

CANADA

House of Commons Debates

OFFICIAL REPORT

Thursday, March 17, 1927.

The House met at three o'clock.

PRIVATE BILLS

FIRST READINGS

Bill No. 153, respecting the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.—Mr. Edwards (Ottawa).

Bill No. 154, to incorporate "North American Relations Foundation".—Mr. Jacobs.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

Mr. E. A. LAPIERRE (Nipissing) moved:

That the first report of the select committee on standing orders presented on Thursday, 10th March, be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

COMMITTEES—PERSONNEL

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) moved:

That the name of Sir Henry Drayton be substituted for that of Mr. Young (Toronto Northeast) on the select committee on standing orders, and that the name of Mr. Young (Toronto Northeast) be substituted for that of Sir Henry Drayton on the select standing committee on railways, canals and telegraph lines.

Motion agreed to.

TRADE MARK AND DESIGN ACT AMENDMENT

Hon. PETER HEENAN (Minister of Labour) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 171, to amend the Trade Mark and Design Act.

Mr. GUTHRIE. Explain.

Mr. HEENAN: The purpose of this bill is to give permission to the labour unions of Canada to register their labels and to prevent the use of forgeries or counterfeits. While giving the right to unions to register labels, the bill provides that no label can be placed on any goods without the consent of the proprietor of such goods. A similar protection is given to the labour unions in many states of the union and in Great Britain.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

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CANADA EVIDENCE ACT AMENDMENT

Hon. FERNAND RINFRET (Secretary of State) moved the first reading of Bill No. 152 (from the Senate) to amend the Canada Evidence Act as respects bank books and records.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk).

MARITIME PROVINCES ARCHIVIST

Mr. BELL (St. John-Albert):

1. Is there an archivist for the maritimes?
2. If so, what is his name, the date of appointment, and salary?
3. Do his duties require him to be in the maritime provinces?
4. How many months is it since he visited the offices in Saint John and Halifax?

Hon. Mr. RINFRET:

1. Yes.
2. Dr. J. D. Logan—16th February, 1925—\$2,520.
3. Yes, unless it is desirable in the interests of his office and the department for him to visit other places.
4. About five months.

PEACE RIVER TELEPHONE SERVICE

Mr. SPENCER:

1. Is it the intention of the government to build a telephone line in the Peace river country?
2. If so, for what distance?
3. Between what points?
4. Have tenders been invited?
5. Will consideration be given to seniority of service of applicants who tender for the work?

Hon. Mr. ELLIOTT:

Nos. 1 to 5. Matter under consideration.

PATRONAGE IN SOUTH ESSEX

Mr. GOTT:

1. Who holds the patronage for the constituency of Essex South?
2. Must all governmental undertakings be passed by him before they become operative?
3. Is it the intention of the government to adhere strictly to the line of party patronage in Essex South?