

carrying out of the quarantine regulations in respect to the cattle trade, as between the Province of British Columbia and the other western portions of the Dominion; and will inquire if it is the intention of the Government to permit a continuance of such discrimination, or to enforce the quarantine regulations with equality throughout the Dominion?

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED said: Since giving this notice I have been informed that the Government have taken such action in the matter as to render it unnecessary for me to draw the attention of the House to the facts referred to in the motion. I beg, therefore, to withdraw the notice.

Motion withdrawn.

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER.

QUESTION.

Hon. Mr. O'DONOHUE—I desire to ask a question of the Government. Sir Charles Tupper, the High Commissioner for Canada in England, is reported in the press of the United States and Canada to have declared in a public speech that a vital blow is to be struck by Canada at the United States. I beg to ask the Government if the hon. Commissioner had authority to make that statement, and if he had that authority, what is the vital blow pending; and if he had no such authority, will the Government repudiate the statement made by him?

Hon. Mr. DEVER—It was said over here that it was all "blow."

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT—I have great pleasure in informing my hon. friend and hon. gentlemen that I have the authority of Sir Charles Tupper for saying that the story that he made use of any such expressions as those attributed to him in this correspondence is absolutely false—that he neither said any such thing nor thought of any such thing.

THE CONFERENCE AT WASHINGTON.

A MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY,

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT presented to the House a message from His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting to the Senate copies of documents relating to the negotiations at the conference recently held at Washington between the delegates from the Canadian Government and the Secretary of State of the United States, respecting the extension and development of trade between the United

States and the Dominion of Canada, and other matters.

Hon. Mr. POWER—Would the leader of the Government be good enough to state whether, the papers just laid on the Table of the House, purporting to be the correspondence with the Washington authorities, include the whole of the correspondence?

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT—I do not know that I am in a position to say that it includes the whole of the correspondence. There may be some informal confidential communications that are not here, but it contains all the official correspondence.

Hon. Mr. POWER—I presume this correspondence is the same as that laid on the Table of the other House yesterday, and I notice in that correspondence there is published nothing whatever respecting reciprocal trade relations between the two countries.

Hon. Mr. ABBOTT—My hon. friend can discuss all these questions on a motion for a return.

The Senate adjourned at 3.35 p.m.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Friday, 18th March, 1892.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at 3 o'clock.
Prayers and routine proceedings.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Bill (A) "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Department of the Geological Survey." (Mr. Abbott.)

The Senate adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Monday, March 21st, 1892.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at 3 o'clock.
Prayers and routine proceedings.

THE DESCENDANTS OF LAURA SECORD.

PETITION.

Hon. Mr. McINNES (B.C.) presented the petition of Laura Louisa and Mary Augusta