

SECOND SITTING.

TUESDAY, 29th June, 1897.

3 o'clock, P.M.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Sutherland, it was Ordered, That as it appears from the Minutes of Proceedings of the Senate of the 28th June, 1897, that the petitioner for the passage of Bill No 124, an Act to incorporate the Cataract Power Company of Hamilton, Limited, was allowed to withdraw the said Bill, the Accountant of this House be authorized to refund the fees paid on the same, less the cost of printing and translation.

The Bill No. 151, an Act to authorize the granting of subsidies in aid of the construction of the lines of railway therein mentioned, was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Fielding laid before the House,—Preliminary statements of the business of Life Insurance Companies in Canada, for the year ending 31st December, 1896.

Mr. Fisher laid before the House,—Summary Report of the Geological Survey Department for the year 1896.

He also laid before the House,—Annual Report of the Department of Public Printing and Stationery, for the year ended 30th June, 1896.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a communication from the Secretary of the Governor General informing him that His Excellency would proceed to the Senate Chamber at 8 o'clock, P.M., this day, for the purpose of proroguing Parliament.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, without any amendment, viz.:—

Bill No. 140, an Act further to amend the Act respecting Judges of Provincial Courts.

Bill No. 148, an Act to authorize the raising by way of loan, of certain sums of money for the Public Service.

Bill No. 149, an Act to provide for Bounties on Iron and Steel made in Canada.

Bill No. 136, an Act further to amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act.

Bill No. 150, an Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1897, and the 30th June, 1898, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

Bill No. 146, an Act to authorize a subsidy for a railway through the Crow's Nest Pass.

Bill No. 151, an Act to authorize the granting of subsidies in aid of the construction of the lines of railway therein mentioned.

Bill No. 129, an Act further to amend the Post Office Act ;—and

Bill No. 130, an Act further to amend the Civil Service Act.

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, desiring the immediate attendance of the House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to the Senate Chamber ;—when His Excellency was pleased to give in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Bills, viz.:—

An Act to confirm an Agreement made between the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the Hull Electric Company.