

secutions in summary cases. I think the hon. member for Cape Breton North and Victoria (Mr. McKenzie) was interested in that matter.

There are provisions to simplify the procedure before justices of the peace by doing away with the necessity of fees in such cases and simplifying the forms. This matter has been pressed upon us by different magistrates who seem to establish that there is an unnecessary degree of formality at the present time.

I think this covers all, at all events of the substantial modifications which are sought to be made in the existing code.

Mr. LEMIEUX: The right hon. gentleman spoke of the illegal use of bombs. What does he mean by that?

Mr. DOHERTY: This makes it illegal to have bombs in one's possession—the mere possession—without lawful excuse. As the law stands at present, there is no absolutely clear provision that the mere possession without explanation or excuse should be an offence, and it is thought proper that there should be such a provision.

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT: I had hopes that the Minister of Justice (Mr. Doherty) would have included in his Bill—

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. On the introduction of a Bill no debate could possibly be allowed. It is impossible to remind the hon. minister of some clause that should have been and is not included in the Bill, without in some measure debating the motion. This is a matter that should be brought up on second reading or in committee, but not upon the motion to introduce the Bill.

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT: I do not want to criticize your ruling, Sir, nor to debate what the Minister of Justice has said, but simply to make a suggestion. I had introduced a Bill, and I hoped the minister would have included in the present Bill the purpose of my Bill. I think he will do so, if I remind him.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: That could be done much more regularly in committee, after the second reading of the Bill.

Mr. DOHERTY: I shall be very happy to consult with the hon. gentleman.

Mr. CANNON: Will the minister inform the House when he intends bringing up this Bill for discussion?

Mr. DOHERTY: The Bill will naturally come up for second reading at the

next sitting of the House. It will be brought up at as early a moment as is convenient, and I shall be glad to consult the convenience of any members interested.

Motion agreed to, and the Bill read the first time.

IMMIGRATION ACT AMENDMENT

Hon. J. A. CALDER (Minister of Immigration and Colonization) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 139, to amend the Immigration Act. He said: I might remind the House that earlier in the session a Bill was introduced by the hon. member for Quebec East (Mr. Lapointe), one purpose of which was the repeal of the section in the present law providing for the deportation of persons who had made seditious utterances under certain circumstances. It is proposed to repeal that section. In addition to that, the Bill contains some fifteen or twenty sections providing for very slight modifications in the law, required very largely from the standpoint of administration. I doubt very much if I should take up the time of the House at this time in explaining the small minor changes which I propose to make.

Motion agreed to, and Bill read the first time.

STATISTICS ACT AMENDMENT

Right Hon. Sir GEORGE FOSTER (Minister of Trade and Commerce) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 141, to amend the Statistics Act.

He said: This is a Bill of one clause to provide that statistical forms and schedules which are returnable from the source to a provincial department in pursuance of any arrangement made between the Dominion Government and the provincial Government for the more economical and efficient gathering of statistics shall be, when forwarded to this department, free of postage.

Motion agreed to, and Bill read the first time.

PATENT ACT AMENDMENT

Right Hon. Sir GEORGE FOSTER (Minister of Trade and Commerce) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 140, to amend the Patent Act.

He said: This is the Bill of the provisions of which I gave notice to the House when I moved for the discharge of the Patent Act Consolidation Bill. The present Bill