

By the Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell, K.C.M.G. :—

1898.

3 March 8—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General ; praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid on the Table of the Senate :

1. Copies of all complaints, whether by affidavit or otherwise, made against Mr. John Taylor, late postmaster of the city of Belleville.

2. Copies of all Orders in Council authorizing the reducing of the Post Office in Belleville from that of a city to a town office.

3. The names of the employees of said office who were dismissed, their ages, length of time each was in the service of the Government, the amount of gratuity paid to each who had not served ten years, over the amount of superannuation allowance allowed to each clerk who had served for ten years and over.

4. The names of those who were re-appointed, and the salaries now paid them, in addition to their superannuation allowance.

5. The reasons why Miss I. M. Newberry and W. B. Walker were not re-employed, and two new and inexperienced clerks appointed in their stead.

6. And copies of all correspondence, between members of the Reform Association of Belleville or any other person or persons, in relation to the reduction of said office from a town to a city office, the removal or dismissal of the postmaster or any of the clerks of said office, and copies of all records, if any, of the deputations which visited Ottawa in connection with the business of the said office.

By the Honourable Mr. Macdonald (B.C.) :—

INQUIRY.

4 March 8—Has the attention of the Government been directed to a memorial of the Board of Trade of Vancouver, British Columbia, with reference to the importation of sawn timber and shingles free of duty, and is it the intention to impose a duty this year on timber and shingles ?

By the Honourable Mr. Kirchhoffer :—

INQUIRY.

5 March 8—That he will inquire of the Government whether William Henry Sowden, of Souris, Manitoba, has been employed by any Department of the present Government, either as immigration agent or in any other capacity, and, if so, at what remuneration, what was the nature of the employment, how long it lasted, what was the sphere of his operations, and what were the results thereof ?

By the Honourable Mr. Miller :—

6 March 11—At whose instance, or on whose report or authority, did the Commissioner of Fisheries recommend to the Government the dismissal for incompetency of Alfred E. Lenoir, of Richmond County, in the Province of Nova Scotia ?

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7 March 11—That he will inquire of the Government whether any instructions were given to Major Walsh when sent to the Yukon District, and if so, of what character, whether oral or in writing, and whether such instructions will be laid before the Senate ?