

HON SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—This Bill is for the purpose of continuing the criminal laws in force in what is called “the disputed territory,” between Ontario and Manitoba, for another year. The decision of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, although substantially determining the boundary, has not yet received the force of law by legislation in Great Britain. Until it has received the force of law it is necessary for the public safety to keep the criminal law in force as it stands now for the remainder of the year. I move that the Bill be read the second time at length at the table.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second and third times and passed.

THE SUPPLY BILL.

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

A message was received from the House of Commons to acquaint the Senate that they had passed Bill (163), “An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for defraying certain expenses of the public service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June 1885, and the 30th June 1886, and for other purposes relating to the public service.

The Bill was read the first time.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL moved that rule 41 be suspended so far as it relates to this Bill.

The motion was agreed to.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—My hon. friend opposite (Mr. DeBoucherville) desired me to explain the whole Bill, and I shook my head because the task is impossible. It strikes me, however, that I may explain it in a very few words. I may say these are the supplies voted by Her Majesty’s Commons. I move the second reading of the Bill.

HON. MR. POWER—I was going to say that the hon. gentleman might make the same motion for the second reading of the Bill which has just been passed, that it be read at length at the table. The Minister might be kind enough to

tell us how many millions the Bill comes to.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—I do not know.

HON. MR. POWER—That I think is a regrettable confession.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—It is not my province, you know.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second and third times and passed.

THE CONTINGENT ACCOUNTS OF THE SENATE.

SECOND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

HON. MR. HOWLAN moved the adoption of the second report of the Select Committee on the Contingent Accounts of the Senate. He said: I may say that the report of the Contingent Committee deals with the expenditures for the past year and also the purchase of stationery for the present year, and allows the Assistant Accountant \$100 extra this year for extra work he performed. With the exception of those changes there is nothing different from the previous years.

HON. MR. PLUMB—I wish to say a word or two in regard to the contingent accounts, and that is with reference to the stationery. I have often complained about the supply of stationery which is given to members in the boxes which are distributed in the beginning of the session. This year the ingenuity of the purveyor, or whoever supplied the stationery, seems to have been taxed to the utmost to give us exactly the kind of stationery that nobody cares about using—paper of various colors and patterns which, I think, at our time of life, we can dispense with. It may, perhaps, answer for the amatory members of the House of Commons, or for valentines, or for purposes of that kind; but for honest, sober, business correspondence, I think it is objectionable, and, undoubtedly, it is more expensive than plain white paper. I am content with white paper, and I trust that in making up the supply next year attention will be