

## Private Bills

June 1957? This would in effect delay making the adjustment it is desired to make.

**Mr. Pickersgill:** I sought advice on that point, sir, because it seemed to me that if the word "immediately" was left in that would be the fact, but that the words "one year preceding the first of June 1957" can terminate at any time before the first of June.

**Mr. Fulton:** Provided that there is a year.

**Mr. Pickersgill:** Yes, provided that there has been a year.

**Mr. Pearkes:** Mr. Chairman, may I ask a question? Could that year run concurrently with the four years in the six-year term?

**Mr. Pickersgill:** Is the hon. gentleman suggesting that I am doing more than I intended to do?

**Mr. Pearkes:** I am rather wondering if you are not reducing the total period from five to four years?

**Mr. Pickersgill:** Well, it is just possible.

**Mr. Pearkes:** Do you want to do that?

**Mr. Pickersgill:** No, I do not.

**Mr. Pearkes:** Then I have a feeling that the amendment suggested by the hon. member for Kamloops is perhaps a little tidier than your own.

**Mr. Fulton:** I am not trying to get myself into the position where my amendment is accepted rather than the minister's—

**Mr. Pickersgill:** No, no.

**Mr. Fulton:** —but my suggestion is simply to take out the words "that date" in line 22 and substitute the words "31st of December, 1956". I realize that that would postpone its effect until December 31st next, but I wonder if that is not ample time rather than postponing its effect until June?

**Mr. Pickersgill:** I do not think there is much in that; it will be quite well known by that time. If that commends itself to my colleague the Minister of Finance I would be prepared to ask him to move that instead of the amendment I suggested.

**The Chairman:** Order. May I point out that I have not yet received any amendment whatsoever.

**Mr. Harris:** We have not been able to agree on it yet, sir.

**Mr. Fulton:** I have it drafted and will send it over so that you can sign it.

**The Chairman:** Order. Mr. Harris moves: That sub-clause 3 of clause 4 of this bill be amended by deleting the words, "prior to that

date" at line 22 thereof and substituting therefor the following words, "the 31st day of December, 1956".

**Mr. Fulton:** Mr. Chairman, I am terribly sorry. This is my draftsmanship. Instead of deleting the words, "prior to that date" delete only the words "that date" and substitute "the 31st day of December, 1956". I apologize to the minister.

**Mr. Rowe:** We will get it yet.

**The Chairman:** Is that agreeable?

**Mr. Pickersgill:** That is quite agreeable.

**Mr. Knowles:** Does everybody know what we are doing? I mean does anybody know what we are doing?

**Mr. Harris:** Perhaps, Mr. Chairman, you might read over the paragraph as amended by this motion.

**The Chairman:** Perhaps I had better read the amendment once more. Mr. Harris moves:

That sub-paragraph 3 of clause 4—

That is old clause 4.

—of the bill be amended by deleting the words, "that date" at line 22 thereof and substituting therefor the following words, "the 31st day of December, 1956".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 5 to 8 inclusive agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill reported.

**The Chairman:** Shall this bill be read a third time now?

**Mr. Knowles:** By leave.

Bill read the third time and passed.

## PRIVATE BILLS

CONSIDERED IN COMMITTEE—THIRD READING

Bill No. 209, respecting the Pension Fund Society of the Dominion Bank.—Mr. Hunter.

SECOND READING—SENATE BILL

Bill No. 251, to incorporate the Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada.—Mr. Cameron (High Park).

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Applewhaite):** There are several divorce bills on the order paper for second reading today, Nos. 48 to 79. Is it agreed that second reading be taken in one motion?

**Mr. Knowles:** I wonder if you would separate order No. 56, Bill No. 266, from the mass of these bills?