

MEMORANDUM

On the subject of Bill C, "*to amend and consolidate the laws respecting Indians.*"

Most of the clauses of this Bill are taken, word for word, from "*The Indian Act, 1876*" (39 V., c. 18), and the "*Act to amend the Indian Act, 1876*" (42 V., c. 34.)

The principal alterations and additions are as follows:—

Sections 2 and 3 of 39 V., c. 18, are transposed in this Bill; the former is very much shortened, and the five provisos in sub-sec. 3 of the latter are left out, for the purpose of being brought in further on.

Clauses 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 are new.

Clauses 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 are the five provisos omitted as above, with alterations in 10, 11, 13 and 14 only, all but the first four lines of 13 being new, and the latter half of 14 being taken from section 1 of 42 V., c. 34.

Clause 20 is new from "had" in line 26 to "should" in line 38, and from "locations" in line 48 to the end; the rest is sec. 9 of 39 V., c. 18.

Clause 27 is section 16 of 42 V., c. 34.

The provision for the surrender of a special reserve, at the end of clause 33, is new.—See 39 V., c. 18, s. 22.

The exception at the end of clause 36 is new.—See 39 V., c. 18, s. 2.

Sub-section 2 of clause 63 is sub-sec. 2 of sec. 53 of 39 V., c. 18 re-made.

In clause 65, the words after "Act" in line 15, are substituted for the words "is guilty of felony and liable to punishment accordingly" in the corresponding section (54) of 39 V., c. 18.

In sub-section 2 of clause 67, jurisdiction is given to certain judges in particular, instead of to judges in general, as in sub-sec. 2 of 39 V., c. 18, s. 56.

Clause 72 is sec. 62 of 39 V., c. 18, with two provisos added, and some change in the wording of the first portion.