

and depart from the proper administration of his department for reasons of political expediency.

"Your Committee is of the opinion that this practice is detrimental to the best interests of the country and prejudicial to the administration of the department.

"And that the Committee for such purpose be revived."

And the Debate continuing;

Mr. Forke rose to a question of privilege on the ground that John A. Stevenson had written him a threatening letter, which he laid on the Table.

The Debate was then resumed.

THURSDAY, 24th June, 1926.

And the Debate still continuing;

Mr. Woodsworth, seconded by Mr. Heaps, moved in amendment to the said amendment: That all the words after the word "instructions" in the third line of the amendment be struck out and the following substituted therefor:—

"1. To add to Clause 4 the following: Since the enquiry indicates that the smuggling evils are so extensive and their ramifications so far-reaching that only a portion of the illegal practices have been brought to light, your committee recommends the appointment of a judicial commission with full powers to continue and complete investigating the administration of the Department of Customs and Excise and to prosecute all offenders.

"2. That the following be added to Clause 6: Your committee deplors the common practice as revealed by the evidence, of members of parliament and others appealing to the minister to relax the regulations of the department for personal advantage or political expediency.

"3. That in Clause 8 all the words after the word "department" in the third line be struck out.

"4. That in Clause 13 the name of R. R. Farrow, deputy minister of Customs and Excise, be added to the list of those who are recommended that their services be dispensed with.

"And that the Committee for such purposes be revived."

And the question being proposed on the amendment to the proposed amendment;

Mr. Meighen raised the point that the amendment to the amendment was out of Order on the ground that it was foreign to the subject-matter of the main amendment.

After Debate, Mr. Speaker reserved his decision on the said point of Order.

The Debate was then resumed.

And the Debate continuing, the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Rhéaume, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 1.15 o'clock, a.m.

RODOLPHE LEMIEUX,

Speaker.