

Industrial Relations Act

that the members of this party are not prepared to give fair examination to the proposals in the bill when we see it, because this we always seek to do. When we express reservations, as did the hon. member for Greenwood, about the advisability of there being an appeal division, we do not necessarily mean we oppose the idea of a second vice chairman.

Anyone who has been in this house for a little while and has observed what has been happening understands perfectly well the situation we are in. Apparently the practical suggestion of the Minister of Labour caught certain of his colleagues a little off base. It seems to me that the house leader became somewhat confused by the haze created by the smoke from the fiery speech made by the Minister of Manpower and Immigration and really did not keep in perspective what has been happening on this side of the house.

I was about to say that I hope the house leader will sober up but I will say "sober down" because this conveys the sense of my meaning a little more accurately. I hope he will not seek to circumvent the statement that we clearly understood the Minister of Labour to make as to his intention. I also hope he will realize that if he does seek to do so at this stage of the proceedings it will only result in needless misunderstanding when we deal with very important questions in the whole field of labour relations and collective bargaining in this country, some of which are perhaps dealt with in the minister's bill but many of which, from the context of the resolution, obviously are not.

My own feeling for what it is worth is that the minister's proposal would enable the labour and employment committee to do something it has not had the opportunity to do for quite a long time, namely, to explore the many important questions surrounding collective bargaining relationships between management and employee as they affect the I.R.D. Act in a broader way than would be the case if we were to confine ourselves to a cursory consideration of the bill after second reading.

I think that the original attitude of the Minister of Labour when he made this suggestion is much more likely to bring positive results than the course he is being pressed to pursue, if I am not mistaken, by his colleague the Minister of National Health and Welfare. I hope that during the dinner recess the government house leader, the Minister of National Health and Welfare, will sort this thing out in a spirit of parliamen-

tary co-operation, somewhat in the vein suggested in an earlier speech by the new leader of the official opposition. As a result the committee would be able to approach examination of what is contained in the minister's bill not without differences of view but in a proper parliamentary spirit, at the same time enabling the members of the committee and perhaps some of the representatives who may appear before it to put forward their views in a broader context than might otherwise be the case if we dealt with the matter as the house leader seems to desire, purely within the narrow context of what will appear in the bill after second reading.

Resolution reported and concurred in.

Mr. Nicholson thereupon moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-186, to amend the Industrial Relations and Disputes Investigation Act.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE
DEBATED

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order. It is my duty, pursuant to provisional standing order 39A, to inform the house that the questions to be raised at the time of adjournment tonight are as follows: The hon. member for Skeena (Mr. Howard), Immigration, British Columbia—non-participation in refugee settlement plan; the hon. member for Gaspé (Mr. Keays), Canadian National Railways—transportation of live chicks—lower St. Lawrence; the hon. member for Vancouver Quadra (Mr. Deachman), Post Office Department, Vancouver—employment of postal truck drivers.

Pursuant to provisional standing order 6(1) it being six o'clock I do now leave the chair.

At six o'clock the house took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The house resumed at 8 p.m.

DIVORCE

MEASURE RESPECTING GROUNDS, JURISDICTION, JUDGES, ETC.

Hon. P.-E. Trudeau (Minister of Justice) moved that the house go into committee to consider the following resolution:

That it is expedient to introduce a measure respecting divorce, the grounds thereof, the jurisdiction of the courts, and for the appointment of