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Proceedings at the Legislative Council

TUESDAY, April 28th (continued.)

HON. DR. CAMPBELL thought it a pity this Bill had not come up a week ago as then we should not have had such views expressed by the honourable leader of the Government. He seemed to have seen a ghost last night. He (Dr. Campbell) knew what it was for a new Government to come into office with men taking positions with which they were unfamiliar. He was of opinion that bye-elections were a waste of time. He cited cases that had taken place in which members who had just gone through the stress and turmoil of a general election, had their districts again, when it would have been far more beneficial had they been studying the affairs of their country and getting ready for legislative work, most of which was quite new to them. In the case of Hon. Mr. Monroe and Mr. Winsor it just meant the waste of a month's valuable time. The same might be said of Mr. Bennett and Mr. Russell. What benefit would this be to the District: the same one wins, as a rule the member is elected with an increased majority. With regard to the buying and selling Dr. Campbell thought we were just as honourable in political life as the Canadians. He remembered two men who had crossed over in the Canadian House of Com-

mons, Dr. John Costigan (?) and Mr. McMaster, a friend of the honourable leader of the Government. Such cases, he considered, were as common there as here.

HON. MR. MORINE answered that had Hon. Dr. Campbell been present yesterday afternoon he would have known that he (Hon. Mr. Morine) had not waited until he had seen the so called ghost, as he had then taken the same stand in reference to the matter. With regard to Mr. McMaster, he said, what had been done by him was not to his discredit. He had been in favour of the free trade policy and had crossed over on the matter of tariff. When his party came round to his way of thinking he went back again. Hon. Mr. Morine urged honourable members not to follow the example set by the Mother Country. It would not be considered good for Newfoundland. He thought the electors should have the right to pass judgment on the acts of men who accept office.

HON. DR. MOSDELL supported the remarks of the Hon. Leader of the Government generally, but found fault that the principle be applied to section one. Section one did not hold good for section two.

HON. MR. PRESIDENT thought the different views might be met by an amendment which he suggested and which provided that only those not holding office at the time of a general election should go back for re-election. He stated the reasons for changing the law in England in 1919

was that during the war it had been found necessary to do away with bye-elections as they were injurious to a maintenance of a "win the war" spirit. Then the new government led by Bonar Law put forward the idea to abolish bye-elections for office altogether. Someone else suggested within two years, and the suggestion was six months, and as a compromise eight months was fixed. It might be remembered that in England 70 or 80 people hold office, which makes it tremendously difficult to carry out bye-elections. In 99 cases out of 100 when candidates go back for re-election after the return of a government the disposition of the people is to re-elect them and give the government a chance. In Newfoundland during the last 40 years he only knew of two cases where Ministers of the Crown were defeated in bye-elections, the cases referred to by Hon. Mr. Morine when he defeated the Receiver General, Mr. Noonan in 1886, and when R. T. McGrath defeated Hon. W. J. I. Donnelly in Placentia in 1893. These elections occurred a year or almost two years after the governments represented were returned to power. The proposition, in his opinion, should not be accomplished as it stood, as it left the door wide open to great evils. He suggested that the Committee rise and that a Select Committee be appointed to consider an amendment.

HON. MR. McNAMARA did not approve of the Bill as it stood, with regard to candidates being re-elected after the return of a party; he took it that they were generally re-elected at the expense of the country. If the Bill were passed it would create a condition of affairs that we had not dreamed of. It would open the door to all kinds of political corruption and fraud. He wished to cite a case which occurred sixty years ago to prove that bye-elections for office were great safeguards. In 1865 when the name Tory and Liberal first came into use and have been used and abused ever since, the Tory party had not sufficient members to carry on the government, and Messrs. Kent, Steer and Casey succeeded from that party. Bye-elections followed, but Kent who contested the East End only escaped defeat by 7 votes at the hands of an ex-doorkeeper of the Assembly; Mr. Shea was overwhelmingly defeated in Ferryland by Kearney, the famous boat builder, and Casey was "snowed under" by Brennan the bone setter in St. John's West. He merely cited this case to prove that bye-elections particularly when deserters from one side or the other accepted offices of emolument were very essential to stable government.

HON. MR. MORINE thanked the last speaker for his very apt illustration, and pointed out that the Hon. the President and Hon. Dr. Campbell missed the point that when bye-elections were held here the candidates went back for the same party and on the same policy on which they were elected. That they were re-elected was no guarantee that the electors would not have resented them if they had changed their coats. In the case of Mr. Noonan he went back representing his own party and the party's policy, and his (Hon. Mr. Morine's) victory was looked upon as a party achievement. If followers on the opposition ranks accepted office under the government and went back for re-election it was not certain they would be returned because they had accepted a government office. The Bill left the door open to corruption in many ways. Either on one side or the other the elected candidate could

accept office with the assurance that he did not have to seek re-election for the next four years. The passage of the Bill, as he saw it, would be rampant robbing of the franchise of the people. What we required here was stability of government; we did not want the French or German system of changing around every year. Some people say the Supreme Court on Circuit was a waste of money; the Court did not hear any cases. The reason there were not many cases was the presence of the Court. Its value was in going about. The value of the laws in this country was in the cases they have prevented. Why open the door now to changes and make the system worse. During the past twenty years none knew what side a man was on. One cannot tell to-day what party is Liberal or Tory, the names have changed so often that party lines have ceased.

HON. MR. SHEA considered that a grave mistake would be made if the proposed Bill were to come into effect. It would open the door to the worst kind of corruption, deceit and political immorality. It would affect stable government in this country for all time, and it would be a serious mistake to accept the proposal. If seeking re-election created a hardship then in the interests of sound government the hardships should be borne. He hoped there would be no change in the law, and certainly would not vote for the Bill as it stood.

HON. MR. MILLEY rose to support the Bill. It had passed the Lower House by unanimous vote, and had met the approval of the Government. Seeking re-election after a general election did not appeal to him as reasonable. In the case of Prime Minister Monroe who was elected head of a party at the general election, he was obliged a few months afterwards to go back to his district and ask the people if they really elected him as Prime Minister. Bye-elections along these lines were a waste of time and money, and he was prepared to support the Bill as it stood.

HON. MR. MORINE pointed out that this particular section was not a government bill, had not been considered by the government, and was not introduced by the government. The fact of government members voting for it did not make it a government bill.

HON. MR. BISHOP thought the remarks of Hon. Mr. Morine carried a great deal of force with them, but retorted that he could not see his way clear to rise the Committee. He considered it possible to reach a solution without a division of the House, and agreed with Hon. President that the solution could probably be found by a Select Committee.

The Committee rose and recommended that the Bill be sent to a Select Committee.

THE PRESIDENT moved the following to comprise the Select Committee:—Hons. Mr. Morine, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Shea, Mr. Milley, Mr. Bish.

hop, Dr. Campbell, Mr. McNamara, Dr. Mosdell, Mr. Ellis, The President.

By unanimous consent the House resolved into Committee of the Whole on the Bill Respecting Tax on Certain Incomes, Hon. Mr. Murphy in the Chair.

HON. MR. MORINE explained that this Bill was taken bodily from the old income tax bill except in reference to the Bank Tax. Under this Act the tax will be reduced one half roughly.

HON. MR. DAVEY said that there were a number of people living outside of this country who owned mortgages here and who thus received incomes here. Should these people then be exempt from this tax.

HON. MR. MORINE explained that this Act was the same as the old and if such was done a suspension clause would have to be added. However, the Hon. gentleman's point was well taken and should be considered at a later session.

The Committee rose and reported the Bill without amendment, and it was ordered to be read a third time on to-morrow.

The House resolved into Committee of the Whole on the Bill Respecting a Tax on Goods Imported into Newfoundland, Hon. Sir Marmaduke Winter in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill without amendment, and it was ordered to be read a third time on to-morrow.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 29.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

HON. MR. MORINE presented the report of the Select Committee on the Bill entitled "Of Legislative Disabilities and the Vacation of Seats in the House of Assembly." He said that the Committee had been unanimous on two points, (1) in wishing to avoid the expenses and trouble of useless bye-elections, and (2) it not being desirable to create opportunities whereby a Government might be kept in power by buying over members. The wording of the amendment, as framed by the committee made it impossible for members to cross over and also did away with the necessity for useless bye-elections. He expressed the hope that the House would be unanimous in passing it.

The report was received by unanimous consent, referred to Committee of the Whole House, Hon. Mr. Steer in the chair.

The Committee rose and reported the Bill with some amendment, and by unanimous consent the Bill was read a third time and passed, and ordered to be sent to the House of Assembly with a message asking their concurrence in the said amendment.

Bills entitled "An Act Respecting a Tax on Certain Incomes" and "An Act Respecting a Tax on Goods Imported into Newfoundland," were read

a third time and ordered sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

THE HON. PRESIDENT read a message from the House of Assembly that they had passed the Council's Amendment in and upon the Bills sent up, entitled "An Act Confirming an Agreement between the Government of Newfoundland and the Newfoundland Hotel Facilities, Ltd.," and "An Act Respecting Pure Bred Animals," without amendment.

The House then adjourned until Friday next, at 3 p.m.

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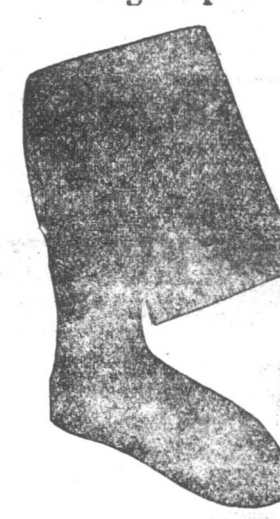
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