

of the respondent, we have the efforts made by giving a copy of the notice to the mother and to the uncle of the respondent, and I may say that, in my humble opinion, the petitioner has shown that reasonable efforts have been made so as to enable us to dispense with proof of personal service. I can only add an explanation that if a respondent hides, gets out of the way, a person who is entitled to relief could never get it if personal service was absolutely required. The petitioner in this case having hired detectives to ascertain the whereabouts of the respondent and failed, and then having served papers on all persons supposed to have any connection with him, I think there is sufficient proof of service.

HON. MR. MILLER—I quite concur with my hon. friend that every reasonable effort has been made to effect this service.

HON. MR. KAULBACH—I think everything possible has been done to comply with the rules in this case.

HON. MR. OGILVIE moved that the petition be read.

The motion was agreed to on a division.

The Senate adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Friday, April 22nd, 1887.

THE SPEAKER took the chair at 3 o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

HON. MR. GOWAN, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their second and third reports.

HON. MR. VIDAL, in the absence of Mr. Read, presented the first Report of

the Joint Committee on the Printing of Parliament, which was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bill (A)—“An Act for the relief of Marie Louise Noel” (Mr. Ogilvie).

Bill (B)—“An Act for the relief of Susan Ash” (Mr. Ogilvie).

Bill (C)—“An Act to enable the Western Canada Loan & Savings Company to extend their business, and for other purposes” (Mr. Allan).

THE BEVERIDGE & TIBBETS CLAIMS.

HON. MR. GLASIER moved :—

That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the action taken by the Government and payments made or recommended, since the report of a former Select Committee presented to this Honorable House on the 17th March, 1881, by the Honorable Mr. Read, Chairman, and adopted by concurrence of the Whole House on the following day, in relation to “the circumstances of a debt alleged to devolve upon the Dominion Government by the British North America Act, and said to be now due to the Honorable Benjamin Beveridge, James Tibbets and others, but the payment of which is withheld for some cause unknown,” and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Messieurs Montgomery, Read, Lewin, Trudel, Robitaille, Boyd, Dever, and the mover, with power to send for persons and papers.

He said: I do not know that any explanation of this motion is necessary. The subject has been before the House on other occasions and is, no doubt, familiar to all.

HON. MR. SMITH—The Government have no objection to the Committee.

HON. MR. POWER—I do not say that I have any objection to this motion, but I have not sufficient light. It is a very serious thing for this House to solemnly appoint a committee and to instruct that Committee to take evidence under oath and to send for persons and papers; but we ought to know why we do it, and I think it is the duty of the

HON. MR. DICKEY.