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The Committee also recommend that the extra number of Copies required for the above purpose be printed.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Militia," was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, the following amendments were made to the Bill.

4. The following paragraph is hereby added to and shall form and be read as part of the fourteenth section of the Act passed in the twenty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act respecting the Volunteer Militia Force," that is to say, "and each Non-commissioned Officer and Private shall be paid for each day's actual and *bonâ fide* drill ordered by the Commander in Chief, not exceeding sixteen days in each year, the sum of fifty cents, but such payment shall be made only upon proof of compliance with such regulations touching such drill, and the efficiency of Volunteer Corps, and of the Non-commissioned Officers and men thereof, as the Commander in Chief shall from time to time see fit to make, defining what shall be deemed an efficient Volunteer Corps."

"5. The Thirty-seventh section of the said Act, intituled, 'An Act respecting the 'Volunteer Militia Force,' is hereby repealed; and the following section shall, in lieu thereof, be taken and read as the Thirty-seventh section of the last-mentioned Act, that is to say:

"37. The Commander in Chief may, by General Order, from time to time appoint a Board or Boards to be constituted either of three or more officers of Her Majesty's Regular Army or of the Volunteers of whom one shall be a Field Officer, and to be held at such place as is therein specified, to examine any such officers of the Volunteers as may desire to have investigated their knowledge of and proficiency in drill and military duties generally; and upon any such examination the said Board or Boards shall report the result thereof to the Commander in Chief, and shall, after the approval thereof by him, deliver to any such officer as may have satisfactorily passed such examination, a certificate thereof, which said certificate shall be recorded in a book to be kept for that purpose in the office of the Adjutant General of Militia, and the certificate thereafter delivered to the officer so examined, and the fact of such examination and certificate shall be notified in General Orders, and the said section shall be construed and have effect as if it had formed part of the said Act at the time of the passing thereof, instead of the section hereby repealed, and for which it is substituted."

Mr. *Dorion* (*Drummond* and *Arthabaska*) moved, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be further amended by adding the following clause thereto: