

PRIVATE BILLS :—See *Bills, Private.*

PRIVILEGE :

1. Attention called to an article in the "Courier d'Outaouais," in which two members (Messrs. Tremblay and Prevost), are traduced ; Article read by the Clerk ; Elie Tassé to appear at the Bar, 133. See *House of Commons*, 13.

2. Complaint made of an article in the "Morning Freeman," of St. John, N.B., published by Hon. Mr. Anglin, a Member, as containing libellous reflections on Members of the House, in breach of its privileges ; The same is read by the Clerk, 167. Motion that the article is a scandalous, false and malicious libel upon the honor of the House and of certain Members, and a contempt of its privileges ; Amendment moved, that while the House will always be disposed to vindicate its privileges, it is not advisable to interfere with the freedom of the press in its criticisms upon its proceedings ; Amendment, that while deeming the said article libellous, the dignity of the House will be better upheld by leaving such utterances of the press to the verdict of public opinion, negatived ; First amendment negatived ; Main motion agreed to, 169.

3. Hon. Mr. Dorion submits to the House certain papers that had been placed in his hands, complaining of the interference of certain Government officials at the last election for Chicoutimi and Charlevoix ; They are read by the Clerk, 190. Hon. Mr. Langevin makes certain explanations, and submits two letters and a telegram, which are read by the Clerk, 191. Mr. Langevin submits further explanations and documents, 333.

4. A Member calls attention to a letter from Mr. Griffin, Post Office Inspector, to a Postmaster in Welland, written during the last election, cautioning him not to oppose the Government candidate, 269. Motion, referring to this letter, and declaring that it is highly criminal in any Minister or officer of the Crown, to use the powers of office in the election of Representatives ; and an attempt at such influence will at all times be resented by the House, as aimed at its own dignity, &c. ; and that Mr. Griffin deserves the censure of the House ; Amendment moved, to proceed to the Orders of the Day ; Another amendment, that it is expedient to amend the Election Law so as to prohibit public officers from taking part in Elections ; Decided to be out of Order ; First amendment agreed to, 298.

5. Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections appointed, 5, 18, 19. Matters referred :—Return, &c., for W. Riding of Peterboro,' with an instruction to report, without delay, the proper course to be taken with regard thereto, 6. Poll books, &c., for Hagarty and Sherwood (S. Renfrew Election), with instructions to report on the conduct of the Returning Officer, Dy. Returning Officers and Poll Clerks for those townships, 21. Subject matter of a motion declaring that Members should not act as counsel before Election Committees, with an instruction to report what rule should be adopted for future guidance, 147. Instruction to inquire into the allegation that Mr. Cutler, Member for Kent, was Assistant-Paymaster on the Intercolonial Railway at the time of his election, 285. To examine witnesses on oath in reference thereto, 316. FIRST REPORT (on W. Peterboro' Election), 32. SECOND REPORT, on the quorum ; Quorum to be nine, 82. THIRD REPORT, desiring power to examine witnesses on oath relative to Mr. Cutler's qualification, Kent, 315 : Instruction accordingly, 316. FOURTH REPORT, declaring Mr. Cutler's election legal and valid, 321 : Concurred in, 328.

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