

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: We must take the situation as it is. We are in Committee.

Hon. Mr. McRAE: I do not think we are properly in Committee.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: My honourable friend is too late. The motion to refer the Bill was carried; so we are properly in Committee of the Whole.

Hon. Mr. McRAE: I do not think I was too late; I think probably the honourable gentleman was too quick. So far as I could see, we were ready for a vote, and we did vote, but there was no ruling given by His Honour the Speaker.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I cannot be responsible for the procedure of His Honour. He is master of his decisions. He took it for granted the motion for second reading had been adopted. My right honourable friend (Right Hon. Mr. Meighen) said, "I want to register my decision," and he declared himself against the motion. Nobody else rose.

Hon. Mr. McRAE: There was no need to rise. There was considerable dissent, and we were waiting for His Honour's decision when immediately we proceeded into Committee of the Whole.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: I suggest that it will be quite satisfactory, after the explanation of the honourable senator from Vancouver (Hon. Mr. McRae), to report the Bill out of committee and proceed with the motion for third reading. It is quite clear he did intend to vote against the second reading. I was not particular myself whether the vote was taken or not.

Hon. Mr. GILLIS: Would it not be in order for the Committee to rise and report progress?

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: But we cannot go to third reading until the Committee reports the Bill.

Hon. Mr. GILLIS: But if the Committee decides simply to report progress, then the Bill is killed.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: That can be done too, but I was going to accept the suggestion of the honourable leader of the Government. I do not care which course is followed.

The CHAIRMAN: It is moved that the Bill be reported without amendment. Is the motion carried?

Some Hon. SENATORS: No.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Carried! Then we shall proceed to third reading.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: In that way, on the motion for third reading, you will get a recorded vote; you will not be in Committee.

The Bill was reported.

MOTION FOR THIRD READING NEGATIVED

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

The motion was negatived on the following division:

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Hon. Mr. MARSHALL: I was paired with the honourable senator from Red Deer (Hon. Mr. Michener). Had I voted, I should have voted for the motion.

Hon. Mr. SINCLAIR: I was paired with the honourable senator from New Glasgow (Hon. Mr. Cantley). Had I voted, I should have voted for the motion.

Hon. Mr. BUCHANAN: I was paired with the honourable senator from Victoria (Hon. Mr. Barnard). Had I voted, I should have voted for the motion.

Hon. Mr. LACASSE: Honourable senators, I was paired with the honourable senator from Digby-Clare (Hon. Mr. Robicheau). Had I voted, I should have voted for the motion.

Hon. Mr. GREEN: I was paired with the honourable senator from Kootenay East (Hon. Mr. King). Had I voted, I should have voted against the motion.