

provisions of "The Canada Joint Stock Companies Act, 1877," gives large facilities for the incorporation of Loan Companies on conditions approved by Parliament, and it is unnecessary and objectionable to grant a special Act of incorporation for that purpose without special reason, and no such reason has been shewn in this case.

The Committee would recommend that the fees and charges paid on the last mentioned Bill, be re-funded, less the charges for printing and translation.

Mr. *Caron* presented,—Return to Address to His Excellency the Governor General of the 2nd instant; for copies of all correspondence relating to the appointment of Major General *Luard*; together with copies of all complaints made to the Department of Militia, or the Government, in regard to the administration of Militia affairs by the said *Luard*.

Mr. *Bowell* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 7th instant; for a Return of the number of tons of *Silver Ore* exported from Ontario, during the past five financial years.

And also,—Return to Address to His Excellency the Governor General of the 13th December, last; for copies of all the evidence collected in regard to Wreckage in Canadian waters, particularly on the shores of Lakes Erie, Ontario and Huron, and Rivers St. Clair and Detroit; also, a Statement of the money expended and to whom paid for collecting the same.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, without amendments, viz:—

Bill No. 50 to correct a clerical error in Schedule B to the Act 43 *Victoria*, Chapter 22 amending "The Bank Act," and continuing the Charters of certain Banks.

Bill No. 39 to amend "The Insolvent Act of 1875, and amending Acts."

Also,—with the following Bill No. 63, of their own, intituled: "An Act to incorporate "The Montreal Board of Trade and Exchange," to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

On motion of Mr. *Girouard* (Jacques Cartier), the said Bill was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*.

On motion of Mr. *Robertson* (Hamilton), the fees and charges paid on the Bill No. 22 to incorporate "The St. Lawrence Wrecking and Salvage Company of Canada," were ordered to be re-funded, less the charges for printing and translation, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on *Miscellaneous Private Bills*.

On motion of Mr. *Plumb*, the fees and charges paid on the Bill No. 26 to incorporate the Ontario Investment Association, were ordered to be re-funded, less the charges for printing and translation, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on *Banking and Commerce*.

Mr. *McDonald* (Pictou) introduced a Bill No. 64 to continue in force for a limited time the Act passed in the 43rd year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled: "An Act respecting the administration of criminal justice in the territory in dispute between the Governments of the Province of Ontario, and of the Dominion of Canada;" which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill No. 65 further securing the independence of Parliament; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*.

The Bill No. 7 to incorporate "The Wrecking and Salvage Company of Canada," was considered in Committee of the Whole; and progress having been made and reported,—Committee to sit again, *to-morrow*.