

The Honourable Senator Hughes, in the absence of the Honourable Senator MacArthur, called the attention of the Senate to the administration of The Farmers Creditors' Arrangement Act in the Province of Prince Edward Island and inquired of the Government what action, if any, it intends to take in the premises.

After debate, it was—

Ordered, That further debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill (84), intituled: "An Act to amend the Customs Act," was read the second time, and—

Referred to the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being called for resuming the adjourned debate on the inquiry by the Honourable Senator Ballantyne:—

That he will call the attention of the Senate to the training of naval cadets and the closing of the Naval College and also to the sale of the training ship *Aurora*.

It was Ordered, That the said Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Senate resumed the adjourned debate on the motion of the Honourable Senator Sauvé:—

That it be resolved: That our age being evidently what some authorities call "the age of metal;" as minerals are more and more sought for and used in the industries which are created or developed by the discoveries of science, as well as the new needs of social and economic activities;

That, while recognizing what has been done by the Governments of the country in view to fulfill these needs and to avoid abuses, this House is however of the opinion, that it is urgent for Canada to utilize to a greater extent, first of all to her own benefit, the untold wealth of her subsoil throughout her vast territory, through the rational development of her mining industry by the best knowledge of our Natural Resources; by a fair protection of Capital honestly invested; by a control sufficient to protect herself as far as possible against:—

1. Ill-advised investment of capital;
2. Dishonest brokerage;
3. Fallacious prospectuses and misleading publicity;
4. Trusts;
5. Invasion of our Country by undesirable capital;
6. Danger of foreign covetousness, which is usually the cause of wars of conquest;

This House also thinks that Canada claims more than ever a mining policy directed so as to:—

(a) Protect our human capital against diseases which generally threaten the mining labourers;

(b) Encourage to a greater extent technical and geological teaching and to give proper employment to her graduates;

(c) Give work to her employable unemployed before all others;

(d) Favour colonization while preventing further rural exodus;