

COASTING LAWS FOR BRITISH PORTS.

On the Orders of the Day, attention is called to Lord Lansdowne's speech on coasting laws—R. L. Borden. Ans.—Thinks there is some correspondence—6882-83.

Borden, R. L. (Halifax)—6882.

Has there been any correspondence? Reads Lansdowne's remarks—6882. Can papers be brought down or information given at an early day—6883.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—6883.

Pretty sure there is some correspondence, but not sure it can be brought down; will look and see—6883.

COMMISSIONERS OF INTERNAL ECONOMY.

Presentation of report by Mr. Speaker—8653.

Motion that report be concurred in—Mr.

Fielding (Minister of Finance)—8654. Motion agreed to—8654.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Minister of Finance) 8654.

Moves concurrence; object to provide officers' salaries from one source only—8654.

Sproule, T. S. (East Grey)—8654.

Makes permanent what was only temporary—8654.

COMMITTEES—SELECT STANDING.

Motion by Sir Wilfrid Laurier (Prime Minister), that a committee of five members be appointed to prepare and report upon Select Standing Committees—8.

COMPAGNIES DE CREDIT.

Motion that government take immediate steps to stop unlawful transactions of 'Compagnies de Credit'—Mr. Demers (St. John and Iberville)—1882. Motion withdrawn—1887.

Demers, L. P. (St. John and Iberville)—1882.

Makes motion; avowed object of the companies; promise 150 per cent on investment—1882. Quotes circular of Société de Crédit Hebdomadaire, limitée; and Mr. Miller of Franklin—1883. Quotes 'Le Prix Courant'; 'Le Moniteur de Commerce' and the 'Witness'—1884. Quotes 'Le Nationaliste'—1885. Boast of receiving \$60,000 deposits per week; bound to go bankrupt; government in duty bound to interfere; not to blame; companies draw attention to fact that they hold Dominion charters—1886. Promoters know they are fakes; suggests cancelling charters by writ of scire facias—1887.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister) 1887.

Will Mr. Demers suggest means government might adopt; no doubt companies are organized fraud; openly infringing their charters; means suggested available to any citizen.—1887.

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COMPANIES' ACT AMENDMENT.

Bill (75) to amend the Companies' Act, 1902—(Mr. Cowan), read a second time and taken in committee—3978-80. Progress reported—3980.

Borden, R. L. (Halifax)—3979.

Asks explanation of clause relating to contracting; object to wording—3979. Can consolidate \$50 share into \$100 shares—3980.

Cowan, Mahlon K. (South Essex)—3979.

Doubtful if company can act as contractor, intended to solve doubt—3979. Can reduce value of shares but not group shares to bring them to higher par value—3980.

Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles (Minister of Justice)—3979.

Clause 5 intended to eliminate doubt as to contracting—3979. Phraseology unhappy, clause should stand—3980.

House again in committee on Bill (75) to amend the Companies' Act, 1902, Mr. Cowan (South Essex)—4706.

Mr. Fitzpatrick (Minister of Justice) moves an amendment to clause 1, to remove doubt as to its provisions—4706-07.

Mr. Barker (Hamilton) moves to rise and report progress—4708. Progress reported 4708. Taken again in committee—5094.

Mr. Fitzpatrick moves a substitute amendment—5095. Mr. Fitzpatrick moves to rise and report; progress—5096. Progress reported—5097.

N.B.—The headings in 'Hansard' make it very hard to trace this Bill. They are sometimes 'Companies' Act amendment' and at others 'The Companies' Act.' Votes and proceedings state that Cowan moved to withdraw the Bill on July 28th.

Barker, Samuel (Hamilton)—4707.

Wants time to consider very important amendment—4707. Moves to rise and report progress—4708.

Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles (Minister of Justice) 4706.

Doubt as to meaning may exist, not removed—4706. Moves amendment; parliament evidently intended to retain right to incorporate for the construction of railways, telegraphs and telephones—4707. Moves substitute amendment to allow the incorporation of merely contracting construction companies—5095. Only trying to make Bill wearable, not interested in it—5096.

Haggart, Hon. J. G. (South Lanark)—5097.

Railway, &c., construction very proper objects for incorporated company—5097.

Ingram, A. B. (East Elgin)—4707.

Amendment only allows formation of contracting construction companies—4707.