

order to economize its expenditure, reduced the salaries of certain of its officers and clerks on the Department, and no increase has since been made to the said salaries or emoluments.

Resolved,—That in the opinion of this House, such of the officers and servants of this House as His Honor, the Speaker, the Honorable the Postmaster General and the Honourable the Receiver General may consider entitled from length of service or capacity should have such reasonable addition to their salaries as will compensate them fairly for their work, for the current year and until their cases may be considered by this House.

Hon Mr CAMPBELL said that he was quite ready to accede to the resolution in view of the action taken elsewhere. Undoubtedly the House would not wish to see its officers and servants considered less favorably than those of the other branch—a due regard being had to efficiency and service.

The motion was adopted.

BILLS.

Hon. Mr. FERKLER, from Committee on Banking, Railways and Commerce, reported favorably the following bills.

An act to incorporate the Lake Superior and Manitoba Railway Company.

An act to incorporate the Lake Superior and Winnipeg Railway Company.

An act to incorporate the Central Railway Company of Manitoba.

An act to incorporate the North Western Railway Company of Manitoba.

An act to incorporate the Manitoba Junction Railway Company.

The foregoing bills were read third time and passed.

The following bill was received from the House of Commons and passed through the necessary stages.

An act to amend the act respecting Copyrights (with amendments.)

An act further to amend the act 31 Victoria Chapter 33.

The said bill was read for the first time. The House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, 13th June, 1872.

The SPEAKER took the chair at three o'clock.

Senator GIRARD presented the final report of the Joint Committee on Printing. Adopted.

Hon. Mr. MITCHELL was added to the Committee appointed under resolution of the previous night to consider salaries and emoluments of the employes of the Senate,

A large number of Bills were brought up from the House of Commons, and passed through their various stages.

MAIL SERVICE.

On motion for the second reading of the Supply Bill,

Hon. Mr. REESOR called attention to the contract made in 1869, between the Canadian Government and the Messrs. Allan of Montreal, for the performance of the steam service across the Atlantic. According to that contract, it was agreed "the service shall commence on the 1st day of April, 1869, and shall continue up to and until the 1st day of April, 1872, and shall not then terminate, but shall continue in force thereafter in all its provisions until either party to the contract shall give to the other party 12 months previous notice of a desire to terminate the same." He mentioned the fact of there being other efficiently managed steamship lines sailing from Montreal, and asked the Government whether they had given notice in accordance with the terms of the contract or intended doing so.

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL replied that the Government were quite satisfied with the manner in which the Messrs. Allan had carried out the very important service they had engaged in 1869 to perform. Their steamship line was not excelled by any others for despatch and safety and was an admirable illustration of the enterprise of the commercial men of the Dominion. The Government had, he continued, given notice on the 31st of March last, of their intention to terminate the contract in April, 1873, and they had done so in view of the completion of the Intercolonial Railway, and the advisability of revising all present arrangements in connection with the mailservice.

The Supply Bill was passed.

The House then adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 14, 1872.

PROROGATION.

At three o'clock His Excellency the Governor General came down to the Senate and having assented to a number of Bills, prorogued Parliament with the following speech:

SPEECH.

Honourable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I have much satisfaction in relieving you from an attendance in Parliament which cannot fail to be inconvenient to many of