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the 54th section of the British North America Act, it should first have been recommended by message from the Crown, and that it should have originated in committee of the whole ; Mr. Speaker reserves his decision, 96. Decides that as the Bill is merely declaratory, and proposes no appropriation of money or charge on the people, the objection is void, 112.

12. Mr. Speaker (in connection with the last preceding decision) calls attention as to the principle carried out in the Imperial Parliament, "that no private member is permitted to propose an Imperial Tax upon the people,"—and intimates his intention to enforce the observance of this Rule hereafter, 112.

13. A motion to recommit the Customs Bill, to repeal the duties on coal and certain other articles, having been amended by adding salt, grain, and meal,—a motion was then offered, that it is inexpedient this Session, to alter the duties on those articles, and objection being made to such motion, Mr. Speaker rules, that as the House has decided that those articles shall form part of the question, the last mentioned motion is not in order, 132.

14. A motion having been offered, in amendment to a motion connected with certain proceedings on the subject of the North-West Territory,—and objection having been made to it, on the ground that it is substantially the same as the main motion (though omitting certain matters of recital both of fact and of law),—Mr. Speaker decides that the amendment is in order, 137, 146.

15. The House being in committee of Supply, the chairman left the chair to submit a point of Order to Mr. Speaker,—who thereupon declared that under the Rules the chairman should himself decide points of Order in committee, 142.

16. Mr. Speaker decides (upon an objection raised) that the Bill to repeal the Insolvency Laws is not in order, as it is at variance with a Bill to amend the Insolvency Laws already passed by the House, and now before the Senate, 210.

17. Objection being taken to a motion, on the ground of want of Notice, Mr. Speaker decides that it rests with the House whether the notice shall be dispensed with or not, 249.

18. A motion to refer to a select committee a Return concerning a claim of George Sterling ; Mr. Speaker decides that the motion is in order, as the House can reject the report, if it should propose a payment of money not recommended by the Crown, 254.

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19. Objection raised to a motion having reference to the construction of the proposed Pacific Railway by means of private enterprise,—on the ground that a motion to the like effect had already been disposed of by the House ; Mr. Speaker decides that it is in order, as the previous motion referred to had been offered in amendment to another proposition, 265.

20. For an Address to Her Majesty in reference to the adjustment of the surplus debt between Ontario and Quebec ; Superseded by amendment, 62, 73.