

April 2, 1873

### RAILWAY ACCOMMODATION

**Mr. MERCIER** moved the second reading of the bill entitled an Act to amend the Act, 34 Vic., Cap. 43, entitled an Act to enable certain Railway Companies to provide the necessary accommodation for the increasing traffic over their railways, and to amend the Railway Act of 1868. He said the object was to impose a penalty of twenty dollars for the violation of the section of the Act amended, requiring the placing of a notice at railway stations as to passenger trains being overdue, and also to allow action for the enforcement of such penalty against the agent of the company.

**Hon. Mr. LANGEVIN** thought the penalty should be imposed on the Company, not on the agent.

**Hon. Mr. BLAKE** suggested that the notice should include the station last left by the train, and spoke of the great difficulty experienced in getting proper information from railway officials.

**Mr. SCRIVER** said that on many branch lines there was not telegraph communication with every station, and consequently the officials were not always able to obtain correct information respecting the running of trains.

The bill was then read a second time.

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### TRIAL OF FELONY AND MISDEMEANOUR

**Mr. GLASS** moved the second reading of the Act to amend Act 32-33 Vic., Cap. 35, respecting the trial of felony and misdemeanour. He explained that the object of the Act proposed to be amended was to provide for the summary trials. The present measure was to allow such trials to take place as well during the sittings of Courts of Oyer and Terminer as well as to other times.

The bill was then read a second time.

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### BAIE VERTE CANAL

**Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE** desired to ask again when the report of the engineer of the Baie Verte Canal would be brought down. He had asked for it last night, and had been told that it would be brought down today.

**Hon. Mr. TUPPER** said he had not told his hon. friend, who was not in the House the previous evening when the question was asked.

**Hon. Mr. LANGEVIN** said that the report had been printed for the Privy Council.

**Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE:** Is it not intended to present the report to Parliament?

**Hon. Mr. LANGEVIN** said it was the intention, and it would be brought down in a few days, but it must go before the Council first.

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### NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL QUESTION

In reply to Mr. Mercier,

**Hon. Mr. LANGEVIN** said the papers relating to the New Brunswick school question, ordered by the hon. gentleman some time ago, would be brought down tomorrow, or at least in a few days.

The House then adjourned at 9.55 p.m.

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### NOTICES OF MOTION

**Mr. ROSS (Middlesex West)**—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor-General praying that a detailed statement be laid before this House of the amount expended during the last fiscal year in advertising on behalf of the Government or any public service in any of the public journals of the Dominion, the amount paid each journal respectively and the purpose for which such money was paid.

**Mr. TROW**—On Friday next—Select Committee to enquire into the most effectual method for promoting colonization in the Provinces of the Dominion; the said Committee to have power to send for persons and papers.

**Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE**—On Friday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for all reports concerning the Baie Verte Canal.