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on the part of the Government, and the position in which the House had been placed.

Hon. Mr. LANGEVIN said that the hon. member was mistaken. The Board of Works had not taken possession of the statue. Mr. Wood had asked leave to place the statue in the Senate, and leave had been granted him to do so. The Board of Works sent some of their men to aid him in placing it there.

Mr. MACKENZIE called attention to the bungling manner in which the employees of the Board of Works had managed to place the statue in the Senate. Everyone united with him in condemning the manner in which it had been mutilated through their incompetence. He would call attention to another matter. Since the opening of this session, members of this House found it impossible to obtain tickets of entrance to the Senate without begging them from the Speaker of the Senate or His Majesty the Usher of the Black Rod. He (Mr. Mackenzie) resented this indignity to this House, for while members of the commons were refused tickets, the Usher of the Black Rod was distributing them freely among his friends in the city.

In reply to Hon. Mr. Holton,

Hon. Mr. TUPPER said that the Minister of Justice saw the statues which were brought out from England, and had led Hon. Mr. Wood, the artist, to understand that if they were brought to Ottawa, this Parliament would not refuse to purchase them.

Mr. MACKENZIE said the proper place for the statues was not the Senate Chamber, but the Library.

The House went into Committee on the resolution, and passed it without discussion.

The Supply Bill was introduced in the usual formal manner, and read a first time.

The following measures were passed through the final stages.

BILLS PASSED

An Act to extend to the Province of Manitoba, certain of the Criminal Laws now in force in the other Provinces of the Dominion, (from Senate).

An Act to extend to the Province of Manitoba, and to British Columbia, so soon as it shall become a Province of the Dominion, certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Parliament of Canada.

An Act to amend the Railway Act of 1868, in which are inserted certain provisions of the Bill (No. 21) to amend the Railway Act of 1868, and of the Bill (No. 8) to amend "The Railway Act of 1868," and to extend the same.

Bills Nos. 12 and 23 to amend the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 66, respecting Aliens and Naturalization (and Amendments).

An Act to make provision for the detention of female convicts in Reformatory Prisons in the Province of Quebec.

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POWER OF PARLIAMENT

The following resolution was passed through Committee and read a second and third time:—

"To consider certain Resolutions for an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the draft of a Bill intended for submission to the Imperial Parliament, for the purpose of removing doubts which may have been entertained respecting the powers of the Parliament of Canada, to establish Provinces in Territories admitted, or which may hereafter be admitted into the Dominion of Canada, and to provide for the representation of such Provinces in the said Parliament, and vesting such powers in the said Parliament.

House adjourned at 2 a.m. till 3 p.m.