

to be adopted until I heard the discussion upon it. The objections presented by the leader of the Government, I think, are convincing. I for one would not care about having this Park known abroad under the name by which the grandeur of it might be divided with the United States. If we attach the name of the Dominion or Canadian to the word Rocky Mountains Park it certainly would imply that we do not own the Rocky Mountains—that the Rocky Mountains are divided between us and other people, and it would not give us that standing that as Canadians we feel proud of. I accept the name, therefore, given to it by the Government as being the best under the circumstances. I thought it possible, but I did not wish to force my opinion, that if it could be called the Rocky Mountains Springs, inasmuch as the springs of that locality possess great curative powers, it would be a very appropriate and poetical name. We find the Saratoga Springs are known all over the world and attract hosts of visitors and tourists who desire to recuperate their health, and there is no difficulty in locating them. On the same principle, if we were to call this park the Rocky Mountains Springs it would certainly be an improvement. I only throw out the suggestion, feeling satisfied with the name which the Government has proposed.

HON. MR. VIDAL—In order to bring the matter to an issue I move that this clause be amended by striking out the words, "Banff National," and inserting "Rocky Mountains Park of Canada."

HON. MR. ABBOTT—Of course the Government have not any extreme opinion as to what name this park should bear, and in view of the great divergence of opinion expressed throughout the House, and in view of the unanimity of feeling on the part of the Government as to the name that the park should be known by—Rocky Mountains Park—I should much prefer if the House would adopt the language I have indicated as being most pleasing to my colleagues and myself.

HON. MR. DEVER—Rocky Mountains Springs?

HON. MR. ABBOTT—The difficulty about that is it does not convey to the mind the idea of the extent of land reserved. This park having an area of 260 square miles, the name "Rocky Mountains Springs" would not be quite wide enough to convey an idea of its extent. "Rocky Mountains Park of Canada is a very good name, but it is not a concise name. It has this fault—that the public will not fill their mouths with a long name. They will have a short name for it, no matter what it may be called. For instance, the railway from Montreal to Ottawa was called the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway. It was a very good, descriptive, and appropriate name, but the public would not call it by that term, and they hit upon the abbreviation, Q. M. O. & O. You may call this park the Canadian Rocky Mountains Park or the Rocky Mountains Park of Canada, but the name by which it will be known to the public of Canada is the Rocky Mountains Park, and on the whole, I believe that the name selected by the Government is the most desirable.

HON. MR. DICKEY—I quite admit, after what has fallen from the lips of the Leader of the Government, that the language should be terse and concise, and really for the life of me I cannot understand why an act to establish the Canadian Rocky Mountains Park is not all that is necessary. I do not know why we should get in a lot of prepositions into a title of that kind. In considering this question, I think all the time that I am on the other side of the Atlantic and am being asked, "Where is this Rocky Mountains Park we have heard so much of?" "It is the Canadian Rocky Mountains Park" is the reply, and there is the whole information. If you leave it without the word Canada it will be appropriated, as all our other names have been, by the Americans in less than 6 months, and you will have posters scattered all over the world with a view of attracting visitors to the Rocky Mountains in the United States, where they will establish a park without any

HON. MR. DEVER.