

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL. And the result would be personation, and that would be punishable under the law.

Hon. Mr. WATSON—There would be the difficulty of bringing that man back to vote when his vote would be off the list.

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL. This registration is different; it is what the gentleman did with the red lie business. They will select a person who may be a resident of a provincial district, and would not be a resident of the electoral district for the Dominion. Is that the case?

Hon. Mr. WATSON—Yes that is the case.

The clause was adopted.

On clause 8.

8. It shall be the duty of the board of registration forthwith after the completion of the revision of the said lists to transmit to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the sheriff of the district, the member elect, and the defeated candidate, by registered mail, a statement and description showing the limits of the polling divisions so defined and established, together with a copy of the voters' lists so finally revised certified under the hands of the members of the said board, and the provisions of sections 13 and 14 of the Dominion Elections Act shall apply to such certified copy.

Hon. Mr. KERR—I move that the words in the nineteenth and twentieth lines, 'The sheriff of the district, the member elect and the defeated candidate.' be struck out. In point of fact, there will not be a member elect in those ridings, because there will be no member before the election, and the whole policy of the law is that there should be one list only, as will be seen by reference to clause 12. That list shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and printed and furnished to these parties. In making out the duplicate copies there might be confusion as to which was the true list.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—In Quebec we have the same thing.

Hon. Mr. KERR—They are sent to Ottawa, printed here and sent from here.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—What they receive here is only a copy of what is sent to the registrar.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—There is plenty of time in Quebec to make the lists. This refers to lists made on the eve of an election, when there is no time to make them up.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—Does the government accept the amendment?

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—Yes, because there will not be time.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—How will they get it?

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—The lists are only in manuscript. There is no object in printing a long list of 2,000 or 3,000 names because in the meantime the list comes down here and they are printed from it. Errors may creep in.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—The list in Quebec is written. If a list is made on the eve of the election and sent to Ottawa, you will not get it sooner than if the copy is sent to where you are living.

Hon. Mr. ROSS—It is merely a triplication of work, and quite unnecessary.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—Where lists have been heretofore made in all the unorganized districts, there has been only one list made; but to make lists where there are no typewriters would be difficult.

Hon. Mr. FERGUSON—The country is not beyond the bounds of civilization even there; they will have a typewriter.

Hon. Mr. ROSS—In the case of provincial lists, they are prepared and printed by the municipal council, and that printed list is sent down to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to be reprinted, and from that reprint the deputy returning officers are furnished with authentic voters' lists and they have ample time to do it. In this case you want one copy. Supposing you type-write a copy, what use is it? You cannot make any use of it. Supposing you sent it to the defeated candidate, what use could he make of it and there would be no defeated candidate where there never had been a previous election. You send a copy here to the chairman of the board where it is printed and is available for the election. It is the only copy you can swear by or swear