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survey and management of the Intercolonial Railway.

Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE asked when the report of the Commissioners would be presented.

Mr. WALSH replied that the Report was handed to the Governor on Saturday last, and stated that it contained most of the information asked for in the motion of the hon. member for Leeds.

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GAUGES OF GRAND TRUNK AND INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY COMPANY

Mr. BODWELL in moving for an address for correspondence, said that as the broad gauge and steel rails had been determined upon, he presumed there had been some correspondence, and hence his motion.

Hon. Mr. LANGEVIN said there had been none, and the matter dropped.

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CHARGES AGAINST COL. SKINNER

Mr. OLIVER moved for the correspondence relative to the charges brought against Col. Skinner, while acting as Captain of the Wimbledon team. One charge was that the men of the team had been accommodated in a very small room on their arrival at Liverpool; that at Kingston he had engaged the services of a German Jew as a servant and had paid for such services out of moneys belonging to the team, et cetera. He thought that a matter which was very injurious to the Volunteer Force, ought to be settled at once if possible. It was in the interest of the country that the dispute should be settled.

Hon. Sir GEORGE-É. CARTIER said there were no papers relating to this matter before the Government. The Ontario Wimbledon team was got up by private subscription. He was happy to learn that the Wimbledon team had gained in England a reputation which not only did them honour but added a lustre to the Volunteers of the Dominion. He repeated there was no correspondence whatever before the Government.

The matter dropped.

Mr. METCALFE moved an Address for return of amounts paid to any Departmental Clerk or Officer as extra pay during the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1871, &c.—Carried.

Also—Address—Return of sums charged and received by the Department of Justice, the Deputy of said Department or any Officer or Clerk thereof, by way of costs on moneys overdue upon Ordnance Lands sold under authority, &c.—Carried.

And also—Address—Return of money charged or received on account of salaries, extra service, travelling expenses or any other account by the several Deputy Heads and Officers of Departments

at Ottawa, &c.—Carried.

Mr. FOURNIER:—Address—Correspondence in relation to the necessity of appointing a resident Judge for each Judicial District in the Province of Quebec, &c.

Hon. Mr. DORION:—Address—Correspondence on the subject of the division of the surplus of the debt of the former Province of Canada, &c.

Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD was not aware that there was any correspondence on the subject.

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EMIGRATION TO FORT GARRY

Mr. STIRTON moved for an Order of the House for a statement of the expense of maintaining teams and men at Prince Arthur's Landing for conveyance of emigrants to Fort Garry.—Carried.

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CENSUS

Mr. STIRTON moved for an Order of the House for a statement of payments made in connection with the taking of the census up to the 1st March, 1872.

Hon. Mr. POPE said that all particulars connected with the taking of the census would be laid before the House in the course of the session, and the motion was consequently unnecessary. Motion withdrawn.

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SCHOONER "C. H. HORTON"

Hon. Mr. GRAY moved an address for copies of all correspondence respecting the alleged abduction of the American fishing schooner "C. H. Horton".—Carried.

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FISH EXPORTED

Mr. FORTIN moved an Address for return showing the quantity and value of fish exported from the Dominion to the United States and other foreign countries.

Hon. Mr. TILLEY said that all the information that could be given was contained in the Trade Returns already before the House.

Mr. FORTIN said what he wanted to ascertain was the quantity of the different sorts of fish exported, which was not stated in the return mentioned. He thought this information and also particulars of the amount of Fresh Fish imported from the United States would be found very important in the discussion of the Treaty.