

It is only in the event of any election taking place within a year.

The motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT moved the third reading of the bill.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time and passed.

The Senate adjourned.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Monday, October 5th, 1896.

The Speaker took the Chair at Two o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

THE SUPPLY BILL.

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill (39) "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending 30th June, 1897, and for other purposes relating to the public service."

The bill was read the first time.

Hon. Sir OLIVER MOWAT moved the second reading of the bill.

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL—Can the hon. leader of the House tell us the total amount of supply for the year, including two bills already passed and sanctioned?

Hon. Sir OLIVER MOWAT—I have not summed them up.

Hon. Mr. MACDONALD (B.C.)—It has been customary, on important occasions of this kind, for the ghost of Banquo, the hon. member from Halifax (Mr. Power) to rise in his place and point a warning finger at the enormous expenditure for which the Supply Bill provides, and protest against the late hour at which it is presented to this House. It is unfortunate that the hon. gentleman is not in his place to-day, because

he would find justification for following the course he has pursued in the past in the case of the present bill, which is brought down to us in the very last hour of the session. For my own part, I make no protest; I can swallow almost anything—in fact, anything but Joe Martin.

The bill then passed through its final stages.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

THE PROROGATION.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir John Campbell Hamilton-Gordon, Earl of Aberdeen; Viscount Formartine, Baron Haddo, Methlic, Tarves and Kellie, in the Peerage of Scotland; Viscount Gordon of Aberdeen, County of Aberdeen, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; Baronet of Nova Scotia; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, &c., &c., Governor General of Canada, being seated in the Chair on the Throne,

The Honourable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons, and acquaint that House—"It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who, being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the bills to be passed severally, as follow:—

An Act to revive and amend the Acts respecting the St. Clair and Erie Ship Canal Company.

An Act to incorporate the Hudson's Bay and Pacific Railway Company.

An Act to confirm an agreement between the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Hamilton Powder Company.

An Act for the relief of Albert Nordheimer.

An Act amalgamating the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway Company and the Parry Sound Colonization Railway Company under the name of the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway Company.

An Act respecting the St. Catharines and Niagara Central Railway Company.

An Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal Company.