

he could induce to have the Bill thrown out from the Senate.

This Honourable Senator may now reflect on the injustice of his course. Surely the Senators who opposed the Bill could not have been serious in given as their reason for doing so, that the mining property, which represented the capital, had not been purchased at a sufficiently high figure.

The mining property of the Homestake, capitalised at \$10,000,000, had been purchased a short time before for a few thousand dollars. These are daily occurrences. However, this was purely a question affecting the shareholders, and a subterfuge on the part of those Senators, as ample proof and documentary evidence were offered to them, establishing the immense prospects and returns of the property if they would postpone their decision till the following day.

As to the last portion of Mr Lighthall's letter, I protest against his false allegations. If certain parties, strangers to the Company, have dirty linen to wash, they may do so as they think proper. The officers of the Company are in no way concerned with their sayings or doings.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

P. A. A. DORION,

President of the Company.

Montreal, April 9, 1881.

THE SILVER PLUME MINING COMPANY.

To the Editor of the MONTREAL HERALD.

SIR,—In answer to Mr, Dorion's frantic appeals to me in your issue of this morning, published as an *advertisement*, I can only say that my accusations against Mr.