

the Courts, and that pending the decision of the Courts any discussion of it is out of place. He seems to think the regulations made by the Department are unjust in some respects. I can only say that since I have been in the Department, any arrangements made have been only temporary, pending the decision of the question by the Courts, which decision we hope to have in a short time. I do not know of any objection to bring down such papers in the meantime as are not dependent upon that decision.

Mr. WELDON. I was speaking entirely of rivers above navigation, which are not touched by the question before the Courts.

Motion agreed to.

NEW MEMBER.

Mr. SPEAKER announced that he had received from the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of South Simcoe a certificate that Richard Tyrwhitt, Esq., had been duly elected to represent that District in this House.

The hon. member was introduced by Sir John A. Macdonald and Mr. Strange, and took his seat.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD moved :

That in admitting Richard Tyrwhitt, Esq., elected to represent the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Simcoe, to take his seat, upon the certificate of the Returning Officer, this House still recommends a strict adherence to the practice of requiring the production of the usual certificate of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, of the return of the writ of election.

Motion agreed to.

SECOND READINGS.

The following Bills were read the second time :—

Bill (No. 47) to extend and amend the Acts relating to the Canada Landed Credit Company.—(Mr. Beaty.)

Bill (No. 48) respecting the Niagara Grand Island, Bridge Company.—(Mr. Arkell.)

Bill (No. 51) to incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of Saskatchewan, and for other purposes connected therewith.—(Mr. Mills.)

Bill (No. 52) to incorporate the Planters' Bank of Canada.—(Mr. Gault.)

Bill (No. 53) to amend the Act incorporating the North American Mutual Life Insurance Company, and to change the name thereof to the "Dominion of Canada Life Insurance Company."—(Mr. Mackenzie.)

Bill (54) to incorporate the Ontario Investment Association.—(Mr. Carling.)

MOTIONS FOR RETURNS.

The following motions for Returns were severally agreed to :—

Detailed statement of receipts and expenses in connection with the maintenance and operation of the telegraph line from Selkirk to Fort Edmonton; and the telegraph line from Selkirk to Winnipeg, separately.—(Mr. Blake.)

Copy of the complaints against E. Watson, Indian Superintendent for the reserves at Sarnia, Walpole Island, Kettle Point and Stony Point in the county of Lambton, a copy of the Commission or Commissions issued to investigate the condition of affairs on the said reserves, and the reports of the Commissioner, together with all correspondence, Orders in Council, and other papers relating to and resulting from the said investigation; also, a statement showing the expenses of said investigation. The above to be furnished in connection with the return of the investigation into the affairs of the Indians on the Thames.—(Mr. Coughlin.)

Return of all papers concerning the granting of a charter to the Hudson's Bay Company to construct a tramway around the north shore of the Grand Rapids of the
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Saskatchewan, and any information to show if the tramway can be used by the public on paying certain tolls.—(Mr. Bannerman.)

Copies of all timber licenses and mining licenses issued for cutting timber or mining within the disputed territory west of the meridian of the east end of Hunter's Island; also copies of all leases or grants of mill sites or other water privileges; also statement of the number of acres granted in each year in the same territories to date.—(Mr. Mills.)

Copy of the petition of the citizens of Hamilton for the purchase of a site, and erection thereon, of a new Custom House and other Government offices, and all papers and correspondence connected therewith.—(Mr. Bain.)

Return showing quantities of Springhill coal delivered at St. John and intermediate stations by the Intercolonial Railway, during the year ending December 31st, 1881; also rates of freight per ton to each of said stations; also all special rates and the parties to whom given, the quantities delivered to each of such parties at such special rates.—(Mr. King.)

Copies of the land regulations in force on the 16th October, 1878, and those which have since, from time to time, been made.—(Mr. Mills.)

Return of the leases and licenses now in force, issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, under the provisions of the Fisheries Act, 1868, of rivers or portions of rivers in the Provinces of Quebec and New Brunswick, with the date of their issue, and the term granted, and the amount of rent reserved in each lease.—(Mr. Weldon.)

House adjourned at 6 p.m.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

THURSDAY, 2nd March, 1882.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

PRAYERS.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 64) respecting Queen's College at Kingston.—(Mr. Kirkpatrick.)

Bill (No. 65) respecting the New York and Ontario Furnace Company.—(Mr. White, Hastings.)

Bill (No. 66) to amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, intitled: An Act to incorporate The Board for the Management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, and the Acts amending the same.—(Mr. Shaw.)

Bill (No. 67) to incorporate the Niagara Peninsula Bridge Company.—(Mr. Bergin.)

DEPOSITS OF BENEFIT SOCIETIES.

Mr. GAULT enquired, Is it the intention of the Government to legislate, this Session, towards compelling benefit or co-operative societies, doing a life business, to make deposits with the Government for the benefit of Canadian policy holders.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. This matter is under the consideration of the Government.

WORKS ON THE RIVER PETITE NATION.

Mr. ROUTHIER enquired, Whether the Government proposes to assist in the completion of the works commenced in the River Petite Nation, Prescott County, in