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COMMITTEE ROOM,

FRIDAY, March 1, 1907.

The Special Committee to whom was referred Bill No. 2, an Act respecting Indusirial and Co-operative Societies, met at 11 a.m. Present: Messieurs Lemieux (in the chair), Monk, Sinclair, Smith (Nanaimo), Verville and White—6.

Professor Shortt's examination was resumed and concluded.

On motion of Mr. Monk, it was

Resolved,—That a report be made to the House recommending that leave be granted to the Committee to sit while the House is in session.

Mr. A. McNeill, chief of the Fruit Division, Department of Agriculture, was called and examined, and discharged from further attendance.

The Chairman expressed his desire to hear the evidence of some bankers on the sections of the bill relating to banking.

The Committee then adjourned to the call of the chair.

Attest,

N. ROBIDOUX, Clerk of Committee.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

THURSDAY, March 7, 1907.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Bill No. 2, an Act respecting Industrial and Co-operative Societies, met at 10.30 a.m. Present:

Messieurs Lemieux (in the chair), Monk, Smith (Nanaimo), Verville, and White-5.

Messrs. E. M. Trowern, of Toronto; H. C. Ellis, of Ottawa; and J. A. Beaudry, of Montreal, respectively, secretary, 2nd vice-president, and treasurer of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada, were present at their own request, and allowed to be heard.

Leave was granted to Mr. Trowern to send to the Clerk of the Committee copy of certain letters, &c., referred to in his evidence as unfavourable to the principle of cooperation, said letters to be filed and marked as exhibits (No. 9 and No. 10).

Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, C.M.G., Deputy Minister of Labour, was then called and examined in part.

During his examination, a publication on 'Co-operation in New England,' by Edward W. Bemis, Ph. D., was filed and marked as Exhibit No. 6.

The Committee then adjourned until Tuesday next, 12th instant.

Attest,

N. ROBIDOUX,

Clerk of Committee.

COMMITTEE ROOM, TUESDAY, March 12, 1907.

The Special Committee to whom was referred Bill No. 2, an Act respecting Industrial and Co-operative Societies, met at 10.30 a.m. Present:

Messieurs Lemieux (in the chair), Monk, Smith (Nanaimo), Verville, and White—5.

Mr. King's examination resumed and concluded.