

Canada, will be handed down to posterity in magnificent buildings, in monuments, in marbles, in bronzes, in paintings—in every possible way in which human art and human ingenuity can impress upon future time what Canada has achieved in this great war.

I am very glad that my honourable friend has directed our attention to this subject. It will not only permit of the Government being stimulated, but it will have a good effect in commanding public attention, and possibly in bringing forth suggestions as to how Canada may best impress upon future time that which we have accomplished during the last four years—accomplishments and achievements which completely transcend all that our imagination at the beginning of the war could have suggested as possible. I join in the sentiments which have been expressed this morning, adding the hope that the struggle through which we have passed, the distress which has been brought upon our people, the national efforts which we have made, may all contribute towards uniting the people of Canada in one grand homogeneous whole.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: The honourable gentleman has forgotten to mention the work that is being done by the Statistical Branch of the Federal Government, which, since war was declared, has annually collected data from the various relief associations throughout the land, which have done no mean work for the soldiers and their dependents, and for the assistance of the war in Europe. This data will show, I think, very creditable work done by the population at large for the relief of sufferings brought about by this war.

The Senate adjourned until 3 p.m.

Second Sitting.

The Senate met at 3 p. m., the Speaker in the Chair.

After some time the Senate took recess.

The Senate resumed at 8 p.m.

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT.

The Hon. the SPEAKER read a communication from the Governor General's secretary, announcing that His Excellency would proceed to the Senate Chamber at 10 o'clock, p.m., this day, for the purpose of proroguing the present session of Parliament.

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED.

WAR-TIME ELECTIONS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

Bill 72, An Act to amend chapter thirty-nine of the Statutes of 1917—Hon. Sir James Lougheed—was received from the House of Commons and read the first time.

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED moved the second reading of the Bill.

He said: The object of this Bill is to make provision that, if a by-election should be brought on during the war, we shall revert to the Dominion Elections Act under which seven days intervene between the date of nomination and the date of the election. Under the War-time Elections Act twenty-eight days intervened. That provision was inserted in the War-time Elections Act and applied to the Dominion Elections Act for the purpose of permitting the Military Voters' Act to apply, which it is understood would not apply in the case of a by-election. That is to say, it would be impossible to put the Military Voters' Act into operation. Consequently we revert to the old law as to by-elections upon the passage of this Bill.

Hon. Mr. BOSTOCK: Do I understand from this that the War-time Elections Act is practically wiped out in the case of a by-election?

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED: No, not necessarily. The Military Voters' Act would not be operative as to by-elections, but the War-time Elections Act would be during the war. That Act will cease to be of force after the war. It can be readily appreciated that, if twenty-eight days were to elapse in a by-election, between nomination and election, it would be an undesirable condition. Consequently it is provided that the part of the War-time Elections Act providing that twenty-eight days shall elapse shall not be in force, but the provisions of the Dominion Elections Act.

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

Hon. Sir JAMES LOUGHEED moved the third reading of the Bill.

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

ZINC BOUNTIES BILL.

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

Bill 109, an Act to provide for the payment of bounties on zinc produced from