

the number of engineers, and engineers' assistants, paymasters and other employés in each District and Section on the 1st day of July, 1870, and also the number of men employed in each Contract Section on that day; also copies of all Reports of Engineers, Commissioners or others regarding the change made from the route selected by Major Robinson between Bathurst and the Miramichi River; also copies of all Correspondence between the Railway Commissioners and the Government relative to Contracts and all Orders in Council relative to such Correspondence or Contracts.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government concerning the North-West Territories since November 1st, 1869, with Copies of all Orders in Council or other documents relative thereto; also Copies of all Correspondence with the Commander in Chief and the Commanding Officer of the Expedition, and Copies of all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the Expedition; also a Statement in detail of all expenses incurred in connection with sending the Military Expedition giving the names of parties receiving money, and stating the nature of the service and whether by contract or otherwise.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Holton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence Reports of Engineers, and other documents, relating to the leasing by the Government to the Montreal, Warehousing Company of a lot of land bordering on the Lachine Canal.

Also a further Address, for a statement shewing the amount of American silver withdrawn from circulation through the action of the Government and the details of all expenses incurred in effecting such withdrawal; and also a statement shewing the total amount of the new issue of silver coin, and the amount of each denomination, the fineness of the silver used, the cost of coinage, and the profit to the Government resulting from the issue.

On motion of Hon. Sir *A. T. Galt*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence, not marked "separate" on the Defence of the Country.—Also, Orders in Council, and other papers relating to the mission of the Hon. *Alexander Campbell*, to England, and his Report thereon.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Special Committee was appointed, composed of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, Hon. Messrs. *Tilley*, *Langevin*, *Howe*, *Holton*, and *Chauveau*, and Mr. *Burpee*, Hon. Mr. *McKeagney*, Hon. Mr. *Dorion*, Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Walsh*, *Morrison* (Niagara), *Dufresne*, *Bolton*, and the mover, to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Wednesday, the 15th instant.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General.

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The Governor General communicates to the House of Commons the appointment of the Honorable *Joseph Howe*, Secretary of State for the Provinces; in the room and stead of the Honorable *William McDougall*, C.B., to act with the Speaker of the House of Commons as a Commissioner for the purpose and under the provisions of the Act 31st *Victoria*, Chapter 27, intituled:—"An Act respecting the internal economy of the House of Commons, and for other purposes."

Government House,

Ottawa, 15th February, 1871.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Sir *A. T. Galt*—On Tuesday next—Resolutions upon the subject of the Joint Commission, appointed by Great Britain and the United States, so far as the same affects the rights and interests of Canada.

Hon. Sir *F. Hincks*—On Tuesday next—That the speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of Parliament be then taken into consideration.

Hon. Mr. *Dunkin*—On Tuesday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend the Census Act."

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Monday next—BILL for the better protection of navigable streams and rivers.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Monday next—Order of the House for a statement shewing the gross amount paid for salaries and wages of Engineers and Staff of the Intercolonial Railway, up to January 1st, 1871, shewing the number employed on each section and division, and the amount paid for work performed by contractors to the same date.

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence that has taken place between the Dominion and Local Government of the Province of New Brunswick, since 1st July, 1867, relating to unadjusted claims of the Province of New Brunswick, with a statement of such claims; also a statement of the Public Account between the Dominion and the Province of New Brunswick, on the 1st January, 1871.