

ounces, that is a matter of opinion. It has not been the practice to put 16 ounces of dry meat in a pound can of lobster for a good many years. Dry lobsters are not considered as acceptable to the trade as those that have a little juice in the can when it is opened. It has been the practice for many years by most packers to put 15 ounces of meat in a pound can and one ounce of pickle; then when the can is opened it contains 15 ounces of meat and one ounce of juice, and so in proportion with the half pound, the quarter pound and the three-quarter pound tins. It is important that there should be uniformity, and I think there is a movement in another department to have the net weight put on all tinned goods. That is the law in the United States. For instance, a tin of fruit known as a No. 2 tin, commonly called a 2-pound tin, contains actually only about 20 ounces, and under the American law the net weight must be put on all labels. The minister is in error in saying that the picnic can and the three-quarter pound can are the same. The picnic can is a tall can about two and one-half inches in diameter and nearly four inches high. The three-quarter pound can that he refers to is a flat can.

Mr. HAZEN: I did not say that the three-quarter pound can and the picnic can were the same. I said that the picnic can in the Bill we introduced contained 10 ounces, but that as the Senate reduced the weight so that one can will now contain 10½ ounces, they did not consider it desirable to continue the picnic can with 10 ounces.

Mr. LOGGIE: The three-quarter pound can is not the same shape as the picnic can and it is desirable to retain the picnic as there is a demand for lobsters put up in that shape; it is a can which contains 9¼ ounces of solid meat and ¾ of an ounce of juice. There is a difference of one and one-half ounces between it and the three-quarter pound can.

Mr. HAZEN: Under the Senate amendments a one-pound can will contain 14 ounces, and the three-quarter pound 10½ ounces. The picnic can contains 10 ounces.

Mr. LOGGIE: But that 10 ounces is on the basis of 16 ounces to the pound. The real net weight for a picnic can should be 9 ounces or 9¼ ounces, so that I am quite right when I say that there is a difference of one and one-half ounces between the picnic and the three-quarter pound can.

Mr. HAZEN: The Senate struck out the picnic can altogether.

Mr. LOGGIE: I am trying to show that it is a different size from the others and that it should not be abolished. I do not see why it should not be replaced in the Bill.

Mr. SINCLAIR: The Senate is opposed to picnics.

Mr. LOGGIE: There is a demand for this package in some parts of the United States and in the Maritime Provinces as well. I do not see any serious objection to the change in the weights. Is any provision made for the exportation of canned lobsters with no label on them? The minister knows that there are dealers in France who use their own labels, and the trade would be handicapped if we were forced to put labels on the cans.

Mr. HAZEN: There is no change in the law in that respect. That refers to lobsters and salmon.

Mr. SINCLAIR: Does not the Bill provide that all cans should be labelled?

Mr. HAZEN: There is a provision that the minister may exempt cans intended for export.

Mr. SPEAKER: I must remind hon. members that the House is not in committee; that one speech only is permitted to each hon. member, and that the motion before the Chair is that the House do agree to the amendments made to this Bill by the Senate.

Mr. HAZEN: May I say that the only amendments made by the Senate are with regard to the quantity of lobsters to be contained in each tin?

Mr. SINCLAIR: Reverting to the question whether the cans are to be labelled or not, section 12 reads:

12A. (1) All fish and shellfish canneries shall be inspected as provided by the regulations. All fish and shellfish packed in cans shall be subject to inspection during the whole course of preparation and packing and all such cans shall be marked with,—

(a) the initials of the Christian names, the full surname and the address, or, in the case of a firm or corporation, the firm or corporation name and address or the name and address of the packer or of the fish dealer obtaining it direct from the packer;

(b) a true and correct description of the contents of the can, including the vernacular name and the minimum net weight of the fish or shellfish in the can plainly printed in a conspicuous manner, and the name of the place where the same was packed.

Section 12g of the Bill reads:

12g. No person shall offer or accept for export or shall export any fish or shellfish sub-