

stated that if the amendment is lost the Bill is read the third time. It does not follow. After the vote on the amendment, we have to vote upon the main motion that the Bill be read the third time.

HON. MR. HOWLAN—That is what I say.

HON. MR. LACOSTE—But we have this sub-amendment, and the sub-amendment gives the reason why we do not accept the amendment of the hon. gentleman from Delanaudière, and I do not see why it should not be put on record.

THE SPEAKER—The question is now on the amendment to the amendment.

The House divided on the motion, which was carried on the following division:—

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HON. MR. ABBOTT moved that the Bill be now read a third time.

HON. MR. BELLEROSE—That is not the motion. I want the motion as amended to be put. I only ask justice at your hands, Mr. Speaker, and nothing more. I ask for the motion as amended by this vote.

HON. MR. POWER—The hon. gentleman moved an amendment, to which an amendment was moved by the hon. gentleman

from Amherst, to the effect that the proviso stand part of the Bill.

HON. MR. BELLEROSE—That is not the amendment read from the Chair.

HON. MR. POWER—The amendment was, that all the words after "that" in the hon. gentleman's amendment be struck out, and certain others be put in, and for the reasons given that that particular proviso shall stand part of the Bill. The hon. gentleman's amendment is, by the adoption of the sub-amendment, struck out.

HON. MR. HOWLAN—See the clear absurdity of the position the House is in. The hon. gentleman's amendment to the amendment being carried leaves the Bill as it is, and the motion now is, that the Bill be read the third time as amended.

HON. MR. BELLEROSE—This sub-amendment having been carried takes the place of the amendment I moved. If it takes the place of my motion, the motion now is for the third reading of the Bill, with the reasons for not amending it at the end of it.

HON. MR. ABBOTT—There is nothing in the motion or sub-amendment requiring anything to be put into the Bill. The sub-amendment has merely got rid of the amendment of the hon. gentleman from Delanaudière, and having done that it has served its purpose. It simply asks that the Bill shall remain as it is.

HON. MR. BELLEROSE—There is no use in discussing that question in the face of the authorities. When an amendment to an amendment is carried it takes the place of the amendment. That is the practice laid down by May, Todd and Bourinot. The motion before the Chair is that the Bill be read the third time, and that it is inexpedient to renew or continue previous agitation, &c. That is the amendment before the Chair, and let that amendment be put. There is no power in this House to say that that can be put aside.

THE SPEAKER—I cannot see that I can put the question any other way than that put by the leader of the House.

HON. MR. VIDAL—When the amendment to the amendment is carried it becomes the amendment, and the only motion before us now is this amendment which