

of these terms will involve a charge upon and payment out of moneys in the consolidated revenue fund of Canada.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTROL ACT

CONTINUANCE IN FORCE UNTIL SIXTY DAYS AFTER
OPENING OF FIRST SESSION OF PARLIAMENT IN 1951

Hon. Douglas Abbott (Minister of Finance) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following resolution:

That it is expedient to present a measure to provide for the continuance in force of the Foreign Exchange Control Act until sixty days after the commencement of the first session of parliament commencing in the year 1951.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT

EXTENSION OF OPERATION FOR A PERIOD OF
ONE YEAR

Right Hon. J. G. Gardiner (Minister of Agriculture) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following resolution:

That it is expedient to present a bill to amend the Agricultural Products Act to extend the operation of the act for a period of one year.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

FISH INSPECTION ACT

FISH AND FISH CONTAINERS—MARINE PLANTS
—EXPORT AND IMPORT REGULATIONS

Hon. Robert W. Mayhew (Minister of Fisheries) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following resolution:

That it is expedient to present a measure for the purpose of regulating the export and import of fish and fish containers and the export of marine plants, and the appointment of inspectors and other officers and employees required for the proper administration of the act.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

Proposed Legislation

TRANSITIONAL MEASURES ACT, 1947

CONTINUATION OF CERTAIN ORDERS AND
REGULATIONS

Hon. Alphonse Fournier (Minister of Public Works, for the Minister of Justice) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following resolution:

That it is expedient to introduce a measure to provide for the continuation of certain orders and regulations of the governor in council for a limited period during the national emergency arising out of the war.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

PRECEDENCE OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, TO FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 18

Right Hon. L. S. St. Laurent (Prime Minister) moved:

That on and after Monday, January 31, 1949, and every sitting day thereafter until and including Friday, February 11, 1949, government notices of motions and government orders shall have precedence over all other business except introduction of bills.

He said: In referring to this motion yesterday I stated that if I had the consent of the house I would ask that there be substituted, for the dates January 31 and February 11, respectively, the dates February 7 and February 18. On referring to the rules, however, I find that the regular way to handle the matter is not by amending my own motion but by presenting it in its present form and leaving it to some other hon. member to propose the proper amendment, if he sees fit to do so.

Right Hon. J. G. Gardiner (Minister of Agriculture): I move:

That the motion be amended by replacing in the first line thereof the words "January 31" by the words "February 7," and by replacing in the second line thereof the words "February 11" by the words "February 18".

Mr. Drew: Mr. Speaker, before any remarks are made in connection with this motion, I think the house should have some indication of the reasons why there is any cause to consider it at the present time. I would point out that yesterday afternoon the Prime Minister said that in any event it was the intention of the government to proceed during the coming week with the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne. For that reason there is no evidence of any necessity for