

AID TO AGRICULTURE.

House again in Committee on Bill No. 103.—
Mr. Burrell, 8507.

Boyer, G. (Vaudreuil)—8519.

Not so much the number of pupils in each college that the government should consider as the equipment of the laboratories in those schools, 8519.

Burrell, Hon. M. (Minister of Agriculture)—8507.

Parliament will be asked every year to grant a sum of money by special vote for the carrying out of this Act. The object in view of making it a continuous principle and thus giving stability it would not otherwise have will be much better carried out by the Bill as it is formed. A full report of what has been done the preceding year will be given, 8507-8. Bill in a sense is a new departure, 8509. Basis of division as to veterinary colleges, 8521-2. The whole thing largely in experimental stage, 8524. The general principle of the Bill is that the money shall be spent by the provinces, 8526.

Chairman The—8507.

There is an amendment proposed, 8507.

Guthrie, Hugh (Wellington South)—8510.

Intention of the Act to have the whole apportioned to the province for expenditure, 8510. Educational work in agriculture will form a precedent in the future for granting sums of money for technical education, 8511.

Graham, G. P. (Renfrew South)—8508.

Details should be given to the House about expenditure which is made directly by this government, 8509.

Macdonald, E. M. (Pictou)—8527.

The minister proposes to spend a large portion of this money on education. Education is committed exclusively to the provinces, 8527. Why this parliament should want to engage in educational matters is more than I can see, 8528.

McLean, A. A. (Queens, P.E.I.)—8513.

The government instead of making agricultural aid a matter of haphazard action have put it on a permanent basis. It would not be proper that the money should go into the general revenue of the province, it should be ear-marked as the Bill provides, 8514.

McKenzie, D. D. (C.B. North and Victoria)—8515.

Business of the country should be administered by orders in council just as little as possible, 8515. Why depart from the well-established principle of parliamentary government and control over these expenditures, 8516.

Morphy, H. B. (Perth North)—8516.

From progressive nature of the measure and the general attitude of the govern-
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ment, the signs point to progress along every line which will tend to the betterment of the people at large, 8516. There seems to be a good deal of miscellaneous criticism without very much merit, 8517.

Nesbitt, E. W. (Oxford North)—8508.

I would like an idea of the form this education will take, 8508. Right reserved to say how money shall be spent, 8510.

Oliver, Hon. Frank (Edmonton)—8507.

The amendment is simply to nominally establish the principle of parliamentary control, 8507.

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Motion for third reading of Bill No. 103.

Amendment:

That Bill No. 103 be not now read the third time, but that it be referred to the Committee of the Whole for the purpose of amendment by striking out the words, 'appropriated' and where they occur in section 3, line 18 of the Bill as printed, and inserting after 'fourteen' where it occurs in section 3, line 20 of the printed Bill, the words, 'upon appropriation in that behalf from time to time by parliament', and by striking out the proviso at the end of section 3.—Mr. Oliver, 8814.

Amendment:

That Bill No. 103 be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole for the purpose of amendment by striking out all the words after the word 'act' in the third line of section 7 to the end of the section.—Mr. Bureau, 8816.

Bureau, Hon. Jacques (Three Rivers and St. Maurice)—8816.

The purposes authorized by this Act are few; in fact there are none, 8816. I object to the proviso in the Bill that the whole or any part of the \$20,000 may be extended in any year, 8817.

Burrell, Hon. Martin (Minister of Agriculture)—8817.

I do not think the Bill means what my hon. friend has said, 8818.

ALBERTA RAILWAY AND IRRIGATION COMPANY.

House in Committee on Bill No. 38.—Mr. Buchanan, 3013.

Lancaster, E. A. (Lincoln)—3013.

Yes. The committee spent a great deal of time on the Bill and were unanimously of opinion that it was in the best interests of the country, 3013.

Oliver, Hon. Frank (Edmonton)—3013.

Has the location of branches been considered fully in the Railway Committee? 3013.