

Resolved that a sum not exceeding \$148,845-000.59, being five-twelfths of the amount of each of the several items to be voted as set forth in the main estimates for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1946, laid before the House of Commons at the present session of parliament, and in addition thereto the sum of \$437,749.83, being one-twelfth of the amount of items 10, 23, 24, 27, 141, 146, 148, 151, 152, 171 and 267, and the sum of \$862,958.33, being one-sixth of the amount of items 29, 133, 134, 142, 153, 158, 160, 161, 162, 269, 270, 271, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 282, 283, 286, 287, 289 and 290 as set forth in the several schedules to The Appropriation Act, No. 1, 1945, be granted to His Majesty, on account, for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1946.

Motion agreed to.

Resolution reported, read the second time and concurred in. Mr. Ilsley thereupon moved for leave to introduce bill No. 4, for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 1946.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first and second times, and the house went into committee thereon, Mr. Bradette in the chair.

Section 1 to 6 inclusive agreed to.

Schedules A and B agreed to.

On the preamble.

Mr. STIRLING: I just want to record the fact that while we give acquiescence readily to the passage of this bill we look upon it as interim supply and we do not thereby give acquiescence to either the policy or the amounts covered by this measure.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill reported, read the third time and passed.

#### GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SPEECH

##### CONTINUATION OF DEBATE ON ADDRESS IN REPLY

The house resumed from Monday, March 19, consideration of the motion of Mr. Johnston (London) for an address to His Excellency the Governor General in reply to his speech at the opening of the session.

Motion agreed to.

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) moved:

That the address be engrossed and presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such members of this house as are of the honourable the privy council.

Motion agreed to.

#### SUSPENSION OF SITTING

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, the bills have gone from this house to the other, and I assume they will be passed by the other house

as they are supply bills. According to the announcement made this afternoon His Excellency will be prepared to have royal assent given to the measures on Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Word will come from His Excellency to that effect at any time and I think it might be well for the sitting to be suspended pending the receipt of that message. That does not mean that all hon. members will have to wait in their seats until that hour, but it would be well I think that the word should come from His Excellency this evening and be read by the Speaker so that hon. members will be prepared for royal assent on Monday afternoon at three o'clock. I accordingly move that the sitting of the house be now suspended during pleasure.

Motion agreed to.

At 10.35 p.m. the sitting was suspended during pleasure.

The house resumed at 10.50 p.m.

#### THE ROYAL ASSENT

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the house that I have received the following communication:

Ottawa, April 13, 1945.

Dear Sir:—I have the honour to inform you that the deputy of His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate chamber on Monday, April 16, at three p.m., for the purpose of proroguing the present session of parliament.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. L. C. Pereira,  
Assistant Secretary to the  
Governor General.

At eleven o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.

#### Monday, April 16, 1945

The house met at three o'clock.

#### PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT

A message was delivered by Charles H. Larose, Esquire, Assistant Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, as follows:

Mr. Speaker, the Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this honourable house in the chamber of the honourable the Senate.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the house went up to the Senate chamber.