CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT—THIRD READING—Con.

Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles (Minister of Justice)

Asks explanation—3980. Only knows one definition of a trader—3982-83. Doubtful expedient to define words in legislation unnecessarily—3984. Aimed at men who trade upon credit—3984. Farmers not traders—3985-86. Difference in Insolvency Acts—3986. Judicial construction of term in Quebec—3987.

Lancaster, Edward A. (Lincoln and Niagara)-

Not clear to whom Bill applies, term trader undefined—3981-82. No definition in Criminal Code—3983. Clause would exclude many guilty of fraud—3984. Seeks to impose imprisonment of debt on certain classes—3984-85.

Rivet, L. A. A. (Hochelaga)-3988.

Senate passed Bill without amendment; trader a man habitually engaged in commerce—3988. Reads report of Chambre de Commerce—3989-90.

CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT-LANCASTER

Motion for second reading of Bill (3) to amend the Criminal Code—1892. Mr. Lancaster (Lincoln and Niagara)—421. Motion to adjourn the debate—Mr. Lancaster—427. Carried—427.

Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles (Minister of Justice) 425.

Criminal Code surrounds criminals with more than adequate protection as far as trials go; option of election after magistrate has heard evidence and decides that there is prima facie case—425. Most dangerous class of criminals contains young men; if Mr. Lancaster will accept sixteen years something may be done; if Bill is withdrawn will fix amendment—426. Agrees to adjourn debate—427.

Lancaster, Edward A. (Lincoln and Niagara)—421.

Bill intended to provide protection to young men and women when charged with a criminal offence, by allowing parents or guardians to elect for them—421. If represented by counsel amendment would not apply—422. Provincial authorities appoint magistrates who are not professional men—423. Willing to accept any suggestion from Mr. Fitzpatrick—424 Ask prisoner to elect first—425. Willing to compromise at eighteen years—426. Moves adjournment of debate—427.

On Order for resuming adjourned debate on Bill (3) to amend the Criminal Code, 1892; agreement is arrived at for it to stand— 594-95.

Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles (Minister of Justice) 595.

Is introducing Bill which will partly do what Mr. Lancaster wants-595.

CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT—LANCASTER —Con.

Orders called for resuming adjourned debate on motion for second reading of Bill (3) to amend the Criminal Code—Mr. Lancaster (Lincoln and Niagara)—1888. Order allowed to stand—1889.

Lancaster, Edward A. (Lincoln and Niagara)—1889.

Mr. Fitzpatrick said he was going to deal with matter in general Bill; two could be discussed together—1889.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister) 1888.

Mr. Fitzpatrick asked Mr. Lancaster to withdraw Bill; government cannot accept this Bill—1888.

House resumed adjourned debate on motion by Mr. Lancaster that Bill (3) to amend the Criminal Code be read a second time—3789. Motion agreed to, and Bill read a second time—3790. Bill taken in committee—3790.

Mr. Fitzpatrick (Minister of Justice) moves in amendment to fix the age at sixteen— 3791. Amendment agreed to, and Bill reported, read the third time and passed—3795.

Borden, R. L. (Halifax)--3794.

Suggests as amendment 'with whom the person ordinarily resides'—3794. Supposes remand is provided for ?—3795.

Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles (Minister of Justice) 3790.

Twenty-one too advanced an age—3790. Moves to substitute sixteen—3791. Distinction in age limit between this Act and Juvenile Offenders Act—3792. Mr. Lancaster had better accept amendment—3793. Proper to provide for non-appearance of guardians and for service—3794. Magistrate can remand—3795.

Lancaster, Edward A. (Lincoln and Niagara)—3789.

Suppose Mr. Fitzpatrick does not want to discuss the Bill?—3789-90. Thinks sixteen too low for the age limit—3791. If no one appears then the magistrate proceeds—3792. His clause affords fuller protection than the Juvenile Offenders Act—3793. Proper person would be person with whom offender resided—3794.

CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT-LENNOX.

Motion for leave to introduce Bill (56) to amend the Criminal Code—Mr. Lennox (South Simcoe). Motion agreed to and Bill read the first time—1133.

Lennox, Haughton (South Simcoe)-1133.

To meet difficulty under operation of Criminal Code in respect of magistrate's exacting fees when not entitled to them—1133.

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