

Bill (133) "An Act to amend the 'Indian Advancement Act,' Chap. 44 of the Revised Statutes." (Mr. Abbott.)

The Senate adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Wednesday, April 30th, 1890.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

THIRD READING.

Bill (124), "An Act respecting H. H. Vivian Company, Limited." (Mr. McKindsey.)

THE WALKER RELIEF BILL.

MOTION.

HON. MR. SANFORD moved—

That the fee of \$200 paid to the Clerk of this House by Emily Walker, in presenting her petitions for an Act to dissolve her marriage with Alfred Percy Walker, be refunded to her, less the expenses incurred. Also, all the exhibits filed by petitioner at the hearing of the evidence.

HON. MR. KAULBACH—This is a special motion, and requires notice to be given. I am not saying that I will oppose the motion. The money has been returned in some cases, and possibly there may be no reason why it should not be done in this, but I object to this motion without regular notice being given.

HON. MR. DICKEY—It has been the ordinary practice to make such motions without notice.

HON. MR. POWER—The motion cannot be put without notice when there is an objection.

HON. MR. KAULBACH—I raise the point of order.

THE SPEAKER—It has been the practice in other cases, undoubtedly, to return the fee, on a motion, without special notice being given.

HON. MR. MILLER—Not invariably.

THE SPEAKER—I think it would be more regular for the hon. gentleman to give notice.

HON. MR. SANFORD—I will allow the motion to stand as a notice.

HON. MR. CLENOW—I was about to make a similar motion in the Clapp divorce case.

HON. MR. POWER—The balance will be the other way in the Clapp divorce. It would be more in order to ask Mr. Clapp to pay over the balance. The costs must be nearly one thousand dollars in his case.

FISHERIES OF RICHELIEU AND BERTHIER.

MOTION.

HON. MR. GUEVREMONT moved,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of all Departmental orders relating to the Fisheries of the Counties of Richelieu and Berthier, and a copy of all correspondence had since 1887 between the Department of Fisheries and the Fishery officers of the said counties on this subject.

The motion was agreed to.

INLAND REVENUE ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

THIRD READING.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Bill (133) "An Act further to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, Chap. 34 of the Revised Statutes."

(In the Committee.)

HON. MR. ABBOTT said: The amendments to this Act, included in the Bill now before the House, are now almost without exception purely technical, making alterations to meet attempts at evasions which prevail frequently in connection with the trades that are governed by this law.

On the 9th clause,—

HON. MR. POWER said: This clause seems to be a rather tyrannical one; there is a penalty attached to it. The clause is as follows:—

"263. Whenever any stamped box, bag, vessel, wrapper or envelope of any kind, containing tobacco or cigars, is emptied, the stamp or stamps thereon, and, in the case of cigars, the package also, shall be destroyed by the person in whose hands the same is."

It just means that if one buys a box of cigars he is bound, under a penalty of \$200, when the cigars have been disposed of, to destroy the box. Now, I think that