

## INSPECTION AND SALE

PROPOSED REGULATIONS RESPECTING BINDER  
TWINE, SALT AND OTHER COMMODITIES

The house resumed from Thursday, March 3, consideration in committee of Bill No. 30, to regulate the inspection and sale of binder twine and salt, and to establish weight of bushel for certain commodities commonly sold by the bushel—Mr. Gardiner—Mr. Johnston (Lake Centre) in the chair.

The DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: When this bill was before the committee yesterday certain sections were allowed to stand.

On section 7—Reconditioned or rewound binder twine.

Mr. GARDINER: Mr. Chairman, part II of this bill was under consideration yesterday, and I asked the committee to rise and report progress in order that we might check back further. I realized from the discussion that we were more or less at cross purposes because of statements which had been made with regard to what is contained in other acts. I have since had those acts checked. This bill as it is now before the committee is for the purpose of repealing all parts of the Inspection and Sale Act which have been covered by other legislation. I found on further investigation that these sections with regard to salt are fully covered in the Food and Drugs Act and the Feeding Stuffs Act, and that there was no necessity for these sections to be retained in the present act.

The proposal now is to remove sections 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 from the present bill, and pass the bill without Part II in it. That will require some further amendments in Part III afterwards. But I suggest that part II be dropped from the bill.

Mr. DUNNING: I move that part II of the bill be struck out.

Mr. PELLETIER: In clause 13 of part II mention is made of every sort of container and package. Why could not salt blocks be included in that designation?

Mr. GARDINER: Section 13 is now out. Motion agreed to.

Mr. GARDINER: It will be necessary to amend section 19 to read:

Every person who violates any provision of Part II of this act shall, for the first offence, be liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars, and for each subsequent offence to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars.

And it will become new section 14.

Mr. DUNNING: I so move. There will have to be a renumbering of the sections.

Mr. GARDINER: We have struck out sections 13 to 17. Former section 18 now becomes No. 13, and former section 19 will now become No. 14.

Amendment agreed to.

Section as amended agreed to.

On section 18—Manner of determining a bushel.

Mr. GARDINER: Regarding this section there was a question raised yesterday by the hon. member for Swift Current (Mr. Bothwell). We changed the wording above the list of articles, and the question was raised whether any offence could be proven with the wording we put in yesterday. I had that checked up and I am informed that the point taken by the hon. member for Swift Current was well taken. I suggest that the new section 13 in place of section 18 shall read:

In contracts for the sale and delivery of any of the undermentioned articles the legal weights per bushel shall be as follows:

Mr. DUNNING: I so move.

Amendment agreed to.

Section as amended agreed to.

Mr. STIRLING: Is the minister satisfied that there is no confusion between the penalty prescription in clause 12 and the penalty set out in new clause 14? The penalty in clause 12 refers to persons charged with the enforcement of this act, the whole act. The penalty in new clause 14 refers to the violation of a provision in part II, and the penalty clause in section 10 specifically speaks of part I.

Mr. GARDINER: I judge from the wording that it is clearly defined. Section 12 says:

Every person who obstructs an inspector or other person charged with the enforcement of this act from entering any premises to examine binder twine as provided by this part . . .

The same inspector might be enforcing the whole act, but this relates to when he is working under this particular part. I am letting third reading stand over, in any case, to have it all checked.

Bill reported.