

Tuesday, 13th May, 1913.

*Eleven o'Clock, A.M.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Middlebro, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee which is as follows:—

Your Committee herewith submit a compilation of the Evidence, Debates, and Proceedings arising out of the enquiries held by your Committee, into payments made to the Diamond Light and Heating Company, during the fiscal year 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910 and 1911, and resulting in the imprisonment of Mr. R. C. Miller; and recommend that the same be referred to the Joint Printing Committee of Parliament, with a view to having the same printed as an Appendix to the Journals of 1912-13.

*(For the Evidence, &c., accompanying this Report see Appendix to Journals No. 3.)*

On motion of Mr. Middlebro, seconded by Mr. Blain,

Ordered, That the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts have leave to sit while the House is in Session.

On motion of Mr. Middlebro, seconded by Mr. Blain,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Sixth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented this day.

Mr. Rogers, a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 11th December, 1912, for a copy of all accounts, correspondence, telegrams, complaints and other documents in possession of the Department of Public Works, in relation to the expenditure of moneys on harbour improvements at Grand Etang, during the year 1911-12. (*Sessional Papers, No. 203f.*)

Mr. Crothers, a Member of the King's Privy Council presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 9th April, 1913, for a copy of all letters, papers, telegrams, and other documents in connection with the sale of the N.W. quarter-section 29-10-18. W. (*Sessional Papers, No. 187d.*)

And also, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 28th April, 1913, for a copy of all letters, papers, memoranda and other documents relating to the Northeast quarter of 14-75-15-5, during the years 1911, 1912, and 1913 to date. (*Sessional Papers, No. 187c.*)

Mr. Macdonald moved, seconded by Mr. Lemieux, That the action of Mr. Blondin, the Deputy Speaker, as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House, while the Committee was considering Bill to authorize measures for increasing the effective Naval Forces of the Empire, in refusing to permit Mr. Carroll, the Member for South Cape Breton, to move to add an additional section to said Bill; and also, in declining to put the motion that the Chairman do now leave the Chair, as moved by Mr. Pugsley, the Member for the City of St. John, was a violation of the rules and constituted an infringement of the privileges of this House.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six o'Clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at Eight o'Clock, P.M.