

send for persons, papers and records. And further, With power to examine persons called before the Committee on oath. Said Committee to consist of Messrs. *Wallace, Bain (Soulanges), Bain (Wentworth), Béchard, Boyle, Casgrain, Daly, Fisher, Flinn, Gillmor, Guillet, Grandbois, Landry, McDougald (Pictou), McKay and Wood (Westmoreland)*,

And that Rule 78 be suspended in so far as it relates to the number of members to serve on the said Committee;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Mr. McMullen* moved, seconded by *Mr. Bain (Wentworth)*, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return giving copy of instructions to Dominion Land agents in *Manitoba* and the *North-West*, regarding instructions furnished to intending settlers free of charge, and a copy of instructions as to information for which a fee is imposed; the amount of fees received at the several offices during the years 1885-86 and 1887 for such information; the amount of all fees collected from intending settlers during those years, and for which no credit was given in their purchase of Dominion lands.

And a debate arising thereupon;

On motion of *Mr. Ives*, seconded by *Mr. Colby*,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

On motion of *Mr. Welsh*, seconded by *Mr. Davies*,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the names and salaries of all Captains in charge of Government Steamers, together with the salaries and allowances at present payable to and received by them, together with all petitions, correspondence, telegrams, &c., relative to the pay of the Captain of the *Northern Light*, since 1st January, 1879; also, for a Return showing the names and number of men employed in or about the *Northern Light* during last summer, from the time she ceased running in the spring of 1887, until she again resumed in the autumn of same year.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Thursday, 1st March, 1888.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By *Mr. Ferguson (Welland)*,—The Petition of *W. K. Muir* and others; and the Petition of The Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway Company.

By *Mr. Montague*,—The Petition of *Charles Cameron* and others.

By *Mr. Perley (Ottawa)*,—The Petition of *Henry Franklin Bronson* and others; and three Petitions of *M. McKamon* and others, Pressmen's Union.

By *Mr. Labelle*,—The Petition of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

By *Mr. Audet*,—The Petition of *Sem. Dalpé*, of *Roxton Pond, Quebec*.

By *Mr. Carling*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the City of *London, Ontario*.