

notice by the press that it has passed the committee stage in the House of Commons—I shall be quite willing to permit this bill to stand until some time next week.

Hon. Mr. MILLS—I believe that the Yukon bill will pass its third reading to-day, and will come immediately from the House of Commons to the Senate, and so will be before this House at an early day—I think by Tuesday next.

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—Then I move that the order of the day be discharged, and that this bill be placed on the orders of the day for Wednesday next.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Thursday, March 17th, 1898.

The Speaker took the Chair at Three o'Clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

CANADA LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY'S BILL.

AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN.

Hon. Mr. ALLAN, from the Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported Bill (13) "An Act to incorporate the Central Canada Loan and Savings Company," with amendments. He said: Most of these amendments are merely verbal. There are just three of any importance. One amendment provides that the register of the shareholders shall be accessible for inspection at all reasonable times to every debenture holder, mortgagee, bondholder, or stockholder in the company, which is a very proper clause to put in. Another amendment is an addition which has been made to the clause which provides for bringing the Act into effect, and is as follows:

And a certified copy of the resolution to bring the Act into effect shall within fifteen days from the passing of the resolution be transmitted to the Secretary of State, and shall be by him published in the *Canada Gazette*.

Then there is an addition to the last clause as follows:

And may do whatever is required for compliance with any laws relating to the licensing, registration, &c., of the company.

Those additions are merely to make the language clearer.

Hon. Mr. MACINNES moved that the amendments be concurred in.

The motion was agreed to.

EXPENSES OF W. H. SOWDEN, IMMIGRATION AGENT.

MOTION.

Hon. Mr. KIRCHHOFFER moved:

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before the Senate, a detailed account by the Department of the Interior of the items of the expenses allowed to W. H. Sowden during the period of his employment as immigration agent, and also, the names of all or any persons, who, in consequence of Mr. Sowden's work in the Midland Counties, went to the Canadian North-west, and who, as stated by the leader of the government in the Senate, it is believed by the government would otherwise have gone to the United States, and the residences of such persons prior to their departure to the North-west, and the places where they settled in the North-west.

The motion was agreed to.

DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE *RE* STIKINE-TESLIN RAILWAY.

Hon. Mr. WOOD moved:

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before the Senate, a Return showing all offers received by the government for building the Stikine-Teslin Railway or for building any railway or tramway to connect the head waters of the Yukon with the Pacific Ocean, and all plans, specifications and other documents in connection therewith, and all correspondence upon this subject.

He said: I presume there is no objection to this motion. I should like the hon. leader of the government to state if this return will be brought down promptly, as it will be important to have it for the discussion that will take place on the Yukon-Teslin Railway Bill.

Hon. Mr. MILLS—There is no objection to the motion being carried. Whatever papers there may be will be brought down as quickly as possible.

The motion was agreed to.