on Monday, when I intended to give the notice, and those suggestions were so numerous, as to changes on the committees, that I could not then give the notice, but it did not occur to me that there would be any objection to moving them now.

Hon. Mr. MILLER—What is the objection?

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT—That there should be a complete day's notice.

Hon. Mr. MILLER—I think the objection is well taken.

Hon. Mr. HOWLAN—I move the suspension of the 14th Rule.

Hon. Mr. MILLER—That requires notice also. I do not see what will be lost by allowing the appointment of the committees to stand over until we meet again, if the hon. gentleman from Lunenburg persists in his objection.

THE SPEAKER—The objection by the hon, gentleman is well taken.

Hon. Mr. BELLEROSE—It has been customary in this House not to raise objections on unimportant matters. very gentleman who has taken this objection and who suggests that the rules should be at all times adhered to is one of the first to violate them. Sometimes he makes two or three speeches on the same motion. It is to our own interest to have the committees appointed without delay. Votes and Proceedings have been on our desks since morning, and we have had ample time to look over the lists and see whether any changes have been made on the committees. They are practically the same as the committees of last Session.

Hon. Mr. KAULBACH—The hon. gentleman says that I am one of the greatest violaters of the rules in the House. I would remind the hon. gentleman that those who live in glass houses should not throw stones. I do not think any hon. gentleman violates the rules of the House oftener than he does, by reading speeches and long extracts from papers.

Hon. Mr. BELLEROSE—I admit it, and that is the very reason I now say that we should not make objections unless there is some important reason.

HON. MR. ABBOTT.

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT—I presume nothing will be lost by allowing the motion to stand until the next sitting of the House.

## BILL INTRODUCED.

Bill (D), "An Act to amend the Railway Act, 1888." (Mr. McCallum).

## DELAY IN PRINTING.

The Order of the Day having been called, second reading Bill (A), "To make further provision respecting inquiries concerning Public Matters,"

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT said—I am sorry to say that this Bill and the two that follow on the Orders are not yet before the House. I was informed a couple of hours ago that they were on the way from the printing office here, but they are not yet distributed, and I must ask that the Order be allowed to stand until the 20th inst.

Hon. Mr. POWER—There is a saying about new brooms sweeping clean, but the new Printing Department does not seem to do its work in accordance with that old saying. I trust that after the adjournment the machinery will have got into better working order than it seems to be at present, for if three short Bills like these cannot be printed in a week's time what are we to expect when the heavy work of the Session begins?

The motion was agreed to and the Orders of the Day were discharged.

The Senate adjourned at 4 p.m. until Wednesday, the 20th inst.

## THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Wednesday, 20th February, 1889.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at eight o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

THE SESSIONAL COMMITTEES.

MOTION.

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT moved that the Sessional Committees be composed as follows: