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**Guelph Evening Mercury**  
TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 28, 1874.

**DOMINION PARLIAMENT.**  
Ottawa, April 27.

After routine business, Dr. Schultz brought forward his motion for a Commission to enquire into all matters connected with the Northwest troubles. He objected to the mode adopted for enquiring into this matter by a Committee of the House, and urged that a Commission investigating the matters referred to on the spot, and with the aid of sworn testimony, would at once accomplish the result desired fully and effectually.

Mr. Mackenzie, by reference to the motion appointing the Committee now sitting, showed the proposal to be unnecessary, and argued that no information was before the House to justify further action.

Mr. Hillyard Cameron thought the mover of the resolution had acted without due consideration. The enquiry would cover a vast extent of ground, and the Committee already appointed had taken most voluminous testimony. It would be better, at present at all events, to leave the matter in their hands.

Mr. Blake called attention to the fact that the motion now made differed from the original notice. He could see no beneficial results likely to follow the adoption of such a resolution.

After a few words from Sir John A. Macdonald and Dr. Schultz, and a brief reply from Mr. Mackenzie,

Mr. Cauchon said if the motion was in order he should move to enlarge the scope of the enquiry.

Dr. Schultz then withdrew the motion.

Mr. Robitaille moved for a Select Committee upon the shortest and cheapest mail route to Europe. Carried.

Mr. Farrow moved for correspondence between the Government and the Returning officer of the North Riding of Huron. The motion arose out of an alleged grievance of the mover, with respect to certain votes cast in the late election.

After a few words from Messrs. M. C. Cameron (Huron), Dorion, Blake, and White (Hastings), the motion was dropped.

Mr. Cameron (Huron) then moved for correspondence respecting the appointment of an Inspector of Insurance Companies. He urged the great importance, in the interest of the public, of a closer supervision of these corporations. He stated that in 1872 there were four Canadian life offices, which issued between them 3,738 policies in the year; fourteen English companies that issued 1,351 in the year; and eleven American companies that issued 6,573 policies in the year. The premiums received in 1872 by these companies was \$2,268,289; the policies represented \$21,372,382; and the aggregate policies held by these offices amounted to \$96,825,751. He referred to some recent disastrous failures of American and English companies, and the immense interests involved in their sound management. He believed a thorough system of inspection could alone give confidence and secure safety.

Mr. Mackenzie said the question of legislation with regard to these companies was in contemplation, but he could not say whether it could take place during the present session. He agreed fully with the mover as to the great need for all possible guarantees of the safety of these institutions. An inspection, however, must, if it existed at all, be under the control of an accomplished actuary, and it was a serious matter for the Government virtually to take the responsibility of such a system of oversight.

After some other discussion, the motion was adopted.

Mr. Wilkes moved for a return of fortifications and material of war transferred by the Imperial to the Canadian Government. He urged the importance of keeping these works in repair, and that there should be a proper supervision and application of ordnance lands. He proceeded to point out the dilapidated and disgraceful condition of some of these Crown properties.

Mr. Mackenzie referred to the vote in the estimates for keeping the fortifications in repair; although it was not very clear, in the course of the military operations, how far the existing fortifications would or would not be of service. He explained the means taken for the preservation of the ordnance lands.

Mr. Cameron (South Ontario) ridiculed supporting a medieval system of defence. The fortifications of Canada were of as much use as the old castles of the Rhine. His expression of a desire for a time of universal peace was heartily cheered by the House.

Mr. Young then moved for a Committee of nine members to consider the best means of providing authorized reports of Parliamentary debates. He alluded to the unavoidable inaccuracies of debates reported under extraordinary pressure and transmitted by telegraph, and the importance of a correct record of speeches that formed part of the history of the country. He believed the expense to be comparatively trifling.

Dr. Tupper warmly seconded the motion, which was carried.

Mr. Chisholm carried a motion for correspondence relating to Oakville harbor.

Mr. Palmer moved his Bill to amend the Usury Laws. The measure repeals the restrictions upon rates of interest.

Mr. Dorion pointed out that the Bill interfered with special legislation relating to incorporated societies. Mr. Mackenzie sympathized with the general principle of the Bill, and suggested a modification of it to meet the difficulty pointed out by the previous speaker. After a brief discussion, in which Messrs. Holton, Wilkes, Gouge, Forbes, and Ross joined, the Bill was withdrawn.

SIR GARNET WOLSELEY.—It does not appear to be generally known that Sir Garnet Wolseley has but one eye, having lost the other when a lieutenant in the Crimea, while leading a forlorn hope against Sebastopol. Both he and Sir Archibald Alison, the chief of his staff, were not only in the very hottest of the work in the Russian campaign, but both were severely wounded, Sir Archibald losing his arm in one of the days.

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As the stock is all new, Ladies will have no trouble in selecting the newest goods at reasonable prices.

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