

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* reported, from the Committee of the Whole House to consider certain proposed Resolutions providing for the increase of the Salaries of Members of the Privy Council, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase the salaries of the President of the Privy Council, the Minister of Justice, the Minister of Militia and Defence, the Postmaster General, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Customs, the Minister of Inland Revenue, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State for the Provinces, the Minister of the Interior, the Minister of Agriculture, the Minister of Public Works, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, and the Receiver General, to the sum of seven thousand dollars per annum. Such increase to commence from 1st January last.

2. *Resolved*, That in addition to such salary, the Member of the Privy Council holding the recognized position of first Minister should receive the salary of one thousand dollars per annum, to commence from 1st January last.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolutions ;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Wood*, That in the opinion of this House it is not expedient to increase the salaries of Ministers of the Crown in the manner proposed ; that uniformity in amount is unnecessary, as the heads of the less important Departments are now sufficiently paid with \$5,000 per annum ; and that the Resolutions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole with instructions to graduate the salaries, so that the aggregate amount shall not exceed \$75,000 ; And a Debate arising thereupon :—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolutions :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill for the re-adjustment of the Salaries and allowances of the Judges and other Public Functionaries and officers, and of the indemnity to the Members of the Senate and the House of Commons.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time ; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* reported, from the Committee of the Whole House to consider certain proposed Resolutions providing for the issue of five per cent. Dominion Debentures to the amount of \$1,200,000, for the relief of the *Quebec Harbor Trust*, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to direct the issue of five per cent. Dominion Debentures, to the amount of \$1,200,000 for the relief of the *Quebec Harbor Trust*, and to be applied as follows, viz. :—

(1.) So much as may be necessary to be applied to the redemption of the outstanding securities issued by the Commissioners brought in for redemption. Interest to cease on those not so brought before 1st October, 1873.

(2.) The remaining sum to be advanced from time to time to meet payments to be made on account of improvement in the said Harbor, such improvements having been previously sanctioned by the Governor in Council, on the joint report of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the Minister of Public Works.

2. *Resolved*, That upon the payment or advance of any loan by the Government, for any such purpose as aforesaid, the Commissioners of the said Harbor shall deposit with the Receiver General their own bonds bearing five per cent. interest and one per cent. for a sinking fund for the same amount ; the sinking fund so established being kept