

The Naval authorities having relinquished the use of the dockyard at Halifax, a proposal was made to transfer it to the government of Canada. The offer has been accepted and the dockyard will now be used by the Department of Marine and Fisheries as a base for its operations in connection with aids to navigation.

Many immigrants having in recent years been induced to come to Canada by false representations made in the United Kingdom, at the request of the Minister of Labour a clause has been added to the Merchants Shipping Bill, now before the Imperial parliament, for the punishment of any person who may be found guilty of that offence.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

The accounts of the past year will be laid before you. I am glad to say that the revenue has shown a large expansion, and has not only provided for ordinary expenditure, but has also, to a great extent, provided for the outlay on capital account.

The estimates for the coming year will be laid before you at an early date.

Honourable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

A united application having been received by my ministers from the governments of the several provinces asking for an increase in the provincial subsidies, a conference was recently held when the reasons for granting additional aid were fully set forth and discussed. Resolutions, based on the conclusions reached by my government, will be submitted for your consideration.

Bills will be laid before you amending the Election Acts, the Post Office Act, the Dominion Lands Act, a Bill for the more effective supervision and inspection of Canadian canned food products, meats and fish, a Bill relating to the sale and manufacture of patent medicines; and also a Bill to make better provision for dealing with juvenile delinquents.

It is hoped that the report of the Commission appointed to inquire into the working of insurance companies will shortly be completed, when it will be laid on the table.

The subjects I have mentioned will, I hope, receive your best consideration, and the measures to be submitted for your approval will, I trust, tend to the well-being and good government of our fair Dominion.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire, and the House of Commons withdrew.

After some time the Senate was resumed.

Prayers.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT (Secretary of State) presented to the Senate a Bill intitled: 'An Act relating to Railways.'

The said Bill was read a first time.

The Senate adjourned until Monday next, at 8 p.m.

THE SENATE.

OTTAWA, Monday, November 26, 1906.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Eight o'clock p.m.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

ERRORS IN MINUTES.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY—Before the Orders of the Day are called, I should like to draw the attention of the proper officials to an irregularity which occurred at the close of last session. The Journals of the House do not mention a motion that I made on the 10th of July asking that a humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a copy of the complaint made against Lt.-Col. Belanger, &c. The motion was carried, as we observe by the report in the Debates, but in the Journals of the Senate I fail to find any report of that motion being carried. I would ask the hon. Secretary of State to be kind enough to consider it as carried, as it was in effect, and to have the report brought down this session. I would also call attention of the hon. Secretary of State to a motion that I made on the 19th July, 1906, asking that an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General in relation to the correspondence between the imperial authorities and the government of Canada relating to the uniform to be worn upon state occasions by privy councillors. I understand that an order in council has been passed with reference to that subject, and I would ask the hon. Secretary of State if he would kindly give us a copy of that order. We will consider the motion made in that sense. I should like to have the motion cover any order in council that has been passed on the subject without