

Hon. Mr. *Dunkin* laid before The House.—by command of His Excellency, his Report in terms of “The Census Act.”

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* delivered the following Messages from His Excellency, as follows :—

LISGAR,

The Governor General, transmits for the information of the House of Commons, copy of correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments relative to the Manitoba Act ; with copy of draft of a Bill proposed to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament on the subject.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 28th February, 1871.

LISGAR,

The Governor General, transmits for the information of the House of Commons, copy of correspondence between the Dominion Government, and the Governments of Ontario and Quebec, with other documents respecting the award of the Arbitrators.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 1st March, 1871.

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, both last mentioned Messages were referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Huron) it was

Ordered, That a Return be laid before this House, shewing the number of Insurance Companies which have made the deposits required by 31 Vic., chap., 47, up to the date of said Return ; distinguishing between Canadian and Foreign Companies, and between Fire, Marine, Life and Accidents Companies ; specifying the name of the Company, when incorporated, where the head office in Canada is located, the amount deposited under the provisions in the above, or any other Act, when deposited, whether for the benefit of Canadian Policy holders or for that of Policy holders generally ; also the numbers and names of Companies that have ceased to do business in Canada and have withdrawn such deposits, if any.

On motion of Mr. *Bourassa*, The House resolved to go into Committee on Monday next, to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to create a special fund, to be denominated “The Liquor Inspection Fund.”

2. *Resolved*, That there shall be appointed by the Governor, in Montreal, Quebec, Three Rivers, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Halifax, and St. John, N.B., an Inspector, whose duty it shall be to analyse all liquors, whether imported or manufactured on the spot, which shall be sold wholesale or retail, within the limits of his jurisdiction.

3. *Resolved*, That the Inspector so appointed shall receive as salary such allowance as the Governor in Council shall think fit to award him.

4. *Resolved*, That with a view to meet the expenditure to be incurred in virtue of the preceding Resolutions, it is expedient to require from each and every tavern-keeper and manufacturer and retailer of Intoxicating Liquors the payment of _____ a year, which shall form part of the “Liquor Inspection Fund.”

5. *Resolved*, That all persons selling, by wholesale or retail, adulterated liquors containing ingredients injurious to health shall, upon a complaint being made before a Justice of the Peace, be punishable by imprisonment for _____, and by a fine of _____

6. *Resolved*, That for his services, the Inspector shall be entitled over and above his salary, to the sum of _____, in the discretion of the Justice, to be deemed costs, and paid by the party against whom judgment shall be given.

7. *Resolved*, That all penalties imposed in virtue of these Resolutions may be recovered summarily on the information of any person who will prosecute for the same before any two Justices of the Peace near the place where the offence shall have been committed, and shall be payable, one half to the prosecutor (who shall not thereby be rendered incompetent as a witness), with costs, and the other half to Her Majesty.

8. *Resolved*, That all the penalties recoverable in virtue of these Resolutions, and belonging to Her Majesty, shall be paid over to the Receiver General of the Dominion, and shall form part of the “Liquor Inspection Fund.”

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council and Reports of Engineers, or other persons employed by the Department of Public Works, in relation to a Survey connected with the construction of a Harbor of Refuge at Rimouski ; also a statement of the cost of such Survey, and copies of all other documents relating thereto.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.