

Dominion of Canada, praying for the passing of an Act to authorise them to construct a Railway westward, from Lake Nipissing through Fort Garry to British Columbia, with a terminus on the Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes.

DIVORCE.

Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills having reported that rules had been complied with in case of petition of J. Robert Martin.

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL introduced a Bill for the relief of same.

Second reading 16th May, when petitioner appears at Bar of House.

PRINTING.

Hon. Mr. SANBORN presented two reports from the Joint Committee on Printing. Consideration on Monday next.

REVENUES.

Hon. Mr. BUREAU referred to the necessity of having, in accordance with the notice which he had given for an address, a detailed statement of the revenue arising from duties of Customs and other revenues of every kind proceeding from each of the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, from the Union, or from the admission of the Province into the Union, until the 30th June, 1871, and of the expenses of collection of such revenues, distinguishing the articles imported and exported and the duties paid thereon, in each of the said Provinces, from the said dates to the 30th June, 1871, and the corresponding expenses of collection of such duties to the said date. He then withdrew his motion.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Hon. Mr. MACFARLANE asked whether the Report of the Geological Survey will be submitted to Parliament and when?

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL—In a few days.

FISHERIES.

Hon. Mr. HAZEN asked: What was the expenditure incurred by the Dominion Government in protecting the Fisheries during the last season, and whether they can form any approximate estimate of the expenditure of the Home Government for the like service?

Hon. Mr. MITCHELL replied: The estimated cost of the Marine Police for the protection of the Fishery was during the past year about \$84,000. With regard to the second branch of the question as to whether Government can form any ap-

proximate estimate of the expenditure of the Home Government for the like service, he stated that he could not give any reliable data on which to estimate the cost of such service but he is satisfied that it must amount to several hundreds of thousands of dollars.

ANNUITIES.

Hon. Mr. WARK moved that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause such measures to be taken as will enable the Minister of Finance to convert into Life Annuities such portions of the Public Debt as may, from time to time be found necessary to meet the requirements of persons seeking such means of investment. In making the motion he stated that he had known very many persons, men and women well advanced in years, widows and orphans, and others, suffer heavy losses on account of the mismanagement and dishonesty of persons to whom they had entrusted their moneys, and he thought it very advisable to establish the system in question, which would afford a fund where parties could find a safe investment. It was now sixty years since the system had been established in England, and it was now working admirably, although some losses were sustained, at the outset by the Government, on account of the trickery of stock jobbers; but such result need not be feared in this country, as the operation of the law could be well guarded.

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL replied that the Minister of Finance had now the power to make the provision in question, and intended offering some amendments in the same direction during the present session. Under these circumstances, the hon. gentleman would probably consent to withdraw his motion.

Hon. Mr. WARK consented.

IMMIGRATION.

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL introduced a Bill to provide for the incorporation of Immigration Aid Societies.

PUBLIC LANDS.

The Bill in reference to the above subject was deferred until Monday next, French copy not being ready.

LARCENY OF STAMPS.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL, the Bill in reference to Stamps was read a third time, and sent back to the House of Commons.

The House then adjourned.