

By Mr. Manion, for Mr. Mackie (Edmonton):—Order of the House for a copy of all correspondence between the purchasing department of the Canadian National Railways and Messrs. McKenzie and Mann, or the direct or indirect representatives of Messrs. McKenzie and Mann, in relation to the purchase of supplies; and for a copy of all tenders, propositions or contracts between the same parties with respect to supplies.

By Mr. Pardee, for Mr. Fielding:—Order of the House for a Return showing for each year from July 1st, 1867, the amount received into the Dominion Treasury as (a) Customs duties; (b) Excise duties; (c) Custom and Excise duties together; also amount paid to the Governments of the Provinces as (a) allowances for support of governments and legislatures; (b) annual grants of subsidy to the said Governments; (c) allowances and subsidy together, and the proportion which such payments bore to the receipts from Custom and Excise.

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions to authorize the Governor in Council to raise by way of loan a sum not exceeding one hundred million dollars.

*(In the Committee.)*

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to provide,—

1. That the Governor in Council may, in addition to the sums now remaining unborrowed and negotiable of the loans authorized by Parliament by any Act heretofore passed, raise by way of loan, by the issue and sale or pledge of securities of Canada, in such form, for such separate sums, at such rate of interest and upon such other terms and conditions as the Governor in Council may approve, such sum or sums of money as may be required, but not to exceed in the whole the sum of one hundred million dollars, for—

(a) paying maturing loans and obligations of Canada;

(b) carrying on of public works authorized by Parliament; and,

(c) meeting expenditures for general purposes authorized by Parliament.

2. That when securities issued under this proposed legislation have been pledged as security for a loan, and the loan has been paid off and the pledge redeemed, the securities shall not be deemed to have been extinguished, but shall be deemed to be still alive, and may be reissued and sold or pledged as if the former pledging had not taken place.

3. That the principal raised by way of loan under this proposed legislation and the interest thereon shall be charged upon and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Resolutions to be reported.

By leave of the House, the said Resolutions were reported, read the second time and concurred in.

Sir Thomas White then obtained leave to present a Bill, No. 164, An Act to authorize the raising, by way of loan, of certain sums of money for the public service, which was read the first time;

By leave of the House, the said Bill was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported without amendment, and ordered for a third reading at the next sitting of the House.

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting The Ottawa Improvement Commission.