On motion of the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Scott, it was

Ordered, That the renewal declaration of property qualification of the Honourable John Ferguson, as certified to have been received by the Clerk, be deemed sufficient.

On motion of the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, seconded by the Honourable Mr.

Ordered, That the Clerk be authorized to receive from the Honourable Messieurs Macfarlane, Drummond and Kirchhoffer the renewal declaration of their property qualification.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by their Clerk, in the following words:-

> House of Commons, Monday, 14th September, 1896.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate informing their Honours that this House has appointed Messieurs Bain, Borden (Halifax), Bourassa, Caron (Sir Adolphe), Clarke, Davies, Davin, Flint, Foster, Fraser (Guysborough), Laurier, Lount, McNeill, Monk, and Scriver, to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Ordered. That the Clerk of the House do carry the said Message to the Senate.

Attest.

J. G. BOURINOT. Clerk of the Commons.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by their Clerk, with a Bill (18) intituled: "An Act for granting to Her Majesty the sum of \$446,500, required for defraying certain expenses in connection with the annual drill of the Militia during the financial year ending the 30th June, 1897," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

On motion of the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Scott, it was

Ordered, That the Forty-first Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill.

On motion of the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Scott, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a second time. The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

On motion of the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Scott, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that the Senate have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (A) intituled: "An Act to amend the Railway Act;"

On motion of the Honourable Mr. McCallum, seconded by the Honourable Mr.

McLaren, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow, and that it do then stand as the First Item on the Orders of that day.