

Sir ROBERT BORDEN: It can only be done by the unanimous consent of the House.

Mr. D. D. McKENZIE: I did not hear the minister ask the unanimous consent of the House.

Hon. Mr. Calder moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 132, to amend the Immigration Act. He said: The object of this Bill is to repeal section 15 of the Immigration Act passed by this House and substitute therefor a new section.

Mr. McKENZIE: This is really a Bill, not an amendment from the Senate.

Hon. Mr. CALDER: It is a Bill to amend the Act which has already been passed by both Houses.

Motion agreed to, and Bill read the first time.

Hon. Mr. CALDER thereupon moved the second reading of the Bill.

Mr. McKENZIE: How does the new clause differ from the old?

Hon. Mr. CALDER: Section 15 of the Bill that passed this House read as follows:

Section forty-one of the said Act is repealed and the following is substituted therefor:

"41. Whenever any person other than a Canadian citizen advocates in Canada the overthrow by force or violence of the Government of Great Britain or Canada, or other British dominion, colony, possession or dependency, or the overthrow by force or violence of constituted law and authority, or the assassination of any official of the Government of Great Britain or Canada or other British dominion, colony, possession or dependency, or of any foreign government, or advocates or teaches the unlawful destruction of property, or shall by word or act create or attempt to create riot or public disorder in Canada, or shall by common repute belong to or be suspected of belonging to any secret society or organization which extorts money from, or in any way attempts to control any resident of Canada by force or threat of bodily harm, or by blackmail, or who is a member of or affiliated with any organization entertaining or teaching disbelief in or opposition to organized government; such person for the purposes of this Act shall be considered as belonging to the prohibited or undesirable classes, and shall be liable to deportation, and it shall be the duty of any officer becoming cognizant thereof, and the duty of the clerk, secretary or other official of any municipality in Canada wherein such person may be, to forthwith send a written complaint thereof to the minister giving full particulars."

The substituted clause reads as follows:

Every person who by word or act—

Mr. LEMIEUX: Would the minister point out where it differs as he goes along?

[M. McKenzie.]

Mr. CALDER: It is not the easiest thing in the world to do. The section as it passed this House read:

Whenever any person other than a Canadian citizen advocates in Canada the overthrow, etc.

Now, a person can do a good many things of this character by other means than advocating. The substituted section reads as follows:

Section fifteen of the Act to amend The Immigration Act passed at the present session of Parliament is repealed, and the following is substituted therefor:—

"41. (1) Every person who by word or act in Canada seeks to overthrow by force or violence the government of or constituted law and authority in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland or of Canada, or of any of the provinces of Canada, or the government of any other of His Majesty's dominions, colonies, possessions or dependencies, or who in Canada defends or suggests the unlawful destruction of property—

That is new. That is one who advocates or suggests the unlawful destruction of property.

—or by word or act creates or attempts to create any riot or public disorder in Canada, or who without lawful authority assumes any powers of government in Canada—

That is new. That is any person who assumes any authority without lawful justification.

—assumes any powers of government in Canada or in any part thereof, or who by common repute belongs to or is suspected of belonging to any secret society or organization which extorts money from or in any way attempts to control any resident of Canada by force or by threat of bodily harm, or by blackmail—

The original section merely referred to blackmail. That is extended a little so as to include any person who belongs to any secret society or organization which attempts to extort money from or in any way to control any resident of Canada through force, or threat of bodily harm or of blackmail.

—or who is a member of or affiliated with any organization entertaining or teaching disbelief in or opposition to organized government shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to belong to the prohibited or undesirable classes, and shall be liable to deportation in the manner provided by this Act, and it shall be the duty of any officer becoming cognizant thereof and of the clerk, secretary or other official of any municipality in Canada wherein any such person may be forthwith to send a written complaint to the minister, giving full particulars: provided, that this section shall not apply to any person who is a British subject, either by reason of birth in Canada, or by reason of naturalization in Canada.

Then there is a second subsection reading as follows: