

with all Reports, valuations and correspondence on the subject. (*Sessional Papers, No. 48bb.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 1st March, 1882, for a Return shewing quantities of *Springhill* coal delivered at *St. John* and intermediate Stations by the Intercolonial Railroad, during the year ending 31st December, 1881; also, rates of freight per ton to each of said Stations; also, all special rates and the parties to whom given, the quantities delivered to each of such parties at such special rates. (*Sessional Papers, No. 81n.*)

Sir *Hector L. Langevin*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House,—A list of the names, address, and rate of pay of the Engineers and Firemen employed in the Public Buildings, *Canada*; also the amount required to pay the same, when transferred to the Public Works Department. (*Sessional Papers, No. 176.*)

Mr. *Mousseau*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 24th April, 1882, for a Return shewing the number of feet, board measure, of all kinds of lumber; also, of the number of thousands of shingles and laths which have passed through the *Grenville* Canal during the years 1879, 1880 and 1881, and upon which tolls were paid, the said Return to show whether the tolls were paid at *Ottawa* or *Grenville*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 175.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 1st May, 1882, for a Statement shewing the names of the persons in the Second Registration District of the County of *Rimouski* who have paid the tax on Tobacco of their own growth, sold by them; also, the amount paid by each of them to the several Postmasters or other officials authorized to collect the Revenue. (*Sessional Papers, No. 59d.*)

Mr. *Colby*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library of Parliament, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Adverting to their recommendation made at the last Session of Parliament, approving of the purchase, from Mr. *Gerald E. Hart*, of his valuable and unique Collection of coins and medals, illustrating the History of *Canada*, from the first settlement of the country under the French régime, to the present time, the Committee desire to renew the expression of their opinion in favor of this purchase. They understand that Mr. *Hart* is still willing to dispose of the Collection for the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars. But he has since compiled a descriptive Catalogue of the pieces, which appears to be of much historical interest, independently of its special utility as explaining the worth of each individual coin and medal. For this catalogue an additional sum of Five hundred dollars is asked. The Committee consider this to be a reasonable price, and they advise that if the Government ask and obtain the consent of Parliament to the purchase of this Collection, and decide to deposit it in the Library of Parliament, the Catalogue be printed for the information of Members. Proper arrangements should also be made for the care, exhibition, and safe keeping of the Coins.

Since the removal of the Supreme Court from the Parliament House to a separate Building, much inconvenience has arisen to the Judges and lawyers attending the Court, on account of the inaccessibility of the Law Books which should be on hand for consultation. With a view to avoid unnecessary expenditure in the purchase of duplicate works, and at the same time to afford all possible facility for reference to the Judges, the Committee have approved of the transfer of the series of Law Reports (those of the English Courts up to the year 1865, and the American Reports to the present time, with the continuations hereafter procured) from the Parliament Library to the Court Building. These Books, however, still to remain the property of the Library of Parliament, and to be in charge of a clerk detailed from the Library for this service. It is also to be understood, that Members of