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the Department of the Interior and the Department of Mines making arrangements with a view of having all the mining laws and regulations now being administered by the latter department placed under the control of the Department of Mines, also as to the desirability of the enactment of a law relating to mines and minerals under Federal jurisdiction and the consolidation of all laws and regulations affecting the same.

On motion of Mr. Smith it was

Ordered, That a subcommittee composed of this committee residing in mining centres in each province be appointed to assist, as far as practicable, the officials of the Department of Mines in obtaining the necessary information for the drafting of the proposed legislation.

The committee then adjourned to the call of the chair.

JAMES CONMEE,
Chairman.

TUESDAY, May 3, 1910.

The committee met at 11 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT: Messrs. Conmee (chairman), Blondin, Douglas, Goodeve, Herron, Smith (Nanaimo), and Templeman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Smith it was

Ordered, That the committee having, in pursuance to the order of the House of the 25th ulto., had under consideration the question as to the expediency of the Department of the Interior and the Department of Mines making arrangements with a view of having all the mining laws and regulations now being administered by the latter department placed under the control of the Department of Mines, and

2. As to the desirability of the enactment of a law relating to mines and minerals under Federal jurisdiction and the consolidation of all laws and regulations affecting the same, the attention of the Honourable the Minister of Mines be directed to the urgent need of carrying into effect, at the earliest date practicable, the matters above referred to.

The committee then adjourned *sine die*.

(Attest.) L. C. PANET.
Clerk of the Committee.