

CANADA

House of Commons Debates

OFFICIAL REPORT

Friday, April 4, 1924

The House met at three o'clock.

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Mr. HERBERT MARLER (St. Lawrence-St. George): I beg to present the petition of the Presbyterian Church Association branch for the synod of Montreal and Ottawa protesting against the passing of an act for church union.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEES

MINES, FORESTS AND WATERS—INDUSTRIAL AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) presented the report of the special committee appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of members to compose the select standing committees on mines, forests and waters, and on industrial and international relations, as constituted by the House on Thursday, March 27, as follows:

No. 10

ON MINES, FORESTS AND WATERS

Messieurs:

- Arthurs, Bird, Black (Yukon), Boucher, Carroll, Carruthers, Church, d'Anjou, Davies, Dechene, Desaulniers, Dickie, Forrester, Garland (Bow River), Gendron, Hanson, Hunt, Kelly, Kennedy (Kenora), Knox, Lanctot, Lapierre, Logan, Macphail, Manion, McBride, Michaud, Munro, Pelletier, Power, Roberge, Ross (Kingston), Spence, Stewart (Argenteuil), Stork, Ward, and Warner.—37.

And that the quorum of the said committee do consist of 10 members.

No. 11

ON INDUSTRIAL AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Messieurs:

- Black (Halifax), Cahill, Caldwell, Cannon, Carroll, Denis (Joliette), Deslauriers, Drummond, Finn, Gervais, Graham, Grimmer,

- Guthrie, Healy, Hoey, Johnston, Kennedy (Edmonton), Ladner, Lapointe, Macdonald, Malcolm, Marcil (Bonaventure), Marler,

- McDonald, McKillop, McTaggart, Morin, Murdock, Prevost, Rinfret, Stewart (Hamilton), Tolmie, and White.—33.

And that the quorum of the said committee do consist of 10 members.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING moved that the report be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

THE BUDGET

On the Orders of the Day:

Sir HENRY DRAYTON (West York): I wonder whether the Acting Minister of Finance (Mr. Robb) is able to tell us to-day when the budget will be delivered. Will it be next week or the week after?

Hon. J. A. ROBB (Acting Minister of Finance): I hope to deliver it not later than the Tuesday immediately preceding the Easter adjournment, although I should like to bring it down a little earlier than that. However, I will let my hon. friend know on Monday.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: There are so many people interested in the budget disclosures that it is generally considered necessary to give from five days' to a week's notice. It is only fair that those who are interested should know fairly well in advance, and I would ask whether the budget is likely to be brought down next week.

Mr. ROBB: I will give my hon. friend a definite reply on Monday. It is possible that it may be next week.

PENSIONS UNDER CALDER ACT

On the Orders of the Day:

Mr. C. A. GAUVREAU (Temiscouata): Will the Prime Minister (Mr. Mackenzie King) say whether there is any foundation for the despatch sent from Ottawa to La Patrie, Montreal, to the effect that after March 31 no civil servant will be granted a pension under the Calder Act unless he has resigned before that date?