

The Corporation shall have power to co-operate with any other bodies organized and established in any place in Canada for purposes similar to those of the Corporation.

The Corporation shall have power to accept contributions or receive moneys from any source and for the purposes of this Act to apply or expend the same.

The Corporation may out of the moneys vested in it pay all expenses it thinks necessary or proper to incur, or which it considers have been properly incurred by the Corporation or on its behalf in connection with the carrying out of the objects of this Act.

The financial operations will be duly audited.

This Bill, in its form, reminds me of the one we passed for the creation of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, which worked so satisfactorily for the people of Canada.

I think that with this explanation the Senate will not object to my moving the second reading of this Bill now.

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

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.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL WINTER FAIR ASSOCIATION BILL

FIRST READING

Bill 64, an Act for the granting of assistance to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Association of Canada at Toronto, Ontario.—Hon. Mr. Dandurand.

SECOND READING

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

He said: Honourable gentlemen, at the request of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Association of Canada and the live stock associations of Canada, the Government has deemed it proper to join with the province of Ontario in enlarging the operations and the housing of the Winter Fair.

The city of Toronto furnished the land and has already spent \$1,500,000 for the buildings in which to hold the exhibition. It was thought at the time the buildings were erected that they would be quite sufficient for a number of years, but hardly two or three years had passed when there was a demand for twice the accommodation available. The matter was then discussed as to the advantage to Canada in developing this live stock exhibition, which has taken on national, even international proportions. It will probably very soon rival the live stock exhibition of

Chicago. Everybody knows that our exhibits go to Chicago and return quite often with the blue ribbon.

The Government of Canada thought it could not refuse the suggestion to join with the Province of Ontario in extending the operations of this Association, and for that purpose it suggests to Parliament to vote twenty annuities of \$35,000 each representing \$700,000, which amount is equal to that given by the Province.

The area covered by the present buildings is a little over five acres. With the expenditure of the sum of \$1,400,000, which is represented by these annuities and will very likely be capitalized, the space covered will exceed twelve acres. This Winter Fair will be one of the biggest things in Canada, and I really believe that the proposed investment is justified. The exhibition has already had considerable success and is bound to develop very rapidly.

With these explanations I ask leave of the Senate to move the second reading of this Bill.

Hon. Mr. SCHAFFNER: Honourable gentlemen, I would like a little information, as I came in perhaps a little late. I understood the honourable leader of the Government to say that this is an international affair. I understand it is a winter fair. Is that right?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Yes, a winter fair.

Hon. Mr. SCHAFFNER: On what ground is it to be considered an international affair?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Because of the exhibits from the south. I do not know that exhibits have come from countries other than the United States. Honourable members who have had direct contact with that exhibition could perhaps give further information. I used the expression "international" because Americans are coming to that fair, as well as exhibitors and visitors from all parts of Canada.

Hon. Mr. SCHAFFNER: But I suppose it is understood by honourable members that there are winter fairs in other provinces than Ontario. While I am not objecting to the amount of this grant, I know that I shall be asked why we should pay this money for a winter fair in Toronto, and whether other provinces of the Dominion will not be in a position to ask for grants for their winter fairs.

Hon. Mr. STANFIELD: But they get them now. I know the Winter Fair at Amherst, in Nova Scotia, gets a grant.