Mr. LANGEVIN laid before the House,—Annual Report of the Minister of Public Works of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year 1st July, 1878, to the 30th June. 1879.

MR. MASSON laid before the House, -Report on the state of the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1879.

Mr. POPE (Queen's, P.E.I.) laid before the House,—Twelfth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, being for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1879.

Mr. MACDONALD (Pictou), laid before the House,—Report of the Minister of Justice as to Penitentiaries in Canada, for the year ended 30th June, 1879.

Mr. BABY laid before the House,— Report, Returns and Statistics of the Inland Revenues of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June. 1879.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 2) To repeal the Acts respecting 1nsolvency now in force in Canada. - (Mr.

Bill (No. 3) To repeal the Acts respecting Insolvency now in force in the Dominion. —(Mr.

Bechard.)

Bill (No. 5) to legalise the marriage with the sister of a deceased wife. - (Mr. Girouard, Jacques Cartier.)

PETROLEUM INSPECTION LAW AMEND-MENT BILL.

(Mr. Colby.)

FIRST READING.

Mr. COLBY introduced a Bill (No. 4) To amend the law regulating the inspection of petroleum and the products thereof.

Mr. MACKENZIE: Will the hon. member explain what he proposes in this Bill?

Mr. COLBY: The object of amendment is simply to change that portion of the law which affects the "foreign" test of petroleum. In the law as it now stands, there are two tests, one for domestic, and the other for foreign oil. It is touching that point.

Mr. ANGLIN: The hon. member does not say in what direction.

Mr. Langevin.

MR. COLBY: In the direction of uniformity and safety.

Bill read the first time.

CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

JUDGE'S REPORT.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the Controverted Elections Act, 1874, a judgment in the matter of the Controverted Election for the Electoral District of Richelieu, declar ing the sitting Member duly elected.

PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE-JOHN A. MACDONELL.

ORDER FOR ATTENDANCE MADE.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD moved that the Journals of the 12th and 13th May, 1879, be read.

Motion agreed to and Journals read

accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that, in obedience to the order passed on the 12th May, 1879, he had issued his summons for the attendance of John A. Macdonell at the Bar of this House, and that he had received from H. Vincent Green, an affidavit, setting forth that, on the 15th May, 1879, he personally served the said John A. Macdonell, with a copy of the said summons.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD: Mr. Speaker, we remember that last Session the motion which I made was made on May 12th, the House was prorogued two days afterwards—the 15th—on which day you, Mr. Speaker, acquainted the House that you in obedience with the order of the House had issued a summons for the attendance of Mr. John A. Macdonell at the bar of this House, and that you had received an affidavit that a copy of the summons had been personally served on Mr. Macdonell. Now, Sir, I move that Mr. John A. Macdonell be summoned to attend at the bar of this House on to-morrow week.

Motion agreed to.

REMOVAL OF THE LATE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF QUEBEC.

MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD deliv-