Mr. Ross (Middlesex) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Young, That it never having been the custom to pay for double composition for printing the Parliamentary Reports, and the Court of Queen's Bench having decided that Mr. Taylor had no legal claim to make such charges, this Committee does not feel justified in making any increase of prices in favour of the Contractor, retro-active, which would involve the payment of a large sum of public money to which the Contractor is neither entitled by custom nor by law; be it therefore

Resolved. That the increase of Prices shall date from the commencement of the present Session.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the Committee divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

| Yeas.—Hon. Mr. Bureau, | Messrs. Ross (Middlesex) |
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| Messrs. Bourassa, | ,, Ross (Prince Edward) and |
| " Church, | " Young.—6. |
| Nays.—Hon. Messrs. Aikins, | Hon. Messrs. Skead, |
| ,, Burnham, | Messrs. Beaty, |
| " Carrall, | ., Bowell, |
| " Chapais, | ,, O'Reilly, |
| ,, Dumouchel, | ,, Stephenson, |
| " Ferrier, | ,, Thompson (Cariboo) and |
| ,, McLelan(Londonderry) | ,, Wallace (Norfolk) -15. |
| " Muirhead and | |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put; it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Wallace (Norfolk,) moved, That the contract with Mr. Taylor, for Parliamentary Printing, shall close with the work of the present Session.

Mr. Young moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Church, That as the present contract of Mr. Taylor expires next year, that tenders be advertised, during the recess, for the printing of Parliament, said tenders to be sent in before the opening of next Session.

And a Debate arising thereupon; On motion of Mr. Bowell, it was

Ordered, That the question of giving notice to terminate the printing contract with Mr. Taylor be laid over till the next meeting of this Committee.

And then, The Committee adjourned.

Monday, 28th April, 1873.

The Committee met.—Hon. Mr. SIMPSON in the Chair.

The Committee resumed the further consideration of the amendment which was, on Thursday last, the 24th inst, proposed to be made to the question: "That the contract with Mr. Taylor for Parliamentary Printing shall close with the work of the present Session," and which amendment was: "That as the present contract of Mr. Taylor expires next year, that tenders be advertised during the recess, for the printing of Parliament, said tenders to be sent in before the opening of next Session."

And the Question being put on the amendment: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

A draft of a Report was submitted, which being read, was concurred in, and ordered to be presented to both Houses; together with the Minutes of the proceedings of the Committee, and the report of the Sub-Committee and documents appended thereto, numbered from A to J inclusive.

And then, The Committee adjourned.

Attest.

HENRY HARTNEY, Clerk, Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament