

the Public Service, and whether the appointment has been permanent or temporary; also, a similar Return shewing the names of all persons appointed or promoted to any office under the Government of *Canada*, and the salary or emolument of such office between the 17th day of September and the 11th day of October, 1878; and specifying whether any and what increased pay or emolument was given to the person or persons so appointed or promoted.

On motion of Mr. *Anglin*, seconded by Mr. *Mills*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do lay on the Table of The House, copies of all correspondence between the Clerk and the late Speaker of this House respecting appointments to vacancies in the service of the House of Commons since the last Session of Parliament; and copies of any Reports respecting such appointments made by any officer of the Department.

Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered), and is as followeth:—

*Lorne*.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons an approved Minute in Council, appointing the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Minister of the Interior, the Honorable *S. L. Tilley*, Minister of Finance, the Honorable *C. Tupper*, Minister of Public Works, and the Honorable *G. Baby*, Minister of Inland Revenue, to act with the Speaker of the House of Commons as Commissioners for the purposes and under the provisions of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 27, intituled: "An Act respecting the Internal Economy of the House of Commons; and for other purposes."

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

*Ottawa*, 18th February, 1879.

Mr. *Pope*, (*Queen's, P.E.I.*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Eleventh Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, being for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1878. (*Sessical Papers, No. 3.*)

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Wednesday, 19th February, 1879.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.—

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of *William Thomas* and others, Fruit Growers, of the County of *Oxford*;

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—