

In hardly any of these provinces or states does the population compare in numbers with the population of the various provinces of Canada. The minimum salaries of the high court judges in England are £5,000. The Chancellor, I think, receives £10,000.

Hon. Mr. DANIEL: Are not most of those judges' salaries fixed by the Imperial Government in the first place?

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: I think in the case of some of the South African colonies that would likely be true, but not in Canada. It might formerly apply to Australia. The early occupants of all those positions were likely sent out from England, as they were to Canada.

The Hon. the SPEAKER: I would call the honourable gentlemen's attention to the fact that it is one o'clock.

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED: The honourable gentleman can conclude his remarks when we go into committee.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

COMBINES AND FAIR PRICES BILL.

FIRST READING.

Bill 167, An Act concerning the Investigation and Restraining of Combines, Monopolies, Trusts, Mergers, and the withholding and enhancement of the price of commodities.—Hon. Sir James Lougheed.

BOARD OF COMMERCE BILL.

FIRST READING.

Bill 166, An Act to constitute the Board of Commerce of Canada.—Hon. Sir James Lougheed.

The Senate adjourned at one o'clock until 2.30 p.m.

Second Sitting.

The Senate met at 2.30 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

JUDGES' SALARIES BILL.

CONSIDERATION IN COMMITTEE—THIRD READING.

On motion of Hon. Sir James Lougheed, the Senate went into Committee on Bill 177, an Act to amend the Judges Act. Hon. Mr. Bradbury in the Chair.

Section 1 was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY.

On section 2—local judges in admiralty, etc.:

Hon. Mr. BOSTOCK: That means, I suppose, that in future no admiralty judge in the province shall draw a separate salary for doing that work if he is a judge of the superior court.

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED: No. "The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any local judge in admiralty who was or is appointed before the coming into force of this Act." Of course, the Act will be enforced as to all appointees thereafter.

Hon. W. B. ROSS: That saves vested rights, and puts the judges on a proper basis in the future.

Hon. Mr. POWER: This does not seem to be an unreasonable provision, because we have been increasing the salaries of the judges, and the number of admiralty cases is generally small. There seems to be no good reason why a judge should receive a separate salary as judge of the Admiralty Court.

Section 2 was agreed to.

On section 3—Nova Scotia; salaries increased \$1,000 each:

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED: It has been pointed out that there was an omission on the part of the House of Commons, and they have requested that we insert at the beginning of clause 3, line 22, "The first five lines of;" it will then read:

The first five lines of section 9 of the said Act are repealed and the following substituted therefor.

Hon. Mr. POWER: I am glad to see that the leader of the Government in this House has recovered from his temporary aberration as to the right of this House to deal with money Bills.

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED: I am doing this at the express wish of the Commons; they have asked us to help them out of the dilemma.

Hon. Mr. POWER: You are right now; you should stick to it.

Section 3, as amended, was agreed to.

On section 4—New Brunswick: salaries increased \$1,000 each.

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED: At the beginning of this clause, insert the words, "The first ten lines of." It will then read:

The first ten lines of section 10 of the said Act—

and so on.

Section 4, as amended, was agreed to.