

Your Committee recommend that Mr. A. B. Hannay be appointed for the next Session of Parliament, upon the reporting staff of the Senate, to be paid at the rate of forty dollars (\$40) per week, with the understanding, however, that his services may be dispensed with at any time during the Session upon one week's notice given to him.

His services to be: To attend Standing and Special Committees of the Senate, and prepare a concise synoptical report of the discussion and proceedings in each of them; and have the same placed in the hands of the press reporters (newspapers correspondents) for early use.

Also to prepare a concise synopsis of the Debates of the Senate, during the progress of the Debate, and have the same ready to be handed to the press reporters not later than one hour after the rising of the Senate, in the afternoon. In case the Senate should sit in the evening, then the said synopsis of the evening Debate shall be delivered to the press reporters not later than one hour after the rising of the Senate.

Also, that he may have a seat at the Table or as may be arranged between His Honour the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee.

Your Committee also recommend that E. Fortier be appointed for the next Session as translator when needed upon the reporting staff of the Senate for the purpose of supplying the correspondents of all newspapers published in French with a correct synopsis of the Senate Debates as that supplied to the English publications.

Your Committee further recommend that he be paid at the rate of fifteen (\$15) dollars a week, and that it be understood that his services may be dispensed with at any time during the Session upon one week's notice given to him.

All which is respectfully submitted.

L. G. POWER,
Acting Chairman.

The Honourable Mr. Power moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Bostock, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the Senate at the next sitting of the House to-day.

His Honour the Speaker, presented the following communication from the Clerk of the Senate respecting the classification of the staff of the Senate.

CLERK'S OFFICE,

OTTAWA, May 27, 1913.

The Honourable P. LANDRY,
Speaker of the Senate.

SIR,—I have the honour to report for the information of the Senate, that the clerical staff of the House is inadequate to the work required of it, and that several times during the present Session I have had to call on Chiefs of branches to do ordinary clerical work. I had occasion during last Session to call the attention of the Senate to the deficiency of the staff in that respect, and would again urge that a clerk well versed in stenography and typewriting be appointed before the end of this Session.

I would also draw attention to the Pages of the House, three of whom have outgrown their usefulness as such, and would suggest that the vacancies which will be caused by their retirement might be filled by naming their successors now, in order that their services may be available at the commencement of the next Session of Parliament.

I might also remind you that the application of the Housekeeper for additional help in the permanent messengers' branch, which I reported early in the Session, appears to have been lost sight of.