

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill relating to Banks and Banking.

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.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a series of Resolutions respecting the admission of *British Columbia* into Union with *Canada*.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to amend and consolidate the laws of the Dominion respecting Weights and Measures, and to establish one uniform system thereof for all *Canada*, except only as to special measures used for certain purposes in the Province of *Quebec*; and to provide for the Inspection of Weights and Measures, with power to the Governor in Council to make a Tariff of Fees for such Inspection sufficient to defray the expenses of carrying the Act into effect.

2. That it is expedient to permit the use of the Metric System of Weights and Measures in the Dominion, in cases where the parties to any contract or agreement may wish to adopt that system.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution, declaring it expedient to amend and consolidate, and to extend to the whole Dominion of *Canada*, the laws respecting the inspection of certain staple articles of *Canadian* produce.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray*, from the Committee of the Whole House to consider a certain proposed Resolution affirming the expediency of indemnifying the Government for having authorized the issue of a Special Warrant for \$200,000 to provide for the Defence of the Dominion in repelling the Fenian Invasion in the month of May last, reported a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to indemnify the Members of the Executive Council, the Auditor General, and all other officers and persons connected in the issue of a Special Warrant by His Excellency the Governor General, on the 27th day of May, 1870, upon an Order in Council made the same day, under the provisions of the thirty-fifth Section of the Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 5, for the advance of the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, towards defraying the expenses occasioned by the attack on the frontier, and threatened Invasion by the Fenians, or in the expenditure of \$198,289.35 for the said purpose, out of the said sum of \$200,000; detailed accounts of such expenditure, up to the 30th day of June, 1870, having been laid before Parliament in the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending on that day, and detailed accounts of such expenditure since that day, with copies of the said Order in Council and Warrant, having been included in the statement of the Auditor General, laid before Parliament on the third day of the present Session by the Minister of Finance, and all the requirements of the Act aforesaid in the premises having been duly complied with.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* have leave to bring in a Bill to