

This bill asks for the repeal of the legislation concerning the present divorce system which we have here. I find it absurd. I shall not repeat what I have said many times, that it is bad legislation which will be referred to the bar. There is a new bâtonnier of the Barreau de la Province de Québec in Montreal. There is also a new president of the Canadian Bar Association. Both are eminent lawyers. I will submit the question to them. If the Canadian Bar Association and the Bar of the Province of Quebec do not move, I will leave it at that; but if I have their support I will come again and ask yours, too, honourable colleagues, in order to change that system and bring matters of divorce under the jurisdiction of real judges of the Exchequer Court, not judges who put on their mortar-board just to cash their cheques.

Honourable senators, I ask you now, if you have no objection, to give leave for the withdrawal of this bill.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, has the honourable Senator Pouliot leave to withdraw his bill?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Bill withdrawn.

Hon. John J. Connolly: Honourable senators, I suggest that the Senate do take recess now to reassemble at the call of the bell at approximately 5.40 p.m.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

At 5.45 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

ROYAL ASSENT

The Honourable Robert Taschereau, P.C., Chief Justice of Canada, Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, having come and being seated at the foot of the Throne, and the House of Commons having been summoned and being come with their Speaker, the Honourable the Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to give royal assent to the following bills:

An Act to amend the Farm Improvement Loans Act.

An Act respecting The Guarantee Company of North America.

An Act to incorporate Congregation of the Marist Sisters.

An Act to incorporate Meota Pipe Lines Ltd.

The House of Commons withdrew.

The Honourable the Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday, October 13, at 8 p.m.