

Monday, 14th April, 1913.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the North Empire Fire Insurance Company, without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have passed the following Bills with Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House, viz.:—

Bill respecting the Canadian Northern Branch Lines Company.

Bill respecting a patent of the Honourable Ambrose D. Richard and others, and

Bill respecting the patents of Frederick Jacob Newman and others.

Mr. Hughes (Victoria), a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 9th December, 1912, for a copy of all letters, telegrams, and correspondence referring in any way to the purchase or leasing of the property in Antigonish, N.S., now in use as a gun shed or store house for the equipment of the 18th Field Battery of Artillery. (*Sessional Papers, No. 196.*)

And also, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 19th March, 1913, for a copy of all tenders asking for the construction of a drill hall at Fernie, B.C., of all correspondence concerning the awarding of the contract, and of all correspondence and documents regarding said tender and contract. (*Sessional Papers, No. 197.*)

Mr. Pelletier, a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 3rd February, 1913, showing what changes, if any, have been made in the contracts for carrying the mails in the County of Berthier, since the 21st September, 1911; in what Parishes, on what date, and for what reason; to whom the new contracts have been granted, and if a tender was asked for in each case. (*Sessional Papers, No. 62j.*)

Also, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 11th December, 1912, for a copy of all complaints and charges made against John R. Morrison, Postmaster at Oban, Richmond County, N.S., and of all letters, telegrams and correspondence relating in any way to his dismissal, and the appointment of a successor. (*Sessional Papers, No. 61 (11l).*)

And also, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 11th December, 1912, for a copy of all charges, correspondence, letters, telegrams and other documents relating to the dismissal of A. G. McDonald, Postmaster of North East Margaree, Inverness County, Nova Scotia, and of the evidence taken and report of investigation held by H. P. Duchemin, in regard to the same; also, a detailed statement of the expenses of such investigation. (*Sessional Papers, No. 61 (11m).*)

Mr. Coderre, a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of the 9th December, 1912, showing in detail the number of dismissals from public office by the present Government to this date, in the Constituency of Qu'Appelle, with names of the dismissed officers, and the reason for their dismissal, the complaints against such officials and a copy of all correspondence, petitions, papers and documents with respect to the same, and of all notes of evidence