

May 31, 1872

## HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, May 31, 1872

The **SPEAKER** took the chair at 3.15 p.m.

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After Routine,

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### JUDICIAL SALARIES

**Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD** moved that the House go into Committee of the Whole tomorrow to consider a resolution to amend and extend the schedule to the Act 31, Vic., Cap. 33, and make provision for the salaries of judges and stipendiary magistrates in the Provinces of Quebec, Nova Scotia, Manitoba, British Columbia, &c. He said that it was his intention, in accordance with an act passed by the New Brunswick Legislature, to make provision for the appointment of an additional Puisne Judge in that province, the court consisting now of only a Chief Justice and one Judge.

The motion was carried.

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### HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY

**Hon. Sir FRANCIS HINCKS** moved that the House go into Committee of the Whole tomorrow to consider the following resolution:—"That it is expedient so to amend the Act respecting the loan for paying a certain sum to the Hudson's Bay Company, 34 Vic., Cap. 3, as to provide that the interest at five per cent per annum on any sum issued out of the consolidated fund of the United Kingdom under the Imperial Act respecting the said loan shall rank equally with the principal sum as a charge upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, and that the investment and accumulation of the annual sums remitted for the Sinking Fund of the said loan shall be under the direction of the Treasury of the United Kingdom."

The motion was adopted.

### THE REPRESENTATION BILL

**Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD** stated that he would introduce the bill respecting Representation in the House of Commons tomorrow afternoon.

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### MARKING OF MERCHANDISE

On the motion of the **Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD**, the bill relating to the fraudulent marking of merchandise was read a third time and passed.

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### THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

Upon the next order being called for concurrence on the amendments made in committee to the bill respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway.

**Hon. Sir GEORGE-É. CARTIER** said the Government had agreed to act upon the suggestion that had been made on the other side with regard to the frontage of the land grants and reservations along the line of the Railway; and also in regard to the deposit of ten per cent to be required from the company undertaking the work. It was proposed to amend the 2nd section by providing that the deposit shall be placed in the hands of the Receiver General before any agreement is concluded between the Government and the company and shall remain in his hands until otherwise ordered by Parliament. The object of this amendment was to give the Government power at the end of four or five years, when the railway had so far advanced as to make its completion certain at an early day, to come before Parliament and ask leave to release the million deposit and pay it back to the company constructing the road. The money would be retained, however, until Parliament released it in favour of the company.

**Mr. GIBBS** asked why should not the words "ten per cent" in this clause be changed to \$1,000,000, for the company with which the Government made an agreement might have a capital of more than ten millions in which case the deposit would be more than one million.

**Hon. Sir GEORGE-É. CARTIER** said the company, before the government entered into an agreement with it, must have capital of