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Hon. Senators: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. Pouliot: In his very interesting and good speech the honourable gentleman mentioned four languages that were used at the conference, and I would like to know what they were.

Hon. Mr. Cameron: English, French, Spanish and Russian.

Hon. Mr. Pouliot: Thank you.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Beaubien, the debate was adjourned.

PRIVATE BILL

OBLATE FATHERS OF ASSUMPTION PROVINCE—SECOND READING

Hon. John J. Connolly moved the second reading of Bill T, an Act to incorporate Oblate Fathers of Assumption Province.

He said: Honourable senators, I need not detain you for more than a few moments in connection with this bill. As its title indicates, this is an Act to incorporate the Oblate Fathers of Assumption Province. The proposed incorporation would establish a division in the Roman Catholic Order called the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. The proposed new Province has been established already under ecclesiastical law, and it is now desired to have it legally established in Canada through this instrument. The new Province will be organized and operated by clergymen, mainly of Polish descent, all residents of Canada, and it is designed to be of service primarily to people of Polish descent. The head office will be in Toronto, and the corporation would be competent to make by-laws, to elect officers and directors, and have all other powers customarily given by bills of this character.

The main objects of the bill and of the proposed corporation are to be found in section 7, which reads as follows:

The corporation may establish and carry on missions and parishes, erect, maintain, improve and conduct schools, seminaries, colleges, halls, churches, hospitals, orphanages, and any other buildings for charitable, religious or educational purposes; and it may establish, maintain and manage public cemeteries, and generally promote religion, charity or benevolence.

By the bill the corporation is given power to own, buy and dispose of real and personal property, but in respect of real property these powers will be exercised subject to the laws of the various provinces in which the corporation will conduct its business. The corporation is also given most of the general powers provided by section 14 of the Companies Act, which specifies the general

powers and duties of companies. The corporation is given specific power to borrow money under the usual conditions, and it may conduct businesses which will promote the charitable or religious works for which it is founded.

Honourable senators, if the bill receives second reading I will move later that it be referred to the Miscellaneous Private Bills Committee.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the second time.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

On motion of Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West), the bill was referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

DIVORCE

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ADOPTED

The Senate proceeded to consideration of reports of the Standing Committee on Divorce Nos. 58 to 68, which were presented on January 24.

Hon. Arthur W. Roebuck, Chairman of the Committee, moved that the reports be adopted.

The motion was agreed to, on division.

BILLS—SECOND READINGS

Hon. Mr. Roebuck moved the second reading of the following bills:

Bill U, an Act for the relief of Anita Marinier Shaver.

Bill V, an Act for the relief of Mary Matilda Chatfield Eldridge.

Bill X, an Act for the relief of Phyllis Minnie Reid Foster.

Bill Y, an Act for the relief of Harry Leo Metham.

Bill Z, an Act for the relief of Dorothy Cumming Ryan.

Bill A-1, an Act for the relief of Robert Allan Taylor.

Bill B-1, an Act for the relief of Eta Krupnick Caron.

Bill C-1, an Act for the relief of Camille Emile Bunlet.

Bill D-1, an Act for the relief of Catharina Lassahn Schwartz.

Bill E-1, an Act for the relief of Lewis George Joy.

Bill F-1, an Act for the relief of Harvey Clifford Yetman.

Bill G-1, an Act for the relief of Marie Rose Lina Patricia Guertin Theberge.

Bill H-1, an Act for the relief of Jean Prefontaine.

Bill I-1, an Act for the relief of Emma Rosetta Rule Fuglewicz.

Bill J-1, an Act for the relief of Joan Monica Evans Schwarz.