

Tuesday, 15th March, instant ; and for receiving Private Bills to Tuesday, the 22nd March, instant ; and Reports on Private Bills to Tuesday, the 5th April next.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Holton* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*,

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*,

*Ordered*, That the Statement of Expenditure charged to unforseen expenses, from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870, laid before this House, on Friday last, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council laid before the House,—Annual Report of Sick and Distressed Mariners' Fund, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, in compliance with the Act 31 Vic. Cap. 64. Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Also, Receipts and Expenditure of Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen's Fund,—Sick and Disabled Seamen's Fund, and *Montreal General Hospital*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

The Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th February, 1870 ; for a list of all persons who have passed the examination required for employés in the Inland Revenue Department, under Order in Council of 24th September, 1866, since 1st July, 1867 ; and a statement of the number of meetings of the Board since the former dates of such meetings. (*Sessional Papers No. 30.*)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870 ; for—Copies of all Orders in Council, and of all Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Canadian and *Prince Edward Island* Governments, and between the Governments of *Canada* and *British Columbia*, touching the admission of *Prince Edward Island* or of *British Columbia* into the Union, and the terms of such admission. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 31st May, 1869 ; for—Copies of all Correspondence and Petitions relative to the withdrawal of the subsidy from the Steamer formerly plying between *Prince Edward Island*, *Pictou*, and *Port Hood*, and the subsidizing of a Steamer between *Prince Edward Island*, *Pictou*, and *Port Hawkesbury*, *Nova Scotia*. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

The Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* laid before the House, Reports of the Delegates appointed to negotiate for the acquisition of *Rupert's Land* and the *North-West Territory*. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Census.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Motion, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, a Resolution ; which was read, as followeth :—