

that was a good reason why it should be wasted in the future. That was the argument of so good a business man as the honourable senator from Grimsby (Hon. Mr. Smith).

The chief argument of the honourable Minister of Labour (Hon. Mr. Robertson) was that we should spend this money in order that the aliens who stir his tender heart to pity may have employment. I think they can live for a while on the money they saved while our boys were fighting on the battlefields of France.

Hon. Mr. ROBERTSON: That was not by any means my main argument. That was simply incidental.

Hon. Mr. FOWLER: I took a note of it. It may have been the result of the heat; but I thought the honourable gentleman's voice trembled when he spoke of the aliens, as though pity was overmastering his soul. These aliens, while our boys were fighting for the country, were getting from five to seven dollars a day, and it is for them that my honourable friend would drop a tear. If the alien becomes a public charge, we can always deport him, and it will not be necessary to borrow this money—because we do have to borrow every dollar of it, and pay 5 per cent on it.

My honourable friend from Fredericton (Hon. Mr. Thompson) said that we were lending money to Roumania, why should we not lend it to our own people? Lending money to Rumania — for what purpose? Money to Rumania in order that the manufactories of this country may have work; so that they may be able to sell to the Rumanian people who have not the money to buy. That is done for the purpose of keeping Canadian manufactories employed; but it is not because of any desire that we have to lend to Rumania. We are doing it for a selfish, Canadian purpose—a proper purpose too, in my opinion; but we are not lending money under the Bill that is before us: we are giving it away. It is not a loan to be returned: it is an absolute gift.

The province of Nova Scotia was able to borrow money at a lower rate of interest by one-half of one per cent than the rate at which the Dominion Government has floated its last loan, when you count all the incidentals in connection with the loan.

I think all the points in connection with this matter have been fairly well covered; there has been an expression of opinion from nearly every honourable gentleman in this House; so I will not labour the matter

further than to say that, with the concurrence of the seconder of my motion, and with the consent of the House, I wish it to be withdrawn.

Hon. Mr. POIRIER: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. FOWLER: Do not say "Hear, hear" too soon. I wish to withdraw my motion for the six-months hoist, and to say that the same object can be attained by voting against the second reading of the Bill, as I purpose doing.

The amendment of Hon. Mr. Fowler was withdrawn.

The motion for the second reading of the Bill was agreed to on the following division:

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Hon. Mr. McMEANS: I was paired; I would have voted against the Bill.

On motion of Hon. Sir James Lougheed, the Bill was read the third time and passed.

INTOXICATING LIQUOR BILL.

CONFERENCE OF THE TWO HOUSES.

The Hon. the SPEAKER read a message from the House of Commons, as follows:

That a message be sent to the Senate to acquaint their Honours that this House has appointed Messieurs Chisholm, Lemieux, Loggie, Meyers, Pedlow, Steele, Trahan, White (Sir Thomas), and Whidden, managers on behalf of this House at the Free Conference with the Senate with respect to Bill 107, "An Act to confirm the Order in Council of the twenty-fourth day of February, 1919, prohibiting the Importation, Manufacture and Transportation of Intoxicating Liquors, and the Order in