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copy of the memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of Victoria, B.C., respecting the cancelling of the mail contract with the owners of the steamship *Prince Alfred*, and contracting with Malcolm Hudson & Co. for their steamships to call twice a month at Esquimalt when making the voyage to San Francisco, China, and Japan, and *vice versa*, be laid before the House.

Hon. Mr. BURPEE (St. John - City & County)—On Friday—Motion, that this House do on Tuesday next go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolution:—that it is expedient to continue the 2nd and 3rd sections of the Act 36 Vic., Cap. 40, respecting the admission of Prince Edward Island, until 1st January, 1875, and thence to the end of the next session of Parliament.

Mr. PALMER—That an humble address be presented to His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House copies of all correspondence which had taken place since 1st July, 1867, between the Government of the Dominion and the Judges of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, touching the inequality of the salaries of the Judges of the same standing in different Provinces, and of any representation on the same subject made by the Bar Society of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Mr. GORDON—Address to His Excellency the Governor in Council for a return of Order in Council selling or leasing Whitby Harbour to the present Company; also for a statement of all sums paid to Government by the said Harbour Company from the date of the said Order in Council to the present time on account of purchase of lease of the said Harbour; also for a statement of the annual revenue and expenditure from and upon the said Harbour throughout the occupancy of the said Company; also for all correspondence between Government and the said Harbour Company concerning said lease or purchase, and having reference to removal or permanency of the same; also for the names of all persons forming the said Harbour Company, whether it is the intention of Government to resume possession of the said Harbour.

Mr. MILLS will, on Monday next, ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act to provide for the removal of obstructions in navigable rivers.”

Mr. WHITE (Renfrew North)—On Friday next—Enquiry whether Government intends to place in the estimates an appropriation for the purpose of constructing Locks at Paquette’s Rapids and Allumette Rapids, in the Ottawa River, or for other improving navigation at those points, so as to admit of the passage of steamers.

Mr. DEWDNEY—On Tuesday next—That it is desirable that Government cause such further surveys for the Canadian Pacific Railway to be made between Kamloops and Fort Hope, on the Fraser River, as will determine the best available line for a railway between those points, and at the same time establish beyond question whether that route is not the most favourable as being the shortest, and therefore least expensive to construct as well as operate, through British Columbia to the best seaport on the Western coast of the Dominion.

Mr. STEPHENSON gives notice that on Friday next he will

enquire of the Government whether any instructions have been given to any person or persons to buy out the Canadian channel in Detroit River below and in the vicinity of the town of Amherstburg; and if not, whether it is the intention of Government to take any steps in that direction; also whether a lightship is to be maintained during the present season of navigation at Government expense on a dangerous reef in Lake Erie, opposite the township of Colchester, in the County of Essex.

Mr. YOUNG:—On Friday next—A Bill entitled An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Confederation Life Association.

Mr. CASEY:—Address for papers in possession of the Government of later date than the return made last session in reference to Port Stanley Harbour.

Mr. McINTYRE gives notice that he will on Monday ask the Government if it is their intention to abolish postage on newspapers.

Mr. THOMPSON (Haldimand):—Enquiry of Government whether the Hon. Wm. McDougall is still in the employ of the Government in any capacity, if so, at what salary; if not in Government employ, when he ceased to be employed.

Mr. McDOUGALL (Renfrew South):—On Friday next—Enquiry of the Government as to the state of the affairs of the Bank of Upper Canada, when its business is likely to be wound up, and whether any determination has been come to with regard to enforcing against the stockholders Government claims which will be unpaid when the assets have been realized.

Mr. STEPHENSON gives notice that on Monday next, he will move an humble address to His Excellency for copies of all letters, petitions, resolutions, communications, reports, and other documents, and papers relating in any way to the sale or disposal of that portion of land situate in the town of Chatham, and known as the Barrack Ground, received since 1867.

Mr. McDOUGALL (Renfrew South):—On Friday next—For a Select Committee to enquire into the state of the Quebec Office for Culling and Measuring Wood, and to recommend, with a view to efficiency and economy, such changes in the regulations and staff in and out of the office as may be required by the existing circumstances and dimensions of the Quebec timber trade;—the Committee to consist of —, and to have the power of sending for persons, papers, and records.

Hon. Mr. DORION gives notice that he will on Friday next move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in Ontario cases as respects the Province of New Brunswick.

Mr. BOURASSA:—On Thursday next—Enquiry of Ministers whether any correspondence has taken place between the Government of Canada and the Quebec Government in relation to the transfer of certain properties at Chambly, Saint-Jean, Quebec, or elsewhere for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum for the Province of Quebec.

Mr. SCHULTZ:—On Friday next—Whether it is the intention