

I will have the necessary information got out as early as possible, but it will take some considerable time to supply all the details asked for.

As soon as it is prepared I will forward it to you.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. J. BRYDGES,

Managing Director.

To *W. B. Lindsay*, Esquire  
Clerk, House of Commons, *Ottawa*.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Census Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses, in the current fiscal year, from 1st July, 1870, to 18th February, 1871. (*Sessional Papers No. 13.*)

And also, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 17th February, 1871; for a statement shewing the amount of American silver withdrawn from circulation through the action of the Government, and the details of all expenses incurred in effecting such withdrawal; and also, a statement shewing the total amount of the new issue of silver coin, and the amount of each denomination, the fineness of silver used, the cost of coinage, and the profit to the Government resulting from the issue. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

On motion of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That the Public Accounts of the Dominion of *Canada*, for the fiscal year, ended 30th June, 1870; the Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 17th February, 1871, for a statement shewing the amount of American silver withdrawn from circulation, and also, statement shewing the total amount of the new issue of silver coin; and the statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses in the current fiscal year, from 1st July, 1870, to 18th February, 1871, be referred to that Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, the Honorable Messieurs *Macdonald (Cornwall)*, *McDougall (Lanark)*, *Gray*, *Dorion*, *Smith*, *Blanchet*, *Tupper*, *Morris*, *Howe*, *Chauveau*, *Campbell* and *Anglin*, Messieurs *Barthe* and *Dufresne*, the Honorable Sir *Alexander T. Galt*, Messieurs *Street*, *Cartwright* and *Mills*, be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate communicating to their Honors the foregoing Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* do carry the said Message to the Senate.