latpness of the season, could only be secured in a rough manner, and being left in an imperfect state it has nearly disappeared. We cannot do the whole of this with $4,000, but we will secure the work in such a way as to make it serviceable and prevent it being carried away by the waves.

Mr. ANGLIN. The way in which this work has been managed does not reflect much credit on the Government as a whole. When hon. gentlemen came into office the work was discontinued, because the contractor had broke down. I made an application to the Minister of Public Works to expend the balance of the appropriation, but he refused to do more than expend sufficient money to make the works secure. The work is an important one, in view of the large number of fishing vessels in the locality. I hope the works as proposed will be carried out, and that the breakwater will be run out into the deep water.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. I am sorry I was unable to visit this place last summer, otherwise I would have been more *au fait* with the situation there. I may be able to judge of the work. This sum, however, will be sufficient to keep the works from being injured.

393. Harbors and Piers in the Province of Quebec $29,500

Mr. ROGERS. I presume the amount of $2,000 for breakwater in Rusher Bay is for the enlargement of the breakwater at Anderson Hollow.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. It is for an addition to the wharf.

Mr. ROGERS. I understand that a petition has been forwarded to the Government asking for money to build a breakwater to protect a wharf at another place a short distance from the one already in course of construction.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. There has been such a petition. This grant is for an addition to the one already begun.

394. Harbors and Rivers, Ontario............ ... $138,450

Mr. MILLS. Is it intended to begin the work at Morpeth for which an appropriation was taken some time ago.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. It is not the intention to begin the work.

In reply to Mr. MILLS,

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. The work on the Sydenham River will be the removal of obstructions between Wallaceburg, Dresden and Wilkesport.

Mr. GILLIES. I wish to draw the attention of the hon. Minister to the fact that some parties in my section of the country expected that an appropriation would have appeared in the Estimates for the improvement of Inverhuron Harbor. The Minister of Public Works promised on a certain occasion that he would keep this harbor in mind, but nothing has been done in relation to it. It requires improvement, and it has been recognized as one which they should take up.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. There is a grant for Wiarton Harbor, but unfortunately Inverhuron was one of the harbors on the list which was not adopted in Council.

398 Hydrographic Survey, River St. Lawrence, Quebec to Cap à la Roche $7,500

Sir RICHARD J. CARTWRIGHT. I thought that had all been done by the British Navy engineer.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. This is in consequence of one of the steamers of the Allan Line having been totally wrecked there. A demand was made on the Government to have a careful survey made of that portion of the coast in order that he might see what obstacles should be removed, and whether any buoys or lighthouses should be erected.

403. For erection of Mounted Police Barracks......... $30,000

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. These barracks will all be erected at the capital of the North-West; and as we intend having the capital selected in a short time, we shall be able soon to give out the contracts.

Mr. ANGLIN. You intend to abandon Battleford ?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. For that purpose.

Resolutions ordered to be reported, and (at 2:20 a.m.,) House adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THURSDAY, 11th May, 1882.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

PRAYERS.

REDISTRIBUTION OF SEATS.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD moved that the House again resolve itself into Committee on Bill (No. 158) to readjust the representation in the House of Commons, and for other purposes.

Motion agreed to; and House resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. With regard to the 12th section of the 2nd clause, respecting the electoral district of Muskoka and Parry Sound, I should prefer any discussion on some proposed changes postponed for the present. It is thought more convenient that the township of Ridout, which is now in North Victoria, ought to be, for convenience sake, placed in the north riding of Ontario. It is now united for municipal purposes with Maclean. I move that the 12th section be adopted.

Mr. BLAKE. I did not hear anything about an intention to change the connection of the township of Ridout; but an amendment was proposed adding also the townships to the northward of the said electoral district to it. The statement was that that was an undefined enlargement of the electoral district; and it was suggested that an effort should be made to ascertain the municipal limits of Muskoka and Parry Sound. Obviously, when you mention certain districts like this, and in a way which we notice, you are dealing with a wholly undefined area.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. It can be provided that certain townships shall form the constituency and such other townships as may hereafter be here laid down to the north of the said electoral district; that must mean, if they lie to the north of any other electoral district. It cannot mean townships lying to the north of Muskoka.

Mr. BLAKE. I do not mean that the extension was indefinite in its latitude, but in its longitude. It does not matter that they are laid out consecutively to the north. If there is a considerable portion of Ontario to the north of this electoral district here defined, then it is quite clear that township will be left out, one does not know where.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. I find a good deal of difficulty about that, but if this clause is allowed to pass, by the time of the third reading I will try to define the district. In relation to section 17, some changes are proposed: in the east riding of Muskoka the township of Gibson is left out, and it is proposed to insert these words : "and all that part of the territorial district of Muskoka lying to the south of the township of Hagerman, and east of Medora and Watt. " Part of that county is unsurveyed.