

amend and consolidate, and to extend to the whole Dominion of *Canada* the Laws respecting the Inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.

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 Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the *Canada Pacific* Railway.

The Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of the said Resolutions, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that a Railway to be called The *Canadian Pacific* Railway be constructed in pursuance of and in conformity with the agreement made between the Dominion and the Province of *British Columbia* and embodied in the Order of the Queen in Council admitting the said Province into the Union, under the 146th section of the *British North America* Act, 1867.

2. *Resolved*, That such Railway shall extend from some point on or near *Lake Nipissing*, to some point on the shore of the *Pacific* Ocean, the course and line thereof to be subject to the approval of the Governor in Council.

3. *Resolved*, That the whole line of such Railway be constructed and worked by one Company, to be approved of and agreed with by the Governor in Council, and be commenced within two years and completed within ten years from the admission of *British Columbia* into the Dominion.

4. *Resolved*, That the Land Grant to such Company to secure the construction and working of the Railway shall not exceed fifty million acres, in blocks of twenty miles in depth on each side of the line of the Railway in *Manitoba*, the *North West Territories* and *British Columbia*, alternating with blocks of like depth reserved for the Government of the Dominion, and to be sold by it, and the proceeds of such sale applied towards reimbursing to the Dominion the sums expended by it on the construction of the said Railway:—such lands to be granted from time to time as any portion of the Railway is completed, in proportion to the length, difficulty of construction and cost of such portion: and in *Ontario* such land grant to be subject to the arrangement which may be made in that behalf by the Government of the Dominion with the Government of that Province: Provided that if the total quantity of land in the alternate blocks to be so granted to the Company should be less than fifty million acres, then the Government may, in its discretion, grant to the Company such additional quantity of land elsewhere as will make up, with such alternate blocks, a quantity not exceeding fifty million acres; and in the case of such additional grant, a quantity of land elsewhere equal to such additional grant shall be reserved and disposed of by the Government for the same purposes as the alternate blocks to be reserved as aforesaid by the Government on the line of the Railway.

5. *Resolved*, That the subsidy or aid in money to be granted to such Company be such sum not exceeding thirty millions dollars in the whole as may be agreed upon between the Government and the Company; the Company allowing the cost of the surveys of the line in 1871-72, as part of such subsidy:—and that the Governor in Council be authorized to raise by loan such sum as may be required to pay such subsidy.

6. *Resolved*, That the gauge of the Railway be four feet eight inches and a half: and the grades, materials and mode of construction such as the Government and Company shall agree upon.

7. *Resolved*, That the Government may make such agreement as aforesaid with any Company approved by the Governor in Council, and being incorporated with power