

ST. PASCAL MAIL.

MOTION FOR STATEMENT.

MR. ROY moved for a statement showing the amounts paid annually for carrying the mail between Kamouraska and the railway station at St. Pascal, since the express train on the Intercolonial Railway began to deliver the mail at that station; also the names of the persons to whom such amounts have been paid.

Motion agreed to.

DISMISSAL OF R. J. M. LECAGNE.

MOTION FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. TUPPER moved for copies of all correspondence, reports or papers connected with the dismissal of R. J. M. Lecaine from the Mounted Police Force at the North-West. He said he did not propose to enter at any length into the nature of this case. He was instructed by Mr. Lecaine that he was appointed to the position of non-commissioned officer—he was not quite certain as to the position held—in the Mounted Police Force of the North-West, and was subsequently dismissed from the service. He was instructed by Mr. Lecaine to say that he requested a Court Martial or a Committee of Enquiry, but was refused any investigation into his case, although, as he stated, Colonel French, who was at the head of the force, said that it was an extremely arbitrary course which had been pursued, and one that would not have been pursued in Her Majesty's service. At all events, the papers were sent forward, and he (Mr. Lecaine) complained that he was unable to obtain an investigation or enquiry, as he supposed that, under these circumstances, he would have secured from the Minister here. In any case, he felt that he had been very much injured, under the circumstances, and unfairly treated; and he (Mr. Tupper) had been requested to make this motion in relation to Mr. Lecaine's removal from the service.

MR. MACKENZIE said he did not recollect at the moment any of the particulars respecting this case, which occurred, he believed, over three years ago,—in 1874 or 1875, and early in 1875, if at all in that year.

He was quite sure that the then Minister of Justice, Mr. Dorian, had not done any thing unjust towards this or any other person. As to the difficulty of obtaining a Court Martial, no such Court was held in that matter; action was taken on the report of superior officers and discipline was maintained in the ordinary way, as among the employes elsewhere. He had no doubt that when the papers came down they would show that Mr. Lecaine was treated with every possible consideration.

Motion agreed to.

SERVICES OF H. G. HILL.

MOTION FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. TUPPER moved for copies of all correspondence between H. G. Hill, architect, and the Government, or Department of Public Works, respecting services performed for the Government. He said that Mr. Hill, who was a gentleman of very high standing, and who held a very respectable position in the City, had in consequence of great reverses in business, become very much impoverished, and owing to loss of health, was in a position which certainly required that he should receive the most thorough justice at the hands of the Government. Mr. Hill complained, that having been appointed to the position of Architect under the late Government, his services were subsequently dispensed with under the present Government, and that he had never been able to obtain a satisfactory settlement. Some difficulty had occurred in consequence of the loss of some of his books and papers in their removal to another office, which might have interfered, perhaps, with his ability to furnish the information required, but he (Mr. Hill) claimed that, independent of the amount itself in controversy between the Government and himself, there was a very considerable claim for something like \$2,000, in all, he (Mr. Tupper) thought for salary, which he would have been entitled to receive, at the rate of \$100 a month, for the period up to the time when his services were dispensed with. Mr. Hill's position was, formerly, one of a very leading man indeed, and he was a man of very considerable talent