

By the Honourable Mr. Perley :—

1898.

- 4 March 16—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General ; praying that His Excellency will cause to be presented to the Senate, copies of all telegrams and letters passing between any member of the Government and the High Commissioner relating to Mr. Hamilton Smith, and all papers, communications and documents, the contents of which led or induced the Government to send such telegrams or letters.

For Monday, 21st March, 1898.

By the Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell, K.C.M.G. :—

- 1 February 14—That a special Committee of the Senate be appointed—

1. To inquire into the amount, source, and expenditure of all subsidies granted to the Drummond County Railway Company, and of all other moneys received and expended by the said company, and the times and manner of such expenditure.

2. The capital stock of the company, proceeds of all sales of same by the company, subscriptions of stock, names of subscribers, amounts subscribed, calls made thereon, and amounts paid on same, transfers of stock from time to time, and to whom.

3. The financial position of the company, its liabilities, matured or accruing, inclusive of bonds sold and their proceeds, of loans, or advances made to or by the company, and the application of the same, together with particulars of all guarantees or endorsements given to or by the company in relation thereto.

4. The particulars of all offers, or negotiations for the sale, lease or transfer of the company's property.

5. The classification and condition of said railway and equipment, at any time or times, together with all matters and things relating to the said Drummond County Railway Company, inclusive of all negotiations and dealings with the Government of Canada in reference to the said company.

Said Committee to be as follows :—The Honourable Messieurs Clemow, Cox, De Boucherville, Ferguson, Kirchhoffer, King, Loughheed, Landry, Miller, Mills, Macdonald (B.C.), Power, Prowse, Primrose, Thibaudeau (de la Vallière), Wood, and the mover ; with power to send for papers, persons, and records, and to employ such persons as the Committee may deem necessary for the purposes of the said investigation, and to report from time to time.

By the Honourable Mr. Poirier :—

- 2 March 16—That he will inquire of the Government if it is true, as reported in the public press, that the Canadian High Commissioner in London has been sent to Berlin in connection with the lapsing, in July next, of the Anglo-German treaty of Commerce, and what is the nature of his instructions ?

Also, whether it is the intention of the Government to send Lord Stratheona to Belgium, France and other European countries for the same object ?