

Mr. GUTHRIE: But you did not do it.

Mr. STEWART (Edmonton): You may count me in.

Mr. VENIOT: I did not vote because my pair was absent, but had I voted I would have voted against the amendment.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): I am in exactly the same position.

Mr. ELLIOTT: For fear I may be suspected of having friendship for the amendment I wish to say that if my pair had been here I would have voted against it.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I am paired with the Prime Minister. He not being in his seat, I did not vote; otherwise I would have voted against the amendment.

Mr. VALLANCE: I was paired with the hon. member for Wentworth (Mr. Wilson); had he been in his seat I would have voted against it.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Bury): I must remind hon. members that this is quite irregular. We do not take any notice of pairs.

Mr. VENIOT: But you cannot prevent us from stating our position.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Bury): And it is not recorded.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Hansard is reporting it.

Mr. GUTHRIE: Go on with the next section.

Mr. VENIOT: What is there to prevent us from stating our position, even if it were not recorded?

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Bury): Because you are out of order.

Mr. VENIOT: Are we out of order? You cannot show us a rule which states we are out of order.

Mr. SANDERSON: I am rising to a point of order, and I shall say what I have to say.

An hon. MEMBER: Smile, then.

Mr. SANDERSON: On the point of order, I was paired with the hon. member for Haldimand (Mr. Senn). That is the reason I did not vote. May I say further on the point of order that I have never seen a more irregular vote taken in this House of Commons. The chairman permitted members to come into the

chamber while the vote was being taken, and not only that but he ruled that they had the right to vote.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Bury): The hon. member is not speaking to a point of order at all.

Mr. SANDERSON: Yes, I am.

Mr. COWAN (Long Lake): Hon. members on this side voted regularly.

Mr. SANDERSON: And further than that, I am sorry to say that many hon. members opposite were paired and voted.

Mr. COWAN (Long Lake): We did not vote.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Bury): It is carried, without any reference to the number.

Mr. COTNAM: The charge made by the hon. member is a serious one. I believe he should substantiate his statement to the effect that hon. members on this side who were paired have voted. I am one hon. member who did not vote because I was paired.

Mr. GUTHRIE: Go on with the next clause.

Section 13 agreed to.

On section 14—Offences; failure to comply with orders or regulations.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I should like to ask the significance of the word "determination" in this section. It reads:

Every person who fails to comply with any order or determination of the board or of a local board or any regulation of the governor in council shall be guilty of an offence and punishable on summary conviction with a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars and not more than five hundred dollars, or to imprisonment not exceeding three months or to both fine and imprisonment.

The clause as it stands imposes the penalty of fine and imprisonment on anyone failing to comply with the determination of the board. I suggest that the words "or determination" should be struck out; they have been struck out in other parts of the measure.

Mr. GUTHRIE: I do not see any object in keeping the words "or determination" in the section. I do not know why they were put in.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I believe I can explain it. Part II of the bill gave committees power to determine certain matters. The government have changed that so that