

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: So far as I am concerned, the honourable gentleman can move second reading to-night. I have studied this Bill and do understand it. It is not very important. It simply adds two small classes to the various kinds of plating that come under the provisions of the Act; and it provides against representation of an article in any advertisement or circular by way of description which, if applied to the article itself, would be against the law. There is no reason why second reading should not pass now.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Then, with leave of the Senate, I move second reading now.

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

#### PRIVATE BILL—DIONNE QUINTUPLETS

##### FIRST READING

Bill 19, an Act for the protection of the Dionne Quintuplets.—Right Hon. Mr. Graham.

##### SECOND READING

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM moved the second reading of the bill.

He said: Honourable senators, I am glad to sponsor the Bill, though I cannot just see why I am linked with this mass production. The appearance of these little folks has resulted in something new even in legislation. Under Ontario statutes a board of guardians was appointed for the quintuplets and has been acting since their birth. I have read that a large amount of money, somewhere around \$800,000, has been realized by the guardians through the use of the children's names, and so on. It now happens that the Commissioner of Patents at Ottawa has been asked to give them a trade-mark under which a great variety of things may be sold. A number of these things are such that even if they were mentioned some honourable senators would not know what they were. They include a wide range of ladies' and children's underwear, lip sticks, whiskies—

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Perfumes.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: Yes, but of course honourable gentlemen are not so much interested in those as in whiskies. The guardians now ask Parliament to pass legislation to vest the words "Quins," "Quints," "Quintuplets," or any other word or words that might mean the Dionne quintuplets, in the guardians. This Bill has been introduced for the purpose, I think, of preventing any

company from getting control of these words under any trade-mark granted by the Commissioner of Patents.

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

#### REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

On motion of Right Hon. Mr. Graham, the Bill was referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

#### NATIONAL RAILWAYS AUDITORS BILL

##### FIRST READING

Bill 56, an Act respecting the appointment of Auditors for National Railways.—Hon. Mr. Dandurand.

##### SECOND READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved the second reading of the Bill.

He said: Honourable senators, this Bill concerns the appointment of auditors for the Canadian National Railways by joint resolution of the Senate and House of Commons. The single clause of the Bill reads:

Notwithstanding the provisions of section thirteen of The Canadian National-Canadian Pacific Act, 1933, chapter thirty-three of the statutes of 1933, as enacted by section three of chapter twenty-five of the statutes of 1936, respecting the appointment of auditors by joint resolution of the Senate and House of Commons, George A. Touche and Company, of the cities of Toronto and Montreal, chartered accountants, are appointed as independent auditors for the year 1937, to make a continuous audit under the provisions of the said section, of the accounts of National Railways as defined in the said Act.

We passed a similar Bill last session and, I think, every session for some years back.

Hon. Mr. COTE: Are the auditors mentioned in this Bill the gentlemen who are responsible for Bill 12, which we had before us to-night?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I could not say. I will answer my honourable friend to-morrow. If I am not mistaken, these auditors recommended to the Government once a new set-up of Canadian National finances.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: I hope I may not be considered impertinent if I suggest we try to avoid that word "set-up." It is an awful word to use in the statutes.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: It is, I agree. But many business men find it is a convenient term to use. I do not know just what they mean by it.

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