

power under the law as at present. The

He then read another paragraph which was added for the purpose of the appointment of the Board of volunteer officers.

Amendments in question were made.

E. E. Dorion enquired whether amendment was intended to provide in addition to what was already law?

Mr. McDonald—It is to regulate the same?

E. E. Dorion moved to amend the law of last session, relative to breach of the law. There was a discrepancy between the 79th and which he thought arose from an error in the Act; and it was desirable to correct this discrepancy.

E. Dorion insisted that the point on his amendment was not in question was then agreed and the law was of a division of 31 to 10.

E. Dorion expressed his opinion in question (the 81st) relation as to the nature of the

therefore move another amendment, in order

He thought this slight amendment.

was carried unanimously. It was then read a third time, by Hon. J. A. McDonald, the ended by adding the words, "or force," after the word 'militia,' then passed.

LAURENCE ON SHIPS.

Order being called for the "House to consider the expediency of a fixed rate per ton in lieu of a graduated scale for the registration of ship-builders building."

Gault moved that the order be read a second time.

He said he thought there was of difficulty in the way of change period of the season; and he fore feel that it would be right range at this time. The law as it stood was not a very good one for the next session. He thought the honorable member was right in withdrawing change for the present. He whether the Order in Council

provisions of the act itself.

Galt said that, with regard to  
was unable to speak, it being  
aw officers of the Crown to  
consideration he would sub-  
was then carried, and the  
ordingly discharged.  
**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**  
**NOTES ON EXCISE.**  
Monday, June 27th.  
of Hon. Mr. Galt, the House  
into Committee on the bill  
on exise—Mr. Dunsford  
as reported with several amend-  
of the Committee was con-  
ed the bill was then read a third  
ot moved in amendment that  
lative to the excise duty on  
ended by reducing the same from  
per pound) to "two cents per  
hears, laughter, and a perfect  
eneasing.)  
er read the amendment amid  
ing and laughter.

gentleman will not be able to get his motion carried at this period of the session.

the period of the session.—  
The motion was lost on a di-  
vision passed on a division.  
**WAYS AND MEANS.**  
The House of Commons, the House  
of Lords, and the Committee of Ways and Means—  
meron in the Chair.  
Galt moved first—that on the  
dual duties shall be levied the  
ditional duties:—Vinegar, 4  
on; refined molasses, 5 cents  
and naphtha, 5 cents per gallon;  
—that the present *ad valorem*  
following articles be repealed,  
duty duties be levied instead:  
13 cents per gallon; and on  
rum, 4 cents per gal.—Carried.  
Galt moved that towards mak-  
supplies granted to Her Majes-  
of \$6,797,144.66 be granted  
Unassisted Revenue of the Pro-  
vided.  
The gentleman then moved:—That  
it be to empower the Governor in  
authorize the issue of exchequer

not exceeding four million dollars in lieu of the debentures already issued under the

vesting Acts for the purpose of amounts due to the Provincial Government, and remaining undistributed, such exchequer-registered debentures to bear interest not exceeding 6 per cent per annum on the principal and interest thereon payable on the Consolidated Fund, and the amount raised by the sale of such debentures to be used to form part of the said fund.

Mr. of Hon. Mr. Galt, the Comptroller, reported the resolutions to be set again.

**GOLD MINING BILL.**

Mr. Macdonald moved that the House do pass the Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act."

It is said that some of the provisions of the bill were thoroughly good. He would not move that it be referred to a committee, but to a select committee, which, provided, in substance, that the Crown lands situated within mining divisions should be in future either by deed or lease, unless it was shown that the land was not

such are unfit for gold mining purposes;

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