

praised in the other House. It is the practice followed in Ireland, and with very good results.

Mr. BLAKE. I agree with the general principle of the proposal. For a long time I was desirous to see something done in this direction and I desire to see more done, but my impression is that this proposal will lead to consequences not altogether foreseen. It may be that sentences for certain crimes will prove inadequate, having regard to a very large increase of remission. I had, when Minister of Justice, elaborated to some extent a plan and was only deterred from presenting it by one consideration—that was, the much larger measure, not in principle, but in degree of the power it gave to the warden. If we provided much longer minimum sentences than now and a greater remission than even now proposed, we would largely increase the stimulus to good behavior; but if the remission be increased, and the minimum of sentences remains the same, the result will be that the penalty inflicted will be less than the crime deserved. I would rather recommend that the minimum of sentences be increased, with the view to a greater remission for good behavior. Of course no change could be made, for it would involve the rearranging of the minimum sentences for crimes, but I merely throw out the suggestion for consideration.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. I quite agree with the hon. gentleman. The hon. Minister of Justice, in his consolidation does not propose to make it a mere consolidation, but will consider such amendments as have been suggested, and I will take care this suggestion be brought under his notice.

Bill reported.

DOMINION LANDS—SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD, in moving Concurrence to the amendments made by the Senate to Bill (No. 45) further to amend and to consolidate, as so amended, the several Acts respecting the lands of the Dominion therein mentioned, said: The only amendment is a verbal one, which provides that mining regulations, instead of lying on the Table of the House for one month before they come in force, shall take effect from time to time on being adopted, but they shall be placed on the Table within the first fifteen days after the commencement of the Session. This amendment shows greater confidence in the Administration, and it was moved in the Senate at the suggestion of a leading member of the Opposition.

Mr. BLAKE. I am sorry to say that I cannot accept that amendment here. I beg, therefore, to move that this House disagree with the amendment as to the mining and coal land regulations, for the reason that it is not fitting to abandon the existing measure of Parliamentary control over such regulations.

Amendment (Mr. Blake) negatived on a division.

THIRD READING.

The following Bill was read the second time, considered in Committee, reported, and read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 95) further to amend the Interpretation Act.—(Sir John A. Macdonald.)

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD moved the adjournment of the House.

Motion agreed to; and (at 1 o'clock a.m.) the House adjourned.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

SATURDAY, 19th May, 1883.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

PRAYERS.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE DEBATES.

Mr. WHITE (Cardwell) moved the adoption of the sixth report of the Committee appointed to supervise the Official Report of the Debates of the House during the present Session.

Motion agreed to.

EXPIRING LAWS.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. In conformity with the report of the Committee on Expiring Laws, I beg leave to introduce Bill (No. 133) to continue for a limited time the Acts therein mentioned. There are only two Acts, which are connected with the Criminal Laws: The first is an Act passed in the forty-first year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled: An Act for the better prevention of crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament; and the second, an Act passed in the forty-third year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled: An Act respecting the administration of criminal justice in the territory in dispute between the Governments of the Province of Ontario and the Dominion of Canada.

Bill read the first time.

SALARIES OF JUDGES.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD moved that the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:

That it is expedient to provide:—

1. That the salary of the additional Judge of the Courts of Appeal for Ontario, for whose appointment provision is made by an Act of the Legislature of that Province, 46 Vict., chap. 6, shall be \$5,000 per annum.
2. That if the Chief Justice of the Queen's Bench, the Chancellor of Ontario, or the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, is appointed to the Court of Appeal for Ontario, the Governor in Council may direct that he be paid a salary not less than that he previously enjoyed as such Chief Justice or Chancellor.
3. That the third section (respecting retiring allowances to Judges) of the Act 31 Vict., chap. 33, shall extend and apply to the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Ontario, and of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Prince Edward Island.
4. That the salaries of the Judges of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, shall be as follows:—

	Per annum.
The Chief Justice of the said Court	\$6,000.00
Eleven Puisné Judges of the said Court, whose residences are fixed at Montreal or Quebec, each.....	5,000.00
Thirteen Puisné Judges of the said Court, whose residences are fixed within districts other than Bonaventure or Gaspé, or Saguenay, each.....	4,000.00
Two Puisné Judges of the said Court, whose residences are fixed within the districts of Bonaventure and Gaspé, or Saguenay, each.....	3,500.00

5. That the salary of the County Court Judge of the Eastern Judicial District of Manitoba shall be \$2,000 per annum for his first three years of service, and \$2,500 per annum after such three years of service, and that he shall be paid such travelling allowance as the Governor in Council may from time to time determine.

6. That the salaries and allowances mentioned in the preceding Resolutions 1, 3, 4 and 5 shall take effect on, from and after the next, and shall be computed and payable in the manner provided by the second section of the said Act, 31 Vict., chap. 33, without an annual vote of Parliament, as shall also the salary of the Chief Justice or Chancellor of Ontario mentioned in the second Resolution.