

On section 10—registration of manufacturing or packing plants:

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: Honourable members, in the section of the country from which I come we have perhaps half a dozen parties who are extensively engaged in the production of maple sugar. In addition, it is a common practice for a great many farmers to produce syrup and sugar in a small way for their own uses. They do not make a business of this, and their products are not for sale. Section 10 provides:

(a) All manufacturing or packing plants shall be registered by the Minister.

That means that anyone who produces maple sugar or syrup, even in a small way, will be obliged to register with the Minister.

Hon. Mr. BELCOURT: If they produce for their own uses?

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: There is no exception, sir, as I read it.

Hon. Mr. BELCOURT: I should think that the registration would be necessary only in cases where the product is intended for sale.

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: It says, "All manufacturing or packing plants shall be registered by the Minister."

Hon. Mr. BELCOURT: That would not apply to products for domestic use.

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: That exception is not made. And paragraph (b) of the same section says:

Any manufacturing or packing plant shipping maple products from one province to another or exporting such products must have a licence to be issued by the Minister to permit of such interprovincial or export business being carried on.

It is a common practice for some farmers to ship small amounts of maple sugar and syrup to the Prairie Provinces. This Bill would require them to have a licence, and I think that would be too much red tape.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I shall draw the attention of the Minister to the remarks of my honourable friend.

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: I have no objection to the regulations provided here, where they are imposed upon those who are engaged in the business of producing sugar and syrup on a large scale.

Section 10 was agreed to.

Sections 11 to 15, inclusive, were agreed to.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND.

On section 16—regulations:

Hon. Mr. BELCOURT: The matter to which my honourable friend (Hon. Mr. Donnelly) has referred may be dealt with, perhaps, under this section. It says the Minister may make regulations prescribing certain things.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I have received from the Minister of Justice a proposed amendment to be inserted as subsection 2 of section 16. It reads:

All regulations made under this Act shall fifteen days after the date of their publication in the Canada Gazette have the same force and effect as if they had been included herein.

Before we pass to the consideration of that amendment, I would direct the attention of my honourable friend (Hon. Mr. Donnelly) to paragraph (1), which provides that the Minister may make regulations prescribing:—

Any means deemed by him to be necessary for the carrying out of the provisions of this Act.

I should think that any regulations my honourable friend desires may be made under that clause.

The amendment was agreed to, and section 16, as amended, was agreed to.

Sections 17 to 20, inclusive, the preamble and the title were agreed to.

The Bill was reported, as amended.

THIRD READING

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

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

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 11 a.m.

THE SENATE

Friday, May 30, 1930.

The Senate met at 11 a.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL

THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved the third reading of Bill 138, an Act to amend the Criminal Code, as amended.

Hon. JAMES MURDOCK: Honourable senators, I move in amendment, seconded by Hon. Senator Copp: