

Department of Indian Affairs for the year ended 31st December, 1887. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Mr. Speaker laid before the House certain letters, affidavits and other papers relating to the dismissal of Messrs. *A. E. Poirier, E. Tremblay, and R. Tremblay*, who were, up to a recent period, employed as French Translators of the Official Debates of the House. (*Appendix No. 1.*)

On motion of Sir *Richard J. Cartwright*, seconded by Mr. *Charlton*,

*Resolved*, That the following Resolution, of which he gave notice in his place on Tuesday, 28th ultimo, be made the first Order of the Day on Wednesday, 7th March, and that the Debate thereon be given precedence *de die in diem* till concluded:—

That it is highly desirable that the largest possible freedom of Commercial intercourse should obtain between the Dominion of *Canada* and the *United States*, and that it is expedient that all articles manufactured in, or the natural products of either of the said countries should be admitted free of duty into the ports of the other (articles subject to duties of excise or of internal revenue alone excepted).

That it is further expedient that the Government of the Dominion should take steps at an early date to ascertain on what terms and conditions arrangements can be effected with the *United States* for the purpose of securing full and unrestricted reciprocity of trade therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *McCarthy* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Defective Letters Patent and the Discharge of Securities to the Crown.

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.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *McCarthy* have leave to bring in a Bill for the Protection of Railway Employés.

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.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *McCarthy* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "The *Canada Temperance Act.*"

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.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Kirkpatrick* have leave to bring in a Bill to permit American vessels to aid vessels wrecked or disabled in Canadian waters.

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.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate acquaint this House, That they have appointed the Honourable Messieurs *Casgrain, Dever, Girard, Gowan, Guéremont, Haythorne, Kaulbach, McClelan, McKindsey, McMillan, Macfarlane, Ogilvie, Pelletier, Read, Turner, Vidal and Wark*, a Committee to superintend the Printing of their House during the present Session; and to act on behalf of their House with the Committee of this House, as a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of Printing.

And also, the Senate acquaint this House, That they have appointed the Honourable Messieurs *Allin, Almon, Baillargem, Bellerose, Botsford, DeBoucherville, Gowan, Haythorne, Lacoste, Macpherson (Sir David Lewis), Miller, Odell, Poirier, Power, Ryan, Scott, Sullivan, Trudel and Wark*, a Committee to assist His Honour Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of