

THE SENATE

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 1867

The Speaker took the Chair at three o'clock.

After routine,

Hon. Mr. Steeves inquired whether a mail for Nova Scotia and New Brunswick was made up each day? If not how many mails for those places were made up each week, and by what route or routes they were sent?

Hon. Mr. Campbell replied that mails for those places were made up every day, and forwarded by way of Portland; and also that another daily mail was sent by way of Madawaska.

NOTICES

Hon. Mr. Dickey gave notice that he would inquire on Thursday next whether the Executive Government intended to propose a measure for opening water communication between the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Bay of Fundy?

Hon. Mr. Aikins, on the same day, if under the provisions of Cap. 52, clause 427, sec. 3 of 29 and 30 Victoria, Statutes of Canada, any extra number of copies of the Municipal and Assessment Acts have been printed and distributed, as therein provided, and if not why not?

Hon. Mr. Locke—That he will ask the Government whether or not it is their intention to extend the system of bounties to the fishermen throughout the Dominion, and if so at what time such system is to come into operation; and further, in what manner such bounty (if granted), is to be apportioned, whether in the tonnage engaged in the fisheries, or on the quantities of fish caught.

Hon. Mr. Anderson—Will enquire

1st. Under what terms are the notes of the Dominion issued by the Bank of Montreal?

2nd. Is a commission allowed the bank? If so, at what rate per annum?

3rd. Will the Government be willing to allow the banks of the Maritime Provinces to issue Dominion notes on the same terms as those extended to the Bank of Montreal?

4th. Does the Bank of Montreal, respond the Dominion notes in specie at the various branches throughout the Dominion, as well as at the parent institution, or must the notes be presented for payment at the place of issue?

5th. Is interest allowed by the Bank of Montreal on balances at the credit of the Dominion; if so, at what rate per annum?

6th. What rate of interest is charged by the Bank for advances made on account of the Dominion?