

# DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, April 20.  
A petition was presented at the opening of the sitting to-day, complaining of a grave breach of the privileges of the House by Louis George Harper, the member for Gaspe, who had originally accepted the position of Returning-officer, and acted as such up to the eve of the election for that county of which, he was returned as representative.

The Speaker expressed an opinion, subject to further consideration, that the petition could not be entertained.

The motion for the reception of the petition was therefore rejected.

Mr. Palmer moved for returns relating to judicial salaries in New Brunswick.

Dr. Forbes moved for papers relating to storm signals in the Province of Nova Scotia. He complained that the system had not been so successful as they were entitled to expect.

Mr. Donville moved for a Committee to enquire into the system of mercantile agencies.

Mr. Mackenzie had no objection to an inquiry into the working of the system, but there must be some leading mercantile representative on the Committee. He suggested certain names, and Mr. Donville, who accepted the suggestion, was speaking when the hour for recess arrived.

Mr. Young deprecated discussion at this stage, but thought Mr. Donville went too far in claiming to represent the feelings of the whole mercantile community.

The names of Mr. Wilkes, Mr. Gordon and Mr. Dunster, of British Columbia, were added and the motion passed.

Dr. Orton moved to add certain members to the Committee on Agricultural Interests.

Mr. Dymond ridiculed the proceedings of the member for Centre Wellington, who, professing to come to the rescue of the agriculturists of Canada, had been unable to get a quorum of five righteous men together to save the great agricultural interest from destruction. It was evident there was something wrong in the Committee, and to assist the hon. gentlemen to arrive at some sound conclusion, if not the one he contemplated, he moved to substitute for the three last names on the list those of Messrs. Mills, Young and Walker.

Messrs. Young and Walker severally objected. The latter proposed to substitute the name of the member for North York.

Mr. Dymond was allowed to move a Committee on the manufacturing interests, and would not undertake to wrestle with the powers of darkness in two Committee rooms at one time.

The Speaker here ruled that the amendment was out of order, as notice of the names to be added had not been given.

Mr. Dymond said in that case the original motion was out of order, and if his amendments were ruled out, he must urge same objection to the resolution.

Messrs. Cameron, (Huron) and Mitchell appealed to the member for North York not to press his objection.

Mr. Mackenzie assumed that the amendment and speech of the member for North York were not intended to offer any serious objection to the motion, although he (Mr. Mackenzie) had already expressed his opinion that the Committee was not likely to answer any good purpose.

Mr. Dymond thought they had, perhaps better let the hon. gentleman have his Committee, and send him up-stairs as soon as possible.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Horton moved for a return of the immigrants carried over the Dawson route, and other details relating to that service.

Mr. Mackenzie alluded to the enormous expense this work had entailed on the country. The gross charge for the Dawson road as originally estimated, including the adaptations of the water route was \$260,000. The total sum spent already was \$1,294,000, of which \$800,000 was charged to capital, and the balance to operating the road. Besides this, there were several claims to the amount of \$145,000 still outstanding. Last year the total expenditure was \$387,844, of which no less than \$200,000 was expended in conveying some five to six hundred persons over the route. Recently it cost no less than \$67,000 to convey 150 Militia to Fort Garry. The matter was one that engaged the close attention of the Government, and they had advertised for a contract to secure the carriage of immigrants at a minimum rate of expense.

Mr. Cunningham (Marquette) would be able at the proper time to show there had been gross frauds in connection with this matter.

The motion was then agreed to.

Mr. Seachard moved for returns relating to the anticipated Memnonite immigration.

After some remarks by Mr. Young and Mr. Cunningham, the motion was agreed to.

**Hitting His Own Friends.**

When Mr. Mackenzie Bowell took up the Riel question in the way he did, without any consultation with the Government, his object evidently was to embarrass the Reformers by dividing their ranks. He did divide their ranks, but he cut both ways and the severest wound was inflicted on his own party. The Quebec and Ontario Conservatives split up into hostile ranks, and the Quebec leader and Ontario leader voted on opposite side. But the most humiliating result of his action was that while the two leaders of the Ontario Reformers spoke out frankly and like honest men on the question, the Tory leader, Sir John, had not the courage to open his lips either on behalf of his old friend Riel or in the interests of the Orange Conservatives of Ontario. He, who created the whole difficulty and was most intimate with all its details, consented to the humiliation of a silent vote, neither daring to excuse his action in the past nor to explain his position now. It is an unhappy thing for a political party to be led by a disgraced leader, but when he is a cowardly one as well, the degradation is complete. The exhibition of this feature in Sir John's character was the result of the move that Bowell made in such hot haste, lest the Government should take the matter up first.

*Hamilton Times.*

**THE FARMING DIFFICULTY.**—In the eastern counties of England a very bitter conflict has broken out between the farmers and their laborers. The latter have joined a union which was started a couple of years ago, with its new headquarters in Warwickshire, and have demanded an extra shilling a week. This has been refused. The laborers have consequently struck on one or two farms, and the farmers generally have retaliated by locking out all union men, and declaring that henceforth they will employ only non-unionists. It is said the landlords are supporting the farmers, and threaten to eject the tenants who do not hold aloof from all relations with unionists.

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