On motion of Mr. Abbott, the said Message and Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Abbott, a Member of the King's Privy Council, delivered a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

## ALEXANDER OF TUNIS:

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending on the 31st March, 1950 and, in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," the Governor General recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

Government House, Ottawa, September 15, 1949.

On motion of Mr. Abbott, the said Message and Supplementary Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. St. Laurent, seconded by Mr. Drew, moved,—That in view of the long and faithful services of Dr. Arthur Beauchesne, the recently retired Clerk of the House of Commons, he be appointed an Honorary Officer of the House and that he be allowed the entrée of the House of Commons and a seat at the Table on occasions of ceremony.

And the question being put on the said motion; it was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Governor in Council had appointed Léon J. Raymond, Esquire, O.B.E., as Clerk of the House of Commons, and Edward Russell Hopkins, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of the House of Commons.

The House then adjourned at 5.07 o'clock, p.m., until tomorrow at 3 o'clock, p.m.