

Mr. J. Mills moved to strike out the words "probably led to his not replying," in line 2, with a view of inserting the words "consequently did not reply" in lieu thereof.

Upon the question being put, "That the words proposed to be struck out be so struck out, with a view of inserting the other words proposed," a division was called for, and the names were taken down as follows:—

*Ayes*, 6: Mr. Guinness, Hon. Sir J. Hall, Mr. G. Hutchison, Mr. J. Mills, Mr. Tanner, Hon. Mr. Ward.

*Noes*, 2: Dr. Newman, Mr. Wright.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Wright moved, To strike out the whole of clause 11 as amended.

Upon the question being put, "That the clause as amended stand part of the report," a division was called for, and the names were taken down as follow:—

*Ayes*, 4: Mr. Guinness, Mr. J. Mills, Hon. Mr. Ward, Hon. Sir J. Hall.

*Noes*, 4: Dr. Newman, Mr. Wright, Mr. G. Hutchison, Mr. Tanner.

The votes being equal, the Chairman declared in favour of the *Ayes*.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Mr. Guinness moved, To strike out all the words after the word "delivered" in line 2.

Upon the question being put it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, on the motion of Mr. Hutchison, to strike out the words "to honourable members" at the end of the clause.

*Resolved*, on the motion of Dr. Newman, to strike out the whole of the clause as amended.

Clause struck out.

Clause 13: Mr. Guinness moved to strike out the word "even" in line 2.

Upon the question being put, "That the word as printed stand part of the clause," a division was called for, and the names were taken down as follow:—

*Ayes*, 6: Dr. Newman, Mr. Wright, Mr. G. Hutchison, Mr. J. Mills, Mr. Tanner, Hon. Sir J. Hall.

*Noes*, 2: Mr. Guinness, Hon. Mr. Ward.

Word retained.

Mr. Guinness moved to strike out the word "grave" in line 3.

Upon the question being put, it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, on the motion of Mr. G. Hutchison, to strike out the word "should" in line 4, and insert the words "can properly" in lieu thereof.

Mr. Tanner moved to add the following words to the end of the clause: "In conclusion, they consider the charge against Mr. Seddon of silently, secretly, and surreptitiously altering a public document, is not borne out by the facts."

Upon the question being put, "That the words proposed to be added be so added," a division was called for, and the names were taken down as follow:—

*Ayes*, 3: Mr. Guinness, Mr. Tanner, Hon. Mr. Ward.

*Noes*, 5: Hon. Sir J. Hall, Mr. G. Hutchison, Mr. J. Mills, Dr. Newman, Mr. Wright.

Motion lost. Words not added.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

*Resolved*, on the motion of Mr. Tanner, That the Report be recommitted with a view of striking out the word "made," in line two of the preamble, and inserting the word "founded," in lieu thereof.

Preamble amended accordingly.

Mr. G. Hutchison moved, That the Report as amended be adopted.

Upon the question being put, a division was called for, and the names were taken down as follow:—

*Ayes*, 5: Hon. Sir J. Hall, Mr. G. Hutchison, Mr. J. Mills, Mr. Tanner, Mr. Wright.

*Noes*, 3: Mr. Guinness, Dr. Newman, Hon. Mr. Ward.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. Mr. Seddon attended at this stage of the meeting.

*Resolved*, on the motion of Mr. Wright, to add the following to Mr. Hutchison's motion: "together with copies of the manuscript exhibits, and the evidence and minutes."

*Resolved*, on the motion of Mr. G. Hutchison, That the Chairman do present to the House to-morrow the report, together with copies of the manuscript exhibits, and the evidence and minutes.

Mr. Guinness moved, That the Committee adjourn until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Mr. J. Mills moved, by way of amendment, That the meeting adjourn until Thursday, at 11 a.m.

Upon the amendment being put, a division was called for, and the names were taken down as follow:—

*Ayes*, 3: Mr. Mills, Hon. Mr. Seddon, Dr. Newman.

*Noes*, 3: Mr. Guinness, Mr. G. Hutchison, Mr. Wright.

The votes being equal, the Chairman declared in favour of the *Ayes*.

Amendment agreed to.

The Committee then adjourned until Thursday next, at 11 o'clock.