

brother, if you will write and let me know you have not forgotten your Jen as you used to call me I will not list a word that I have ever heard from you as you do not know what I have suffered since you went away I will ask you once more for baby's sake to write and let me know where you are will say good by and God bless you.

I remain as ever,

J. M. B.

The hon. gentleman makes a great point because this girl is only a kitchen girl, a cook, and therefore her evidence ought not to be accepted. This is the letter that the hon. gentleman says is not fit to be read here to this House, and he wants this House to censure the committee, and the divorce Bill here on which we have reported to be turned down on such an argument as he presents here to-day. I say it is a disgrace to ask the House to do anything of the kind.

The SPEAKER—The question is on the motion for the third reading of the Bill.

Hon. Mr. POWER—The hon. gentleman from Victoria has moved an amendment.

The SPEAKER—The amendment was not seconded.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—The hon. senator from Rothesay will second the motion.

Hon. Mr. DOMVILLE—It is always the right of any hon. gentleman in any legislative body to get a seconder.

Hon. Mr. KIRCHHOFFER—Senator Perley would not have seconded it.

Hon. Mr. DOMVILLE—Senator Perley was not quick enough. As I say, every hon. member has a right to have his motion seconded and I think it is a good thing because every question should be tested. I have not looked into it very carefully; in fact I do not like a good deal of the evidence taken in the committee because of the frivolity of it. Young people appear there, and when they are good looking they are often asked a great many questions. I do not think we should have those cases brought here at all. In New Brunswick we have a divorce court of our own, and there are divorce courts in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Although I second the motion of the hon. senator, I cannot say that I approve of the way he has brought the question of di-

vorice in New Brunswick before this House. That province has a court of its own and washes its dirty linen at home. Very little is heard of divorce in our province, and now for the first time we are going to have on the annals of this House some unfortunate transactions that have taken place in New Brunswick. I never heard of them before, although I come from New Brunswick myself. There may be some scandal alleged against people in New Brunswick, but that is an experience everywhere, and I cannot believe all the reports which come from New Brunswick of things alleged to have taken place there. I think the time has come for a change in the method of dealing with divorce cases; they should be settled outside of this Chamber. Why should we have to deal with these unfortunate affairs and read over all the evidence taken in such cases. The matter rests with the government, and I hope they will find some way of relieving this Chamber of the duty of dealing with divorce. Let us send them to the courts. It is no part of our prayer book or litany and I do not think there are many members of this House who, if they voted as they would like to vote, could be found to endorse bringing divorce cases into the Senate.

Hon. Mr. McMULLEN—I must express my amazement at the amendment and speech of the hon. senator from Victoria. From what I know of the Divorce Committee, it is a matter of pain and regret to them when evidence is given that clearly shows that an applicant for divorce has ground for it, making it our duty to recommend the relief sought. In every instance we have taken great care that the evidence clearly establishes adultery on the part of the respondent. I do not think there ever has been a case before this Chamber better sustained by evidence than the one now under consideration. It is a case clear beyond all question. In addition to that, we have the evidence of the woman who came before the committee and clearly established the fact that this man had deliberately misled her, stating that he was a young man and promising marriage, and in that way led the poor creature