

and it is a fact that he knows their confidence in him is being sapped and is diminishing. Therefore he is making these statements to the public.

I ask leave to drop the motion, but next Session the Government will hear more of it.

The motion was withdrawn.

YUKON QUARTZ MINING BILL

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

Bill 6, an Act respecting Quartz Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Hon. Mr. Dandurand.

CHINA CLAY-ST. REMI D'AMHERST BRANCH LINE BILL

MESSAGE TO HOUSE OF COMMONS

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable gentlemen, I move:

That a Message be sent to the House of Commons to acquaint that House that the Senate doth no longer insist upon its third amendment to the Bill from the House of Commons No. 64, "An Act respecting the Construction of a Canadian National Railway Line from the end of the China Clay Branch to St. Rémi d'Amherst, in the Province of Quebec," and doth now propose the following amendment instead thereof:

In the Schedule

Under the Heading "Mileage including existing grading."

For "2" substitute "2.3."

Under the Heading "Average Expenditure per mile."

For "52,500.00" substitute "45,652.00."

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until 3 p.m. this day.

SECOND SITTING

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

PENSION BILL

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. PARDEE: Honourable gentlemen, in presenting the report of the Special Committee to whom was referred Bill 255, from the Commons, entitled an Act to amend the Pension Act, I will give a very short synopsis of what has been done with the various clauses.

At pages 1 and 2, clause 2 is stricken out.

At page 3, lines 5 and 6, the words "Board composed of a" are struck out, and clause 5 is amended by striking out the two words "acting jointly" after "Federal Appeal Board" in line 8. It was thought that this would make the clause much more workable, and prevent some conflict that seems to arise in connection with it.

On page 3, line 18, strike out clause 6.

Hon. Mr. TESSIER.

On page 3, line 33, for "shall" substitute the word "may," so as to leave it discretionary.

On page 4, lines 4 to 8, strike out from the word "condition" to the end of the new section. That is, the clause as amended will now be stricken out—the last four lines of it beginning with the word "provided."

On pages 4 and 5, the whole of clause 9 is stricken out.

On page 5, clause 10 is stricken out.

On pages 5 and 6, strike out all of clause 11.

On page 6, line 5, after the word "pensioner" insert the words, at the beginning of that clause:

Who was at the time of his death in receipt of a pension at the rate of 50 to 100 per cent.

On pages 6 and 7, strike out the whole of clause 14.

On page 7, strike out clause 15.

On page 7, strike out lines 33 to 43.

On page 8, strike out lines 1 to 3.

For subsection 3 of section 18, substitute the following:

The right of appeal shall be open for two years after the appointment of the Federal Appeal Board by the Governor in Council, or for one year after the decision complained of, whichever may be the later.

On page 9, strike out clause 19, which is the bonus section, and insert the following:

Section 6 of chapter of the Statutes of 1922 is hereby amended by adding after the figures "1923," in the fifth line thereof, the word and figures "and 1924."

On pages 9 and 10, strike out clause 20. Likewise, strike out the schedules.

Hon. Mr. CALDER: Both schedules or just one?

Hon. Mr. PARDEE: All the schedules.

I move the adoption of the report.

Hon. Mr. GRIESBACH: Honourable gentlemen, I move that this report be not concurred in, but that the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Hon. Mr. McMEANS: Can we get some information from the Chairman of the Committee? Take clause 15, for instance. I understand there was a great difference of opinion about the right to appeal. That has been a bone of contention with the war veterans. They claim they cannot get an appeal from the Pension Commissioners. Is it the intention to strike out the right to appeal?

Hon. Mr. PARDEE: It gives them a further right to appeal.

Hon. Mr. McMEANS: The clause is struck out.