

man has decided the case, whether fairly or unfairly to them, I do not know. It is true that it is not very easy to bribe persons by making them pay money, but it is very easy to give them a great favour by letting them have property at half or a quarter its price.

Motion agreed to.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY LOCATION.

Mr. BLAKE. I will move a motion which is similar to the motion I moved at an early part of last Session, with a view of obtaining the information up to this time, showing the condition of the railway. I move for a map or maps, showing:—1. The location of the Canadian Pacific Railway, so far as approved or constructed. 2. Its location so far as proposed to Government, but not yet approved. 3. The location of any branches constructed, and of any now contemplated by the company, so far as the Government is advised. 4. The lands set apart for the company, but not yet granted. 5. The lands granted. 6. The lands applied for, but not yet set apart. As I said, it is *verbatim* the motion of last Session.

Sir CHARLES TUPPER. Mr. Speaker, the information asked in this motion will be promptly furnished.

Motion agreed to.

ALLOWANCES TO CANADIAN MANUFACTURES REQUIRED BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Mr. BLAKE moved for all correspondence, reports and Orders in Council not covered by the Address of last Session, relating to the allowances proposed to be paid to the Canadian manufacturers of certain goods required by the Canadian Pacific Railway; of all applications for such allowance, and correspondence in connection therewith; a statement of the calculations on which the allowances have been based, and the estimate in detail of the probable sums payable out of the Treasury in respect of each class of goods, assuming them to be made in Canada, to the extent of the company's requirements, and of the *ad valorem* percentage of all allowances on each such class. He said: This also is a copy of a motion which the House approved of last Session, but to which no return has yet been made, and to which, I presume, the Minister of Customs will lay the return on the Table at an early day. He has been good enough to make the intimation to me that what is proposed in this Address would be somewhat bulky, and I venture to make publicly the suggestion which I made to him privately, in answering that intimation, that if the other return is ready, as I presume it is, and if it is laid on the Table at once, I would be able to arrange for the elimination of any portion of the information sought by this motion which would not be essential to the obvious public purpose, which the motion is designed to serve.

Mr. BOWELL. There is no objection to the motion. As intimated by the hon. gentleman who made the motion, it would take some little time to prepare the papers. I was under the impression, if my recollection serves me aright, that I did furnish a synopsis, if I may so term it, or extract of the information asked for by the hon. gentleman at the last Session of Parliament. It has escaped my recollection as to whether full details were presented, but if not, I will make enquiry at once and see that it is attended to. But if the hon. gentleman requires, as he has intimated, all the information asked for in the motion just made, it would take some little time to prepare the return. I may mention to the House, as I did to the hon. gentleman, that there are no less than 220 of these claims, and in connection with many of them there has been a great deal of correspondence. So

far as the Department is concerned, we should much prefer that the whole correspondence should be laid before the House, as it will then be seen that the greatest possible care has been taken, and that no more has been paid under these claims than they are absolutely entitled to by law.

Mr. BLAKE. I am a little disappointed at the hon. gentleman's statement, because he will remember that at the close of last Session he showed me what was called a return to the last motion, and it was found there was some misunderstanding on the part of some of his officers by which they had misapprehended the motion, and it was really no answer at all—it was not presented. The understanding was that the recess would be utilized—I think the expression was to the prejudice of all other business—to prepare these returns. I am afraid the recess has not been so utilized, and I do hope we will get the papers early this Session.

Mr. BOWELL. Just as early as they can be written up and copied.

Motion agreed to.

GRINDING IN BOND.

Mr. BLAKE moved for copies of all Orders in Council, departmental orders not covered by the Order of last Session, on the subject of grinding in bond, or of the regulations for grinding in bond, or for the import of wheat and flour of United States growth or manufacture; also for all correspondence with the authorities of the United States on the subject of transport of Canadian wheat into or through the United States, and of all regulations of the United States Customs authorities affecting such transport. And also, for copies of all correspondence not covered by the Order of last Session, with reference to frauds upon the Customs in the export of Canadian wheat or flour, in satisfaction or bonds given on the importation of United States wheat or flour; all reports, evidence and departmental action upon such frauds; statement of the extent thereof, names of the parties concerned, and a statement of the action of the Department thereon. He said: This also is a consolidation of two motions which were made last Session, to one, and perhaps to both, of which I believe returns are yet wanted.

Mr. PATERSON (Brant). Would the hon. Minister say whether there is any change in the regulation with reference to the equivalent of bushels of wheat to the barrel of flour from what existed some time ago; and if so, what the equivalent is now?

Mr. BOWELL. There has been no change in the Order in Council since it was brought down last Session; consequently, the equivalent in flour has not received any consideration.

Motion agreed to.

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER OF CANADA.

Mr. BLAKE, in moving for copies of all Orders in Council, correspondence, commissions and instructions touching the appointment of the present High Commissioner of Canada in London; and touching the discharge of the duties of the Minister of Railways during his absence in England as High Commissioner; and touching the discharge of the duties of the High Commissioner during his absence in Canada as Minister of Railways, said: It will be within the recollection of the House that during the course of last Session it was considered an open secret that the Minister of Railways was to become High Commissioner. I made enquiry on that subject, and the right hon. gentleman answered me in a diplomatic manner, by informing me that no offer had been made to the hon. gentleman, and consequently there had been no acceptance of the offer. Of course, an understanding had been reached, because,