

## Plebiscite Act

## NAYS

Messrs:

Abbott	McCubbin
Authier	McCulloch
Bercovitch	MacDiarmid
Bertrand (Prescott)	Macdonald
Black (Chateauguay- Huntingdon)	Macdonald (Brantford City)
Black (Yukon)	Macdonald (Halifax)
Blair	Macdonald (Kingston City)
Blanchette	McDonald (Pontiac)
Bradette	McGarry
Breithaupt	McGibbon
Cardin	McIlraith
Chevrier	McIvor
Cleaver	Mackenzie
Cloutier	(Vancouver Centre)
Corman	MacKinnon
Coté	(Edmonton West)
Crerar	McLarty
Créte	MacLean (Cape Breton North-Victoria)
Cruikshank	McLean (Simcoe East)
Davidson	Macmillan
Dechene	McNevin
Donnelly	(Victoria, Ont.)
Dubuc	McNiven
Dupuis	(Regina City)
Durocher	Matthews
Edwards	Michaud
Emmerson	Mitchell
Eudes	Mullins
Evans	Mulock
Farquhar	Mutch
Fauteux	Neill
Ferland	O'Neill
Ferron	Pinard
Fleming	Pottier
Fontaine	Power
Fournier (Hull)	Purdy
Fournier (Maison- neuve-Rosemont)	Reid
Fraser (Northumber- land, Ont.)	Rhéaume
Fulford	Roebuck
Furniss	Ross (Calgary East)
Gardiner	Ross (Hamilton East)
Gershaw	Ross (Middlesex East)
Gladstone	Ross (Moose Jaw)
Golding	Ryan
Goulet	St. Laurent
Graham	Sanderson
Grant	Sissons
Gregory	Soper
Hanson (Skeena)	Stirling
Hanson (York-Sunbury)	Sylvestre
Henderson	Taylor
Hill	Telford
Howe	Thauvette
Hurtubise	Thorson
Ilsley	Tripp
Isnor	Tucker
Jean	Turgeon
King, Mackenzie	Turner
Laflamme	Veniot
Lafontaine	Vien
Leduc	Ward
Leger	Warren
Little	Weir
McCann	Whitman
	Winkler
	Wood—125.

Motion (Mr. McLarty) agreed to, and bill read the third time and passed, on division.

[Mr. Mackenzie King.]

## CANADIAN FORCES

REINSTATEMENT IN CIVIL EMPLOYMENT OF  
PERSONS WHO ENLIST IN HIS MAJESTY'S  
FORCES

The house resumed from Monday, February 23, consideration of the motion of Mr. Mitchell for the second reading of Bill No. 5, to provide for the reinstatement in civil employment of individuals who enlist for service in his majesty's forces or who perform essential war employment.

Mr. J. R. MacNICOL (Davenport): Mr. Speaker, I wish to take advantage of this opportunity of congratulating the Minister of Labour (Mr. Mitchell) upon having risen from the ranks of labour to his present high position, in which I wish him every success. He follows in the footsteps of distinguished men in his office; in fact I believe no less a person than the present Prime Minister (Mr. Mackenzie King) was the first Minister of Labour and had the honour of organizing the department. That is a mark for the new minister to keep in sight.

As one who for years served with many hundreds and thousands of working men, many of whom served in the first world war and many of whose sons and grandsons are serving in the present war, I not only rise to support this bill, but I will support any other bill that may be introduced providing for the reestablishment or rehabilitation of our soldiers on completion of their service. For years I was associated with working men and shared their joys and sorrows. I experienced with them their satisfaction at having full-time employment with reasonable working conditions and adequate wages, to all of which the workers are entitled. I experienced with them their grief and distress when they and their families had to suffer through unemployment. Naturally any bill that has for its object the provision of employment will have my support; and while this bill does not by any means go far enough to suit me, at least it is a step in the right direction. I hope that what I and others who take part in this debate may say will encourage the minister to go further, if not in this bill then perhaps in other measures. As I have said, the minister has risen from the ranks of labour, as I did; he has been a union man, as I was, in my early days having belonged to a transport union. I am confident that his mind is sympathetic to improving the conditions of our working men, and as a rule, though not always, our soldiers are working men.

Everyone is not in accord on this bill. Recently I read two articles in which the writers took this house to task for proposing