

motion, and with the proviso this amendment would also go.

The committee divided on the amendment which was adopted.

Contents, 20; non-contents, 7.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—Money over human life.

Hon. Mr. DAVID, from the committee, reported the Bill with amendments, which were concurred in.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT moved the third reading of the Bill.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN—I protest against the third reading of the Bill this evening. I want it postponed until to-morrow. I have a good many facts which I want to collate, and to make statements which concern the dignity of this Senate. I have new arguments to put forth that I did not touch on to-day.

Hon. Mr. POWER—The hon. gentleman can move his amendment now.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN—No, I cannot move it now. When you hear what I have to say on the subject, you will admit that it was worth while postponing the third reading.

Hon. Mr. POWER—There is some talk of prorogation to-morrow, and we must send this Bill back to the House of Commons with amendments. Unless the object is to kill the Bill, it should be read the third time now.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN—If the Bill is read the third time now, I shall consider it an attempt to choke off discussion. I think I can show, when I adduce the facts I am collecting, that I was justified in asking that the third reading be postponed until to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—Could the hon. gentleman be ready in an hour or two hours?

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN—No, I could not be ready before to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—I cannot take the responsibility of postponing it until to-morrow at this stage of the session.

Hon. Mr. FERGUSON.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN—I think it is a most important matter.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—I am quite of the hon. gentleman's opinion, but the House thought otherwise.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN—It should be discussed at full length. I speak nothing here but the truth when I say it is a great shame and disgrace to the Senate. I would like to have an opportunity to tell hon. gentlemen the reasons I have for saying so.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—In view of the vote taken just now, it is just as well to let the Bill go through.

The motion was agreed to on a division, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

OPIUM PROHIBITION BILL.

THIRD READING.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill (205) An Act to prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of opium for other than medicinal purposes.

(In the Committee.)

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—The dealers in opium, who are chiefly if not altogether Chinese, have an industry in Vancouver and Victoria where they are manufacturing the crude into the refined article. Within the last nine months no less than 66,000 pounds of the crude article had been imported into British Columbia. There was of the refined material about 300 pounds imported. Speaking from recollection I think the value was placed at \$275,000.

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—What duty is levied on that?

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—I think the amount paid in duty was about \$60,000. I got a number of telegrams from British Columbia, and they sent on an agent here, Mr. McInnes. When the Bill came to us from the House of Commons, it contained just one clause, and this opium would of course have been confiscated at once. The object should be to get it out of the country with-