

IMPORTANT CHANGES MADE

During the progress of the Bill through Parliament the following changes were made:

The number of classes were reduced from ten to six, namely:

Class 1.—Unmarried men and widowers without children between the ages of 20 and 35 years.

Class 2.—Married men and widowers with child or children between the ages of 20 and 35 years.

Class 3.—Unmarried men and widowers without children between the ages of 35 years and 42 years.

Class 4.—Married men and widowers with child or children between the ages of 35 and 42 years.

Class 5.—Unmarried men and widowers without children between the ages of 42 and 45 years.

Class 6.—Married men and widowers with child or children between the ages of 42 and 45 years.

Marriages contracted after the 6th day of July, 1917, shall not exempt any man from liability under any of the classes above enumerated.

The clause bringing the Act into force by proclamation has been dropped and it becomes effective on receiving the Royal assent.

*Statistics compiled from the 1911 census figures show that there were in Canada then 636,746 unmarried men between the ages of 20 and 34 years and 428,944 married men between the same ages, a total of 1,066,740.