

how they obtained their information, or they may give the name of the informer, and I think the mere mention of that fact is sufficient to show that, in cases of that kind at least, these reports should not be laid before Parliament. In many cases the Department itself never makes enquiries as to who the informers may be, for the simple reason that all we have to do is to investigate the facts and administer the law as we think it should be administered. I have no doubt that, before the House rises, I will be in a position to give the whole facts in connection with the case to which the hon. gentleman has called the attention of the House, and also the decision of the Department upon it. I trust that with this information the hon. gentleman will withdraw his motion, at least for the present.

Mr. PATERSON (Brant). Then I understand the Minister to say that he will submit to the House, as soon as he can, the information I ask for?

Mr. BOWELL. Yes, just as soon as I am put in a position to enable me to come to a decision on the merits of the case.

Mr. PATERSON (Brant). Then I need not move; the information will be brought down without motion?

Mr. BOWELL. The hon. gentleman had better make a formal motion without notice. I will inform him when I am ready.

Mr. PATERSON (Brant). I know very little about the matter, but the hon. gentleman knows that it is a subject which has been mentioned in the newspapers, and it seems to me desirable, in the interests of all parties, that the facts should be laid before the House.

Mr. BOWELL. I quite agree with the hon. gentleman; the more these things are made public the better.

Motion withdrawn.

RETURNS ORDERED.

Return showing how many ice-boats are owned by the Government for crossing at the capes, the number of men employed in the service during the winter of 1887, the number of trips made by said boats, the date of each trip, and the number of passengers who crossed in said boats.—(Mr. Peiry.)

Return of the number of preventive officers appointed on our frontier since the 1st of January, 1886, giving the names of the several parties so appointed, with their residence and salaries.—(Mr. McMullen.)

Return of receipts and expenditures to date of 1st of May, in the years 1886 and 1887, respectively, together with estimates of each year. Also memorandum of interest to be paid on the 1st of May.—(Sir Richard Cartwright.)

Returns giving the names, occupations, residences and post office addresses of the returning officers at the last elections for the Dominion House of Commons, with their respective ridings.—(Mr. Somerville.)

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD moved the adjournment of the House.

Motion agreed to, and House adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

TUESDAY, 3rd May, 1887.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

PRAYERS.

FIRST READINGS.

Bill (No 48) to incorporate the Guarantee and Pension Fund Society of the Dominion Bank.—(Mr. Sutherland.)

Bill (No 49) to incorporate the Upper Columbia Railway Company.—(Mr. Mara.)

B.C. REPRESENTATION ACT.

Mr. BAKER moved for leave to introduce Bill (No. 50) to amend the Representation Act as respects certain constituencies in British Columbia.

Some hon. MEMBERS. Explain.

Mr. BAKER. I would ask hon. members to allow me to explain the Bill on the second reading, as the hon. member for Vancouver (Mr. Gordon), who will be principally affected by it, is absent, and I should like him to be present when I explain it.

Mr. MITCHELL. Is there any gerrymander in it?

Mr. BAKER. I might state, for the information of the hon. gentleman, that it is similar to the Bill which I introduced last year, but which, after dragging on to the end of the Session, was slaughtered among the innocents. I introduce it earlier this year so that it may have a show.

Motion agreed to, and Bill read the first time.

SALARIES TO OFFICERS OF PENITENTIARIES.

Mr. THOMPSON moved, that on to-morrow, the House resolve itself into Committee to consider the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That the Governor in Council may fix the salaries to be paid to officers of Penitentiaries within the limits following:—

KINGSTON PENITENTIARY.

OFFICERS.	From date of appointment		By yearly increases of \$50, to	
	\$	¢	\$	¢
Warden .....	2,600	3,000	.....	.....
Deputy Warden .....	1,200	1,500	.....	.....
Chaplains .....	1,000	1,200	.....	.....
Surgeon .....	1,400	1,800	.....	.....
Accountant .....	800	1,200	.....	.....
Warden's Clerk .....	.....	.....	500	800
Storekeeper .....	.....	.....	600	900
Steward .....	.....	.....	600	900
Chief Keeper .....	.....	.....	700	900
Hospital Overseer .....	.....	.....	500	800
Schoolmaster .....	.....	.....	500	700
Engineer .....	.....	.....	800	1,000
Trade Instructors .....	.....	.....	500	700
Keepers .....	.....	.....	500	600
Guards .....	.....	.....	400	500
Messenger .....	.....	.....	400	500
Stoker .....	.....	.....	400	500
Teamsters .....	.....	.....	300	400
Matron .....	.....	.....	400	600
Deputy Matron .....	.....	.....	200	400

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PENITENTIARY.

Warden .....	2,400	2,800	.....	.....
Deputy Warden .....	1,200	1,500	.....	.....
Chaplains .....	1,000	1,200	.....	.....
Surgeon .....	1,000	1,400	.....	.....
Accountant .....	800	1,100	.....	.....
Warden's Clerk .....	.....	.....	500	750
Storekeeper .....	.....	.....	600	900
Steward .....	.....	.....	600	800
Chief Keeper .....	.....	.....	700	900
Hospital Overseer .....	.....	.....	500	750
Schoolmaster .....	.....	.....	500	700
Engineer .....	.....	.....	750	900
Trade Instructors .....	.....	.....	600	700
Keepers .....	.....	.....	500	600
Guards .....	.....	.....	400	500
Messenger .....	.....	.....	400	500
Teamsters .....	.....	.....	300	400