

"tion of the *St. Lawrence between Montreal and Quebec*," and the powers therein given to the Governor in Council, shall apply, for the purpose of making good such insufficiency, as well to the tariff of rates to be fixed by any Act to be passed during the present Session, respecting the Harbor of *Montreal*, and to the said \$1,500,000, and to any sum to be voted in the present Session for the improvement of the *St. Lawrence between Montreal and Quebec*, as to the present tariff of rates for the said Harbor, and the sum appropriated by the Supply Bill of last Session for the improvement of the said river.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Tilley* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize a loan of one and a-half million of dollars, to be expended in the improvement of the navigation of Lake *St. Peter* and the River *St. Lawrence*; and to authorize the imposition of tolls, should it be necessary, to meet the interest thereon.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, seconded by the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

Resolved, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Insurance Companies.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Crawford* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Crawford* reported the Resolution accordingly; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Acts respecting Insurance Companies (31 *Victoria*, cap. 48 and 34 *Victoria*, cap 9), by providing for the appointment of an Insurance Inspector, whose duty it shall be to examine and report upon the business carried on by all Insurance Companies licensed to transact business in *Canada*, and for the payment of certain annual contributions by such Companies towards defraying the expenses of each Inspector.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Tilley* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Acts respecting Insurance Companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill respecting the Trinity House and Harbor Commissioners of *Montreal*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Crawford* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to provide for the establishment of the "Department of the Interior," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.