

Laws ; 3. On Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines ; 4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills ; 5. On Standing Orders ; 6. On Printing ; 7. On Public Accounts ; 8. On Banking and Commerce ; 9. On Immigration and Colonisation ; which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House ; and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon ; with power to send for persons, papers and records. —(Sir John A. Macdonald.)

PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE.

REMARKS.

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

MR. MACKENZIE : Before the House adjourns, I desire to recall to the hon. gentleman's recollection the case of violation of the privileges of this House which occurred at the close of last Session. Upon the hon. gentleman's motion then, the person who was alleged to have violated the privileges of the House so grossly was ordered to attend. That he did not attend the Journals will show, and I desire to know the course the hon. gentleman now proposes to take.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD : I am glad the hon. gentleman has called my attention to this matter, as it had escaped me altogether. I shall let the hon. gentleman know to-morrow what course I propose to take.

House adjourned at
Five minutes before
Four o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Friday, 13th February, 1880.

PRAYERS.

The Speaker took the Chair at Three o'clock.

CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

SUPREME COURT JUDGMENT.

MR. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received, from the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Canada, a certified copy of the judgment and decision of the Supreme Court of Canada, in the appeal of McKay *versus* Glen, relating to the

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election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Ontario.

REPORTS.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House a Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the Accountant of the House of Commons of Canada, for the year ended 30th June, 1879, with the Auditor's Report. Also, the Report of the Librarian of Parliament, on the state of the Library of Parliament.

PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE.

QUESTION.

MR. MACKENZIE: The hon. gentleman opposite promised yesterday to attend to the matter in the case of privilege, to which I called his attention.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD: I will do so as soon as the Address is disposed of. I can, at any time, move, as a matter of privilege, that the summons shall be returnable, say, in a week.

MR. MACKENZIE: Then the hon. gentlemen proposes to take fresh proceedings.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD: I shall base it on the proceedings of last Session.

ADDRESS IN ANSWER TO HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH.

The House proceeded to the consideration of His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

MR. RICHEY: His Excellency the Governor-General, as the representative of our gracious Queen, having been pleased to summon the two branches of this Legislature for consultation, and to open the Session of Parliament with a Speech from the Throne, it becomes requisite that to that Speech this House should return an answer at once consistent with our duty to our Sovereign and with the dignity of this House as the great representative body of the people of Canada. I have therefore risen to move that a humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, to thank him for his gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session, and to give those further assurances in regard to the business of this Session which are expanded on the face