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“ That by Section 11 of the Canadian Pacific Railway Act, 1874, it is enacted that ‘ no contract for any portion of the main line of the said Railway shall be binding until it shall have been laid before the House of Commons for one month without being disapproved, unless sooner approved by a resolution of the House.’	
“ And by Section 12 of the said Act, it is enacted that ‘ in case it shall be found by the Governor in Council more advantageous to construct the said Railway, or any portion thereof, as a public work of the Dominion of Canada, the construction thereof shall be let out by contracts offered to public competition.’	
“ That the construction of the Fort Frances Lock has been carried on as a work of the Dominion by time work, and has not been let out by contract offered to public competition.	
“ That no Order in Council has been passed authorizing the construction of said work, or the application of the Parliamentary appropriation thereto.	
“ That it does not appear, from the papers laid before the House, that the Chief or any Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey has ever recommended the construction of the said lock ; nor does it appear that there was, or is, any estimate of the cost of the improvements on Rainy Lake and Rainy River, and water stretches connecting therewith, necessary to attain the object for which the said lock is being constructed :	
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