

quette and propriety to make any lengthy remarks. He did not intend to make a speech, but simply wished to express the satisfaction he felt as a representative of Nova Scotia to find that the Government intended opening up water communication between the Bay of Fundy and the Gulf of St. Lawrence—a scheme in which he had always taken the deepest interest and had done his best to promote under the conviction that it would be a great benefit to the whole country.

In answer to Hon. Mr. BUREAU,

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL stated that the papers relative to the Treaty would be laid on the table at the same time they were submitted to the Commons, though he could not state the exact day; and there would be ample opportunity given for discussion.

The Address was adopted.

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. MITCHELL that the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such members as are members of the Privy Council. Carried.

The House then adjourned until Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

OTTAWA, April 16th, 1872.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Hon. Mr. SANBORN gave notice that he would enquire of the Government whether it is their intention to introduce a bill to amend the law respecting patents and inventions.

Hon. Mr. MILLER.—Whether it is the intention of the Government to maintain a force for the protection of the coast fisheries and whether the Imperial authorities will co-operate.

Hon. Mr. BOTSFORD.—Whether the Government propose to adhere to the broad gauge for the Intercolonial Railway.

BILLS.

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL introduced a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Statutes of Canada.

Hon. Mr. AIKINS introduced a Bill respecting the Public Lands of the Dominion.

RETURNS.

Hon. Mr. AIKINS presented a return with respect to corporal punishment.

Hon. Mr. MITCHELL presented the an-

nual Reports respecting Trade and Navigation and Inland Revenue.

H. R. H. THE PRINCE OF WALES.

The order for the day, Address of congratulation on the recovery of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, was then taken up.

Hon. Mr. CAMPBELL said—I am confident that the House will cordially, and with one voice, unite in the congratulations which it is proposed that the Parliament of Canada should offer to Her Majesty on the happy recovery of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. We have taken the earliest opportunity after the Speech from the Throne had been answered, to submit to this House the Address containing these congratulations, and every hon. member will, I am sure, gladly seize the earliest opportunity of tendering them to Her Majesty. We all remember the universal anxiety which was felt in this country during those gloomy days when H. R. Highness's life was in danger. If I may venture to gauge the experience of other hon. members by my own, I may safely say that that anxiety was spread over the whole Dominion, and pervaded every fire side. It was not merely that we loved the Queen with the respectful attachment and homage of a free people, and felt deeply the great personal sorrow with which, for the second time, she was threatened. Nor merely that we sympathized tenderly and truly with the courageous and noble wife of the Prince; but we believed the nation to be passing through a time of considerable political uneasiness, for many old landmarks of the country had been attacked, and a disposition had manifested itself amongst a portion of the British public, an active portion, to attack others, stimulated more or less by success, and strengthened by numbers, whose views went infinitely beyond any expressed, or perhaps held, by its leaders. Under these circumstances, the Prince's life was in danger, and when we reflected on the probable effect upon the Queen's health of a fatal termination of his illness, and on the tender years of the young Prince Albert Victor, we knew that we had cause for deep concern. And now that the sorrow with which the Queen and the Nation were threatened has passed by, we rejoice with a joy as all pervading as were our grief and our sympathy. We heartily pray that H. R. H.'s life may long be spared, and that his reign, when it shall please God to call him