

clause, and then rise and report progress—I have an intimation from the Minister for Justice that he intends to embody this Bill in a measure which he is about to introduce to amend the criminal law. In that case this Bill is likely to be dropped altogether. I therefore move that the committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, on Tuesday next.

HON. MR. DICKEY—I should like to direct the attention of my hon. friend publicly, as I have already done privately, to sub-section 4 of section 1, which is as follows:—

“This section shall not apply to any Indian belonging to a tribe or band among whom polygamy is not contrary to law, nor to any person not a subject of Her Majesty, and not resident in Canada.”

I think that is a very dangerous exception to make, because it may have the effect of excepting the very class to whom the Bill is intended to apply.

HON. MR. MACDONALD (B.C.)—That part is to be struck out, and there is another part—the disqualification of persons convicted under this Act from voting in elections. That also is omitted.

HON. MR. KAULBACH—This is a question which requires a great deal of consideration. These Mormons appear to be a respectable community, and are progressing rapidly in the North-West.

It is a question whether these people should be driven out of the country for having performed their religious duties in a way they believe is right—it is a question whether this Bill should have a retroactive effect, and deprive these people of the rights which they possess under the laws as they exist to-day, and as they existed at the time when they settled in the country. It is a serious matter to say whether they should be driven out of Canada when we are anxious to settle that country as rapidly as possible in every legitimate way.

The first clause was adopted, and the motion to rise was agreed to.

HON. MR. DEVER, from the committee, reported that they had made some progress with the Bill.

#### BILL INTRODUCED.

Bill (S) “An Act respecting Escaped Persons from Industrial Schools.” (Mr. La-coste.)

The Senate adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

#### THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Wednesday, February 26th, 1890.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

#### GEOLOGICAL SURVEY BILL.

##### IN COMMITTEE.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on Bill (C) “An Act respecting the Department of Geology, Mining and Natural History.”

(In the Committee.)

On the 1st clause.—

HON. MR. POWER—I was under the impression, from an expression of opinion which I heard outside this House, that the Government had decided that they would not change the name of this department or sub-department, inasmuch as it has been known for fifty years as the Geological Survey of Canada. I understood that the Government still proposed to call it by that name. I regret, however, that they have not come to that conclusion. In England a similar body has been known for a great many years as the Geological Survey. There are departments of a similar kind in Australia, which are also known by the same name. They have also one in the United States for the whole Union, which is known by that name, and in several of the States they have departments of the same kind which are known as Geological Surveys. I think it is not now desirable that we should adopt a name different from that which has been used in Canada for so long a time, and different from that now used in other countries. It really does not make any difference what you call the department. If you call it the Geological Survey it will amount to just the same thing as if you call it the Department of Geology, Mining and Natural History; but, I think it should be called the Geological Survey, as in the past, because it indicates the connection with the previous fifty years, which is a desirable thing. There is just one other circumstance in connection with the title of this department which I think is worthy of some consideration. It is said there is very little in a name, but I think there is often a good deal in a name, and in the present instance the name counts for