

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the General Railway Act.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion*—On Wednesday next—That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Monday next, to take into consideration the following resolutions:—

1. "That the division between the Province of Ontario and the Province of Quebec, of the surplus of the debt of the former Province of Canada, over and above the sum of \$62,500,000, assigned to the Dominion of Canada by the British North America Act, presents great difficulties, which it has not hitherto been possible to overcome in a satisfactory manner."

2. "That the difficulties resulting as well from the uncertainty as to the amount of the debt to be divided as from the absence of an acceptable base for the making of such division, and that of the assets remaining in common to those two Provinces, threaten to give rise to serious embarrassment."

3. That for the avoidance of such difficulties, the debt of the former Province of Canada should be assigned entirely to the Dominion as though it had been so from the first with compensation to the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia for the share which those Provinces would have to pay upon the surplus of that debt.

4. That an humble address be presented to Her Majesty praying Her to be pleased to recommend that the British North America Act should be amended in accordance with these Resolutions.

Hon. Sir *F. Hincks*—On Friday next—That this House will resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Savings Banks, and also of the issue and redemption of Dominion Notes.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—To-morrow—That the House will resolve itself on Friday next into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain resolutions affirming the expediency of indemnifying the Government for having authorized the issue of a special warrant for \$200,000, to provide for the defence of the Dominion in repelling the Fenian invasion in the month of June last.

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether in the account transmitted to the British Government for expenses incurred by Canada in consequence of Fenian Raids, the expense incurred by New Brunswick for like service previous to Confederation was included?

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to re-establish the money order office at the Indiana post office, Province of Ontario; if so, when; if not, why not?

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand)—On Wednesday next—That an Order of the House do issue directing the Post Master General to instruct each Post Master in the Dominion to take an accurate monthly account of all franked or free matter deposited or received at their respective offices, for twelve months, commencing 10th March next, and to make a special report thereof to this House embracing the following particulars; viz., the number of franked or free letters, and amount of postage that would be chargeable thereon at the established rate of postage; 2. The weight of franked or free matter other than letters, and the amount of postage that would be chargeable at the established rate of postage; also that the Clerk of this House furnish a detailed statement of amount paid for Telegraphs by any officer of this House or by heads of Departments or employés of the Government.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the officers appointed by Government to make surveys of the Rivers Saint John and Madawaska, with a view of improving the navigation of the same, have yet reported thereon, and if so, what action the Government intend taking in the matter.

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