

Your Committee respectfully request that permission be granted them by The House to procure samples of liquors, as far as practicable, from every Province of the Dominion, and to have the same analyzed and reported upon by competent persons, and which the Committee believe will disclose a system of adulteration, immense in its extent, fatally destructive to health, mental and physical, (intensifying the deleterious effects of alcoholic beverage) and injurious in a degree but little suspected, to the revenues of the Dominion.

On motion of the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*,

*Ordered*, That Messieurs *Macdonald (Glengarry)* and *Colby* be added to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

*Ordered*, That Messieurs *Macdonald (Glengarry)* and *Caron* be added to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Pope*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to the change of the gauge of the Intercolonial Railway, and the other Government Railways in *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*.

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency the Governor General, having been informed of the subject matter of the said Resolutions, recommends it to the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to the change of the gauge of the Intercolonial Railway and the other Government Railways in *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Campbell* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* reported the Resolutions accordingly; and the same were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That it shall be lawful for the Governor General in Council to authorize and permit that the gauge of the Intercolonial Railway and other Government Railways in *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, or any part or portion of the same, be changed and altered from five feet six inches, and be made four feet eight and a-half inches.

2. *Resolved*, That it shall be lawful for the Governor General in Council to authorize and permit that a third rail be laid on the said Intercolonial Railway or on any of the other Government Railways in *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, or on any part or portion of any or all of the said Railways.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

The Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions on the subject of an increase of the Salaries of the Lieutenant Governors, Judges and others.

The Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency the Governor General, having been informed of the subject matter of the said Resolutions, recommends it to the consideration of the House.