

remaining hours of the present session. This fifth report that we have made does not involve any question of classification; it is a matter that has been determined not only by the Senate, but by the Justice Department, that we are dealing with in the report, matters that belong to the committee, for the confirmation of the Senate, and I do not think the hon gentleman ought to press an amendment of this kind. That question should be taken up by itself, and be dealt with by the committee or the House.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—The principle underlying the report just made is that we should conform ourselves to the classification or salary as given by the House of Commons to the sessional clerks; that is the purport of the report.

Hon. Mr. THOMPSON—But the parties we are dealing with, the messengers, are outside the application of the Civil Service Act.

The amendment was rejected, and the report was adopted.

BRANCH LINES OF THE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS BILL.

CONFERENCE ON COMMONS'S REFUSAL ON SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Hon. Mr. BEIQUE, as chairman of the Committee for Assigning Reasons to the House of Commons for refusing to agree to the amendments made to Bill (No. 17) presented their report.

The report was adopted.

Hon. Mr. THOMPSON—I would ask what is the modus operandi for the conference?

The SPEAKER—Section 66 of the rules provides that the Commons ask for a conference.

WINDING-UP ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

FIRST AND SECOND READINGS.

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill (No. 65) An Act to amend the Winding-up Act.

The Bill was read the first time.

Rt. Hon. Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT moved the second reading of the Bill.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—What is the meaning of the Bill?

Hon. Sir RICHARD SCOTT—It means the courts in the different provinces that would have the final decision in case of appeals. It is purely formal.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

INJURIES FROM MOTOR VEHICLES BILL.

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill (No. 13) An Act to amend the Criminal Code respecting injuries to persons due to motor vehicles.

The Bill was read the first time.

Hon. Sir RICHARD SCOTT moved that the Bill be read the second time at length at the table.

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL—This Bill seems to be imposing penalties for injuries done to persons by automobiles. What are the provisions?

Hon. Sir RICHARD SCOTT—It adds a section to the Criminal Code to provide that injuries done to persons through horses being frightened by motor vehicles may be punished by imprisonment for two years. It often happens that when an automobile driver runs down and injures a person, he gets away as quickly as possible so as to conceal his identity.

Hon. Mr. DOMVILLE—That is too drastic. I have not had time to look over this Bill. Of course, injuries will always be done by automobiles, but the causing of such injuries may not always be regarded as a wanton offence. The penalty should not be inflicted unless on very good reason. If the leader of the government insists on the Bill going through, I shall not oppose it, but we want to watch some of this side-show legislation. I want to know where it is coming from. Possibly the Bill is necessary, but I want to know more about it.

Hon. Sir RICHARD SCOTT—It was the Premier of Canada who suggested that this