

of judicial districts. District Registrars are to receive each not more than \$1,000. During the next year most likely two District Registrars will be appointed.

MR. BLAKE: In this connection I desire to make a remark bearing upon the future interests of that country. I think no more important measure could be devised for those interests than the one which would carry out the general principles of the Bill introduced by the hon. member for Bothwell (Mr. Mills), to promote the creating of evidence of titles to real estate there. It is time for the Government to consider that subject, with the view of adopting a policy for the easiest possible mode of transmitting real estate. It is obvious that the difficulties that beset the adoption of that system become greater with the lapse of time from which the patent issues. While we do not expect that a great deal of land will be patented, yet it is extremely important that the permanent system upon which that vast country is to be settled and estates transmitted for all time to come should be determined at an early period.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD: I agree that every means should be adopted to simplify and expedite the mode of transmitting estates and property in the North-West. That is the tendency in England and has been here.

Resolutions ordered to be reported.
House resumed.

(In the House.)

Resolutions reported, read the second time and concurred in.

WAYS AND MEANS.—THE TARIFF.

Order for the House to go again into Committee of Ways and Means (*Sir Samuel L. Tilley*) read.

SIR SAMUEL L. TILLEY: Before asking you to leave the Chair, Sir, I beg to state, for the information of the House, that, when we are going into Committee, I shall ask them to consider and adopt the following resolutions in amendment to the Tariff. I may say that two of the items contained in these amendments were omitted in the preparation of the schedule submitted on a former occasion. The others are matters that have received the consideration and the attention of the Government since the former resolutions were submitted.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD.

1. *Resolved*.—That it is expedient to provide, in addition to the provisions contained in the resolution of 10th March last, to further amend the Act 42 Vic., cap. 15, by the following additions to and alterations in the Schedule A of the said Act :—

1. After the item "Electro-plated ware," insert the words "Emery Wheels," twenty-five per cent. *ad valorem*.

2. After "Gloves and Mitts," insert the words "Gold and Silver Leaf," twenty-five per cent *ad valorem*.

3. In the item concerning "Malt" strike out the words "two cents per pound," and insert the words "fifteen cents per bushel, upon entry for warehouse, subject to Excise Regulations."

4. After the item "Paints and Colors, ground in oil," insert the words "Paris Green, dry," ten per cent. *ad valorem*."

5. Under the heading "Wools and Wool-lens," in the item "Felt for Boots and Shoes," after the word "Shoes" insert the words "and Skirts."

6. Under the heading "Gunpowder and other explosives," after the item concerning "Nitro Glycerine," insert the words "Provided that a draw-back of one and a-half cents per pound may be allowed and paid on all blasting powder actually used by miners in the Province of British Columbia, during three years next after the first day of April, 1880."

7. In the item "Soap, common, brown and yellow," after the word "cent," add the words "and a-half."

2. *Resolved*.—That it is expedient further to amend the Schedule of Free Goods, as follows :
Embossed Books for the Blind.

From the item concerning "Colors," strike out the word "Castile" and the words "Paris Green."

These are the propositions that, when we go into Committee, I intend to ask the House to consider ; but, before requesting you to leave the Chair, Sir, I wish to take advantage of the present opportunity of answering the strictures of hon. gentlemen opposite on the financial and trade policy of this Government. It has been my custom, as a member of the House, and as a member of the Local Legislature, in which I had a seat for many years, to discuss questions solely upon their merits. As in the submission of my financial statements in 1873 and 1879, so, in submitting my financial statement a few nights since, I avoided any reference, though my language has been designated as vituperative by hon. gentlemen opposite, to our predecessors, or the acts of the late Administration, feeling that it was only right and proper, in making a grave financial statement, to rest my case upon its merits and not fall back upon the shortcomings of our prede-