

An Act for the relief of Hilda Mary Falkenberg Gilmour.

An Act for the relief of Eva Amy Falle Jordan.

An Act for the relief of Joseph Claremont Carroll.

An Act for the relief of Venita Angeline Scotten Kendall.

An Act for the relief of Angelo Stavrov.

An Act respecting The Quebec, Montreal and Southern Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate The Sarnia-Port Huron Vehicular Tunnel Company.

An Act to facilitate Compromises and Arrangements between Companies and their Creditors.

An Act to amend the Customs Tariff.

An Act to amend the Indian Act.

An Act to amend the Post Office Act.

An Act to amend the Special War Revenue Act.

An Act to authorize the raising, by way of loan, of certain sums of money for the Public Service.

An Act to amend an Act respecting Canadian and British Insurance Companies.

An Act to amend the Senate and House of Commons Act.

An Act to confirm an agreement made between the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company and the Northern Pacific Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Income War Tax Act.

An Act respecting a certain Trade Agreement between Canada and France.

An Act respecting a certain Convention between Canada and France concerning the Rights of Nationals and Commercial and Shipping Matters.

An Act to amend the Canadian Radio Broadcasting Act, 1932.

An Act to amend the Tariff Board Act.

An Act respecting a certain patent of Genter Thickener Company.

An Act to amend the Pensions Act.

An Act to incorporate The Discount and Loan Corporation of Canada.

The Right Hon. the Deputy of the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The House of Commons withdrew.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

The Senate adjourned until Thursday, May 25, at 3 p.m.

THE SENATE

Thursday, May 25, 1933.

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

ADJOURNMENT—PROROGATION

Hon. Mr. CALDER moved:

That when the House adjourns to-day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at noon.

He said: I understand there is very little likelihood of the other House concluding its business before to-morrow. Indeed it may then be necessary to move a further adjournment. We do not know definitely when prorogation can take place.

The motion was agreed to.

CRIMINAL CODE BILL

COMMONS DISAGREEMENT WITH SENATE AMENDMENT

On the motion to adjourn:

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: Has the other House accepted our amendments to the Criminal Code Bill?

Hon. Mr. CALDER: No, the House of Commons has not agreed to the amendments made by this House. I understand we may have to make a further amendment to the Bill.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: I may be out of order, honourable members, but, having followed the legislation pretty closely in both Houses, may I explain the object of the Senate amendments to the Bill.

Section 3 is the result of representations made to the Department of Justice by the Children's Aid Society of Ontario. Its purpose is to protect children from the corrupting influence of improper conduct by their parents. Under its Act of incorporation the Society has authority to take charge of children when the domestic conditions are such as to be inimical to their best interests. As explained to me, the Society now desires to go a step further and, if possible, rehabilitate the home, rather than remove the children from the parents' custody.

We thought the amendments we made were necessary to meet existing conditions. Many couples living together as common law husband and wife have reared families. Of late years, as we all know, our courts have held that a divorce secured by a Canadian citizen in a foreign country is not valid in this country. Thousands of Canadians obtained divorces in foreign courts, and, acting on the assumption that such divorces were legal, they went through a form of marriage again and raised families. An amendment suggested by this House excepted such people from the provisions of the Code relating to the corruption of children. But the other House disagreed, considering that our amendment went too far, as it might be regarded as countenancing something which should be looked upon with disfavour. In view of the attitude assumed by the Lower