

Judge of the judicial district, a Judge of the Session of the Peace, a Prothonotary, the Registrar of the county or registration division, as the Governor in Council may appoint."

Mr. HALL. I think the district magistrates should be included, because, though they are not numerous, they would be very valuable officers for this purpose.

Mr. GIROUARD (Jacques Cartier). I quite agree with the hon. gentleman on that point.

Clause amended by inserting "Stipendiary Magistrate of the district."

On section 26,

Mr. CURRAN. Formerly in Montreal, the law prohibited any but restaurant licenses. Now saloon licenses are allowed. The experience there was that if the saloons were dispensed with, it would give rise to unlimited selling without license. It was the temperance people who first sought to isolate altogether in the city, the liquor traffic by stating people would go into a restaurant to get a drink who would not go into a saloon. After the experience of a great many years, the establishment of saloons was agreed to on the grounds of public policy.

Mr. ROSS (Middlesex). This is to dispense with the accommodations of saloons established under some other clause. I move that section 2 be struck out as the opening of mere groggeries in our docks and seaport towns will be a source of mischief.

Mr. DALY. I do not see the force of the hon. member's objection. The Board is supposed to exercise a judicious discretion, and we can leave this to their discretion.

Bill reported.

Sir LEONARD TILLEY moved the adjournment of the House.

Motion agreed to, and (at 4:40 o'clock a.m.) the House adjourned.

## HOUSE OF COMMONS,

TUESDAY, 22nd May, 1883.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

PRAYERS.

### FURTHER SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

Sir LEONARD TILLEY presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor General.

Mr. SPEAKER read the Message, as follows:—

LOBBE.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Commons, further Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the Service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1884, and, in accordance with the provisions of The British North America Act, 1867, he recommends these Estimates to the Houses of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, 19th May, 1883.

Ordered, that the said Message, with accompanying Estimates, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

### QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

Mr. LANDRY. Before the Orders of the Day are called, I desire to correct a statement made in the last issue of the *Montreal Gazette*, with regard to the deepening of Lake St. Peter. This paper said:

"The only opposition to the resolution was made by Mr. Robertson of Hamilton, and Landry, the one representing the jealousy of Montreal

entertained in Western Ontario, the other the jealousy of Quebec city; the ground of objection by these gentlemen being that the expenditure on the channel is solely in the interest of Montreal."

Mr. SPEAKER. I never took such a position. I did not discuss the matter from a sectional point of view, and I deny in the most emphatic manner the statement of the *Montreal Gazette*.

Mr. BLAKE. We are now at the end of one Session, and I hope we shall commence another Session with a practice of careful abstinence from any references to what the newspapers say of our Parliamentary action. It is very difficult to keep them all right. They will make mistakes, and we had better understand that, and not attempt to correct them here.

### FISHING BY FOREIGN VESSELS.

Mr. DOWELL, in introducing Bill (No. 143) to extend to British Columbia the Act relating to fishing by foreign vessels, said: My reason for introducing this Bill is that the notice of the Government has been called to the fact that foreign fishermen have been encroaching upon the British Columbia in-shore fisheries; and as the British Columbia fishermen are not entitled to any advantages arising from the Treaty of Washington, not being allowed to take their fish free into the United States, and as this Act has never been applicable to that Province, it is advisable that the Act should be extended to British Columbia, in order that the Government may be enabled, as far as possible, to protect the in-shore fisheries of that Province.

Bill read the first and second times, considered in Committee, reported and read the third time and passed.

### ST. JOHN BRIDGE AND RAILWAY EXTENSION COMPANY.

Sir LEONARD TILLEY moved the second reading of Bill (No. 138) to provide for advances to be made by the Government of Canada, to the St. John Bridge and Railway Extension Company.

Bill read the second time, considered in Committee, and reported.

On motion for third reading,

Mr. BLAKE. I made some suggestions as to the defects of the Bill, which I am sorry to see were not adopted. I only wish to record my own view, and beg to move in amendment:

That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, to amend it by providing that the advance to be made by the Government, shall be a first charge in the undertaking; that the tolls to be charged shall be equal to all companies and persons using the bridge; that all persons and companies shall have equal rights of user, without any preference or advantage to any one over any other; that the tariff and tolls and the regulations for the user of the bridge shall be subject to the approval of, and to revision by the Governor in Council,

Sir LEONARD TILLEY. The Bill contains an equality clause, by which all companies connected with it are to be treated alike; therefore, that part is met by the provisions of the Bill.

Amendment negatived on a division; and Bill read the third time and passed.

### SUPERANNUATION.

Sir LEONARD TILLEY moved the third reading of Bill (No. 91) to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the superannuation of persons employed in the Civil Service of Canada.

Mr. ROSS (Middlesex). At this late hour I will not inflict on the House the speech I would like to have made