

Customs Tariff

resolution was of course to provide relief rather than to add burdens, and we wish to be sure, by means of the proviso, that that will be the effect. I would ask the committee to note that the item is restricted in its operations to reproduction in periodical publications enjoying second class mailing privileges.

Mr. BENNETT: Other than daily newspapers.

Mr. DUNNING: These are the publications most vitally affected.

Mr. BENNETT: But why single them out as against the daily newspaper, which now does give us illustrations of important world events? Is this our publishers again?

Mr. DUNNING: My hon. friend will notice that item 180a immediately preceding deals with photographs for use only as news illustrations; they are free. The daily newspaper of course uses that—the ordinary newspaper. Paintings, pastels, drawings and other art work and illustrations of all kinds, whether originals, copies or proofs, for reproduction, are dealt with in this item and are intended for an entirely different class of publication.

Mr. BENNETT: The word "photographs" appears in both; that is the point.

Mr. DUNNING: Well, there are photographs and photographs. The amendment also drops the phrase "for daily newspapers," which eliminates the possibility of duplication of the two items.

Mr. BENNETT: It does eliminate those words?

Mr. DUNNING: Yes.

Mr. LAPOINTE (Quebec East): I beg leave to move the amendment.

Mr. BENNETT: The proviso is rather amusing—provided that goods covered by another item shall not be included in this. It is a rather amusing way of putting it, is it not? If you amend item 2 of the tariff and say, "provided that items under 1 and 3 shall not come under this item"—well, it is rather strange.

Mr. LAPOINTE (Quebec East): It has to be done only once to be of any use.

Mr. BENNETT: Quite so.

Mr. DUNNING: The qualification has appeared in one or two other places in the tariff in the past.

Mr. BENNETT: Yes, but it is an amusing way of putting it.

Mr. DUNNING: It has the effect of avoiding unexpected trouble in the way of an up-
[Mr. Dunning.]

ward movement in some article when as a matter of fact a downward movement is really intended.

Mr. BENNETT: In that regard I was going to direct the minister's attention to this fact. He will observe that the general tariff is 25 per cent, which is the maximum under the present general tariff in any way that you may arrange the item. With respect to the intermediate there are three tariffs: one is free and the others are 22½ per cent. With respect to the British preference there are three—free, 15 per cent and 15 per cent. I take it that this is a consolidation of all, and they are all made free. That is what it looks like.

Mr. DUNNING: Extracts from them.

Mr. BENNETT: The extracts include some of the free?

Mr. DUNNING: That is the point.

Mr. BENNETT: And some of the 22½ and some of the 25?

Mr. DUNNING: That is the point.

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. BENNETT: That strikes out the daily newspaper? It no longer exempts the daily newspaper from the benefits of the item?

Mr. DUNNING: That is right.

Item as amended agreed to.

Customs tariff—183. Newspapers, or supplemental editions or parts thereof, partly printed and intended to be completed and published in Canada; comic and pictorial sections, non-advertising, to be inserted in or folded with periodical publications entered for mailing purposes as second-class matter: British preferential tariff, free; intermediate tariff, free; general tariff, free.

Mr. MacNICOL: It appears to me that this item should have been divided in two. The last part, "comic and pictorial sections, non-advertising, to be inserted in or folded with periodical publications entered for mailing purposes as second-class matter," should have come in under another item, perhaps coupled with 473a, which will be referred to later. After the budget was brought down I visited a number of printing and publishing houses in Toronto and got some information with reference to the last part of item 183. One printer told me that he had purchased many thousands of dollars' worth of machinery to print just the kind of articles that are mentioned in the last half of this item and which are now to be admitted free.

Mr. DUNNING: The pictorial sections, you mean?