in my constituency, and is for \$16,500. I am not criticizing the minister at all, in fact I commend him for making this appropriation. I desire to impress upon him, however, the urgency of this work and wish to ask if it is the intention of his department to commence work during the early summer, because the fishermen of this community for a distance of some ten miles along the sea coast, are deprived of any safe harbour and have been so deprived for a number of years. They have made representations through their representatives in parliament that this work be done, and this item will fill a long felt want.

Mr. ELLIOTT: In answer to my hon. friend I would say that nearly all these items were voted in the supplementaries last year, but because we were working under governor general's warrants we could not proceed with them. Of this vote \$1,196,000 was included in the supplementary estimates, and