

trate must actually commit him for three months imprisonment. I think a trifling offence, for which a fine of three or four dollars should be imposed, should not necessitate a three months imprisonment.

HON. MR. ABBOTT—I think the suggestion is a good one, and I would move to strike out the words “three months” and after “imprisonment” on the same line insert “for not more than three months.”

HON. MR. DICKEY—That is already provided for. The next clause says the Governor in Council may provide penalties. Of course there is no objection to making it more clear and it can be easily remedied by putting in the words “not exceeding three months.”

The amendment was agreed to.

HON. MR. ABBOTT—With reference to section 5 I observe in the bill I hold in my hands provision is made that the rules and regulations shall be laid before Parliament within 15 days of the opening of the House. It was not in the first copy of the bill submitted to Parliament.

HON. MR. DICKEY—The suggestion has been made that a mere notice given in the *Canada Gazette* is insufficient, and it was intimated that probably some other publication will be required, but I think that ought to be authorized by the bill.

The clause reads in this way :

“ Every regulation made as aforesaid and approved by the Governor in Council shall, after publication for four consecutive weeks in the *Canada Gazette*, have the like force and effect as if it were herein enacted.”

I should propose to introduce these words after the word (*Canada Gazette* :

“ And in any other manner that may be provided from time to time by regulations made by the Governor in Council ”

Then when there comes to be an Official Gazette in the North-West Territories, notice should be given through it, or large printed posters could be posted up at various places in the vicinity.

HON. MR. POWER—Where is the first regulation going to get its force ?

HON. MR. VIDAL,

If this second advertisement is necessary to give force to the first regulation where is the first regulation which is prescribed to get its effect ?

HON. MR. ABBOTT—If any other publication is required the regulation must contain the order that the regulations are to be published in such and such a place. If it contains none, then the publication in the *Canada Gazette* is sufficient.

HON. MR. POWER—Every regulation gets its force from being advertised, but as I understand it this amendment provides that the regulations shall be advertised in a certain way. Now where does the first one get its force ?

HON. MR. ABBOTT—If the Governor in Council desires that there shall be publication otherwise than for four weeks in the *Canada Gazette* they can make a regulation that it shall be published also in some other way.

HON. MR. GOWAN—I am afraid it will be found embarrassing if it is to be published anywhere else than in the *Canada Gazette*. The statutes of the country are published in the *Gazette*, and I am afraid it will be attended with practical difficulty if any other publication is made necessary than in the official *Gazette*. The Government will secure all the publicity necessary to give effect to their regulations.

HON. MR. ABBOTT—It is not compulsory on the Government to make any further provision than is contained in the statute for the four weeks' publication in the *Gazette*. If they think it necessary, in the interest of the public, that there should be other publication, they will order it in the regulation itself.

HON. MR. POWER—Would it not be better to say that it shall be advertised in the *Canada Gazette* and in some paper published in the vicinity of the springs ?

The clause was agreed to.

HON. MR. ABBOTT—I move an ad-