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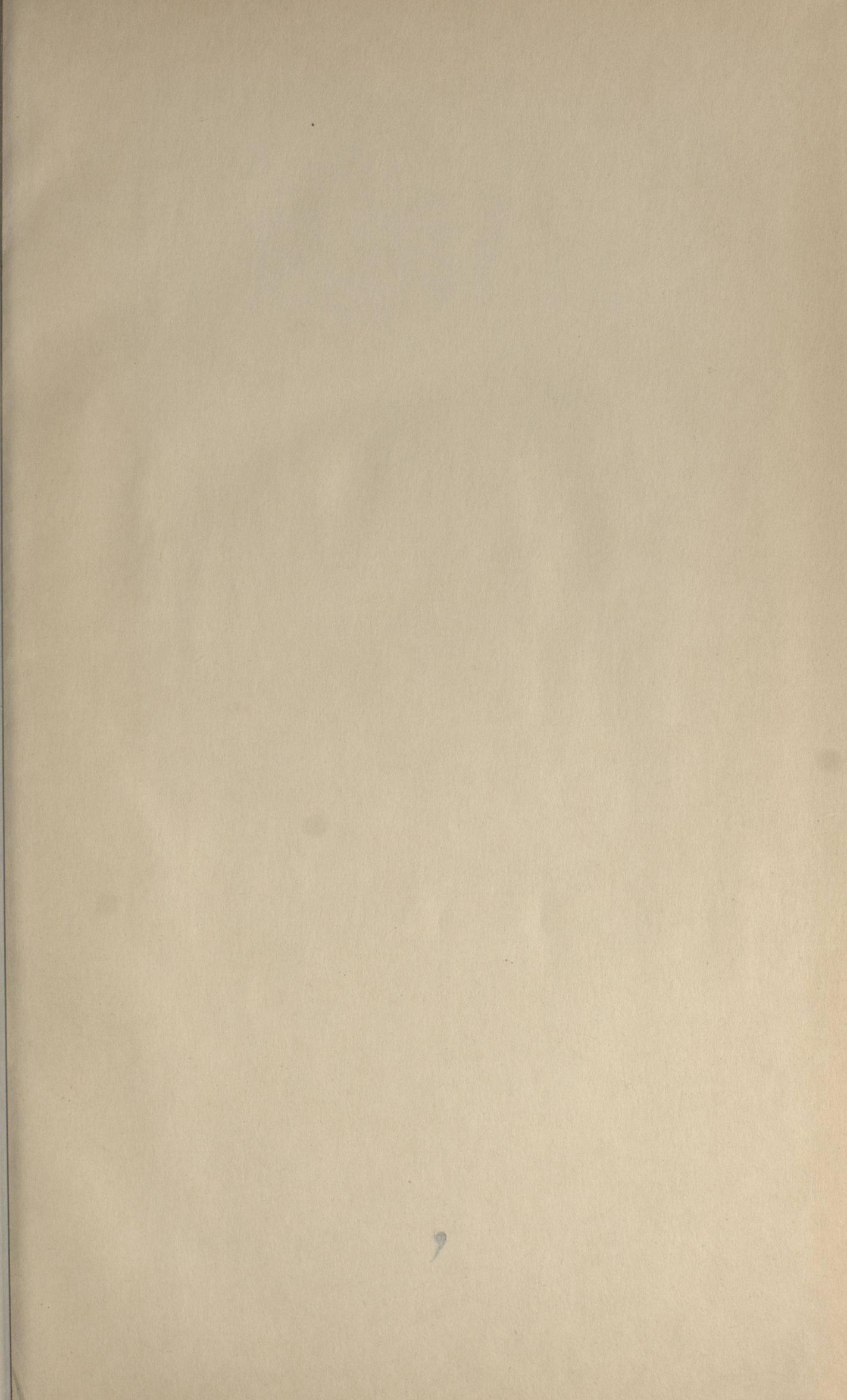
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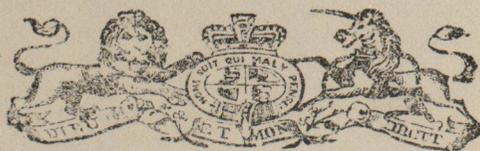
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## ERRATA

Which occur in the *Votes and Proceedings*, viz. :—

(On page 50)—In the *Votes* of yesterday, (page 42), Mr. *Baby's* name was omitted from the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, and the said entry should read as follows :—

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Select Committee was appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament so far as the interests of this House are concerned; and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library; composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Cameron* (Cardwell), *Cartwright*, *Gauchon*, *Cameron* (Ontario), *Holton*, *Fréchette*, *Delorme*, *Mills*, *Young*, *Laurier*, *Brouse*, *Tupper*, *Wright* (Ottawa), and *Baby*;—and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate to acquaint them therewith.

(On page 117)—In the *Votes* of yesterday, (page 108) the entry relating to the appointment of a Select Committee to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion, was erroneously inserted, as the adjourned Debate was not resumed, but left standing on the Orders of the Day for further consideration on Monday next.

(On page 198)—In the *Votes* of Friday last (page 192) in Resolution 78, the word "Manitoba" was changed to "North-West Territories," and the entry therefore should read as follows :—

78 Mounted Police, North-West Territories..... \$292,651 50

(On page 230)---In the Votes of Friday last (page 221) the Return to an Order of The House of the 2nd instant; for copies of the circulars sent to shipbuilding firms for the construction of a Steam Tender, to transport Mails from Father Point to the Ocean Steamers, etc., was erroneously inserted;—that document having already been laid before The House on Thursday, the 16th instant (page 172) and the following should have been inserted instead:—

Return to an Order of The House of the 2nd instant; for a Statement shewing the amount which the Government of Canada have agreed to pay or have already paid under each contract passed between the Government and any individual or Company for the execution of any portion of the work on the Pacific Railway or the Line of Telegraph, or of any other work in relation to the said Railway; also the total amount of such different sums.

And the following entry was omitted *on the same day*, on page 223 :—

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 20) to enable *William Smith Amies* to obtain Letters Patent for a new and useful Artificial Manure, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

(On page 248)---In the Votes of yesterday (page 235) the entry referring to the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, should have been inserted, as follows :—

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to which was referred the following Resolution :—(*and so forth.*)

And on page 238, Mr. *Roscoe's* name was omitted from the Yeas in the Division List taken on Mr. *DeCosmos's* amendment to Mr. *Cartwright's* motion for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

The correct list of the Yeas is, as follows :—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Bunster,  
DeCosmos,  
Jones (*Leeds*),

Roscoe,  
Thompson (*Cariboo*),

Wallace, (*Norfolk*), and  
Wright (*Pontiac*).—7.

(On page 275)—In the *English version* of the Votes of yesterday, page 266, the following entry was omitted :—

The Bill (No. 61) to amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 108, intituled “An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Loan and Agency Company, (Limited),” was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading *to-morrow*.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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The House having met;

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, desiring the immediate attendance of The House in the Senate Chamber:—

The House attended accordingly; and being returned,

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that he had received from the Judges, selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act, 1873*, and *The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*, Certificates and Reports relating to the Elections.

For the Electoral District of Gaspé;  
For the Electoral District of Centre Toronto;  
For the Electoral District of Hamilton;  
For the Electoral District of the County of Monk;  
For the Electoral District of Napierville;  
For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of York;  
For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Perth;  
For the Electoral District of Dorchester;  
For the Electoral District of Montreal West;  
For the Electoral District of Montreal Centre;  
For the Electoral District of Argenteuil;  
For the Electoral District of Chambly;  
For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Renfrew;

And the same were read as follows:—

## GASPÉ CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

In the matter of an Election Petition for the County of Gaspé, between HORATIO LEBOUTILLIER, Petitioner, and LOUIS GEORGES HARPER, Respondent, under "*The Controverted Elections Act, 1873.*"

I, *Thomas McCord*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court, and one of the Judges for the time being, for the trial of Election Petitions for the Dominion of Canada, within the Quebec Division of the Province of Quebec, do hereby, in virtue of the said Act, certify that the above-mentioned Election Petition was tried before me on the 18th, 19th and 20th days of August, and on the 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th days of October, 1874, in the presence of the Counsel for the said Petitioner and for the said Respondent respectively.

And I further certify that on the said trial it appeared to me requisite that, before determining upon the said Election Petition, I should submit, and that I did accordingly, on the 8th of October, 1874, submit to the Election Court at Quebec, the following

CASE:—

“ On the 13th of January, 1874, the Respondent received from (and over the signature of) the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Commission, under the hand and Seal at Arms of the Governor General, appointing him Returning Officer for the then coming Election in the County of Gaspé. He at the same time received the Writ of Election, and signed, as Returning Officer, the receipt enclosed upon the Writ. The Commission and the Writ are both dated the 2nd of January, 1874.

“ On the 14th of January, 1874, the Respondent signed the usual Proclamations as Returning Officer, and afterwards caused them to be posted up throughout the County.

“ On the 31st of January, 1874, the Respondent appointed *L. Z. Joncas* to be his Election Clerk, and on the same day, the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery received from the Respondent a telegram, informing him that he (the Respondent) was presenting himself as a Candidate and could not therefore act as Returning Officer, stating that he had transferred all the papers that had been forwarded to him as Returning Officer, to his Election Clerk, and also requesting an answer.

“ On the 2nd of February, 1874, the Respondent wrote his Election Clerk a letter, notifying him that in consequence of his having become a Candidate he could no longer act as Returning Officer, and that he, the Clerk, was bound to act in his stead, divesting himself in favor of his said Clerk, of all his powers as Returning Officer, stating that he will no longer act as such, and requesting him to inform the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

“ About the same time, the Respondent mailed to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery a letter, which the latter did not receive. By the evidence of the Respondent himself, when examined by me, it would appear that the date of this letter was the 2nd of February, that it referred to his telegram of the 31st of January, as being yet unanswered, that after stating the purport of that telegram, it declared that the Respondent had resigned, and did thereby resign, through the said Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, into the hands of the Governor General, the Office of Returning Officer, and that he had instructed his Election Clerk to act in his stead.

“ After the 2nd of February, the Respondent did not act as Returning Officer.

“ On the 4th of February, 1874, the Respondent received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery a telegram as follows:—

“ ‘Your telegram of 31st January received. Can only refer you to Chapter six, Section thirty-three, Subsection five of Consolidated Statutes of Canada, also, to thirty-fourth Victoria, Chapter nineteen.’

“ On the 11th of February, 1874, the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery received from the Election Clerk, *Joncas*, a copy of the letter of the 2nd of February, which as above stated, the Respondent had written to the said *Joncas*.

“ The 12th of February was the day on which the Nomination of Candidates took place.

“ Questions:—

“ 1. Was the Respondent eligible on the 12th of February, 1874?

“ 2. Was the Election Clerk competent to act as Returning Officer, from and after the 2nd of February 1874, and if not is the Election null?”

And I further certify that on the 7th day of January last, the said Election Court, as appears by a Copy of the Judgment of the said Court, which I herewith enclose, determined as follows:—

“ To the first Question:—That *Louis George Harper*, Esquire, was the Returning Officer of the Electoral Division of Gaspé, at the time of the Election, and was therefore incapable of being elected to serve in Parliament for that division.

“ To the second Question:—That the Respondent was Returning Officer *de jure*, but by his refusal to act as Returning Officer the Election Clerk was competent to act as Returning Officer *de facto*.”

And I further certify that having regard to the said judgment and determination, I did on the 19th of January last determine:—

1st. That the said *Louis Georges Harper*, Esquire, was not duly elected.

2nd. That the said Election is a void Election.

And I have appended hereto a copy of the notes of the evidence taken at the said trial.

And in further pursuance of the said Act, I make this Special Report, as to matters which arose in the course of the said trial, an account of which ought in my judgment, to be submitted to the House of Commons.

A charge of corrupt practices having been committed was brought in recrimination by the Respondent against the Petitioner's claim to the seat, and the charge was fully borne out by the evidence, but no charge of any such practices having been committed was made in the Petition, so as to bring this case under the operation of section twenty of the said Act.

And I further state that I have hitherto abstained from certifying and reporting to you, in this matter, in consequence of an appeal from my determination, which was brought by the Respondent, but which, by permission of the Superior Court, was yesterday withdrawn.

T. McCORD,  
Judge.

In Chambers, 8th April, 1875.

## IN THE ELECTION COURT.

## QUEBEC DIVISION.

The Seventh day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-five.

## PRESENT:

The Honorable Mr. Justice STUART.  
 " " CASAULT.  
 " " TESSIER.

*Election Petition of the Electoral District of Gaspé.*

HORATIO LEBOUTILLIER,

*Petitioner,*

AND

LOUIS GEORGE HARPER,

*Respondent.*

No. 19.

The Court having maturely deliberated upon the Reserved Questions submitted by the Honorable Mr. Justice *McCord*—to the first Questions,— determines:—

That *Louis Georges Harper*, Esquire, was the Returning Officer of the Electoral Division of Gaspé at the time of the Election and was therefore incapable of being elected to serve in Parliament for that Division.

To the second Question determines:—That the Respondent was Returning Officer *de jure*, but by his refusal to continue to act as Returning Officer, the Election Clerk was competent to act as Returning Officer *de facto*.

Judge *Stuart* dissenting as to answer to second Question.

True Copy,

FISET, BURROUGHS & CAMPBELL,

C. E. C.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

## CENTRE TORONTO CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 12th April, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Electoral District of Centre Toronto, held on the 22nd and 29th days of January, 1874, that a Petition was duly presented under the said Statute against the Return of *Robert Wilkes*, Esquire, as Member to represent the Electoral District of Centre Toronto, in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada—that the Trial of such Petition came on before me, one of the Election Judges, at the Court House in the City of Toronto, on the 24th of February last, and was by me adjourned on that day until the 6th of April last.

At the conclusion of the said Trial, I determined that the said Election was void—and I now certify such determination to you in pursuance of the Statute.

I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence taken on the Trial of the said Petition.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ADAM WILSON,

J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
 Ottawa.

TORONTO, 12th April, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, in addition to the certificate herewith sent you, that the Election for the Electoral District of Centre Toronto, held on the 22nd and 29th days of January last, at which *Robert Wilkes*, Esquire, was returned as a Member for the Electoral District of Centre Toronto, in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, was void, I beg to report—

(a) That no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any Candidate at such Election.

(In consequence of the personal charges against Mr. *Wilkes* being withdrawn, it became unnecessary to make any inquiry on the subject.)

(b) That *James E. Leslie*, an Agent of the said *Robert Wilkes* has been proved at the Trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at such Election.

(c) I cannot say from the evidence given before me, that there is reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ADAM WILSON,

J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
 Ottawa.

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HAMILTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 24th April, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Electoral District of Hamilton held on the 22nd and 29th days of January, 1874, that a Petition was duly presented under the said Statute against the Return of *Andrew Trew Wood* and *Æmilius Irving*, (otherwise *Thomas Æmilius Irving*) as Members to represent the Electoral District of Hamilton, in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada—that the Trial of such Petition came on before me one of the Election Judges at the Court House in the City of Hamilton in the said Electoral District, on Tuesday the 9th day of March, 1874, and was by me adjourned until the 20th day of April, 1874.

At the conclusion of the said Trial I determined that the said Elections were void, and I now certify such determination to you in pursuance of the Statute.

I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence taken at the trial of the said Petition.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant

ADAM WILSON,

J.

The Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

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TORONTO, 24th April, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, in addition to the Certificate herewith sent you, that the Elections for the Electoral District of Hamilton held on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, 1874, at which *Andrew Trew Wood*, and *Æmilius Irving* (otherwise called *Thomas Æmilius Irving*) were returned as Members for the Electoral District of Hamilton in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada—were void, I beg to report,

(a) That corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed but not with the knowledge or consent of the said *Andrew Trew Wood*, and *Æmilius Irving* (otherwise called *Thomas Æmilius Irving*) or of either of them at the Election of the said parties.

(b) That *John Dolan* and *Michael Malone* have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices.

(c) That no further evidence having been given before me than that of *John Dolan* I have no ground for forming a full opinion whether corrupt practices have or have not extensively prevailed at the said Election.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant

ADAM WILSON.

J.

The Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

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MONCK CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, May 21st, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Statute in that behalf, I have the honor to certify unto you that on the twelfth of May instant, a Petition of *Matthew Moore* and *John Bowman* against the Election and Return of *Lachlin McCallum*, Esquire, as a Member for the County of Monck in the House of Commons, came on to be tried before me at the Court House at the Town of Cayuga in this form of Law.

At the trial there was produced before me a notice which had been served upon the Solicitor of the Petitioner at the instance of the Respondent to the effect among other things—

“That a person who according to the Common Law of England in reference to the Election of Members of Parliament would be held to be an Agent of the Respondent at the said Election did before the said Election give a sum of money to a voter to induce him to vote for the Respondent at the said Election but that this was done without the knowledge and consent of the Respondent.”

Evidence was offered before me to establish the fact of bribery having been committed by one *John A. Whitmore*, an Agent of the Respondent, but no evidence having been offered that such or any bribe had been given with the knowledge or consent of the Respondent I did adjudge and determine the Election of the said *Lachlin McCallum* as a Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the County of Monck to be null and void by reason of bribery committed by an Agent of the said *Lachlin McCallum* at the said Election, with costs to be paid by the said Respondent,

And I have the honor further to report that *John A. Whitmore* who was an Agent of the Respondent at the said Election, was by his own confession proved to have been guilty of a corrupt practice, such corrupt practice consisting in his giving a sum of money to one *James Bowman*, a voter at the said Election to induce and procure him to vote for the said *Lachlin McCallum*,

And further that it was not proved before me nor was any evidence offered before me for the purpose of proving that any corrupt practice had been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the Candidates at the said Election,

But whether corrupt practices have or not or whether there is reason to believe that they have or not extensively prevailed at the said Election I am unable to report as the only evidence of any corrupt practice given or offered was the one hereinbefore mentioned.

A copy of my notes of evidence taken at the trial accompanies this Certificate.

All which is certified in pursuance of the Statute in that behalf.

JOHN W. GWYNNE,  
J.C.P.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

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NAPIERVILLE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

(Translation.)

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Canada,  
Province of Quebec, }  
District of Iberville. }

WEDNESDAY, the twelfth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

Before Mr. Justice *Chagnon*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court of this Province, sitting in virtue of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874, in open Court in the Courthouse, in the Village of Napierville, Electoral District of Napierville, District of Iberville.

ANTOINE GOYER,

AND

*Petitioner.*

SIXTE COUPAL, DIT LAREINE,

*Respondent.*

Having heard the parties by their Counsel on the said Petition, examined the evidence, the documents produced as well by the parties as by the witnesses and the procedure, and upon the whole maturely deliberated:—

Whereas it appears from the evidence placed on record that the List of Voters made in and for the Parish of St. Patrice de Sherrington in the Electoral District of Napierville, District of Iberville, and which was used at the polling of the voters of the said Parish, in the Election of a Member of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada, in August, 1874, was not made, posted up and revised as required by Law, and must in consequence be declared illegal and void;

Whereas the Respondent was returned at the said Election by a total majority of nine votes over his opponent, the Petitioner; and whereas it is proved that the apparent majority of votes received by the Respondent in the said Parish of St. Patrice de Sherrington, by using the aforesaid List for the voting, greatly exceeded the number of the total majority in virtue of which the Respondent was returned elected to represent the Electoral District of Napierville in the said House of Commons;

Whereas by reason of the illegality and nullity of the said list the Election of the Respondent to represent the said Electoral District in the said House ought to be declared null;

Whereas the Respondent has filed in the Record, on the seventh day of May Instant, admissions to the effect that the said Election be declared null, by reason of the illegality and nullity of the said list;

Whereas by a paper writing, filed in the Record the same day, the Petitioner by reason of the said last-mentioned admissions made by the Respondent, desisted from the conclusions by him taken in and by his said Election Petition, other than those praying that the Election be merely and simply declared null and illegal;

And whereas the parties with these two documents, by them filed the said seventh day of May, instant, as aforesaid, have submitted the said Election Petition to this Court, sitting with power as aforesaid, for Judgment, both of them praying that the Election of the said Respondent be declared null and illegal.

It is ordered and adjudged that the Election made in August last, in the Electoral District of Napierville, District of Iberville, of the Respondent, to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada, be declared illegal, null and of no effect;—and the said Election is in fact declared null, illegal and of no effect, and is by these Presents annulled; the whole with costs against the Respondent, in accordance with the consent of the latter, as expressed in his said admissions.

H. W. CHAGNON,  
J.S.C.

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NORTH YORK CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, June 8th, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act* of 1873, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the North Riding of the County of York held on the 22nd and 29th days of January, 1874, that a Petition was duly presented under the Statute against the Return of *Alfred Hutchison Dymond*, Esquire, as Member to represent the said North Riding of the County of York in the House of Commons,

That the trial of such Petition came on before me in the Village of Newmarket in the said County on Saturday the 29th day of May last.

At the conclusion of the said trial I determined that the said Election was void and I certify such determination to you pursuant to the Statute.

I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. G. SPRAGGE, J.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

Toronto, June 8th, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, in addition to the Certificate herewith sent you, that the Election for the North Riding of the County of York held on the 22nd and 29th days of January, 1874, at which *Alfred Hutchison Dymond*, Esquire, was returned as a Member for the said North Riding of the County of York to serve in the House of Commons, was void, I beg to report as to the trial before me of the Petition in relation to such Election under the said Act,

(a) That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the Candidates at the Election to which the Petition relates,

(b) That *William Rowland* and *Emmanuel Ellison* "were proved" to have been guilty of corrupt practices at said Election,

(c) That I have no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. G. SPRAGGE, J.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

#### NORTH PERTH CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Statute in that behalf,—I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Electoral District for the North Riding of the County of Perth, that a Petition of *Thomas Redford* and *William McGriegan* against the Election and Return of Mr. *Andrew Monteith* as a Member for the Dominion House of Commons, came on to be heard before me in the Court House in the Town of Stratford in due form of Law on the 7th day of June instant.

At the conclusion of the said trial I determined that the said Election was and is void, and I now certify such determination to you in pursuance of the Statute, by reason of bribery committed by an Agent of the sitting Member,

I also beg to report that no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either Candidate at such Election,

That *Hugh Grant* was proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at the said Election as the Agent of the said sitting Member.

And further that there has not been proved before me nor was any evidence offered for that purpose that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election to which the Petition relates for the reason stated in my notes of the trial.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

ADAM WILSON, J.

June 10th, 1875.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Dominion of Canada, Ottawa.

DORCHESTER CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT SITTING IN REVIEW.

Canada,  
Province of Quebec. }

No. 3.

The Eighth day of July, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

PRESENT :

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE NAPOLEON CASAULT.  
" " HENRI ELZÉAR TASCHEREAU.  
" " ULRIC JOSEPH TESSIER.

In the matter of an Election Petition for the County of Dorchester, between

EDOUARD HOSPICE MARCEAU, Esquire,

*Petitioner.*

AND

FORTUNAT ROULEAU, Esquire,

*Respondent.*

SIR,—This Court having heard the respective parties on the said Election Petition determined that the said *Fortunat Rouleau* being the Member whose Election and Return was complained of by the said Petitioner was not duly elected or returned, and that the said Election was void.

And this Court doth hereby certify such its determination to you.

And whereas charges are made in the said Petition of corrupt practices having been committed at the said Election, in further pursuance of the said Act, this Court doth report as follows:—

That upon the trial of the said Petition no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed at the said Election by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Fortunat Rouleau*,

That upon the trial of the said Petition, corrupt practices were proved to have been committed by and with the knowledge and consent of the said Petitioner, *Edouard Hospice Marceau* at the said Election, and that these corrupt practices consisted in the treating of the Electors of the said County of Dorchester with intent to influence the said Election, and in opening and supporting at his costs and charges, houses of public entertainment for the accommodation of the Electors,

And this Court doth further report that the following persons were proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at the said Election, viz.,—*Cyrille Lantagne*, *Charles Duquet* and *Charles Ruel* of the Parish of St. Claire, *Frederic Moreau*, *Jules Sinclair*, *Joseph Genest* (the son), and *Joseph Genest* (the father), of the Parish of St. Henri, *Jean Grasson* and *Joseph Pouliot* of the Parish of St. Anselme, *Daniel Trachy* (the father), *Frederic Lecompte*, *Louis Napoleon*, alias *Paul Trachy*, *Damase Lecompte* and *Pierre Sylvester*, of the Parish of St. Henedine, *Louis Mercier* and *Antoine Carbonneau* of the Parish of St. Justine, *Chrysologue Vallières*, *Antoine Paradis*, *François Oceau*, *François*, alias *Célié Grégoire* and *Antoine Fecteau* of the Parish of St. Bernard, *Feriol Couture*, *Joseph Guay Majorique*, *Fortier*, *Edouard Letourneau Napoleon*, *Roy* and *Denis Viens*, of the Parish of St. Isidore, *Louis Landré*, *Pierre Pomerleau* and *Joseph Lacasse*, of the Parish of Ste. Marguerite, *André Ruel* and *Barthéleme Deblois*, of the Parish of St. Edouard de Frampton.

And this Court doth further report that corrupt practices did extensively prevail at the said Election.

A copy of the evidence taken at the trial accompanies this Certificate and Report.

In witness thereof we have caused the Seal of our said Court to be hereunto affixed, at the City of Quebec, this eighth day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

[L. S.]

N. CASAULT J.S.C.

H. E. TASCHEREAU, J.S.C.

U. J. TESSIER, Judge, S.C.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

MONTREAL WEST CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

MONTREAL, 26th August, 1875.

SIR,—I have the honor to make the following Report to you, under the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*.

A Petition under the said Act complaining of the Return and Election of *Frederick Mackenzie* for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Montreal West, holden on the third and tenth days of December last, having been duly presented, has been heard before me, and on Saturday the 14th August instant, I determined that the said *Frederick Mackenzie* whose Return and Election were so complained of was not duly returned or elected, and that the said Election was void, and that no other person was duly elected,

And I now certify such my determination to you according to the Statute,

And whereas charges were made of corrupt practices having been committed at the said Election, I in further pursuance of the said Act report as follows:—

That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed at the said Election by or with the knowledge or consent of any Candidate,

That the following persons were proved at the Trial to have been guilty of the corrupt practice of bribery, *James McShane, Junior, James McShane, Senior, William Blackmore, Martin Mansfield, Owen Kenna, Joseph Mackenzie.* In addition to the above *Michael Harrington* was guilty of treating.

I have no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the Election to which the Petition relates.

I send herewith a copy of the evidence given at the trial and a *Memorandum* of the cost of said copy which should be remitted to the Prothonotary of the Superior Court Montreal.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

F. W. TORRANCE,

J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

*The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874.*

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Montreal West, situate within the Judicial District of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec.

Province of Quebec, }  
District of Montreal. }

*Superior Court.*

No. 1.

*Thomas White, Jr. Printer and Publisher, Andrew Robertson, Merchant, Charles Seraphin Rodier, the Younger, Esquire, Jean Marie Papineau, Merchant, Alexander Shannon, Merchant, Isaie Boudreau, Merchant, Matthew Hamilton Gault, Agent, William McNaughton, Forwarder, John Hatchette, Merchant, André Lapierre, Merchant and Bernard Tansey, Hotel Keeper, all of the City and District of Montreal in the said Province,*

*Petitioners.*

AND

FREDERICK MACKENZIE, of the said City of Montreal, Esquire,

*Respondent.*

Saturday the fourteenth day of August, One thousand eight-hundred and seventy-five.

Present, The Honorable *Mr. Justice Torrance.*

Having heard the parties and their witnesses, examined the proceedings of Record and duly deliberated, Considering the declaration filed by the Respondent.

Considering that it is in evidence that *Martin Mansfield*, an Agent of the Petitioner, bribed and treated *Owen Kenna* to give his vote for the Petitioner *White*, and that corrupt practices have been proved on the part of an Agent of the Petitioner *White*, I, the undersigned Judge do declare null and void, the Election and Return of *Frederick Mackenzie*, Esquire, as Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Montreal West, holden on the third and tenth days of December, eighteen hundred and seventy four, and do reject so much of the Petition of Petitioners as prays that the said Return be amended and the said *Thomas White, Jr.* be determined and declared to have been duly elected; and is ordered that each party pay his own costs.

Montreal, 14th August, 1875.

F. W. TORRANCE,

J.

MONTREAL CENTRE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Election of a Member for the House of Commons of Canada, for the Electoral District of Montreal Centre, situate within the Judicial District of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec.*

No. 3.

Province of Quebec, }  
District of Montreal. }

SUPERIOR COURT.

MICHAEL P. RYAN, Merchant, WILFRED B. DESMARTEAU, Merchant,  
and JOHN MCBURNEY, Merchant, all of the City of Montreal,

*Petitioners,*

AND

BERNARD DEVLIN, of the said City of Montreal, Esquire, Advocate,

*Respondent.*

Having heard the parties, examined their Witnesses and proof, and the record, and deliberated thereupon;

Considering that from the proofs it results that the Election complained of is affected by the corrupt practices of the Agent of the Respondent but without his actual knowledge; *nommément Robert McCready* illegally paying money, ninety dollars to *William Mullin* to promote Respondent's Election, and by *James McShane Junior*, illegally paying money twelve dollars for *Adolphe Laurin* to *Leon Laurin* to promote Respondent's Election,

I, the undersigned, a Judge of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, and now sitting under the Dominion *Controverted Elections Act*, 1874, and holding the Court for the trial of Petitioners in the above case, declare the said Election null and void; maintaining the Petition *pro tanto*, but rejecting the conclusions that Respondent be declared disqualified or ineligible, the whole with costs against Respondent, save the tax of witnesses *Francis O'Connor* and wife, *Ewen McDiarmoid* or *McDermott*, *Samuel Gorman*, *J. J. Flynn* and wife, *Thomas Robinson*, *Hayneau*, *Lesage*, *Harrington*, *Pendergrast*, *Conroy*, *Tracey*, *Genand* and *Murphy*, and the costs of their depositions which shall be borne by Petitioners.

Montreal this twenty-sixth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

R. MACKAY,  
*J. S. C. and an Election Judge.*

We *Réné Auguste Richard Hubert*, *Louis Joseph Amédée Papineau*, and *John Sleep Honey*, Joint Prothonotary for the District of Montreal of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the judgment rendered in the above cause by the Honorable *Robert Mackay*, one of the Judges of Her Majesty's Superior Court for Lower Canada, on the twenty-sixth day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, that the same was duly extracted from the Registers of Judgments received by us as such Prothonotary, of which Registers we are the Depositary.

Montreal ninth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

HUBERT, PAPINEAU & HONEY,  
*Prothonotary and Clerk, Superior Court in Election Matters.*

Canada, }  
Province of Quebec, }  
District of Montreal. }

MONTREAL CENTRE ELECTION CASE.

MICHAEL P. RYAN, *et al*,  
*Petitioners,*

AND

BERNARD DEVLIN,  
*Respondent.*

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada :

I the undersigned, the presiding Judge of the Superior Court sitting in review in this case, have the honor to report:—

That on the 5th day of November, instant, in the Superior Court at Montreal sitting in Review, the Court rendered judgment confirming the judgment of Mr. Justice *Mackay*, before whom the trial of the said Election Petition was heard, by which judgment so by us confirmed the Election of the Respondent was and is held and adjudged to be void and null, and to be set aside by reason of corrupt practices by his Agents, without his knowledge or consent. And as regards the allegations of the said Petition as to the actual knowledge and consent of the Respondent, it was held and adjudged by Mr. Justice *Mackay's* judgment, and also by our judgment of the 5th of November instant, that the said allegations had not been proved,

And I further report that at the said trial corrupt practices were proved to have been committed by *James McShane Junior*, by *Robert McCready*, and by *Edward McGleish*.

And I further report that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices prevailed extensively at the said Election; and I append a certified copy of the judgment of the Court, and also, one of the judgment of Mr. Justice *Mackay*, and I also send a copy of the evidence.

F. G. JOHNSON,  
J.

Montreal, 9th November, 1875.

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Election of a Member for the House of Commons of Canada, for the Electoral District of Montreal Centre, situate within the Judicial District of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec.*

No. 3.

Province of Quebec, }  
District of Montreal. } SUPERIOR COURT IN REVIEW.

The fifth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

PRESENT :

THE HON. MR. JUSTICE JOHNSON,  
 " " TORRANCE,  
 " " BEAUDRY.

MICHAEL P. RYAN, Merchant, WILFRID B. DESMARTEAU, Merchant,  
 and JOHN MCBURNEY, Merchant, all of the City of Montreal,

*Petitioners,*

AND

BERNARD DEVLIN, of the said City of Montreal, Esquire, Advocate,

*Respondent.*

The Court here sitting as a Court of Review, having heard the parties by their Council respectively upon the judgment rendered in this matter by the Honorable *Robert Mackay*, one of the Justices of the Superior Court at Montreal, on the twenty-sixth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, having examined the proceedings had in said matter, and maturely deliberated:—

Considering that there is no error in the said judgment of the twenty-sixth August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, doth in all things confirm the said judgment with costs against the said Petitioners,

The Honorable Mr. Justice *Beaudry* dissents, inasmuch as this case could not be inscribed for Review, the procedure in question being without the jurisdiction and procedure of this Court, as the Dominion Parliament, by the Act intituled "*The Controverted Elections Act, 1874*," could not confer any jurisdiction upon this Court, nor regulate its procedure contrary to what is prescribed and enacted by the Laws and by the Parliament of the Province of Quebec,

We, *René Auguste Richard Hubert*, *Louis Joseph Amédée Papineau*, and *John Sleep Honey*, Joint Prothonotary for the District of Montreal, of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the judgment rendered in the above cause, by Her Majesty's Superior Court for Lower Canada, sitting as a Court of Review on the fifth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

That the same was duly extracted from the Registers of Judgments received by us as such Prothonotary, from the said Court of Review, of which Registers we are the Depositary.

Montreal, ninth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

HUBERT, PAPINEAU & HONEY,  
*P. S. C.*

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ARGENTEUIL CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Dominion of Canada, }  
 Province of Quebec, }  
 District of Terrebonne. }

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*In the Superior Court.*

*The Election Court for the Province of Quebec.*

In the matter of the Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Argenteuil, in the Judicial District of Terrebonne, in the Province of Quebec, holden on the twenty-eighth day of October, and the fourth day of the month of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, said days being respectively the days of Nomination and the day of Polling at said Election, and of—

The Petition of THOMAS OWENS, Merchant, and RINALDO FULLER, Farmer and Miller, both of the Township of Chatham; EDWARD JONES, Gentleman, and CHARLES WALES, Merchant, both of the Parish of St. Andrews; WILLIAM McOUAT and PAUL DOIG, both farmers of Lachute, Parish of St. Jerusalem, of Argenteuil, all of the County of Argenteuil, in the District of Terrebonne aforesaid, in the Province of Quebec,

*Petitioners,*

AND

LEMUEL CUSHING, the Younger, of the City of Montreal, in the District of Montreal, Esquire Advocate,

*Respondent.*

Wednesday, the twenty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, at the brick school-house of Saint Andrews, in the said Electoral District of Argenteuil, being the place duly appointed and fixed for the trial of the said Election Petition.

PRESENT :

MR. JUSTICE JOHNSON.

The Court having heard the parties by their Counsel, having seen and examined the said Petition and the answer thereto by the said Respondent, having heard the evidence given in open Court in the presence of the said Judge, of which the notes are duly of record, and on the whole having deliberated, doth adjudge and determine that the said *Lemuel Cushing*, the Younger, the said Respondent, whose Election and Return are complained of in and by the said Petition, was not duly elected or returned, and that his Election and Return were and are wholly void and null on the ground of bribery and corrupt practices by Agents both with and without the actual knowledge and consent of the said *Lemuel Cushing*, the Younger; and doth further adjudge and determine that during the seven years next after the date of this judgment, the said *Lemuel Cushing*, the Younger, be incapable of being elected to, and of sitting in the House of Commons, and of voting at any Election of a Member of said House, or of holding an office in the nomination of the Crown or of the Governor in Canada, and doth further adjudge and order that the said *Lemuel Cushing*, the Younger, do pay to the said Petitioners their costs.

By Court, true copy.

JULES R. BERTHELOT,  
P. S. C.

We, the undersigned Prothonotary for the District of Montreal, of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the judgment rendered in the above cause on the twenty-first day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

Given at Montreal this fifth day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

HUBERT PAPINEAU & HONEY,  
P. S. C.

Dominion of Canada, }  
District of Montreal, }  
Court of Review, }  
Montreal. }

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Electoral District of Argenteuil.*

Friday, the 5th day of November, one thousand eight hundred seventy-five.

PRESENT :

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE MACKAY.  
" " TORRANCE.  
" " BEAUDRY.

No. 1.

THOMAS OWENS, *et. al.*,*Petitioners;*

AND

LEMUEL CUSHING, the Younger,

*Respondent.*

The Court hereby certifies its determination to the Honorable Speaker of the House of Commons by the copies of Judgment hereunto annexed.

And the Court further reports that at the trial, before the Honorable Mr. Justice *Johnson* bribery and corrupt practices were proved to have been committed at and during the Election, to wit, of November eighteen hundred and seventy-four, by Agents of the said *Lemuel Cushing* Junior, the Candidate, afterwards Respondent, some with his actual knowledge and consent and some without. The nature of the bribery and corrupt practices of his Agents, committed with the actual knowledge and consent of the Respondent was the payment corruptly by them, in October and November, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, of illegal and corrupt debts and expenses contracted by them during the Election of January eighteen hundred and seventy-four to promote that Election, at which the said *Lemuel Cushing*, the younger, was a Candidate, of which payments, while they were being made, and of the character of the debts and expenses the cause of them, the Respondent personally was aware;

The following persons have been proved, at the trial, to have been guilty of corrupt practices at the Election annulled by the Judgment referred to of Mr. Justice *Johnson*:—*James Cushing*, *Robert Meikle*, *Thomas C. Noyes*, *Alexander Beaton*;

Corrupt practices have not been proved to have extensively prevailed at the Election referred to of November, eighteen hundred and seventy-four; this Election was conducted much more honestly than the

earlier one of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, avoided by the Judgment of sixth October one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

The Court sends herewith a copy of the evidence taken in this case.

R. MACKAY,  
J. S. C.

Dominion of Canada, }  
District of Montreal, }  
Court of Review. }

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Electoral District of Argenteuil.*

Friday the fifth day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five,

PRESENT :

THE HON. MR. JUSTICE MACKAY.  
" " TORRANCE,  
" " BEAUDRY,

No. 1.

THOMAS OWENS, Merchant, and RINALDO FULLER, Farmer and Miller, both of the Township of Chatham, EDWARD JONES, Gentleman, and CHARLES WALES, Merchant, both of the Parish of St. Andrews, WILLIAM McOUAT and PAUL DOIG, both Farmers of Lachute, Parish of St. Jerusalem of Argenteuil, all of the County of Argenteuil, in the District of Terrebonne, in the Province of Quebec,

*Petitioners,*

*vs.*

LEMUEL CUSHING the Younger, of the City of Montreal, in the District of Montreal, Esquire, Advocate,

*Respondent.*

The Court here sitting as Court of Review, having heard the parties by their Counsel respectively upon the Judgment rendered and pronounced in this matter by the Honorable *Francis G. Johnson*, one of the Justices of the Superior Court of this Province, at St. Andrews, on the twenty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, having examined the proceedings had in the said matter, and maturely deliberated :—

Considering that there is no error in the said Judgment of the twenty-first July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, doth confirm the same in all respects save and except the latter part of it, which adjudges and determines that the said Respondent shall stand and be disqualified as therein stated, the Court holding that the legal consequences of the Respondent's actual knowledge of and consent to corrupt practices should be left to the operation of the Law without such sentence being necessary; the whole with costs against the said *Lemuel Cushing*, as well in the original Court as in this Court;

The Honorable Mr. Justice *Beaudry* dissents, inasmuch as this case could not be inscribed for Review, the procedure in question being without the jurisdiction and procedure of the Court, as the Dominion Parliament by the Act intituled "*The Controverted Elections Act 1874*," could not confer any jurisdiction upon this Court, nor regulate its procedure, contrary to what is prescribed and enacted by the Laws, and by the Parliament of the Province of Quebec.

We, *René Auguste Richard Hubert, Louis Joseph Amédée Papineau and John Sleep Honey*, joint Prothonotary of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, in the District of Montreal, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Judgment rendered by Her Majesty's Superior Court for Lower Canada, sitting as a Court of Review, on the fifth day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five; the said Judgment extracted from the Register of Judgments received by us as such Prothonotary, of which said Register we are the Custodian.

Montreal, tenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

HUBERT, PAPINEAU & HONEY,  
*P.S.C.*

CHAMBLY CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

*(Translation.)*

Province of Quebec, }  
District of Montreal. }

*Superior Court.*

Tuesday, the 3rd day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

PRESENT :

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE BEAUDRY.

PIERRE BASILE BENOIT, Esquire, Farmer of the Parish of St. Hubert, ANTOINE SICOTTE, Farmer, of the Parish of Boucherville, and NAZAIRE PRÉFONTAINE, Farmer, of St. Bazile le Grand, all in the Electoral District of Chambly, in the Judicial District of Montreal,

*Petitioners,*

AND

AMABLE JODOIN, Junior, Esquire, Gentleman, of the City of Montreal,

*Respondent.*

After having heard the Parties, by their Attorneys, upon the merits of the Requête or Petition of the said *Pierre B. Benoit* and associates, examined the proceedings taken on both sides, and upon the whole maturely deliberated;—

Whereas at an Election, held in the month of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, in the Electoral District of Chambly, in the Province of Quebec, for the purpose of electing a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of Canada, the said *Amable Jodoin* was a Candidate, as well as the said *Pierre B. Benoit*;—and that at this Election the said Respondent, *Amable Jodoin, Junior*, was on the thirtieth of the said month of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, declared elected as representing and as Member for the said Electoral District of Chambly,

Whereas by the evidence produced in this cause, it is manifest that the said Election is vitiated by fraudulent practices as well by the said *Amable Jodoin, Junior*, personally, as by his Agent and supporters,

We, Judges of the Superior Court, sitting by virtue of the Act of the Parliament of Canada, entitled, "*The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*,"—by these Presents declare the said Election to be null and of no effect, with costs against the said *Amable Jodoin*, and considering the discontinuance by the Petitioners of that portion of their conclusions, praying that the said *Pierre B. Benoit* should be declared to have been duly elected at the said Election, we declare that portion of the conclusions to be without effect.

J. U. BEAUDRY,

J.

We, the undersigned, Prothonotary for the District of Montreal, of the Superior Court of Lower Canada, do certify by these Presents, that the foregoing writing is a true Copy of the Judgment given in this cause by the above-mentioned Court on the third day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

We furthermore certify that the said Judgment has been correctly extracted from the Registers of Judgments of the said Superior Court, of which we are the Depository.

HUBERT, PAPINEAU & HONEY,  
P. S. C.

Dominion of Canada, }  
Province of Quebec, }  
District of Montreal, }  
Superior Court, }  
Sitting in Review. }

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Electoral District of Chambly.*

Friday, the fifth day of November, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

PRESENT :

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSON,  
" " MACKAY,  
" " TORRANCE,

No. 2.

PIERRE BASILE BENOIT, *et al.*,  
*Petitioners.*

AND

AMABLE JODOIN, *fil.*,  
*Respondent.*

The Court hereby certified its determination to the Honorable Speaker of the House of Commons by the copies of Judgment hereunto annexed,

And the Court reports that at the trial before the Honorable Mr. Justice *Beaudry*, corrupt practices were proved to have been committed at and during the said Election referred to in the Judgment of third of August eighteen hundred and seventy-five by *Amable Jodoin fil.*, the Candidate, and afterwards Respondent.

The nature of the corrupt practices was : 1st Gift made by him to a voter *Isidore Brodeur* of Twelve dollars in March eighteen hundred and seventy-four, while the litigation was going on upon the contestation of January eighteen hundred and seventy-four Election of the said *Amable Jodoin* fils for the same Electoral District of Chambly ; (which Election was voided upon the said contestation by Judgment of September eighteen hundred and seventy-four.) 2nd—The corrupt payment to a Hotel Keeper *E. S. Gibeau* of Three hundred and sixty-two dollars and thirty-cents—*Gibeau* kept open house at the request of *Jodoin's* Agent for his, *Jodoin's* friends, and corruptly treated all who presented themselves calling themselves orators and friends of *Jodoin* during the Election in December one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and he *Gibeau* was paid this Bill in January eighteen hundred and seventy-five by *Jodoin's* Agent, *Préfontaine*, by his *Jodoin's* consent who in turn paid the said *Préfontaine* the said amount, of which amount Three hundred and sixty-two dollars and thirty cents the said *Gibeau*, the said *Préfontaine*, and the said *Jodoin*, each, and all of them, have given no particulars, or details, and refuse to give details or particulars, and of which the Agent *Préfontaine* gave no details or particulars to the Returning Officer as required by law,

The following persons have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices : *Raymond Préfontaine, Luc Champagne, Louis Cadieux, Auguste Beaudry, Moise Marcel, McClanaghan, Napoleon Patenaude, Auguste Pierre Jodoin, Nazaire Charron, Octave des Lauriers and Isaie Lésperance,*

Corrupt practices prevailed extensively during the Election referred to.

The Court certifies that a copy of the evidence taken in this cause has already been forwarded by *Mr Justice Beaudry.*

F. G. JOHNSON,  
J.

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

(Translation.)

Dominion of Canada, }  
District of Montreal, } Sitting in Review.  
Superior Court, }

*Election of a Member to the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada for the Electoral District of Chambly, situate in the Judicial District of Montreal.*

Friday, the fifth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

PRESENT:

THE HON. MR. JUSTICE JOHNSON,  
“ “ MACKAY,  
“ “ TORRANCE.

No. 2.

*PIERRE BASILE BENOIT*, Esquire, Farmer, of the Parish of St. Hubert, *ANTOINE SICOOTE*, of the Parish of Boucherville, Farmer, and *NAZAIRE PRÉFONTAINE*, of the Parish of St. Basile-le-Grand, Farmer, all of the Electoral District of Chambly, in the Judicial District of Montreal,

*Petitioners,*

AND

*AMABLE JODOIN, Junior*, Esquire, Gentleman, of the City of Montreal,

*Respondent.*

The Superior Court, now sitting at Montreal, as a Court of Review, having heard the parties by their respective Counsel, upon the judgment given and pronounced in this matter by the Honorable *Joseph U. Beaudry*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court of this Province, at Montreal, the third day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, having examined the Record and proceedings in the said cause and duly deliberated thereon:—Whereas, no error exists in the aforesaid Judgment of the third day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, confirms by these Presents the said Judgment, with costs against the said Respondent,

We, *René Auguste Richard Hubert, Louis Joseph Amédée Papineau* and *John Sleep Honey*, Joint Prothonotary for the District of Montreal, for the Superior Court for Lower Canada certify, by these Presents, that the next preceding document is a true Copy of the Judgment given in this cause by the Superior Court sitting as a Court of Review the fifth day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five:—that the said judgment was extracted from the Registers of Judgments received by us as said Prothonotary, of which Registers we are the Depository.

Montreal. the ninth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

HUBERT, PAPINEAU & HONEY,

*P.S.C.*

## NORTH RENFREW CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

*In the Queen's Bench.*

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTORS ACT OF 1874.

*Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of North Renfrew, holden on the second day of November, A.D. 1874.*

Between PETER WHITE,

*Petitioner,*

AND

WILLIAM MURRAY,

*Respondent.*

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that upon the trial of this Election Petition—before the Hon. Mr. Justice *Wilson* a Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, the learned Judge decided, that the Respondent *William Murray*, was not duly elected or returned at the above Election a Member of the House of Commons, for the said Electoral District, and that the said Election was void on account of bribery and corrupt practices committed by the Agent of the said *William Murray*, and on his, the said *William Murray's* behalf, before, and at the Election, contrary to the Statute.

Against this decision the said *William Murray* appealed to the Court of Queen's Bench, and the Appeal was argued during last Michaelmas Term. On Thursday last, the 23rd instant, the Court gave Judgment dismissing the Appeal, and affirming the decision of the learned Judge—I beg to enclose for your information a duplicate original of the Rule made by the Court in the matter of the said Appeal.

I also beg to enclose by this mail a copy of the evidence taken at the trial of the said Petition.

I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT G. DALTON,

*C. C. & P. Q. B.*

To the Honorable,  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

*In the Queen's Bench.*

As of Michaelmas Term 39 Victoria. Thursday, the Twenty-third day of December A.D. 1875.

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT OF 1874.

*Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of North Renfrew holden on the second day of November, A.D. 1874.*

PETER WHITE,

*vs. Petitioner,*

WILLIAM MURRAY,

*Respondent.*

Upon reading the Appeal filed in this cause during this present Term by the above Respondent in the said Electoral Petition—*William Murray*—against the judgment and decision of the Hon. Mr. Justice *Wilson* on the trial of this Election Petition—finding and adjudging that the said Respondent, the said *William Murray*, in the said Election Petition was not duly elected or returned a Member of the House of Commons for the said Electoral Division, and that the said Election was and is void for and in respect of bribery and corrupt practices committed by the Agent of the said *William Murray*, the Respondent in the said Election Petition, and on the said Respondent's behalf, before and at the said Election, contrary to the Statute in that behalf and directing the costs of, and attending the said Petition to be paid by the respective parties—as by the said Judgment particularly specified—and upon hearing Counsel for the Respondent, *William Murray* and the Petitioner *Peter White*, in the matters of the said Appeal,

It is *Ordered*, That the said Appeal be dismissed and that the said Judgment and decision of the said Judge be, and the same is hereby affirmed with the costs of this Appeal to be paid to the Respondent in the said Election Petition—the said *William Murray*.

On motion of Mr. *Dalton McCarthy* Q.C., of Counsel for *Peter White* Petitioner in said Election Petition.

By the Court,

ROBERT G. DALTON,

*C. C. & P. Q. B.*

And the said Certificates and Reports were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that in conformity with the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 10, Section 36, he had issued his several Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out new Writs of Election for the said Electoral Districts, respectively.

He also informed The House, that he had received from the Hon. Mr. Justice *McDonald*, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*, a Certificate and Report relating to the Election

For the Electoral District of Victoria, Nova Scotia  
And the same was read as follows:—

VICTORIA, N.S., CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Dominion of Canada,  
Province of Nova Scotia,  
Victoria to-wit. }

*In the Election Court.*

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of the County of Victoria, N.S.*

BARCLAY E. TREMAINE,

*Petitioner,*

*vs.*

CHARLES J. CAMPBELL,

*Respondent.*

I, the undersigned, being the Judge who tried the matters in question in the Petition and answer in this cause, do certify to The Honorable, the Speaker of the House of Commons, that I have adjudged and determined that the Respondent *Charles J. Campbell* was not on the seventeenth day of December last past duly elected a Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of the County of Victoria, and that he should not have been returned as such Member, but that the Petitioner *Barclay E. Tremaine* was, on the said day, duly elected by a majority of thirty-three votes, and ought to have been returned and should now be returned a Member of the House of Commons for the said Electoral District. And I further certify that no corrupt practices have been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either Candidate, that no person has been proved guilty of corrupt practices, and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the Election in question.

Given under my hand at Antigonish this 28th day of April A.D. 1875.

HUGH McDONALD,  
J.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that in conformity with the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 10, Section 36, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, directing him to alter the Return to the Writ of Election for the said Electoral District of Victoria, Nova Scotia, bearing date the twenty-sixth day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, by expunging the name of *Charles James Campbell* therefrom, and substituting in lieu thereof, the name of *Barclay E. Tremaine*, as the Member duly elected to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of Canada in the present Parliament; and that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery a Certificate, which was read as follows:—

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY, CANADA,

OTTAWA, 19th January, 1876.

This is to certify that in virtue of the Warrant of the Speaker of the House of Commons, bearing date the tenth day of January instant, and to me directed to that effect, I have altered the Return to the Writ of Election for the Electoral District of Victoria, in the Province of Nova Scotia, bearing date the twenty-sixth day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, by expunging therefrom the name of *Charles James Campbell*, Esquire, and inserting therein, in lieu thereof, the name of *Barclay E. Tremaine*, Esquire, as the Member duly elected to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons in the present Parliament.

[L.S.]

R. POPE,

*Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.*

To Alfred Patrick, Esq.,  
Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada,  
Ottawa.

And the said Certificates and Report were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that he had received from *R. G. Dalton*, Esquire, Q. C., Clerk of the Crown and Pleas, Queen's Bench, pursuant to the 35th Section of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874, a duplicate original of the Rule made on the seventeenth day of September last, by the Court of Queen's Bench for Ontario, in the matter of the Controverted Election Petition.

For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Victoria  
And the same was read as follows:—

NORTH VICTORIA CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

OSGOODE HALL,

TORONTO, 23rd October, 1875.

In the matter of the Controverted Election Petition as to the Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the North Riding of the County of Victoria in the Province of Ontario and Dominion of Canada in which

HECTOR CAMERON  
is *Petitioner*,  
AND

JAMES MACLENNAN, *Respondent*.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose for your information, pursuant to the 35th Section of *The Dominion Controverted Elections Act of 1874*, a duplicate original of the Rule made on the 17th day of September last by the Court of Queen's Bench for Ontario in the matter of this Petition, on the appeal to that Court by the Respondent in the Petition against the Judgment given on the trial by the learned Judge who tried it.

I also send by this mail, in another letter, a copy of the evidence taken on the trial of this Petition.

At the trial the learned Judge gave Judgment that the Petitioner *Hector Cameron* was duly elected—and that the Election and Return of the Respondent *James Maclennan* were void. Against that Judgment the Respondent appealed to the Court of Queen's Bench, and that Court affirmed the Judgment of the learned Judge who tried the Petition, and dismissed the appeal by the Rule now enclosed.

I therefore in pursuance of the above mentioned 35th Section, beg leave to certify to you the Judgment of the Court of Queen's Bench upon the matters of the said Petition as contained in the said Rule.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT G. DALTON,  
*C. C. & P. Q. B.*

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

IN THE QUEEN'S BENCH.

As of Trinity Term 39th Victoria.

FRIDAY, the seventeenth day of September, A. D., 1875.

In the matter of the Controverted Election Petition as to the Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the North Riding of the County of Victoria in the Province of Ontario and Dominion of Canada in which

HECTOR CAMERON  
is *Petitioner*,

AND

JAMES MACLENNAN  
*Respondent*.

Upon reading the Petition of the above named *Hector Cameron* presented to this Court under the *Controverted Elections Act of 1874*, praying that it might be determined that the above named *James Maclennan* was not duly elected or returned a Member for the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada for the said Electoral Division of the North Riding of Victoria in said Dominion of Canada on the twenty-second day of December, A. D., 1874, and that the said Election was void. And upon reading the appeal of the said *James Maclennan* from the decision of the Honorable *Adam Wilson*, one of the Justices of this Honorable Court, before whom the said Petition was tried upon the questions of Law and fact upon the trial of the said Petition, and upon hearing Counsel for the Appellant in the said Appeal the said *James Maclennan*, and the Respondent in the said appeal the said *Hector Cameron*,

It is *Ordered*, That the appeal of the said Respondent in the said Petition against the said decision of the Honorable Mr. Justice *Wilson* be and the same is hereby dismissed with costs to be paid by the said Respondent in the said Petition the Appellant in the said Appeal,

And the Court doth find that the Petitioner is the person who was duly elected for the North Riding of the County of Victoria at the last Election for the Dominion Parliament held for the said North Riding, and that he should have been returned as the person so duly elected, and that the Election and Return of the Respondent in the said Petition, the Appellant in the said Appeal, for the said Riding at the time aforesaid were and are void.

And that the Respondent in the Petition the Appellant in the said appeal do pay to the Petitioner the general costs of the cause and of the proceedings in this cause except the costs relating to that part of the Petition which applies to the voters whose names were not upon the copies of lists furnished to the Deputy Returning Officers but who were entitled to vote and should have been admitted to vote at the said Election and excepting also the costs of the scrutiny of the Ballots with respect to which two excepted matters each party is to bear his own costs.

On motion of Mr. Osler of Counsel for the Respondent in the said Appeal.

By the Court

ROBERT G. DALTON.

*C. C. & P. Q. B.*

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that in conformity with the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 10, Section 36, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, directing him to alter the Return to the Writ of Election for the said Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Victoria, bearing date the thirtieth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, by expunging the name of *James Maclellan*, Esquire, therefrom, and substituting in lieu thereof, the name of *Hector Cameron* Esquire, as the Member duly elected to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of Canada in the present Parliament; and that the Clerk of The House, had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Certificate which was read as follows:—

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY, CANADA,

OTTAWA, 17th January, 1876.

This is to certify that in virtue of the Warrant of the Speaker of the House of Commons, bearing date the 10th day of January instant, and to me directed to that effect, I have altered the Return to the Writ of Election for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Victoria, in the Province of Ontario, bearing date the thirtieth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, by expunging therefrom the name of *James Maclellan*, Esquire, and inserting therein, in lieu thereof, the name of *Hector Cameron*, Esquire, as the Member duly elected to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of Canada, in the present Parliament.

[L.S.]

R. POPE,

*Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.*

To Alfred Patrick, Esquire,  
Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada.

And the said Certificates and Report were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act*, 1873, and the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874, Certificates and Reports relating to the Elections:—

For the Electoral District of East Toronto;

For the Electoral District of Bagot;

For the Electoral District of St. Maurice;

For the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Norfolk;

For the Electoral District of Cape Breton;

For the Electoral District of Inverness;

For the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Renfrew, and

For the Electoral District of the County of Halton.

And the same were read as follows:—

#### EAST TORONTO CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 3rd May, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Eastern Division of the City of Toronto, held on the eleventh and eighteenth days of January last that a Petition was duly presented under the Statute against the Return of *Samuel Platt*, Esquire, as Member, to represent the said Division in the House of Commons,

That the trial of such Petition came on before me at the Court House in the City of Toronto, on Thursday the twenty-second day of April last and continued by adjournment until Friday the twenty-third day of April last;

At the conclusion of the said trial on the day last aforesaid I determined that the said *Samuel Platt* was duly returned and that the said Election was a good and valid Election, and I certify such determination to you pursuant to the Statute.

I append hereto a copy of the notes of the Evidence at the trial.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,  
J. G. SPRAGGE,

J.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

TORONTO, 3rd May, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Domini6n Controverted Elections Act 1874*, in addition to the certificate herewith sent you as to the Election for the Eastern Division of the City of Toronto held on the eleventh and eighteenth days of January last, I beg to report as to the trial before me of the Petition in relation to such Election,

- (a) That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the Candidates at the Election to which the Petition relates;  
(b) That no person on the said trial "has been proved" to have been guilty of any corrupt practice at such Election;  
(c) That I have no reason to believe that corrupt practices prevailed extensively at the said Election.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,  
J. G. SPRAGGE,

J.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

#### BAGOT CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Dominion of Canada, } SITTINGS UNDER THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT OF 1873.  
Province of Quebec, }  
District of Montreal, }

*Montreal Division.*

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF BAGOT.

Thursday, the twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

IN CHAMBERS.

PRESENT :

The HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE TORRANCE, a Judge of the Superior Court and an Election Judge.

No. 6.

CHARLES RASCONI, Trader, of the Village of Acton Vale in the County of Bagot in the Province of Quebec, DAVID LE BLANC, Merchant of the same place, HONORÉ MERCIER, Esquire, Advocate, GEORGE CASIMIR DESSAULES, Esquire, ANTOINE MAYNARD, Trader, all three of the City of St. Hyacinthe in the District of St. Hyacinthe in the said Province of Quebec,

*Petitioners,*

AND

JOSEPH ALFRED MOUSSEAU, Esquire, of the City and District of Montreal, Advocate,

*Defendant.*

I, the said Judge having heard the said Defendant upon the Rule of the eighteenth day of May instant, upon the said Petitioners to shew cause why the Election Petition in this matter should not be set aside, the said Petitioners being in default to appear and shew cause against the said Rule, do declare the said Rule absolute with Costs, and do dismiss the said Election Petition with Costs.

F. W. TORRANCE.

J.

(True Copy.)

HUBERT, PAPINEAU & HONEY,

*Prothonotary and Clerk of the Superior Court in Election Matters.*

PROTHONOTARYS' OFFICE,  
MONTREAL, 4th June, 1875.

SIR,—We have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of the Judgment of the Honorable *Frederick W. Torrance*, dated the 20th May last (1875) in the matter of *Charles Rasconi, et al*, Petitioners and *Joseph Alfred Mousseau*, Defendant.

We have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servants,

HUBERT, PAPINEAU & HONEY,  
*Prothonotary and Clerk of the Superior Court in Election Matters.*

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada,  
Ottawa.

ST. MAURICE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

(Translation.)

Dominion of Canada, }  
Province of Quebec, }  
Quebec Division. }

*In the Election Court*

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

*Election Petition relative to the Electoral District of St. Maurice, between*

ELIE LACERTE, Esquire,  
*Petitioner.*

AND

CHARLES LAJOIE, Esquire,  
*Respondent.*

SIR,—In conformity with the *Controverted Elections Act*, 1873, I have the honor to report to you that a Petition complaining of the illegality of the Election of *Charles Lajoie*, Esquire, as a Member of the House of Commons of Canada for the Electoral District of St. Maurice having been presented by *Elie Lacerte*, Esquire, one of the Candidates at the said Election, the duty of hearing the contestation and deciding the merits of that Election was assigned to me.

The hearing was commenced on the twenty-first of November last and was adjourned at first from day, to day and subsequently at intervals.

On the eighth of June instant, I disposed of the said Petition by rendering the following decision:—"I the undersigned, one of the Judges of the Superior Court in and for the Province of Quebec, entrusted with the duty of hearing and deciding the said Election Petition, after having heard the above named parties by their Advocates, carefully examined the said Petition, and considered the evidence adduced in support thereof as well as the other evidence, and having well considered the whole subject, decide that the Petitioner has not proved the allegations of his Petition, and that the sitting Member, *Charles Lajoie*, Esquire, was duly elected, and do adjudge that each party shall pay his own costs." Which decision together with the notes of evidence enclosed I certify in conformity with the 19th Section of the *Controverted Elections Act*, 1873.

I also report that it has not been proved that corrupt practices were committed by any of the Candidates or with the knowledge or consent of any of them.

I further certify, that I have no case of corruption to report, and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the Election to which the Petition relates.

I have allowed the time granted by the Law for inscribing the case for Review to elapse before transmitting this certificate to you.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

A. POLETTE,

THREE RIVERS, 17th June, 1875.

J. S. C.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Canada..

## SOUTH NORFOLK CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 6th July, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Norfolk holden on the 16th day of December, 1874, that a Petition was duly presented under the said Statute against the Return of *William Wallace*, Esquire, as Member to represent the said Electoral District in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada;

That the trial of such Petition came on before me, one of the Election Judges, at the Court House in the town of Simcoe in the County of Norfolk on Thursday the 24th day of June, 1875, and was there continued during the two following days, and with the consent and at the request of both parties was thence adjourned until the 5th day of July next ensuing, at Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto, at which time and place, the said trial was concluded and judgment given therein.

At the conclusion of said trial I determined that the said Election was valid, and the said *William Wallace* duly returned and elected to represent the said Electoral District in said Parliament, and I dismissed the said Petition, which determination in pursuance of said Statute, I now certify to you.

I append hereto a copy of the evidence taken before me at said trial and of my judgment therein.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. H. DRAPER,

C. J.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

TORONTO, 6th July, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, I have sent herewith a Certificate that *William Wallace* was duly returned as Member to represent the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Norfolk, at the Election holden on the 16th day of December, 1874; and in addition thereto I beg to report:—

- (1.) That no corrupt practice whatever was proved to have been committed at said Election;
- (2.) That the evidence taken before me at said trial I have reason to believe that corrupt practices did not extensively prevail at said Election.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. H. DRAPER,

C. J.

The Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

## CAPE BRETON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

In the Election Court.

County of }  
Cape Breton, S.S. }

“THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.”

*Election of Members of the House of Commons for the Dominion of Canada for the County of Cape Breton.*

NEWTON L. MACKAY,

Petitioner,

vs.

WILLIAM McDONALD,

Respondent.

The above cause came on before me at Sydney in February last but on motion and by consent of the parties it was adjourned to a future day as they both desired to proceed to Ottawa to attend the meeting of Parliament—at a meeting of the Court subsequently held at Halifax after hearing the parties it was “Ordered, That the Petition herein be dismissed, the Petitioner having failed to file new security under the provisions of section eight of the Act passed at the last Session of the Dominion Legislature entitled ‘An Act to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections’ Six days having elapsed after demand made requiring such security to be filed and more than twelve months having elapsed previous to such demand since the Petition herein was presented and it still being untried.”

I have therefore determined and do hereby report that the above named *William McDonald* the Respondent herein was duly Elected and returned as a Member of the House of Commons of Canada for the County of Cape Breton.

Dated 16th August, 1875.

W. A. HENRY,

Judge of Election Court.

HON. T. W. ANGLIN,  
Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada,  
St. John, N. B.

*In the Election Court.*

"THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873."

*Election of Members of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada for the County of Cape Breton.*

HUGH McLEOD,

*Petitioner,*

vs.

NEWTON L. MACKEY,

*Respondent.*

The above cause was tried before me at Sydney during portions of the months of November, December, January and February last, and after the evidence, which occupied a long time, had been given and many legal questions raised it was agreed by the parties, and I consented, to refer the same to the whole Court. This was accordingly done and after argument the Court unanimously decided that the Petitioner had failed to prove any of his charges, and that the Respondent had been duly elected and returned and I hereby determine and report that the above named *Newton L. MacKay*, was duly elected and returned at the said Election as a Member of the House of Commons of Canada for the said County of Cape Breton,

And I further report that no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any Candidate at the said Election, and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices of any kind prevailed thereat.

Appended hereto is a true copy of the notes of evidence taken by me herein.

Dated 15th August 1875.

W. A. HENRY,

*Judge of Election Court.*

Hon. T. W. ANGLIN,

Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada.

INVERNESS CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

County of }  
Inverness, S.S. }

*In the Election Court.*

"THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873."

*Election of a Member of the House of Commons for the Dominion of Canada for the County of Inverness.*

HUGH CAMERON,

*Petitioner,*

vs.

SAMUEL MACDONNELL,

*Respondent.*

The above cause was tried before me at Port Hood in September 1874 and after all the evidence was produced, it was, by agreement of the parties, referred to the whole Court as the decision depended upon the construction of certain Statutes of the Imperial and Dominion Parliaments and of the Legislature of Nova Scotia and of the legality of the lists of Electors used at the Election in question.

The case was subsequently argued before the whole Court and by a majority of the Court it was determined that the lists of Electors so used were the legal lists to be used at the said Election and that the above named *Samuel Macdonnell* was duly elected and returned at the said Election as a Member of the House of Commons of Canada for the said County of Inverness.—

Appended hereto is a true copy of the notes of evidence taken by me herein.

Dated 2nd August 1875.

W. A. HENRY,

*Judge of Election Court.*

Hon T. W. ANGLIN,

Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada.

## SOUTH RENFREW CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 23rd October, 1875.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Statute in that behalf I have the honor to certify that on the 21st day of September last a Petition of *William McKay* and 5 others against the Election and Return of Mr. *John Lorn McDougall* as a Member for the South Riding of the County of Renfrew for the Dominion Parliament came on to be heard before me at the Village of Renfrew in due form of Law, and I therefore declared the said *John Lorn McDougall* the duly elected Member for the said Riding and I now certify such determination to you.

And further there was not proved before me that any corrupt practice had been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the Candidates at the said Election; or that any such practice prevailed at the said Election nor have I any reason to believe that any such practice did prevail at the said Election.

ADAM WILSON,

J.

The Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
Ottawa.

## HALTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF THE COURT OF ERROR AND APPEAL.

OSGOODE HALL, TORONTO, 2nd February, 1876.

*In Re HALTON ELECTION.*

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you herewith, a certified copy of the Order of the Court of Error and Appeal made in this matter together with the report of the Honorable Mr. Justice *Patterson*, before whom the trial of the Petition in the said Election was had; and also a copy of the notes of evidence taken on such trial which have been furnished to me by the Registrar of the said Judge.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedt. humble servant,

A. GRANT,

*Regr.*

The Honorable T. W. ANGLIN,  
Speaker of the House of Commons, Ottawa.

*In the Court of Error and Appeal.*

Dated this 22nd day of January, A.D., 1876.

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Election of a Member for the Electoral Division of the County of Halton.*

DAVID CROSS and ROBINSON McCARTNEY,

*(Petitioners)*

AND

*Appellants,*

WILLIAM McCRAVEY,

*(Respondent)**Respondent.*

Dominion of Canada, }  
Province of Ontario, }  
To Wit. }

The Appeal of the above named Petitioners coming on to be heard before this Court on Tuesday the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five in the presence of Counsel for all parties. This Court was pleased to direct that the said Appeal should stand over for Judgment and the said Appeal coming on for Judgment this day in the presence of Counsel aforesaid, this Court doth order that the Appeal of the said Petitioners *David Cross* and *Robinson McCartney* be, and the same is hereby dismissed,

And this Court doth further declare, determine and adjudge:—

1. That the said Respondent, *William McCravey*, was duly elected and returned and that his Election and Return are valid.

2. And this Court doth order that all costs, charges, and expenses of, and incident to the presentation of the said Petition, and to the proceedings consequent thereon shall forthwith, after taxation thereof, be paid by the said *David Cross* and *Robinson McCartney* to the said *William McCraney*.

3. And this Court doth further order that the Clerk of this Court do forthwith certify to the Speaker of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada the Judgment and decision above mentioned.

A. GRANT,

*Clk., Ct. of E. & A.*

#### HALTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 1st February, 1876.

SIR,—The determination of the Petition in this case is certified by the Registrar of the Court of Error and Appeal.

In addition to that Certificate I have to report in pursuance of Section 30 of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*:—

That it was not proved that any corrupt practice was committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any Candidate at the Election in question,

That *John Campbell*, of Wellington Square, Nurseryman, was proved at the trial of the said Petition to have been guilty of a corrupt practice, by agreeing, in consideration of one hundred dollars, to be paid to him by one *Dr. Ogden* of Oakville, to refrain from voting against the Candidate *William McCraney*; and that *Dr. Ogden* of Oakville, was proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at the said Election by offering money and employment to *John Campbell* to induce him to vote for, or to refrain from voting against the said *William McCraney*.

And that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices prevailed extensively at the said Election.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. S. PATTERSON,

*Judge of the Court of Error and Appeal for Ontario.*

The Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

And the said Certificates and Reports were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House:

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that he had received from the Hon. Mr. Justice Routhier, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act, 1873*, a Certificate and Report relating to the Election for the Electoral District of Charlevoix.

And the same was read as follows:—

#### CHARLEVOIX CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

(Translation.)

Canada,  
Province of Quebec,  
District of Saguenay. }

*Election Court, Quebec Division.*

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

In the matter of an Election Petition between

SIMON XAVIER CIMON,

*Petitioner,*

AND

PIERRE ALEXIS TREMBLAY,

*Respondent.*

SIR,—In conformity with Sections 19 and 20 of "*The Controverted Elections Act, 1873*," I send you a certified copy of my Judgment on the above named Election Petition, together with a copy of minutes of evidence thereunto annexed, and I have at the same time the honor to report—inasmuch as the said Petition alleges that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election—

That on the trial of the said Petition it has not been proved that any corrupt practice was committed at the said Election by the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* or to his knowledge or with his consent.

That it appears from the said trial that the persons following, namely: *Henry Simard*, merchant, *Joseph Alexandre Hamel*, physician, *Auguste Lemieux*, farmer, all three of St. Etienne de la Malbaie, *Narcisse Gariépy*, merchant of Baie St. Paul, *Romuald Lavoie* and *Thélesphore Lavoie*, farmers, both of St. François Xavier de la Petite Rivière, were guilty of corrupt practices at the said Election, which said practices consisted specially in treating the electors and in providing them with drink and provisions for the purpose of influencing their votes,

That *Joseph Maclean*, of St. Etienne de la Malbaie, blacksmith, *Joseph Simard* and *Pierre Lavoie*, farmers, of Ste. Agnès, *Léandre Tremblay* of St. Fidèle, merchant, *Thomas Duchesne*, *Alexis Tremblay* and *Isaie Tremblay*, farmers, of Les Eboulements, *Réal Asselin* of St. Hilarion, farmer, *Charles Potvin*, hotel keeper, of Baie St. Paul, and *Onésime Gauthier*, trader, of St. Urbain, were also convicted of having opened or caused to be opened houses of public entertainment for the reception of the electors.

That corrupt practices did not prevail extensively at the said Election, except in matter of *open houses* and *treating*.

In testimony whereof, I have signed at Malbaie, this 23rd day of August, 1875.

A. B. ROUTHIER,

J. S. C.

To the Hon. T. W. ANGLIN,

Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada.

Canada  
Province of Quebec,  
District of Saguenay. }

In the Election Court.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

MALBAIE, this twenty-third day of August, 1875.

PRESENT:

THE HONORABLE A. B. ROUTHIER. J. S. C.

In re

SIMON XAVIER CIMON, Esquire, Contractor, of the Parish of St. Etienne de la Malbaie

Petitioner

AND

PIERRE ALEXIS TREMBLAY, Esquire, Surveyor, of the Village of Chicoutimi, District of Chicoutimi,

Respondent.

Having heard the parties in this case by their Counsel on the merits of the Petition presented by *Simon Xavier Cimon*, examined the procedure of record, heard the evidence and maturely deliberated, dealing in the first place with the objections made to the evidence and reserved on the merits, do dismiss the objections made by Petitioner to questions in cross-examination put to witnesses *Auguste Lemieux*, *Joseph McNicol* and *Joseph Villeneuve* and maintain the objection made by Respondent to a certain portion of the evidence of *Xavier Mailloux*,

And proceeding to judge the said Petition on the merits—

Whereas at an Election held in January, 1874, in the Electoral District of Charlevoix, Province of Quebec, for the purpose of electing a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of Canada, the said Respondent, *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* and the Honorable *Pierre Joseph Olivier Chauveau* were Candidates, and the Petitioner an elector duly qualified to vote;

Whereas at the said Election, the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* was, on the twenty-ninth of the said month of January, 1874, declared duly elected a Member of the said House of Commons for the said Electoral District of Charlevoix;

Whereas it is manifest from the evidence produced in this case that corrupt practices prevailed at the said Election, and that the same were committed not by Respondent himself, but by his Agents and Sub-Agents, consisting the said corrupt practices in giving or promising to voters in order to secure their votes moneys or other valuable considerations, treating the electors in order to influence the Election and opening and maintaining on the credit of Respondent houses of public entertainment for the reception of the electors;

The undersigned, Judge of the Superior Court, sitting in pursuance of the Act of the Parliament of Canada entitled *The Controverted Elections Act, 1873*, declare that the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* was not duly elected a Member of the said House of Commons of Canada for the said Electoral District of Charlevoix and that the said Election is null and void,—the whole with costs against the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay*, except costs of summonses and taxing of the witnesses following, which shall be payable by Petitioner, namely: *Damase Couturier*, *Elie Maltais*, *Trèfle Villeneuve*, *Abraham Lapointe*, *Joseph Lavoie*, *Oliver Rochette*, *Flavien Langevin*, *Alfred Girard*, *Joseph Tremblay*, *Paul Tremblay*, *Dominique Tremblay*, *Elzéar Danis*, *César Tremblay*, *Alexandre Savard*, *Théophile Lavoie*, *John McLaren*, *François McNicol*, *Joseph Gagné*, *George Warren*, *Thomas Chaperon*, *Thomas Gagnon*, *Hector Dufour*, *Narcisse Harvey*, *Jean Warren*, *Toussaint Morin*, *Israël Dufour*, *Fleurant Tremblay*, *Jean alias "Johnny" Tremblay*, *Edouard Gobeil*, *Hildebert Girard*,

*Abel Audette, François Asselin, Samuel Boivin, Léandre Gobeil, Boniface Larouche, Jean Baptiste Boily, Séraphin Guérin, Epiphane Laforet, Louis Maltais, Romuald Gagné, Jean Théotime Lajoie, Flavien J. B. Belleville, Jean Tremblay, Gonzague Tremblay, André Labbé, Charles Potrin, Sara Simard and Onésime Brassard.*

CHAS. DUBERGER,

*P. S. C. S. D., and Clerk Election Court.*

I, the undersigned, Judge of the Superior Court, certify that the foregoing copy of judgment is a true copy of the judgment rendered by me in the said case.

MALBAIE, 25th August, 1875.

A. B. ROUTHIER,

*J. S. C.*

He also informed The House, that in conformity with the 24th Section of the said Act, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ of Election for the said Electoral District.

He further informed The House, that he thought it his duty to lay the following facts before The House :—

“ 1st. That the above trial took place and Judgment given on the 23rd day of August, 1875.

“ 2nd. That the Judge presiding forwarded him his Certificate bearing date the 25th day of August, 1875, voiding the Election, two days only having elapsed since the decision was given.

“ 3rd. That the 29th Section of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*, as amended by the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 10, Section 3, provides, ‘that within four days after the expiration of eight days from the day on which he shall so have given his decision, certify in writing, such determination to the Speaker, etc.’”

“ 4th. That the Judge's Certificate was received on the 28th day of August, 1875, and his (the Speaker's) Warrant was issued for a new Election on the same day.

“ 5th. That the Respondent in the said trial filed an inscription for Review in the Superior Court for the District of Quebec, under the 33rd and 34th Sections of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*, and the said Court, sitting in Review, did on the 18th day of December last, determine that the said Election was void.

“ 5th. That the said Judgment was received by him on the 3rd day of January last.”

And the same was read as follows :—

QUEBEC, 18th December, 1875.

SIR,—We beg leave to enclose (annexed hereto) a certified copy of the Judgment of the Superior Court in Review, rendered this day, upon a Petition of *Simon Xavier Cimon*, Esquire, against the Return, at the last General Election, of *Pierre Alexis Tremblay*, Esquire, for the Electoral District of Charlevoix.

The said Petition contained charges of corrupt practices having been committed at the Election to which it referred.

We therefore, in pursuance of Section No. 20 of the *Controverted Elections Act, of 1873*, and of Sections Nos. 30 and 33, of “*The Dominion Controverted Elections Act 1874*,” report as follows :—

Firstly :—That upon the trial of the said Petition, no corrupt practice was found to have been committed at the said Election by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* ;

Secondly :—That the following persons were found at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at the said Election, namely : *Henry Simard*, Merchant, *Joseph Collard*, Merchant, and *Joseph A. Hamel*, Physician, all three of the Parish of St. Etienne de la Malbaie, *Narcisse Gariépy*, Merchant, of Baie St. Paul, *Auguste Lemieux*, Blacksmith, of the Parish of Ste. Agnès, *Séraphin Guerrin*, Merchant, of the Parish of St. Simon, *Romuald Lavoie* and *Télesphore Lavoie*, both of the Parish of St. François Xavier de la Petite Rivière.

Thirdly :—That several houses of public entertainment for the accommodation of Electors were, during the said Election opened and supported in the said Division, and that treating was extensively carried on during the said Election, but that a corrupt intention has not been sufficiently established to warrant us in reporting that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election.

We also beg leave to enclose herewith a certified copy of the notes of evidence adduced on the trial of the said Petition.

We have the honor to be, Sir,

Your very obedient servants,

W. C. MEREDITH, C.J., L.C.

A. STUART, J.

N. CASALT, J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada.

Canada,  
Province of Quebec, }  
District of Quebec, }

*In the Superior Court.*

*Sitting in Review at the City of Quebec.*

The Eighteenth day of December One thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

PRESENT.

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM COLLIS MEREDITH, Chief Justice;  
" Mr. JUSTICE ANDREW STUART;  
" " " NAPOLEON CASAULT;

In the matter of an Election Petition for the Electoral District of Charlevoix, between

SIMON XAVIER CIMON, Esquire,  
*Petitioner,*

AND

PIERRE ALEXIS TREMBLAY,  
*Respondent.*

*Presented under "The Controverted Elections Act, 1873."*

The Court now here, sitting in Review in virtue of Sections 33, 34, and 63 of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874*, on the inscription in Review filed in this cause by the party thereto; having heard the parties, doth confirm and maintain the decision rendered by the Honorable Mr. Justice *Routhier* on the twenty-third day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and therefore doth decide declare and determine:—

First:—That the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* the Member whose Election and Return were complained of by the said *Petitioner*, was not duly elected, and that the Election and Return of the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* were void;

Secondly:—That the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* do pay the costs incurred by the *Petitioner* on the said Election Petition and the trial thereof, save and except the summoning and taxation of the following witnesses, *Damase Couturier, Elie Maltais, Trèfle Villeneuve, Abraham Lapointe, Joseph Lavoie, Olivier Rochette, Flavien Langevin, Alfred Girard, Joseph Tremblai, Paul Tremblay, Dominique Tremblay, Elzéar Danis, César Tremblay, Alexandre Savard, Théophile Lavoie, John McLaren, François McNicol, Joseph Gagné, George Warren, Thomas Chaperon, Thomas Gagnon, Hector Dufour, Narcisse Harvey, Jean Warren, Toussaint Morin, Israël Dufour, Fleurant Tremblay, Jean, alias Johnny Tremblay, Edouard Gobiél, Hildebert Girard, Abel Audette, François Asselin, Samuel Boivin, Léandre Gobiél, Boniface Larouche, Jean Baptiste Boily, Séraphin Guérin, Epiphane Laforet, Louis Maltais, Romuald Gagné, Jean Théotime Lajoie, Flavien B. Belleville, Jean Tremblay, Gonzague Tremblay, André Labbé, Charles Potvin, Sara Simard and Onésime Brassard;*

Thirdly:—And the Court doth moreover decide and determine that the said *Pierre Alexis Tremblay* do pay the costs of the *Petitioner* on the Review before this Court, *distrains* to Messieurs *Alleyn* and *Chauveau*, the said *Petitioner's* Attorney,

Certified a true Copy of the original in our custody forming part of the records of the Superior Court pursuant to Law.

FISSET, BURROUGHS & CAMPBELL,  
P. S. C.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House that he had received the following notifications of vacancies which had occurred in the representation, viz.:—

Of the Hon. *Edward Blake*, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Bruce, by acceptance of the office of Minister of Justice.

Of the Hon. *Donald A. Macdonald*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of Glengarry, by acceptance of the office of Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

Of the Hon. *Telesphore Fournier*, Member for the Electoral District of Bellechasse, by acceptance of the office of Puisné Judge of the Supreme Court of the Dominion of Canada.

Of *Thomas Moss*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of West Toronto, by acceptance of the office of Judge of the Court of Error and Appeal; and

Of the Hon. *Joseph Edouard Cauchon*, Member for the Electoral District of Quebec Centre, by acceptance of the office of President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada; and that he had issued his several Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out new Writs of Election for the said places respectively.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that during the Recess the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificates of the Election and Return of the following Members, viz.:—

Of *Andrew Graham Bullenden Bammatyne*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Provencher.

Of *John Short*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Gaspé.

Of *John Macdonald*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Centre Toronto.

Of *Andrew Trew Wood* and *Æmilius Irving*, Esquires, for the Electoral District of the City of Hamilton.

Of the Hon. *Edward Blake*, for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Bruce.  
 Of *Lachlin McCallum*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Monck.  
 Of *Sixte Coupal dit La Reine*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Napierville.  
 Of *Archibald McNab*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Glengarry.  
 Of *Alfred Hutchison Dymond*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of York.  
 Of *Andrew Monteith*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Perth.  
 Of *François Fortunat Rouleau*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Dorchester,  
 Of *Thomas Workman*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Montreal West.  
 Of *Joseph Godéric Blanchet*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Bellechasse.  
 Of the Hon. *John Beverly Robinson*, for the Electoral District of West Toronto.  
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 Of *Thomas Christie*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Argenteuil.  
 Of the Hon. *Joseph Edouard Cauchon*, for the Electoral District of Quebec Centre.  
 Of *Pierre Basile Benoit*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Chambly.  
 Of *Peter White*, Junior, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Renfrew ;

and

Of the Hon. *Hector Louis Langevin*, C.B., for the Electoral District of Charlevoix.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that he had received from the Hon. Mr. Vice Chancellor *Blake*, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to *the Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874, a Certificate relating to the Election for the Electoral District of the County of Monck.

And the same was read as follows :—

### MONCK CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

*In Chancery.*

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

*Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of the County of Monck, holden on the 15th and 22nd days of June, A.D., 1875.*

Dominion of Canada }  
 Province of Ontario. }  
 To Wit.

between

PETER GRANT AND SAMUEL BECKETT,  
*Petitioners.*

AND

LACHLIN MCCALLUM,  
*Respondent.*

I hereby certify that the Petition in this matter came on for trial before me at the City of Toronto on the eighth and tenth days of this present month of January, and that on the seventeenth day of the same month, I determined that the Member whose Election was complained of, *Lachlin McCallum*, of the Township of Sherbrooke in the County of Haldimand, Merchant, was duly elected and returned at such Election for the Electoral District of the County of Monck in the Province of Ontario.

I hereby certify such determination to you in pursuance of the Statute in question.

I hereby further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed at the said Election and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices prevailed at the Election to which the Petition relates.

I further certify that the parties confined the investigation before me to a scrutiny of the votes given at such Election and that no evidence on any point was adduced before me save such as is found in the Return of the Returning Officer and in an examination of the Ballot papers used at the Election in question.

Your obedient Servant,

S. H. BLAKE,  
 V. C.

OSGOODE HALL, 26th January, 1876.

To the Honorable  
 The Speaker of the House of Commons,  
 Ottawa.

And the said Certificate was ordered to be entered on the Journals of this House

Mr. *Mackenzie* introduced a Bill (No.1) respecting the administration of the Oaths of Office; which was read the first time.

The following Members having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took their seats in The House, viz:—

*Andrew Graham Bullenden Bannatyne*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Provencher,—*Pierre Basile Benoit*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Chambly,—Hon. *Edward Blake*, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Bruce,—*Joseph Godéric Blanchet*, Member for the Electoral District of Bellechasse,—Hon. *Joseph Edouard Cauchon*, Member for the Electoral District of Quebec Centre,—*Thomas Christie*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Argenteuil,—*Sixte Coupal dit La Reine*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Napierville,—*Alfred Hutchison Dymond*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of York,—*Æmilius Irving*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the City of Hamilton,—Hon. *Hector Louis Langevin*, C.B., Member for the Electoral District of Charlevoix,—*John Macdonald*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Centre Toronto,—*Lachlin McCallum*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the County of Monck,—*Archibald McNab*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the County of Glengarry,—*Andrew Monteith*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Perth,—*Barclay E. Tremaine*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Victoria, N.S.—*Peter White*, junr., Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Renfrew,—*Andrew Trew Wood*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the City of Hamilton,—and *Thomas Workman*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Montreal West.

Mr. Speaker reported His Excellency's Speech, and read a copy thereof to The House; which is as follows:—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate:*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:*

I have much pleasure in again calling you together to attend to the business of the country.

Since you last assembled it has been my happiness to visit the Mother Country, and to have had the opportunity while there of calling public attention to the remarkable progress of the Dominion, and of giving expression to the feelings of attachment to the person of Her Majesty and the interests of the Empire which animate the Canadian people.

The great depression which has prevailed throughout neighbouring countries for several years, and which has more recently been felt in the old world, causing a general stagnation of business, has extended to Canada and has seriously affected our trade. At the same time, we have reason to be grateful for an abundant harvest; and while I deeply regret the suffering which exists among certain classes and in particular localities, I believe nevertheless that the great bulk of our people continue to enjoy a condition of reasonable prosperity.

I am happy to be able to congratulate you on the fact that the great railway undertaking, connecting the former Province of Canada with the Maritime Provinces, provided for by the Act of 1867, is approaching completion. Early in the coming summer, the small portion of the Intercolonial line not already in operation will be opened, when the connection with other systems of railway will be formed, so as to enable passengers and traffic to pass over continuous lines of railway from Halifax or St. John to the extreme western railways of Ontario.

The opening of the Prince Edward Island Railway during the past year marks an epoch in the history of that Island, and cannot but exert a beneficial influence on the people, and add to their material prosperity.

Every effort has been made to obtain an early settlement of the claims of Canada for compensation for the use of her Fisheries by the United States, as provided by the Treaty of Washington. Her Majesty's Government in the early part of last summer, at the instance of my advisers, appointed the British Commissioner, but I regret to state that the United States Government have not yet appointed a Commissioner, and that consequently no progress has been made.

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The want of reliable and systematised information relating to the several classes of crime and the importance of collecting and classifying criminal statistics have engaged my attention. A Bill will be introduced to provide for what is most essential in this direction.

You will be asked to make provision for the commencement of the work of consolidating the Statute Law.

The Acts relating to the enfranchisement of Indians and the management of Indian affairs have been fully considered, and steps have been taken to ascertain the views of the Indians themselves. A measure on this subject will be submitted for your approval.

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*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:*

The accounts for the past and the Estimates for the next financial year will be laid before you. The Estimates have been framed with every possible economy consistent with the public interests. I regret

that the depression in trade to which I have alluded, has seriously affected the revenue. It will be necessary, in view of this circumstance, to curtail the expenditures in the several branches of the public service.

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

Correspondence, Reports, and other Papers regarding the construction of the Pacific Railway will be laid before you.

During the recess, a deputation from the Government of Manitoba visited Ottawa, to invite the attention of the Government of the Dominion to the circumstances of that Province. They represented that the income of the Province was insufficient to provide for its ordinary governmental expenses. The papers on this subject will be laid before you, and certain propositions will be submitted for your consideration. The Legislature of Manitoba has, in the mean time, adopted some measures to reduce the expenditures of the Province.

I invite your earnest attention to the several subjects mentioned, and to the general business which will come before you; and I trust that your deliberations may be guided by wisdom and moderation.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, His Excellency's Speech was ordered to be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That the Votes and Proceedings of The House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint to presume to print the same.

*Resolved*, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections.—2. On Expiring Laws.—3. On Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.—4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills.—5. On Standing Orders.—6. On Printing.—7. On Public Accounts.—8. On Banking and Commerce.—9. On Immigration and Colonization,—which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House; and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Resolved*, 1st.—That if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in Debate; and all Members returned upon double Returns are to withdraw until their Returns are determined.

*Resolved*, 2nd.—That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or hath endeavored so to be, by bribery or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery, or other corrupt practices.

*Resolved*, 3rd.—That the offer of any money or other advantage to any Member of the House of Commons, for the promoting of any matter whatsoever, depending or to be transacted in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, is a high crime and misdemeanor, and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—General Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the fiscal year, ending the 30th June, 1875.

He also presented,—Report of the Commission appointed by the Government, to investigate the nature and extent of the commercial advantages to be derived from the construction of the *Baie Verte Canal*; together with the evidence obtained.

Mr. *Burpee* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of Canada, for the year, ending 30th June 1875.

Mr. *Vail* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report on the State of the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, for the year, 1875.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—That a Special Committee of Seven Members be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

Mr. *Delorme*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to amend the Insolvency Act.

Mr. *Delorme*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying for a Return showing the names, age and residence of the Veterans of 1812-15 who have applied for and who have received a gratification from the Federal Government of Canada, the number of those Militia-men having commissions as officers and how many such applications have been made by persons living out of Canada.

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE of Seven Members to enquire into the causes of the present financial depression, with power to send for persons and papers.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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3<sup>rd</sup> Session, 3<sup>rd</sup> Parliament, 39 Victoria, 1876.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.—

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—the Report of the Librarian of the House of Commons, on the state of the Library of Parliament, which is as follows:—

TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

THE REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF PARLIAMENT: RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:—

Adverting to the mention, in his last Report, of the great and increasing necessity for large additions to the Law division of the Library,—especially in view of the recent establishment of the Supreme Court, in Ottawa,—the Librarian has much satisfaction in stating, that during the past Recess, the Executive Government have bestowed special attention upon this matter. Shortly after the close of the Session, the Librarian was instructed to visit the Library of the Law Society in Toronto, and to place himself in communication with the Hon. *J. Hillyard Cameron*, Q.C., M.P., for advice in the improvement of our collection of Law Books.

At Mr. *Cameron's* suggestion, a complete series of Reports of the Courts of Law in Great Britain and Ireland, and in the United States of America, was obtained, with other works of importance, as a first instalment. At a later period, the Judges of the Supreme Court were appointed, and they have since undertaken the responsibility of supervising all further additions that may be required to our Law Library.—The Hon. Messieurs Justice *Strong* and Justice *Fournier* are now engaged in the selection of books which, when procured, will render the Library, in this department, eminently valuable and complete.

The other divisions of the Library have been duly augmented, so far as our limited space would permit; and a Catalogue of such additions has been prepared for the use of Members. But the difficulty of finding room for the books has been an almost insuperable bar to the progressive improvement of the Library, in literature, science and art.—This hindrance, however, will shortly be removed. The new Building is rapidly approaching completion, and there is no reason to doubt that it will be ready for occupation before the close of the ensuing summer. When the transfer has taken place, it may be anticipated that provision will be made, by the liberality of Parliament, for rendering the Library, as a depository of knowledge, worthy of the magnificent structure which has been erected for its permanent reception.

The donations to the Library, within the past year, from various sources, have been very numerous:—a list of them is hereunto appended; together with a list of works deposited under the Copyright Act.

The number of volumes in the Library at the last Report, was estimated at 75,086.—Since then, about 4,400 volumes have been added: making a total of 79,486 vols.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ALPHEUS TODD,  
*Librarian of Parliament.*

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,  
10th February, 1876.

(For the Appendix to this Report see Sessional Papers.)

*John Short*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Gaspé,—Hon. *John Beverly Robinson*, Member for the Electoral District of West Toronto,—*François Fortunat Rouleau*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Dorchester,—and *Bernard Devlin*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Montreal Centre, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took their seats in The House.—

Mr. *Huntington* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Postmaster General, for the year ending 30th June, 1875.

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report, Returns and Statistics of the Inland Revenues of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1875.

The House proceeded to the consideration of His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

Mr. *Casey* moved, seconded by Mr. *Taschereau*,—

1. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session; and further to assure His Excellency,—

2. That we are grateful to His Excellency for calling us together to attend to the business of the Country at this early and convenient season.

3. That we learn with the greatest satisfaction, that since we last assembled it has been His Excellency's happiness to visit the Mother Country, and to have had the opportunity while there of calling public attention to the remarkable progress of the Dominion, and of giving expression to the feelings of attachment to the person of Her Majesty and the interests of the Empire which animate the Canadian people.

4. That we have been grieved to observe that the great depression which has prevailed throughout neighbouring Countries for several years, and which has more recently been felt in the Old World, causing a general stagnation of business, has extended to Canada and has seriously affected our trade. But, that at the same time, we feel with His Excellency, that we have reason to be grateful for an abundant harvest; and that while we deeply regret the suffering which exists among certain classes and particular localities, we believe, nevertheless, that the great bulk of our people enjoy a condition of reasonable prosperity.

5. That we receive with much pleasure His Excellency's congratulations on the fact that the great Railway undertaking, connecting the former Province of Canada with the Maritime Provinces, provided for by the Act of 1867, is approaching completion, and his assurance that early in the coming summer, the small portion of the Intercolonial line not already in operation will be opened, when the connection with other systems of Railway will be formed, so as to enable passengers and traffic to pass over continuous lines of Railway from Halifax or St John to the extreme Western Railways of Ontario.

6. That we agree with His Excellency, that the opening of the Prince Edward Island Railway during the past year marks an epoch in the history of that Island, and cannot but exert a beneficial influence on the people, and add to their material prosperity.

7. That we are well assured, that every effort has been made to obtain an early settlement of the claims of Canada for compensation for the use of her Fisheries by the United States, as provided by the Treaty of Washington; and we are sorry to learn that although Her Majesty's Government in the early part of last summer, at the instance of His Excellency's advisers, appointed the British Commissioner, His Excellency has to state with regret that the United States Government have not yet appointed a Commissioner, and that consequently no progress has been made.

8. That we have seen with great satisfaction that His Excellency has given effect to the Supreme and Exchequer Court Act of last Session by issuing the proclamations, and by appointing the Judges and officers of the Court.

9. That we shall give our most careful consideration to any Bill to simplify and amend the Law relating to Common Carriers which may be submitted to us, as well as to any Bill that may be brought before us containing provisions for affording greater security to policy holders in Life Assurance Companies.

10. That we thank His Excellency for informing us, that the want of reliable and systematised information relating to the several classes of crime and the importance of collecting and classifying criminal statistics have engaged his attention; and we shall willingly consider any Bill which may be introduced to provide for what is most essential in this direction.

11. That we shall cheerfully make such provision as may be found necessary for the commencement of the work of consolidating the Statute Law.

12. That we are glad to learn that the Acts relating to the enfranchisement of Indians and the management of Indian affairs have been fully considered, that steps have been taken to ascertain the views of the Indians themselves, and that a measure on this subject will be submitted for our approval.

13. That any measure which may be introduced to provide for the better administration of the estates of insolvent Banks will receive our earnest attention.

14. That we thank His Excellency for the assurance that the accounts for the past and the estimates for the next financial year will be laid before us; and that the estimates have been framed with every possible economy consistent with the public interests. That we regret to learn that the depression in trade to which he has alluded, has seriously affected the Revenue; and that it will be necessary in view of this circumstance to curtail the expenditures in the several branches of the public service.

15. That we shall consider with the deepest interest, the Correspondence, Reports, and other Papers regarding the construction of the Pacific Railway which may be laid before us.

16. That we thank His Excellency for informing us that during the recess, a deputation from the Government of Manitoba visited Ottawa to invite the attention of the Government of the Dominion to the circumstances of that Province; and represented that the income of the Province was insufficient to provide for its ordinary governmental expenses. That His Excellency may be sure that any papers on this subject which may be laid before us, and any propositions submitted to us on the subject, shall receive our most serious consideration; and that we are well pleased to know that the Legislature of Manitoba has in the meantime adopted some measures to reduce the expenditures of the Province.

17. That His Excellency may rest assured that we shall give our earnest attention to the several subjects he has been pleased to mention, and to the general business which will come before us, and that we trust with His Excellency, that our deliberations may be guided by wisdom and moderation.

The first and subsequent paragraphs of the said proposed Address being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said Resolution was referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Blake*, *Cauchon*, *Smith* (Westmoreland), *Laird*, *Vail*, *Casey* and *Taschereau*, to draft an Address pursuant thereto.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the said Committee, reported the draft of an Address, and the same being read a second time, was agreed to, and is as follows:

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir *Frederic Temple*, Earl of *Dufferin*, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboye* of *Clandeboye*, in the County Down, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboye* of *Ballyleidy* and *Killeleagh*, in the County Down, in the Peerage of Ireland, and a Baronet, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of *St. Patrick*, and Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice Admiral of the same.

**MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:**

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Canada in Parliament assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for your Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session.

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The said Address was then ordered to be engrossed, and to be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

*Resolved*, That this House will on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of a Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted Her Majesty.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons a copy of a Despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in reply to an Address to the Queen, on the subject of the New Brunswick Schools Act of 1871.

DUFFERIN.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 11th February, 1876.

THE EARL OF CARNARVON TO THE EARL OF DUFFERIN.

DOWNING STREET,

18th October, 1875.

(Copy—Canada—No. 248.)

MY LORD,—I duly received and considered Your Lordship's Despatch No. 96 of the 13th of April communicating to me an Address voted to the Queen by the House of Commons of Canada on the subject of the New Brunswick Schools Act of 1871, and I have thought it convenient to defer my reply to it until your return to Canada.

The Address was laid at the foot of the Throne, and the Queen was pleased to receive it very graciously, but I was not able to advise Her Majesty to take any action respecting it.

2. I concur with the representation of the Address that legislation by the Imperial Parliament curtailing the powers vested in a Province by the "British North America Act, 1867," would be an undue interference with the Provincial Constitutions, and with the terms on which the Provinces consented to become members of the Dominion. And holding as I do this opinion, while I cannot but feel that if I were to recommend the Queen to intervene directly in this matter by advising that Legislature to legislate in any particular direction, I might be deemed to counsel an interference with the system of Government established by the Act of Union not greatly differing from that which the Address deprecates.

3. For this reason I have not felt myself at liberty to advise Her Majesty to take any action with respect to this Address. At the same time there can be no impropriety in my expressing the strong hope which I entertain that, as in other British communities, the majority of the population in New Brunswick, which though its Representatives controls the educational system of the Province, may be disposed to adopt such modifications of the existing Rules as may render them less unacceptable to those who from conscientious reasons have felt themselves obliged to protest against the system now in force.

4. I cannot in conclusion, consistently with my duty, refrain from observing that as education is one of the subjects expressly and exclusively reserved to the Provincial Legislatures by the "British North America Act, 1867," it is for the serious consideration of those in New Brunswick who take an active part in relation to it, whether there can be any advantage, and whether there must not be serious inconvenience in bringing under public decision in the Dominion Legislature a controverted question which may possibly engender much heat and irritation, and over which it has not jurisdiction.

I have &c.,

(Signed,)

CARNARVON.

Governor General

The Right Honorable

The EARL OF DUFFERIN, K.P., K.C.B.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.—

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Dymond*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all leases or licenses for fishing stations in the Lake Simcoe District; and of all fines and forfeitures inflicted in the years 1874 and 1875 by the Inspector of the said District, with the names of persons convicted and character of offence;—also number and aggregate amount of licenses to kill fish in the winter months issued by the said Inspector in the years mentioned.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for—

- 1st. Copies of the commission of *Damase Hudon*, Esquire, as Deputy Collector of Customs at Chicoutimi;
- 2nd. Copies of all correspondence in relation to the appointment of the said *Damase Hudon*, Esquire;
- 3rd. Copies of the Order in Council or other document fixing the salary of the said *Damase Hudon* Esquire;
- 4th. A statement shewing the several amounts collected by the said *Damase Hudon*, Esquire, in his said capacity, from the 1st May 1875 to the 1st November 1875, and the amounts paid in by him in consequence.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for:—1st. Copies of all accounts and pay-lists presented to the Government and also of all accounts and pay-lists paid by the Government for the construction or repair in 1875 of the wharves at Malbaie, Les Eboulements and Bay St. Paul; 2nd. A list of the foremen and clerks employed in connection with such construction or repairs; 3rd. A statement in detail of the travelling expenses and salary paid to each of the said foremen and clerks; 4th. A list of the schooners and barges employed for the said work, or in connection with the said work, showing their tonnage and the amount paid for each trip, and the system of calculation of such payments; 5th. A separate statement of the cost of the work done on each of the said wharves and an estimate of the cost of what remains to be done on each of them; 6th. A statement shewing the total cost of the timber purchased for each of the said works, shewing the price of such timber per foot, the name of the person from whom it was purchased, and what quantity was purchased for the purpose; 7th. A statement shewing the total amount paid by the Government for the said works; 8th. A statement shewing the amount claimed and remaining to be paid for the said works; 9th. The Report or Reports of *Henry R. Symmes*, Esq., and also the Report or Reports of *Frederic Baillargé*, Esq., Assistant Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, on the subject of the said works in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876.

Mr. *Young*—On Wednesday next—That in order to ascertain to what extent Canada has been made a sacrifice market for American manufacturers during the last two years, it be

*Resolved*—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before Parliament a statement shewing the total value of all articles imported from the United States into each Province of the Dominion during 1871, '72 and '73 paying 15, 10 and 5 per cent. duty respectively, and also a similar statement for 1874 and '75 of articles paying 17½, 10 and 5 per cent., together with such remarks and further facts as the Commissioner of Customs may be able to add touching the increased importation of American manufactures into Canada.

Mr. *Young*—On Wednesday next—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that there may be laid before the House of Commons a statement shewing what steps have been taken by the Government touching the opening up of regular steam communication between Canada and the British, Spanish and French West Indies, with a copy of the Tariff of any of these Islands which may be in possession of the Government, with such other information, if any there be, calculated to increase the interest in, and promote our valuable commerce with these prosperous Islands.

Mr. *Young*—On Wednesday next—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that there may be laid before Parliament a statement setting forth the total number of Newspapers and other periodicals in each County and City of the Dominion which have paid postage on papers "sent from the office of publication," with the total revenue received therefrom during the three months ending the 31st December last.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying him to cause to be laid before this House the Report of *Henry R. Symmes*, Esquire, in reference to his surveys in the Parish of St. Irénée in the Electoral District of Charlevoix in 1874 or 1875; also a copy of the instructions issued to him on that subject, and of all petitions and correspondence which may have been sent in or exchanged in relation thereto.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the Report or Reports of *Frederic Baillargé*, Esquire, Assistant Engineer to the head of the Public Works Department, on his surveys in the Parish of St. Fidèle and St. Siméon in 1875; the instructions furnished him in relation thereto and of all petitions and correspondence presented or exchanged on the subject.

Mr. *Landerkin*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session to introduce any amendments to the Patent Act so that the Public may be better guarded against persons selling Patent rights?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all papers and correspondence which have passed between the Government of Canada and Her Majesty's Government in relation to Legislation which may be under consideration of the Imperial Parliament in relation to British Shipping, and affecting Shipping registered in Canada; also all correspondence between the said Governments in relation to the exemption of Canadian Shipping from the operation of the Imperial Bill; also any correspondence between the said Governments in relation to the Legislation passed by the Canadian Parliament for the inspection and classification of Canadian Vessels and as to how far the British Government will accept the Canadian Classification and Inspection, if the Law passed by the Canadian Parliament is put in force as equivalent to the Inspection by Imperial Officer or British Lloyds.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and any of its officers or with any Individual or Public Body in relation to violations of the Deck Load Law and also in relation to violations of the Port Wardens Act, with any instructions that may have been given by the Government to its officers for the enforcement of the Laws referred to.

Mr. *Burpee* (Sunbury)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether a Minority Report of one or more of Commissioners appointed by the Government to report upon and investigate the nature and extent of the commercial advantages to be derived from the construction of the proposed Bay Verte Canal has not been made; If so, whether it will be printed and circulated for the information of the Country.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all Orders in Council, instructions to officers, Reports from officers, with all correspondence to or from Officials or private Individuals or public bodies in connection with the arbitrary attempt of the Government to compel the occupants of Fisheries in the Maritime Provinces to an enforced attornment to the Government and an arbitrary deprivation of their rights which have for at least a quarter of a century been used and enjoyed by them.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all Orders in Council, papers and correspondence between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government or any public body or individual in relation to the extension of the jurisdiction of the Admiralty Court to the Inland Waters of Canada.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to consider certain amendments to the Rules of the House.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**  
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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, 1876.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that a vacancy had occurred in the representation by the resignation of *C. A. M. Globensky*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Two Mountains; and that he had in conformity with the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 5, Section 12, issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ of Election, for the said Electoral District.

He also laid before The House,—General Rules and Tariffs made by the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, in pursuance of the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874,—and Rules made by the Supreme Court of the Province of Nova Scotia, in pursuance of the same Act.

Also,—Account Current of the Accountant of the House of Commons, of the amount received and disbursed by him for Contingencies, from the 1st July, 1874, to the 30th June, 1875;—with the Auditor's Report.

Also,—List of Stockholders of the Bank of New Brunswick on the 15th January, 1876, under the provisions of the Act 34 Victoria, Chapter 5, Section 12.

And also,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the Districts of Kamouraska and Rimouski, for the year, 1874.

Two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Roxton Pond Tool Company, and others, Planemakers of Canada; praying that duties may be imposed upon Planes imported from the United States into Canada, equal to those imposed by the United States on like articles of Canadian manufacture, be now received

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the prayer of this Petition involves a public charge, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Blake* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Minister of Justice as to Penitentiaries in Canada, for the year ended 31st December, 1875.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Select Committee of seven Members was appointed, to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Thursday the 10th instant, composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Smith* (Westmoreland), *Blake*, *Holton*, *Tupper* and *Masson*.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Select Committee of seven Members was appointed to assume the direction, under the orders of The House, of the reporting and printing of the Debates of The House; composed of Messrs. *Cauchon*, *Tupper*, *Béchar*, *Bowell*, *Ross* (Middlesex), *Desjardins* and *Charlton*.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Select Committee was appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in revising the Rules of The House, with power to report from time to time; composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Blake*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Holton*, *Langevin*, *Smith* (Westmoreland), *Mitchell* and *Flynn*.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Select Committee was appointed, to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament so far as the interests of this House are concerned; and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library; composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Cameron* (Cardwell), *Cartwright*, *Cauchon*, *Cameron* (Ontario), *Holton*, *Fréchette*, *Delorme*, *Mills*, *Young*, *Laurier*, *Brouse*, *Tupper*, and *Wright* (Ontario);—and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate to acquaint them therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return of all leases or licenses for fishing stations in the Lake Simcoe District; and of all fines and forfeitures inflicted in the years 1874 and 1875 by the Inspector of the said District, with the names of persons convicted and character of offence;—also number and aggregate amount of licenses to kill fish in the winter months issued by the said Inspector in the years mentioned.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for:—1st. Copies of all accounts and pay-lists presented to the Government and also of all accounts and pay-lists paid by the Government for the construction or repair in 1875 of the wharves at Malbaie, Les Eboulements and Bay St. Paul; 2nd. A list of the foremen and clerks employed in connection with such construction or repairs; 3rd. A statement in detail of the travelling expenses and salary paid to each of the said foremen and clerks; 4th. A list of the schooners and barges employed for the said work, or in connection with the said work, showing their tonnage and the amount paid for each trip, and the system of calculation of such payments; 5th. A separate statement of the cost of the work done on each of the said wharves and an estimate of the cost of what remains to be done on each of them; 6th. A statement shewing the total cost of the timber purchased for each of the said works, shewing the price of such timber per foot, the name of the person from whom it was purchased, and what quantity was purchased for the purpose; 7th. A statement shewing the total amount paid by the Government for the said works; 8th. A statement shewing the amount claimed and remaining to be paid for the said works; 9th. The Report or Reports of *Henry R. Symmes*, Esq., and also the Report or Reports of *Frederic Baillargé*, Esq., Assistant Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, on the subject of the said works in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876.

Also,—A further Address for a copy of the Report of *Henry R. Symmes*, Esquire, in reference to his surveys in the Parish of St. Irénée in the Electoral District of Charlevoix in 1874 or 1875; also a copy of the instructions issued to him on that subject, and of all petitions and correspondence which may have been sent in or exchanged in relation thereto.

And,—a further Address for copies of the Report or Reports of *Frederic Baillargé*, Esquire, Assistant Engineer to the head of the Public Works Department, on his surveys in the Parish of St. Fidèle and St. Siméon in 1875; the instructions furnished him in relation thereto and of all petitions and correspondence presented or exchanged on the subject.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and any of its officers or with any Individual or Public Body in relation to violations of the Deck Load Law and also in relation to violations of the Port Wardens Act, with any instructions that may have been given by the Government to its officers for the enforcement of the Laws referred to.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Public Accounts of Canada for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1875.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Flynn*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the Report and Plan made by Mr. *Perley* in the Summer of 1873 for the enlargement of St. Peter's Canal, with all subsequent Reports, Orders in Council, Advertisements, tenders and contracts appertaining to that work.

Mr. *Blain*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Engineer's Report of Surveys of the St. Lawrence and estimates for Improvements so as to give 14 feet of water.

Mr. *White* (Renfrew)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take steps at an early date for the improvement of the navigation of the Ottawa, Mattawin and French Rivers so as to enable vessels to pass from Lake Huron *via* the said Rivers to tide water on the St. Lawrence; and if so, on what scale as to draught of water and size of Locks it is intended to construct the said works.

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—BILL entitled "An Act to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada."

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—BILL entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Assistant-Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia."

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—That the House will on Thursday next resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be as follows:—

Six County Court Judges, each.....	\$2,000 per annum
The County Court Judge for the County of Halifax.....	2,400     "

and that to each of the County Court Judges there may be paid for actual travelling expenses such sum not exceeding the rate of \$200 per annum as may be allowed by the Governor in Council.

*Resolved*, That the salary of any of the said County Court Judges receiving less than \$2,400 per annum shall after a period of three years service as such County Court Judge be \$2,400 per annum with travelling expenses as aforesaid.

*Resolved*, That the said salaries and allowances may be paid out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

*Resolved*, That the 8th section of the Act passed in the 37th year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to amend the Act 36th Victoria, chapter 31, for the readjustment of the salaries of Judges and other purposes" shall apply to the said County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and that they shall be entitled to the same retiring allowance or annuity on the same conditions and payable in the same manner as if they were expressly referred to and included in the said section.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—That the copies of correspondence relating to the refund of duties to the Great Western Railway Company laid on the Table of this House on the 6th of April last be referred to the Printing Committee.

Mr. *Perry*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying that there may be laid before this House a statement shewing what steps have been taken by the Government touching the opening up of regular steam communication in the winter season between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland in accordance with terms of Union between the Province of Prince Edward Island and the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Bourassa*—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875 by adding to the third paragraph of the first section of the said Act the following words:

"But no farmer, grazier, common laborer, workman for hire, or other person who cannot be declared an Insolvent, shall be bound to accept the composition of an Insolvent; he may receive and accept the dividend declared by the Assignee upon the estate of the Insolvent, but his claim shall not be thereby extinguished and he may subsequently have his recourse against the Insolvent for the balance of his claim until payment in full has been obtained."

Mr. *Little*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Postmaster General intends to make such arrangements as will prevent registered letters being tampered with, and if loss is sustained by the sender of such registered letter, whether compensation will be allowed by the Post Office Department?

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Reports by Engineers, Reports from the Quebec Harbour Commission, documents, correspondence and Orders in Council relating to the selection of the site for the construction of a graving dock at the Port of Quebec.

Mr. *Orton*—On Thursday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion, with power to send for persons, papers and records and to report from time to time.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the monthly wages paid by the Government to each of the men composing the crew of the Medical Officers' boat at the Port of Quebec in 1874 and 1875; a statement shewing the total cost of the service of the said boat for each of the said years; also all correspondence which may have passed between the Government and the said Medical officer or officers in relation to the said service during the said two years.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the instructions issued to Mr. *Talbot*, one of the employés or Sub-Inspectors of the Post Office Department, in relation to his visits to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the Dominion Election in the month of January last.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the instructions given to Mr. *Edmond Trudelle*, one of the officers or employés of the Customs Department at Quebec, on the occasion of his visit to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the Dominion Election held in January last.

Mr. *Langevin*.—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence, whether postal or telegraphic, between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and any employee, public officer or other person, in relation to the despatching to the Electoral District of Charlevoix in the month of January last of some twenty of the men composing in Summer the Quebec Water Police and commanded and directed by an officer or employee of the Customs Department at Quebec.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Hon. *Ambrose Shea* respecting a claim in connection with a supply of labor for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Irving*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to propose any Legislation during the present Session of Parliament upon the subject-matter of the several Acts known as the Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1872 and the amendment thereof passed at the last Session of Parliament?

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA TUESDAY, 15th FEBRUARY, 1876.

Mr. *Mackenzie* from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees, ordered by The House on Thursday, the 10th February, instant, reported as follows:—

### 1.—ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

Messieurs

Appleby,  
Blake,  
Brooks,  
Cameron (*Cardwell*),  
Cameron (*Victoria*),  
Cauchon,  
Colby,  
Devlin,

Holton,  
Irving,  
Kerr,  
Kirkpatrick,  
Laflamme,  
Langlois,  
Macdonald, Sir J. A.,  
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),

McDougall (*Three Rivers*),  
McIntyre,  
McIsaac,  
Mills,  
Mousseau,  
Oliver,  
Palmer, and  
Scatcherd.—24.

### 2.—ON EXPIRING LAWS.

Messieurs

Bain,  
Blackburn,  
Borron,  
Brooks,  
Brown,  
Buell,  
Burk,  
Caron,  
Casey,  
Cheval,  
Cimon,  
Dawson,

Dewdney,  
Donahue,  
Ferguson,  
Ferris,  
Gill,  
Hall,  
Jetté,  
Kerr,  
Kirk,  
Lajoie,  
Lanthier,  
Little,

Macdonald (*Cornwall*),  
McQuade,  
Monteith,  
Ouimet,  
Pettes,  
Ray,  
Robillard,  
Ryan,  
Shibley,  
Smith (*Peel*), and  
Tremaine.—35.

And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

## 3.—ON RAILWAYS, CANALS AND TELEGRAPH LINES.

## Messieurs.

Aylmer,	Donahue,	Mousseau,
Baby,	Ferris,	Norris,
Béchar, d,	Flesher,	Oliver,
Bertram,	Gill,	Pelletier,
Blake,	Gillies,	Pickard,
Blanchet,	Gordon,	Platt,
Borden,	Hagar,	Plumb,
Bourassa,	Haggart,	Pozer,
Bowell,	Harwood,	Ray,
Bowman,	Higinbotham,	Robinson,
Brouse,	Holton,	Robitaille,
Buell,	Huntington,	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Hurteau,	Rymal,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Irving,	Schultz,
Cameron ( <i>Ontario</i> ),	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Shibley,
Carmichael,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Sinclair,
Caron,	Killam,	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Cartwright,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith ( <i>Westmoreland</i> ),
Casgrain,	Lafamme,	Snider,
Cauchon,	Langevin,	Stephenson,
Church,	Langlois,	Stirton,
Colby,	Lauthier,	Thibaudeau,
Cook,	Laurier,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Costigan,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Trow,
Coupal,	Macdonald Sir John A.	Tupper,
Cunningham,	Mackenzie,	Vail,
Currier,	Masson,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Davies,	McCallum,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
DeCosmos,	McDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Delorme,	McGreevy,	Workman,
Dewdney,	Metcalfe,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ), and
Domville,	Mitchell,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ),—96.

## 4.—ON MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS.

## Messieurs

Baby,	Fleming,	McCraney,
Barthe,	Flynn,	McIntyre,
Blain,	Forbes,	McIsaac,
Blanchet,	Fraser,	Mills,
Bourassa,	Fréchette,	Moffat,
Bowman,	Galbraith,	Mousseau,
Brooks,	Gaudet,	Oliver,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Gillmor,	Ouimet,
Cameron ( <i>Cardwell</i> ),	Higinbotham,	Platt,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Jetté,	Ray,
Casey,	Kerr,	Rochester,
Cheval,	Killam,	Roscoe,
Church,	Kirk,	Sriver,
Cimon,	Kirkpatrick,	Skinner,
Coffin,	Lajoie,	Taschereau,
Cuthbert,	MacDonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Devlin,	Macdougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ), and
Dymond,	Mackay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ).—56.
Fiset,	Macmillan,	

And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

## 5.—ON STANDING ORDERS.

## Messieurs

Appleby,  
Baby,  
Bunster,  
Casgrain,  
Charlton,  
Christie,  
Cook,  
Costigan,  
De St. Georges,  
Ferris,  
Flesher,  
Forbes,

Fréchette,  
Galbraith,  
Gaudet,  
Gibson,  
Hall,  
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),  
Macmillan,  
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),  
McKay (*Colchester*),  
Orton,  
Paterson,  
Perry,

Pouliot,  
Pozer,  
Ross (*Durham*),  
Rymal,  
Schultz,  
Scriven,  
Shibley,  
Short,  
Smith (*Peel*),  
Tremaine, and  
Wright (*Pontiac*).—35.

And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

## 6.—PRINTING.

## Messieurs

Bourassa,  
Bowell,  
Church,  
Delorme,  
De Veber,

Dymond,  
Goudge,  
Lanthier,  
Laird,  
Ross (*Middlesex*),

Ross (*Prince Edward*),  
Stephenson,  
Stirton,  
Thompson (*Haldimand*) and  
Wallace (*Norfolk*)—15.

## 7.—ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

## Messieurs

Archibald,  
Bertram,  
Blain,  
Blake,  
Bourassa,  
Bowell,  
Boyer,  
Brouse,  
Burpee (*St. John*),  
Burpee (*Sunbury*),  
Caron,  
Cartwright,  
Charlton,  
Cimon,  
Colby,  
Davies,  
Delorme,  
Desjardins,  
De Veber,  
Domville,  
Dymond,  
Fiset,  
Galbraith,  
Gibson,

Gordon,  
Goudge,  
Harwood,  
Holton,  
Jetté  
Jones (*Halifax*),  
Landerkin,  
Langevin,  
Laurier,  
Little,  
Macdonald, Sir J. A.,  
Macdonald (*Toronto*),  
Macdougall (*Elgin*),  
Mackenzie,  
Masson,  
McGreevy,  
McGregor,  
McLeod,  
Metcalf,  
Mills,  
Mitchell,  
Ouimet,  
Pelletier,  
Plumb,

Power,  
Pozer,  
Richard,  
Robitaille,  
Ross (*Prince Edward*),  
Rouleau,  
Rymal,  
Scatcherd,  
Scriven,  
Smith (*Selkirk*),  
Snider,  
Taschereau,  
Thibaudeau,  
Thompson (*Haldimand*),  
Thomson (*Welland*),  
Tupper,  
Vail,  
Wood,  
Workman,  
Wright (*Ottawa*),  
Wright (*Pontiac*), and  
Young—70.

And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

## 8.—ON BANKING AND COMMERCE.

## Messieurs

Archibald,	Dugas,	Oliver,
Béchar, d,	Fiset,	Paterson,
Biggar,	Fleming,	Pickard,
Blain,	Forbes,	Plumb,
Blake,	Haggart,	Power,
Boyer,	Holton,	Robillard,
Brouse,	Horton,	Robinson,
Brown,	Irving,	Robitaille,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Jetté,	Rochester,
Cameron ( <i>Cardwell</i> ),	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Cameron ( <i>Ontario</i> ),	Killam,	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Carmichael,	Lafamme,	Rouleau,
Caron,	Laird,	Rymal,
Cartwright,	Landerkin,	Smith ( <i>Westmoreland</i> ),
Cauchon,	Langlois,	Stirton,
Charlton,	Laurier,	Taschereau,
Cockburn,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Thibaudeau,
Currier,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Thompson ( <i>Haldimand</i> ),
DeCosmos,	Mackenzie,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Desjardins,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Tupper,
De St. Georges,	McGreevy,	Wood,
De Veber,	McLeod,	Workman,
Devlin,	Mitchell,	Yeo, and
Domville,	Monteith,	Young.—72.

And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

## 9.—ON IMMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION.

## Messieurs

Aylmer,	Forbes,	Pettes,
Bain,	Fraser,	Pinsonneault,
Bannatyne,	Gaudet,	Pope,
Barthe,	Greenway,	Pouliot,
Béchar, d,	Hagar,	Pozer,
Benoit,	Horton,	Richard,
Bernier,	Huntington,	Rochester,
Biggar,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Ryan,
Borron,	Little,	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Christie,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Stephenson,
Cockburn,	McNab,	St. Jean,
Coupal,	Moffat,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Cunningham,	Montplaisir,	Trow,
Dugas,	Orton,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Farrow,	Palmer,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Ferris,	Paterson,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ), and
Flynn,	Perry,	Yeo—51.

And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

Mr. *Cauchon*, from the Select Committee appointed to assume the direction under the orders of The House of the reporting and printing of the Debates of The House, presented the first Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

1st. That for the English Edition, all speeches, as delivered, be reported in the English language.

2nd. That for the French Edition, the said speeches be immediately translated into French on the same principle as the Votes and Proceedings of the House. For which purpose it is recommended that the official translation of the House be utilized, and when necessary such extra assistance as may be required, will be granted, under the supervision of the Committee.

3rd. That the English Edition shall consist of 1500 copies to be printed and distributed daily in sheets, and 500 copies for binding.

4th. That the French Edition shall consist of 325 copies to be printed and distributed daily in sheets, and 200 copies for binding.

5th. The book edition shall be printed off from each day's issue, which for that purpose shall follow in running matter, with continuous paging and headings, so that when complete those copies can also be bound and indexed the same as the book edition, for which purpose a sufficient extra number of the Index will be struck off.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *Blanchet's* name was ordered to be inserted, in the place of that of Mr. *Holton* of the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned; and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library; and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, to acquaint them therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the Report of the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Thursday, the 10th instant, was concurred in, so far as regards the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

*DUFFERIN.*

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons a copy of a Despatch which has been received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, acknowledging the receipt of an Address to Her Majesty, praying for the negotiation of Naturalization Treaties between Great Britain and the German States.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 12th February, 1876.

*The Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Administrator of the Government.*

DOWNING STREET,  
4th August, 1875.

(Copy—Canada—No. 191.)

SIR,—Her Majesty's Government have had before them the Earl of *Dufferin's* Despatch, No. 98, of the 13th of April last in which His Lordship enclosed an Address to Her Majesty voted by the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada praying for the negotiation of Naturalization Treaties between Great Britain and the German States so that Her Majesty's Naturalized German subjects in Canada might after a residence there of from three to five years, as might be agreed upon by the Contracting Powers, become entitled to all the rights &c., of British subjects in any part of the world, and in as full a measure as if they had been subjects of Great Britain by birth.

I request that you will inform the Speaker of the House of Commons that this Address has been duly laid before the Queen, but that I fear that it is not possible to make any progress at the present moment towards carrying out the wishes expressed therein.

I propose however to resume the consideration of the whole question after the close of the present Session of the Imperial Parliament.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed,) CARNARVON.

The Officer Administering  
the Government of Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Delorme*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return showing the names, age and residence of the Veterans of 1812–15 who have applied for and who have received a gratuity from the Federal Government of Canada; the number of those Militia-men having commissions as officers, and how many such applications have been made by persons living out of Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for: 1st. Copies of the Order in Council or other document fixing the salary of *Damase Hudon* Esquire, Deputy Collector of Customs at *Ghicoutimi*; and

2nd. A statement showing the several amounts collected by the said *Damase Hudon*, Esquire, in his said capacity, from the 1st May 1875 to the 1st November 1875, and the amounts paid in by him in consequence.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statements of allowances and gratuities under the Act 33 Victoria, Chapter 4, intituled: "An Act for the better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases,"—and of the increases made to certain of such allowances under the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 9.

Statement shewing the expenditure of the amount of \$34,000, appropriated for Treaty No. 4, by Order in Council of the 27th September, 1875, and for which a Special Warrant was issued.

Return of expenditure under credit for \$50,000, authorized by Order in Council of the 27th December, 1875, on account of the North-West Mounted Police.

Statement of expenditure on His Excellency the Governor General's Special Warrant of 5th October, 1875, for \$60,000, for Settlers relief in Manitoba.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## ERRATUM.

In the Votes yesterday (page 42), Mr. *Baby's* name was omitted from the Select Committee appointed, to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament; and the said entry should read as follows:—

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Select Committee was appointed, to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament so far as the interests of this House are concerned; and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library; composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Cameron* (Cardwell), *Cartwright*, *Cauchon*, *Cameron* (Ontario), *Holton*, *Fréchette*, *Delorme*, *Mills*, *Young*, *Laurier*, *Brouse*, *Tupper*, *Wright* (Ottawa), and *Baby*;—and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate to acquaint them therewith.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Masson*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the Province of Quebec relating to the construction of a Railway to connect Portage du Fort with the subsidized portion of the Canada Central Railway running from the vicinity of Douglas to the Eastern end of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Pacific Railway.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled “An Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats and Molestation.”

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled “An Act to make further provision for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right.”

Mr. *Bunster*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Dominion Government have stopped any and what portion of the Subsidy due British Columbia in January 1876; and if so, why? And whether the Dominion Government have informed the Local Government of British Columbia that they will retain any and what portion of the future Subsidies due the Province; and if so, why?

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence respecting the non-admission of Fish Oils and Fish of all kinds, the produce of the Province of British Columbia, into the United States, free of duty, under the Treaty of Washington of May 8, 1871.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, in the interest of the Fisheries and Navigation, to give or recommend the grant of a subsidy to aid in the prolongation of the Telegraphic Line from Malbaie as far as the County or the Western Limit of the County of Saguenay?

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the contract between the Government and Mr. *Charles E. Forgues* of Malbaie, for the construction of a Light-house upon *Isle aux Coudres*; also copies of the correspondence which took place upon the subject and a statement shewing the amount claimed as compensation or damages by virtue of the said contract, and the amount paid to the said *Charles E. Forgues*, or to any other person in this matter.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the tenders received for the construction of a Line of Telegraph in connection with the Pacific Railway, shewing the names of the parties tendering, the amount asked by each such party and the names of the sureties; also copies of the contract between the Government and *F. Barnard*, Esquire, in relation to the construction of the said Line of Telegraph; copies of all correspondence which may have been had with the Government on the occasion and since the passing of the said contract with a statement of all claims which may have been made in virtue of the said contract shewing the amount promised or paid in connection therewith, including all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders in relation to the cancelling or suspension of the said Contract or to the indemnity to be paid in respect thereof.

Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the following papers :

1. The Order in Council creating the office of Agent General of Canada for England or the United Kingdom.
2. The Commission or Letter of appointment of Mr. *Jenkins* to the office of Agent General.
3. The general instructions given to the Agent General and all subsequent modifications thereof.
4. The Order in Council abolishing the office of Agent General.
5. The letters and correspondence relating to the termination of Mr. *Jenkins*' employment by resignation or otherwise.

Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government or any member thereof with the Hudson Bay Company relating to the acquisition or purchase by the Dominion from the Company of their lands in Manitoba and the North-West Territories, or either of them, and of all Orders in Council, despatches and other papers respecting the same.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—BILL to make certain changes in the Territorial arrangements now in force in the North-West Territories.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Thursday next—BILL to provide for the better administration of the affairs of Insolvent Banks.

Mr. *Cheval*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—

1st. Whether any Judge of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, has, since the 1st December 1875, asked to be allowed to retire ?

2nd. If yes,—what is, or what are the names of such Judge or Judges, for what reasons, and on what conditions, and reckoning from what day has such leave to retire been asked for ?

Mr. *Cheval*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—

1st. Whether since January 1874, inclusive, any complaints or accusations have been made to the Government against any of the Judges of the Superior Court, in the Province of Quebec ?

2nd. If yes, what is the substance of such complaints or accusations, and what are the names of such Judges ?

3rd. What does the Government intend doing with respect to such complaints or accusations ?

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for correspondence with the Local Government of Nova Scotia respecting the contemplated transfer of the Branch Line of Railway between Truro and Pictou to aid in the extension of the Railway system East from the latter Terminus.

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend constructing the Guyon Island Light-house for which an appropriation was made last year ?

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the number of tons of coal imported into Canada during the past year from the United States and for the correspondence between the Canadian and the United States Governments regarding the renewal by the latter of the duty imposed on coal exported from Canada to the United States.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1876.

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The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *William Rae* and others ; praying for the adoption of such measures as will secure the extension of the Telegraphic system from Prince Edward Island to the Magdalen Islands, and from thence to Bird Rocks in the centre of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Of *John F. Mahon* of the City of London, and others, of the Province of Ontario ; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the National Exchange Company.

*Mr. Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 2) for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia.—Second reading to-morrow.

Also,—a Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada.—Second reading to-morrow.

He also laid before The House,—Account under the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 73, Section 6, shewing the average number of the Dominion Police employed during each month of the year, 1875, the cost of pay, and of travelling expenses, expended in respect thereof.

*Mr. Mills* moved, that a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Baby*, *Burpee* (Sunbury), *Carmichael*, *Currier*, *Charlton*, *Delorme*, *Dymond*, *Platt*, *Sinclair*, *Workman* and the mover be appointed, to inquire into the causes of the present *financial depression* ; with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that four Members be a Quorum.

And a Debate arising thereon,—on motion of *Mr. Mackenzie*, The House adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bécharé*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all petitions, complaints or accusations, statements, documents, papers, &c., respecting any of the Judges of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, since January, 1874, inclusively.

Mr. *McDougall*, (S. Renfrew)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying for a Return—

1st. Of the names of persons who have ceased to belong to the Cullers' Office since 1st January, 1875, through death, superannuation or otherwise, distinguishing the cause and employment in each instance;

2nd. Of the names of those who have been added to the Staff in either a temporary or permanent capacity during the same time.

Mr. *McCallum*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the Superintendent of the Welland Canal as to the damages to lands along the Grand River by raising the water in the upper level of the said canal; also copies of all instructions to valuers in valuing said damages; also of Reports, if any, made by valuers to the Government in the years 1874-75; also the amount of damages paid, or to be paid, to different parties, giving number of acres paid for or to be paid for.

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the number of suits instituted before the Supreme Court and of the number of judgments rendered by the said Court.

Mr. *Pope*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council, Letters and Telegrams between the Dominion Government and the Government of Manitoba or any officer or other person, respecting the relief to be given to settlers and others in Manitoba, shewing the amount appropriated, the parties to whom it is to be given and the conditions upon which it is given.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—That the House will on Tuesday next resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider of the following Resolution:

That it is expedient to provide that the Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries to be appointed under the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia," shall each receive a salary not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars per annum and travelling expenses, to be determined by the Governor in Council.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—That the House will on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider of the following Resolution:

That it is expedient to provide that the Minister of Agriculture or such other Minister as is mentioned in the Bill intituled "An Act to make provision for the Collection and Registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada," shall cause to be paid out of any monies which may be provided by Parliament for that purpose, to any Clerk, Officer or Sheriff filling up and transmitting the schedules required under the first section of the said Bill the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ and the further sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for each \_\_\_\_\_ comprised in such schedules; and to any officer transmitting the returns required under the second section thereof the sum of \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. *Oliver*—On Friday next—That an Order of this House do issue asking for a statement shewing the amount of loss to the Post Office Department by sending Petitions and Addresses to the Legislatures of Ontario and Quebec, or any branch thereof, and also Votes and Proceedings and other papers printed by order of the said Legislatures or any branch thereof, sent free of postage during their last Session.

Mr. *Charlton*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of Canada through the British Minister at Washington and the United States Government, relating to the obstruction of the Navigation of Niagara River by the erection of an Inlet Pier in mid channel of said River for the Buffalo City Water Works, thereby causing a dangerous obstruction to the passage of vessels and rafts of timber.

Mr. *Wright* (Pontiac)—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps for the improvement, during the coming season, of the navigation of that portion of the Ottawa River between the foot of the Culbute Canal and the head of the Calumet Rapids.

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Mr. *Schultz*—On Thursday 24th February—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Acts passed by the Council of the North-West Territories and all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the said Territories relative to matters which have been under consideration by the said Council.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all Orders and Minutes of Council, papers and correspondence with the Imperial Government relating to the introduction and passage through the Imperial Parliament of an Act chaptered 38 Victoria 38 and 39, intituled "An Act to remove certain doubts with respect to the Parliament of Canada under Section 18 of the British North America Act 1867."

Mr. *Wright* (Pontiac)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return showing quantity of Timber passing through the slides at the Rocher Capitaine on the Ottawa River since the construction of such slide.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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Mr. *Smith* laid before The House,—Eighth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, being for the fiscal year, ended 30th June, 1875.

Three Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented a Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

*DUFFERIN.*

The Governor General communicates to the House of Commons the appointment of the Hon. *Alexander Mackenzie*, Minister of Public Works; the Hon. *Joseph Edouard Cauchon*, President of the Privy Council; the Hon. *Isaac Burpee*, Minister of Customs; and the Hon. *Thomas Coffin*, Receiver General, to act with the Speaker of the House of Commons as Commissioners for the purposes and under the provisions of the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 27, intituled: “An Act respecting the Internal Economy of the House of Commons and for other purposes.”

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Ottawa, 17th February, 1876.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the First Report of the said Committee, reporting *favorably* on the Petition of *John F. Mahon*, of the City of London, and others, of the Province of Ontario, for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the National Exchange Company.

Mr. *Scatcherd* introduced a Bill (No. 4) to incorporate “The National Exchange Company.”—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 5) to amend the Criminal Law, relating to Violence, Threats, and Molestations.—Second reading to-morrow.

Also,—A Bill (No. 6) to make further provision for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Cauchon*, the First Report of the Select Committee appointed, to assume the direction, under the orders of The House, of the reporting and printing of the Debates of The House, was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the Report of the Select Committee appointed, to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Standing Committees of this House, in so far as it relates to the following Committees, viz:—On Privileges and Elections; on Expiring Laws; on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines; on Miscellaneous Private Bills; on Printing; on Public Accounts; on Banking and Commerce; and on Immigration and Colonization, was concurred in.

Mr. *Mackenzie* introduced a Bill (No. 7) respecting the North West Territories, and to create a separate Territory out of part thereof.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Stirton*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting that they will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of Parliament; and informing their Honors that the Members of the Select Committee on Printing, viz:—Messrs. *Bourassa*, *Bowell*, *Church*, *Delorme*, *De Veber*, *Dymond*, *Goudge*, *Lanthier*, *Laird*, *Ross* (Middlesex), *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Stephenson*, *Stirton*, *Thompson* (Haldimand), and *Wallace* (Norfolk), will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all papers and correspondence which have passed between the Government of Canada and Her Majesty's Government in relation to Legislation which may be under consideration of the Imperial Parliament in relation to British Shipping, and affecting Shipping registered in Canada; also all correspondence between the said Governments in relation to the exemption of Canadian Shipping from the operation of the Imperial Bill; also any correspondence between the said Governments in relation to the Legislation passed by the Canadian Parliament for the inspection and classification of Canadian Vessels and as to how far the British Government will accept the Canadian Classification and Inspection, if the Law passed by the Canadian Parliament is put in force as equivalent to the Inspection by Imperial Officer or British Lloyd's.

Mr. *Young* moved, that in order to ascertain to what extent Canada has been made a sacrifice market for American manufacturers during the last two years, it be

*Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue, that the Minister of Customs will cause to be laid before Parliament a statement shewing the total value of all articles imported from the United States into each Province of the Dominion during 1871, '72 and '73 paying 15, 10 and 5 per cent. duty respectively; and also a similar statement for 1874 and '75 of articles paying 17½, 10 and 5 per cent., together with such explanatory remarks and further facts as he may be able to add touching the increased importation of American manufactures into Canada; which was agreed to, and ordered accordingly.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Mill's* proposed motion, and which motion was:—  
“That a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Baby*, *Burpee* (Sunbury), *Carmichael*, *Currier*, *Charlton*, *Delorme*, *Dymond*, *Platt*, *Sinclair*, *Workman* and the mover be appointed, to enquire into the causes of the present financial depression; with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that four Members be a Quorum.”

And a further Debate arising, the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Pope*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *McIntyre*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government has accepted of any of the tenders for the construction of the Prince Edward Island Railway Fence; If not, what action do they intend to take regarding it?

Mr. *Masson*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of all Reports and communications between the Government or any of its officers or other persons since June 1875 relating to the state and condition of the Dawson Route from Thunder Bay to Fort Garry, together with a statement of the number of passengers and quantity of freight transported on said route during the season of 1875.

Mr. *Masson*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to adopt any means to assure the construction of a line of Railway to connect Portage du Fort, proposed Terminus of the projected Quebec Government Railway, with the subsidized portion of the Canada Central Railway?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence or communications since the 1st day of January 1874 between the Government of Canada or any of the Departments or officers thereof and Merchants and other parties, if any there be, relating to changes in the duties on Tea and asking for or relating to compensation resulting from such changes, together with a statement in detail of all duties refunded on Teas with the names of the parties to whom the refund was made.

Mr. *Robillard*—On Monday next—BILL for the protection of the rights of proprietors of wharves.

Mr. *Forbes*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend the Act to make better provision extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian Produce."

Mr. *Horton*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the quantity of Salt manufactured in the Province of Ontario; also the quantity exported and the value thereof for the year ending 30th June 1875.

Mr. *Rouleau*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying him to cause to be laid before this Honorable House:—

1st. A list of all the employees, whether permanent or temporary, of the following Public Departments at Ottawa:—Public Works, Receiver General, Finance, Post Office, Militia, Customs, Inland Revenue, Secretary of State, Marine and Fisheries, Justice, Interior, Agriculture and Statistics,—shewing the salary of each of such employees;

2nd. A statement shewing the *bonus* granted to each of the employees above named, for the year 1875, and what portion of the sum voted for that purpose, during the last Session of this Parliament, has been thus distributed among such employees;

3rd. Copies of all Orders in Council, Reports or Documents granting such *bonus* to each of the said employees, and shewing upon what basis such *bonus* was distributed among them.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this Honorable House:

1st. Copy of the contract between the Government and Mr. *Adolphe Gagnon*, for the construction of a pier or piers at Baie St. Paul;

2nd. Copies of the correspondence between the Government and the said *Adolphe Gagnon* and others in connection with such contract, and the claims of the said *Adolphe Gagnon* in the matter;

3rd. Copies of all claims or accounts presented by the said *Adolphe Gagnon*, or by any other person in his name, for indemnity in this case;

4th. Copies of all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders referring this claim or this account to the Official Arbitrators;

5th. Copies of the award of the said Arbitrators and the papers accompanying it, and of all Orders in Council or Departmental orders giving effect to each award.

Mr. Gordon—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—1st. What amount of salary is intended to be paid to District Inspectors of Weights and Measures; 2nd. Amount of salary to be paid to Deputy Inspectors; 3rd. From what date will salaries of Inspectors and Deputy Inspectors be paid; 4th. Will return of expenses of Inspectors and Deputies be required to be certified to under oath; 5th. When will the Inspection Act come into operation?

Mr. Gordon—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to create a Harbor of Refuge on Lake Ontario between Toronto and Kingston with sufficient depth of water to accommodate vessels drawing fourteen feet of water.

Mr. McDonald (Cape Breton)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return in detail of all the monies received, with the returns thereof, made to the Government by Mr. Henry Mitchell, Harbour Master of the Port of Glace Bay in Cape Breton, stating the time when such returns were made and monies received; also copies of all instructions to said officer with the amount of salary he receives and stating whether the same is payable out of fees or by fixed salary.

Mr. Blain—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government in commencing the work of consolidating the Statute Law to take any steps to bring into uniformity all or any of the Laws relative to Property and Civil Rights in Ontario, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and of the procedure of all or any of the Courts of those three Provinces under Section 94 of the British North America Act?

Mr. Fiset—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, in the interest of the Intercolonial Railway and for the promoting of its regular working, to make arrangements with the Grand Trunk Railway Company for the acquisition of the portion of their railway between Rivière du Loup and Point Lévis?

Mr. Farrow—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to enquire into the Salt Interests of this Country, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Biggar—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend constructing a Lighthouse on the Island of Bald Head in Lake Ontario, in the Province of Ontario, for which an appropriation was made last year.

Mr. Wood—On Monday next—BILL entitled “An Act to amend the Act 37 Victoria, cap. 51, entitled “An Act to authorize the Corporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion.”

Mr. Caron—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for: 1st. Copies of all contracts between the Government and any person or company for the execution of work at the Citadel of Quebec in 1874 and 1875; 2nd. Copies of all arrangements, made with a contractor or contractors, or with a superintendent or overseer, or superintendents or overseers, for the execution of any portion of the said works; 3rd. Copies of the Pay lists, shewing the sum paid to each overseer, superintendent, workman, &c., for the execution of such work, the number of workmen, overseers, and superintendents, employed each week, and the total cost of such work during the year ending the 31st December 1874, and the total cost for the following year.

Mr. Laird—On Monday next—BILL entitled “An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians.”

Mr. Brouse—On Monday next—ADDRESS to his Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the names of occupiers or holders of land on the Islands of the St. Lawrence between Brockville and Gananoque called “the Thousand Isles;” the number of acres in each holding; the value and appraisement of each holding.

Mr. Fréchette—On Wednesday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to take into consideration the possibility of navigating the Gulf and Lower St. Lawrence during the winter season.

Mr. De Cosmos—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing the tenders received in 1875 for the conveyance of the Mails between Victoria and San Francisco, with a copy of any correspondence respecting the said tenders and Mail service generally; also a copy of the contract for the performance of the said service.

Mr. De Cosmos—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of all correspondence or reports in the possession of the Government respecting the loss of the Steamship *Pacific*.

Mr. De Cosmos—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing the respective sums paid in 1875-76 for transporting freight and passengers, in British Columbia, belonging to the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey—the said Return shewing the rate per pound for freight, whether packed or waggoned, the distance carried and where carried; also the fare for each passenger, the distance carried and where carried; and also shewing the persons other than Indians, to whom the same may have been paid; also copies of any tenders and calls for tenders for transporting the said freight and passengers; also copies of any Departmental instructions issued to the Paymaster or Chief Engineer in charge of the Western Division of the C P R R, or any correspondence respecting the giving of the said freight and passengers to any one or more persons.

Mr. *McDougal* (South Renfrew) —On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act to secure the attendance of voters at Elections of Members of the House of Commons."

Mr. *Desjardins*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, in view of the increasing wants and requirements of the localities surrounding the City of Montreal, it is the intention of the Government to adopt any means which would give those localities greater postal facilities?

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:—

1st. That whenever the tolls on any Railway in Canada, now or to be hereafter constructed, and subject to the jurisdiction of Canada as respects the matters hereinafter mentioned, are reduced or raised by by-law in accordance with the provisions of any Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, or of the Parliament of Canada, such reduction or raising of the tolls shall in no case be made to apply to any particular section of the Railway, but shall apply *pro rata*, to the entire length thereof,

2nd. That every Railway Company shall, according to their respective powers, afford all reasonable facilities to all corporations and individuals for the receiving and forwarding and delivery of traffic upon and from their Railway; and no Company shall give or continue any preference or advantage to any particular corporation or individual in any respect whatsoever, nor shall any Railway Company subject any particular corporation or individual to any prejudice or disadvantage in any respect whatever; and any agreement made between any Railway Company and any corporation or individual contrary to the foregoing provisions, shall be unlawful, null and void.

3rd. That if any Railway Company, or any officer, servant or agent of any Railway Company in any way contravenes the provisions of the next preceding sections, such Railway Company, or such officer, servant or agent, personally, shall, for each such contravention, incur a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars over and above the actual damages incurred, which penalty may be recovered with costs, in a summary manner, before any Justice of the Peace, by the party aggrieved by such contravention, to and for the use of such party aggrieved.

4th. That every Railway Company heretofore or which may be hereafter incorporated, or whether their Railway has been heretofore constructed or is hereafter to be constructed, having granted any facilities to any Express Company, shall grant equal facilities on equal terms and conditions to any other Express Company now incorporated or hereafter to be incorporated in Canada, demanding the same.

Mr. *Fréchet*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a Custom House or at least a Bonded Warehouse at South Quebec, Levis?

Mr. *Fréchet*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to have the South Shore represented among the five Commissioners to be appointed by the Executive for the Harbour of Quebec?

Mr. *Fréchet*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have come to a decision with regard to the site of the proposed Graving Dock for the Harbour of Quebec; or whether it is the intention of the Government to send their Engineers to examine the different contemplated sites, in the proper season to ascertain the action of the ice?

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence with the Colonial Secretary on the subject of the exercise of the power of disallowance of the Provincial Statutes.

Mr. *Thomson* (Welland)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a complete statement of all the duties levied on Locomotives or parts thereof since 1st July 1857, with the names of the importers, and also a statement showing what remissions or refunds of duties have been made on Locomotives or parts thereof up to the date of the Returns already before Parliament.

Mr. *Charlton*—On Monday next—BILL to amend 38 Vic., chap. 42, intitled: "An Act to prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by Railway or other means of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada."

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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Two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mackenzie* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:

*DUFFERIN.*

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS,—

I thank you for your loyal Address, and I rely on your wisdom and judgment to aid me in such measures as are necessary to promote the happiness and prosperity of the Dominion.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 17th February, 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending, 30th June, 1875, were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be as follows:—

Six County Court Judges, each.....	\$2,000 per annum.
The County Court Judge for the County of Halifax.....	2,400 “

and that to each of the County Court Judges there may be paid for actual travelling expenses such sum not exceeding the rate of \$200 per annum as may be allowed by the Governor in Council.

2. *Resolved*, That the salary of any of the said County Court Judges receiving less than \$2,400 per annum shall after a period of three years' service as such County Court Judge be \$2,400 per annum with travelling expenses as aforesaid.

3. *Resolved*, That the said salaries and allowances may be paid out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

4. *Resolved*, That the 8th section of the Act passed in the 37th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the Act 36th Victoria, Chapter 31, for the readjustment of the salaries of Judges and other purposes" shall apply to the said County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and that they shall be entitled to the same retiring allowance or annuity on the same condition and payable in the same manner as if they were expressly referred to and included in the said section.

That it is expedient to provide that the Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries to be appointed under the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia," shall each receive a salary not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars per annum and travelling expenses, to be determined by the Governor in Council.

That it is expedient to provide that the Minister of Agriculture, or such other Minister as is mentioned in the Bill intituled "An Act to make provision for the Collection and Registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada," shall cause to be paid out of any monies which may be provided by Parliament for that purpose, to any Clerk, Officer or Sheriff filling up and transmitting the schedules required under the first section of the said Bill the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ and the further sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for each \_\_\_\_\_ comprised in such schedule; and to any officer transmitting the returns required under the second section thereof the sum of \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. *Cartwright* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

**DUFFERIN.**

The Governor General transmits Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1877; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 18th February, 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, the said Message and Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Message was received from the Senate, naming the Hon. Messrs. *Alexander, Allan, Baillargeon, Bourinot, Chapais, Cornwall, Haythorne, Montgomery, Miller, Reesor, Ryan, Trudel, Wilmot, Fabre* and *Ferguson* as Members of a Committee to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, as far as the interests of that House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Also, naming the Hon. Messrs. *Aikins, Carral, Haythorne, Penny, Simpson, Bellerose, Ferrier, Macfarlane, Reesor, Bureau, Cochrane, McLelan, Scott, Fabre, and Wark* to act on behalf of that House with the Committee of the House of Commons, as a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of Parliament.

The House went into Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was then adopted:—

2. To defray salaries of the Governor General's Secretary's Office.....\$8,180.00.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again, on Tuesday next.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Mill's* proposed motion, and which motion was:— "That a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Baby Burpee* (Sunbury), *Carmichael, Currier, Charlton, Delorme, Dymond, Platt, Sinclair, Workman* and the mover be appointed, to enquire into the causes of the "present financial depression; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and that four Members "be a Quorum."

Mr. *De Cosmos* moved in amendment, that all the words after "that" in the said proposed motion be left out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:—"The early revision of the Tariff is very desirable; "and that a revised Tariff discriminating to a greater degree than the existing Tariff in favour of home "productions and manufactures, but not unduly stimulating one section of the country, or one industry to "the injury of other sections and other industries, would be productive of great benefit to the whole "Dominion."

Objection being taken to the motion of amendment as out of order. on the ground that it involved the imposition of a burthen on the people;

Mr. Speaker decided, "that the motion being an abstract proposition and barren of results, was in order."

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment; the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Blain* then moved in amendment, that the word "*financial*" be expunged from the said original motion, and the words "*manufacturing and commercial*" inserted in lieu thereof; which was agreed to;

Mr. *Tupper* then moved, that the original motion as amended, be further amended, by adding the word "*mining*" after the word "*manufacturing*;" which was agreed to.

Mr. *Mitchell* then moved, that the original motion as amended, be further amended by adding the words "shipping, lumber, and fishing interests;" which was also agreed to.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that the name of Mr. *Currier* be struck off the said Committee named, and the name of Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew) substituted therefor; which was agreed to.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell)—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Criminal Law.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell)—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Law relating to Banks and Banking.

Mr. *Irving*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What Railway companies have made returns to the Honorable the Minister of Public Works in accordance with the second and third sections of the Act of last Session, entitled: "An Act to extend and amend the Law requiring Railway Companies to furnish Returns of their Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure," and whether the Returns required by the fifth section of the said Act will be laid before Parliament within twenty-one days from the commencement of this Session in pursuance of the said Act?

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—That on \_\_\_\_\_ next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider the following Resolution:

That it is expedient to provide that the provisions of the Canada Civil Service Act, 1868, and any Acts amending the same, and of the "Act for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannation of persons employed therein in certain cases," and any Act amending the same, shall extend and apply to the Officers, Clerks and Servants of the Supreme Court of Canada and of the Exchequer Court of Canada, at the seat of Government.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the Commission appointing Mr. *Henry Simard*, Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Electoral District of Charlevoix,—and of the oath taken by him as such Inspector and of the date of such oath.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act to provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons."

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act to make more effectual provision for the administration of the law relating to corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons."

Mr. *Bécharde*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to amend the Insolvent Act in such a manner as to provide that the Official Assignees be no longer permitted outside their respective Districts?

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to build a Branch Railway from St. Charles, County of Bellechasse, to St. Joseph de Levis, in order that the Western Terminus of the Intercolonial Railway should be fixed near the Harbour of Quebec?

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have entered into a contract with the Messrs. *Cantin* of Montreal for the construction of a Steam Tender to transport Mails from Father Point to the Ocean Steamers; and if so, whether tenders were publicly invited before such contract was entered into?

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence in relation to the dismissal of Mr. *McDougall*, Post Master, Christmas Island, Cape Breton, and also, all correspondence in relation to the appointment of a successor.

Mr. *Roscoe*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have taken any steps to procure a settlement of the Boundary Line between Alaska and British Columbia, especially where said line crosses the Stikeen River?

Mr. *Cimon*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to have a "Steam Fog Whistle" placed on Lark Point (Islet aux Morts) at the mouth of the Saguenay in connection with the Light House there?

Mr. *Cimon*.—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Why the contract for building two Beacon Lights at the entrance of the River Saguenay was given to *Ambroise Trudelle* for \$900.00, while tenders had been received for the work from

<i>Louis Lavoie</i> , Murray Bay, for.....	\$490 00
<i>Joseph Tremblay</i> , Chicoutimi, for.....	500 00
<i>Joseph Warren</i> , Murray Bay, for.....	590 00
<i>Joseph Warren</i> " " .....	600 00

Mr. *Cimon*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for Copies of the following documents relating to the undertaking and construction by Messrs. *Piton & Co.*, Contractors, of certain buildings for the Dominion Government at Grosse Isle, namely:

1. Correspondence between *Piton & Co.*, and the Department of Public Works;
2. Reports of Messrs. *Lepage*, *Scott*, *Peachy*, and *Gawreau*, Architects and Civil Engineers, and correspondence of these gentlemen with one another and with the Department of Public Works;
3. Reports of Mr. *Scott* after his visit to the locality, and reports of the same on the several Reports referred to him;
4. Reports of *J. B. St. Michel* to *M. Lepage*;
5. Accounts of *Piton & Co.* transmitted to the Department of Public Works;
6. A detailed statement of sums paid by the Department of Public Works to *Piton & Co.*

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of advertisements asking for tenders for the erection of an Examining Warehouse in Montreal; of all tenders submitted to the Department of Public Works in answer to such advertisements; of all correspondence with any party tendering in respect of such contract; a statement of all alterations, if any, made in any of the tenders after their submission to the Department, and correspondence, if any, relating to such changes; and copy of the contract entered into for the erection of the said Examining Warehouse.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the names and ages of all Employees of the Montreal Custom House who have been superannuated within the last two years, with causes of such superannuation; names of all persons who have been taken into the Public Service during the same period in connection with the Montreal Custom House, whether as permanent employees or as supernumeraries, and the salary paid to each, and for what period and shewing whether they are still employed.

Mr. *Gordon*—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. That the interests of Public morality and the physical well-being of all classes of the community alike render it desirable and necessary that there should be a strict and uniform observance of the Lord's Day in all Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government.
2. That in the conduct of Government surveys and explorations, Government employees should be enjoined to abstain from the prosecution of their labour on the Lord's Day.
3. That in the opinion of this House there should be an entire closing and cessation of labour on all Canals, Railways and other Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government, during the twenty-four hours comprehended in the Lord's Day—save and except only such service as may be of absolute and unavoidable necessity.

Mr. *Wright* (Pontiac)—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to enquire into,—

- 1st. The amount of work done under contract on the Chatts Canal ;
- 2nd. The reasons why such contract was not filled according to its terms and conditions ;
- 3rd. The amount of work necessary to complete the Canal according to the original plans and specifications ;
- 4th. The desirability of proceeding with the work at the earliest possible moment the resources of the country will permit.

Committee to have power to send for persons and papers and to report from time to time.

Mr. *Paterson*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence which has taken place between the Council of the Six Nation Indians and the Indian Department with reference to the payment of accrued interest moneys which belong to them and which have been added to their general fund ; and also for a statement shewing the amount of said interest moneys.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—That a Message be sent to the Senate praying that Honorable House to transmit to this House for its information a copy of the Report made by a Select Committee of that House, during the last Session, appointed to enquire into all matters connected with the construction of Booms, Piers and other works on the Gatineau.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of copies of all correspondence relating to the contracts entered into by the Government of Canada, or any Department thereof, for the purchase of Steel Rails in the year 1874, including correspondence, if any, with parties before the advertisement for tenders—copies of all the advertisements and names of newspapers in which they were published, with date of first insertion in each of them ; all correspondence on the subject of further delay in the time of receiving tenders ; copies of all advertisements postponing the time for receiving tenders, with name of newspapers in which such notice was published ; copies of all tenders received for the supply of Steel Rails with all correspondence in relation to them and names of persons by whom or through whom such tenders were submitted or made ; all correspondence with any of the parties tendering, as to the quantity of Rails to be supplied by them ; copies of contracts entered into and of all correspondence relating to them ; copies of contracts for the transport of Steel Rails from Montreal to the different parts of the Dominion with any changes made in such contracts and correspondence relating to such changes at the time the contracts were entered into with a statement of the dates of payment of all monies on such contracts, the present location of the Rails and all charges for transport or storage of the same.

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to enquire into the possibility of establishing a Submarine Telegraphic System, and into the advantages and necessity of such a system of Telegraphy in the waters of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any and what steps have been taken by the Government to open up a trade with the British and Foreign West Indies and South America ; whether any and what person has been appointed in connection with that service ; also the instructions which have been given by the Government to such person or Agent in connection with the same ?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of instructions given to the officer in charge of the steam dredge employed clearing the bar at the entrance of Miramichi River with all Reports from the officer in charge or parties under him as to the amount of work done in that locality ; stating the number of bars removed and the character of the material ; the depth to which the channel has been deepened and the width thereof ; the length of the cutting or dredging yet to be done ; also stating the contemplated depth and width to which the Government propose to improve said channel ; the number of days during which such vessel has been actually at work ; also copies of the Report or Reports of the Engineers or other officers on which such improvements are based and the depth of water which it is proposed to obtain ; also the amount already expended on such work with an estimate of the amount required to complete it.

Mr. *Forbes*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government also between the Local Governments of the Maritime Provinces and the Dominion Government relating to Certificates of Service granted by the Dominion to Captains in the Merchant Service before 1871.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Stockholders of the Bank of Montreal, on the 10th February, 1876,—of the City Bank, Montreal, on the 10th February, 1876,—of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, on the 30th June, 1875,—of the Quebec Bank, on the 12th February, 1876,—and of the Stadacona Bank, on the 15th February, 1876, under the provisions of the Act 34 Victoria, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Eight Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *William Smith Amies* of Guernsey, one of the Channel Islands; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent to him for a new and useful Artificial Manure.

Of *Luke Byron* and others, of the Parish of Campbo Bello, County of Charlotte, N.B.; praying that the tax imposed upon weirs may be abolished.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *J. Saunders* and others, owners, Captains of vessels, seamen and others; praying that an appropriation may be granted for the improvement of the Port Whitby Harbour, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting of the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Return to Address of the 17th instant; for copies of all papers and correspondence which have passed between the Government of Canada and Her Majesty's Government in relation to Legislation which may be under consideration of the Imperial Parliament in relation to British Shipping, and affecting Shipping registered in Canada; also all correspondence between the said Governments in relation to the exemption of Canadian Shipping from the operation of the Imperial Bill; also any correspondence between the said Governments in relation to the Legislation passed by the Canadian Parliament for the inspection and classification of Canadian Vessels and as to how far the British Government will accept the Canadian Classification and Inspection, if the Law passed by the Canadian Parliament is put in force as equivalent to the Inspection by Imperial Officer or British Lloyds.

He also laid before The House, —Supplement (No. 1) to the eighth annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the fiscal year, ended 30th June, 1875 ; being a list of Lights, on the Coasts, Rivers, and Lakes of the Dominion of Canada, on the 31st day of December, 1875.

Mr. *Stirton*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the First Report of the said Committee, recommending a reduction [of, their Quorum to seven Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.]

Mr. *Wood* introduced a Bill (No. 8) to amend the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 51, intituled: “An Act, to authorize the incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion.”—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Charlton* introduced a Bill (No. 9) to amend the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 42, respecting the transportation of cattle by Railway, or other mode of conveyance, within the Dominion of Canada.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 17th March, 1875 ; for a Return, giving the annual amount paid, at the time of the late Mr. *Dixon's* death, for salaries, permanent and temporary, at the Dominion Emigration Office, London, England, distinguishing the yearly, monthly and weekly amounts paid to such officers or persons, also the amount of all personal, travelling or other expenses, the contingent expenses of the office and amount paid for rent.

Also, the amount now paid for the same services and expenses, giving the names of all officers and persons now employed, nationality and previous residence, the designations and salaries of the same, distinguishing in the case of Mr. *Edward Jenkins* the salary paid him as Emigration Agent and as Agent-General.

On motion of Mr. *Michell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for all Orders in Council, instructions to officers, Reports from officers, with all correspondence to or from Officials or private Individuals or public bodies in connection with the attempt of the Government to compel the occupants of Fisheries in the Maritime Provinces to an enforced attornment to the Government and an arbitrary deprivation of their rights which have for at least a quarter of a century been used and enjoyed by them.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement setting forth the total number of Newspapers and other periodicals in each County and City of the Dominion which have paid postage on papers “sent from the office of publication,” with the total revenue received therefrom during the three months ending the 31st December last.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, the copies of correspondence, relating to the refund of duties to the Great Western Railway Company and laid before The House on the 6th April, 1875, were referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, it was Resolved, That an Order of The House issue to the proper Officer for a statement shewing the monthly wages paid by the Government to each of the men composing the crew of the Medical Officers' boat at the Port of Quebec in 1874 and 1875 ; a statement shewing the total cost of the service of the said boat for each of the said years ; also all correspondence which may have passed between the Government and the said Medical officer or officers in relation to the said service during the said two years.

Resolved, That an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer for copies of the instructions issued to Mr. *Talbot*, one of the employés or Sub-Inspector of the Post Office Department, in relation to his visits, to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the Dominion Election in the month of January last.

Mr. *Langevin* moved, that it be Resolved, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer for copies of the instructions given to Mr. *Edmond Trudelle*, one of the officers or employés of the Customs Department at Quebec, on the occasion of his visit to the Electoral District of Charlevoix, during the Dominion Election held in January last.

And a Debate arising thereon, the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, it was Resolved, That an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of all correspondence, whether postal or telegraphic, between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and any employé, public officer or other person, in relation to the despatching to the Electoral District of Charlevoix in the month of January last of some twenty of the men, composing in Summer the Quebec Water Police, and commanded and directed by an officer or employé of the Customs Department at Quebec.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Hon. *Ambrose Shea*, respecting a claim in connection with a supply of labour for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Orton* moved, that a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *McGregor*, *Wallace* (Norfolk), *Stephenson*, *Ferguson*, *Biggar*, *Harwood*, *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Monteith*, *Burk*, *Montplaisir*, *McQuade*, *Cunningham*, *Farrow*, *Coupal*, and the mover.

And a Debate arising thereon—

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, the said Debate was adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bernier*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intends taking proceedings in order to protect the commercial class against the reports (too often false) of commercial agencies,—which have often the effect of ruining the credit of persons perfectly solvent?

Mr. *Robillard*—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution:  
*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that each and every person who may have constructed or may be in possession of a wharf on any navigable water in Canada, such wharf not being within the limits assigned by competent authority to any Corporation of Harbor Commissioners, so long as the said wharf shall be maintained in good repair and fit for public use, may levy on vessels moored to such wharf and upon all goods landed or shipped or deposited thereon (except arms, ammunition and military accoutrements, and other munitions of war, for the use of Government or for the defence of the Dominion, and except also vessels wholly laden therewith), the several rates and dues mentioned in the Schedule appended to the Act of the Parliament of Canada, passed in the 36th year of Her Majesty's Reign and chaptered 61, subject to the right of the Governor in Council to suspend at any time such power to collect the said rates and dues, or to order the demolition and removal of such wharf should he consider it advisable in the public interest so to do.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Statement showing the amount which the Government of Canada have agreed to pay or have already paid under each contract passed between the Government and any individual or Company for the execution of any portion of the work on the Pacific Railway or the Line of Telegraph, or of any other work in relation to the said Railway; also the total amount of such different sums.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Statement shewing the amount which the Government of Canada have agreed to pay or have already paid under each contract passed between the Government and any individual or Company for the execution of any portion of the works required for the enlargement of the St. Lawrence Canals, including the Welland and Lachine Canals, since the report of the last Commission appointed to examine the question; also the total amount of such different sums.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—That the Return of the Minister of Marine with the papers annexed in relation to Shipping and the correspondence which has taken place between the Canadian Government and the Imperial Government be printed.

Mr. *Gillmor*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all Licenses issued for fishing weirs or traps in the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia for the years 1874 and 1875; also a statement of the tax collected each year from the same source.

Mr. *Dewdney*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—When the Report of the Surveys of the British Columbia Section of the Canadian Pacific Railway made in 1874 and 1875 will be printed and distributed.

Mr. *Biggar*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend placing a sum in the Estimates to complete the Harbour of Presqu'Isle on Lake Ontario.

Mr. *Mc Donald* (Cape Breton),—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Tenders, Plans and Specifications for building a Light House at Guyon Island and all correspondence relating to the same.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of copies of the circulars sent to ship-building firms for the construction of a steam tender to transport mails from Father Point to the ocean steamers; all correspondence with any parties in relation to the same and a statement of the names of all parties or firms to whom such circulars were sent with the tenders received; the date of the acceptance of Messrs. *Cantin's* tender and a copy of the contract entered into with them.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What rate of Commission was agreed to be paid to the Financial Agents for negotiating the recent Loan, and the Commission they are to receive for paying the Coupons on the Bonds; also, the names of the parties to whom the Loan of 1874 was allotted, with the amount to each respectively.

Mr. *Stephenson*--On Wednesday next--ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY--Whether during the past two years duties levied on Foreign Manufactured Steam Fire Engines imported into Canada have been refunded; and if so, the amount of duties so refunded, and to whom?

Mr. *Fiset*--On Wednesday next--ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY--Whether it is the intention of the Government, in the interest of the navigation of the St. Lawrence, to subsidize any company willing to undertake it, or to construct themselves a Telegraphic system, which would have the result of putting the Island of Anticosti and a great portion of the North Shore of the St. Lawrence in communication with the Telegraphic lines of the South Coast, according to the suggestion made by the Hon. *P. Fortin* to the Quebec Board of Trade?

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any communication, report of Engineers or other parties, relating to the construction of a Brunel Line of Railway from St. Charles, County of Bellechasse to St. Joseph de Lévis.

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the correspondence, reports etc., if such there be, respecting the projected Railway between St. Joseph de Lévis and the Village of St. Charles in the County of Bellechasse.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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Nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Return to Address of the 14th instant; for a Return of all leases or licenses for Fishing Stations in the Lake Simcoe District; and of all fines and forfeitures inflicted in the years 1874 and 1875, by the Inspector of the said District, with the names of persons convicted, and character of offence; also number and aggregate amount of licenses to kill fish in the winter months, issued by the said Inspector in the years mentioned.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Friday next, to consider the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide that the provisions of the Canada Civil Service Act, 1868, and any Acts amending the same, and of the “Act for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein in certain cases,” and any Acts amending the same, shall extend and apply to the Officers, Clerks and Servants of the Supreme Court of Canada and of the Exchequer Court of Canada, at the seat of Government.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of payments charged to unforeseen expenses under Orders in Council by authority of the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 3, Schedule B, from the 1st July 1875, to the 10th February, 1876; which is as follows:—

Date of Account.	To whom paid.	FOR WHAT PURPOSE		Amount.
			\$ cts.	\$ cts.
	Receiver General.....	To pay the owners of the steamer "Chicora" balance of account for the Governor General's tour of 1874.....	950 82	
		" the owners of the steamer "Cariella" balance of account for the Governor General's tour of 1874 .....	50 00	
28th July, 1875...	do	" Gratuity to Widow of the late Wm. Harvey, of the Customs, Port of Magdalen Islands.....		1,000 82
26th July, "	P. M. A. Genest.....	" for 30 copies of his map of New France for distribution to foreign libraries.....		83 33
22nd July "	Receiver General.....	" Gratuity to Widow of the late James White, of the Montreal Water Police.....		90 00
9th August "	do	" Gratuity to the Widow of the late Collector Roblin, Customs, Port of Trenton .....		180 00
27th August "	do	" Gratuity to the heirs of the late H. Hutton, Deputy Collector of Inland Revenue at St. Stephens, N. B.....		83 33
3rd September "	Wm. Ramsay.....	" for an express wagon, &c., Fort Pelly Barracks.....	164 75	
do	Receiver General.....	" H. Sutherland, Winnipeg, labor, &c., Fort Pelly Barracks	9,000 00	
30th September "	do	" do do disbursements do	8,000 00	
8th October "	do	" McHenry Bros., do supplies, do	580 43	
1st January 1876...	do	" McMicken & Taylor, hardware, do	240 35	
27th September 1875...	do	" Thornton & Sutherland, supplies do	4,628 45	
1st January 1876...	Hugh Sutherland	" to meet disbursements do	5,000 00	
				27,613 98
9th August 1875...	Receiver General.....	" Gratuity to Widow of the late W. Hutton, of the Customs, Port of St. Stephens N. B.....		125 00
17th August "	"	" Colonial Secretary, Newfoundland, expenses connected with sending S. S. "Commodore" in search of boats of S. S. "Vicksburg".....		1836 00
11th August "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of late Thos. Clarke, of the Customs, Port of Halifax, N. S.....		75 00
14th August "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of the late D. A. G. Sinclair, of the Customs, Port of Halifax, N. S.....		283 32
3rd September "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of the late A. T. Bushby, Stipendiary Magistrate New Westminster, B. C.....		404 16
27th September "	"	" Gratuity to family of the late J. McAuley of the Customs, Port of Baddeck.....		25 00
" " "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of the late J. Harley of the Customs, Port of Lunenburg.....		58 33
" " "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of the late E. Walsh of the Customs, Port of Quebec.....		91 50
" " "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of the late E. Robitaille, of the Customs of Port of Quebec.....		100 00
" " "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of the late John Perrie of the Customs, Port of Gaspé.....		50 00
20th September "	"	" Gratuity to family of the late L. J. Roy, Inspecting Physician, Port of Quebec .....		200 00
16th October "	"	" Gratuity to representatives of the late Wm. Hutchinson, of Ottawa.....		250 00
" " "	"	" Gratuity to representatives of the late H. R. Simmes, Supt. St. Maurice Works .....		266 67
20th September "	"	" Gratuity to family of the late Brigade Major Phillips, Military District No. 3 .....		133 32
15th November "	"	" Gratuity to Widow of the late D. Delamere of the Customs, Port of Toronto.....		183 34
30th November, 1875.	J. G. Moylan.....	In full discharge of his claim for removal expenses on his appointment as Director of Penitentiaries.....		200 00
	Bank Montreal.....	In repayment for Letter of credit Cheques drawn E. J. Languevin, for Books for London Agency.....		899 55
7th December, 1875.	Receiver General.....	To pay gratuity to Widow of late Walter McOuat of the Geological staff.....		183 32
17th " 1875.	William Anglin.....	Wm. McCrossies acct. for timber for Breakwater, Rockwood Lunatic Asylum.....		194 26
17th January, 1872...	R. D. Dunn.....	Gratuity to representatives of the late Thomas Adams, Paymasters Welland Canal.....		240 00
	Robert Lemoine.....	For Law Books for the Supreme Court.....	918 93	
	Bank Montl' London.	Exchange in favor of R. LeMoine to pay for Law Books.....	4,135 33	
16th October, 1875...	Robert Cassels, jun.	Geo. Cox \$95 and Chas. Medlow \$6.00 for Engravings for the Supreme Court.....	101 50	
				5,155 76
20th December, "	Receiver General.....	Gratuity to Widow of the late Edward Horsey, Architect, Kingston Penitentiary.....		200 00
22nd " " "	"	C. J. Murray for services as Clerk to Judges of the Superior Court, Quebec, preparing Rules &c., for Election Court.....	162 50	
		And Simeon Marcotte for printing the same.....	102 00	
				264 50
27th December, 1875.	"	Gratuity to widow of the late L. M. Lefebvre, a Keeper of St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary.....		103 33
1st January, 1875....	J. W. Harper.....	Gratuity to family of the late Edward McCrea, Book-keeper, Madawaska River Works.....		63 75
17th January, 1875...	Receiver General.....	Travelling and other expenses in connection with Militia Men of 1812-15 .....		1,858 11
19th January, 1875...	"	Gratuity to widow of the late John Drysdale, of the Customs Department .....		341 66
3rd December, 1875..	"	Retaining Fees to Counsel employed in connection with Fishery Commission .....		3,200 00
26th January, 1876...	"	Gratuity to Widow of the late Albert Parker, Deputy Shipping Master, Quebec.....		166 67
22nd December, 1875	"	Gratuity to Widow of the late John Tipton, of the Customs, Port of Montreal .....		100 00
7th February, 1876....	Post Office Dept.....	Gratuity to Widow of the late A. W. Burns, Railway Mail Clerk.		120 00
				46,490 67

On motion of Mr. Young, the foregoing statement was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Bill (No. 2) to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 7) respecting the North-West Territories, and to create a separate Territory out of part thereof, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Friday next.

Mr. Mackenzie, presented,—Return to Address of the 21st instant; for copies of all correspondence between the Government, and the Honorable Ambrose Shea, respecting a claim in connection with a supply of labor for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain Resolutions respecting the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be as follows:—

Six County Court Judges, each.....	\$2,000 per annum
The County Court Judge for the County of Halifax.....	2,400 “

and that to each of the County Court Judges there may be paid for actual travelling expenses such sum not exceeding the rate of \$200 per annum as may be allowed by the Governor in Council.

2. Resolved, That the salary of any of the said County Court Judges receiving less than \$2,400 per annum shall after a period of three years service as such County Court Judge be \$2,400 per annum with travelling expenses as aforesaid.

3. Resolved, That the said salaries and allowances may be paid out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

4. Resolved, That the 8th section of the Act passed in the 37th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled “An Act to amend the Act 36th Victoria, Chapter 31, for the readjustment of the salaries of Judges and other purposes” shall apply to the said County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and that they shall be entitled to the same retiring allowance or annuity on the same condition and payable in the same manner as if they were expressly referred to and included in the said section.

Resolutions to be reported.

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Report to be received, to-morrow.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain Resolution, to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries to be appointed under the Bill intituled “An Act to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia,” shall each receive a salary not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars per annum and travelling expenses, to be determined by the Governor in Council.

Resolution to be reported.

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Report to be received, to-morrow.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain Resolutions, to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the Minister of Agriculture, or such other Minister as is mentioned in the Bill intituled “An Act to make provision for the Collection and Registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada,” shall cause to be paid out of any monies which may be provided by Parliament for that purpose, to any Clerk, Officer or Sheriff filling up and transmitting the schedules required under the first section of the said Bill the sum of one dollar and the further sum of five cents for each case comprised in such schedule; and to any officer transmitting the returns required under the second section thereof the sum of one dollar.

2. *Resolved*, That whenever in any Province a system of collecting Statistics relative to the prisoners committed to the Provincial Gaols or Reformatories is established, the Governor in Council may arrange with the Government of such Province for the collection and transmission through such Government of any part of the information to be embraced in the Schedules authorized under the above Act.

3. *Resolved*, That in case of such arrangement, the Minister of Agriculture, or such other Minister, as aforesaid, may cause to be paid out of any monies which may be provided by Parliament for that purpose to the Government of such Province, instead of to the Sheriffs or Wardens such sum as may be agreed on, not exceeding the amounts which would otherwise be payable for like services, to the Sheriffs or Wardens. Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Orton*, and which motion was—  
 “That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *McGregor*, *Wallace* (Norfolk), *Stephenson*, *Ferguson*, *Biggar*, *Harwood*, *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Monteith*, *Burk*, *Montplaisir*, *McQuade*, *Cunningham*, *Farrow*, *Coupal*, and the mover.”

And a further Debate arising thereon, the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk), adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Cuthbert*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government are taking any, and if so, what steps towards removing the obstructions now placed in the way of Canadian Ships or Barges or Canadian Forwarding Companies' boats, passing from any Port in Canada to New York and back *vid* the Richelieu River, Lake Champlain, Champlain Canal and Hudson River, on the same terms as American barges navigate our rivers?

Mr. *Cook*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled “An Act to provide means of escape for persons falling into the water in the vicinity of Wharves and Docks.”

Mr. *Cook*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled “An Act to provide for the Examination and Licensing of persons employed as Engineers elsewhere than on Steamboats.”

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to continue the Pensions given to the Veterans of 1812-14, and whether they propose to increase the amount awarded to each person, and to what amount?

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence and documents relating to the dismissal of Mr. *Collet* as Postmaster of St. Henry in the County of Lévis.

Mr. *Perry*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps for the improvement, during the coming season, of the navigation of the Harbor of Cascumpique in Prince Edward Island, in accordance with the Report of *Henry F. Perley*, Esquire, in 1874?

Mr. *Wood*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill to compel masters and mates of vessels navigating the Inland Waters of the Dominion to procure certificates of competency before taking command?

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Mr. *Brouse*—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to enquire into the expediency of asking Legislation with a view to constitute a "Bureau of Sanitary Statistics" in connection with one of the Public Departments.

Mr. *Cunningham*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to amend the Act passed in 1874, intituled "An Act to amend certain Laws respecting Indians and the extension of the same to the Provinces of Manitoba and British Columbia," so as to confer on convicting Magistrates the power to give to all persons convicted under that Act Hard Labor as a part of their sentence?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Thursday next—The following Resolution for the purpose of forwarding an Address to Her Majesty thereon:

*Resolved*, As the opinion of this House that any Legislation affecting British Merchant Shipping which may be adopted by the Imperial Parliament should not include in its operation Canadian Tonnage, or if such Legislation should be applied to Canadian Tonnage, it should also include Foreign Tonnage in order that no advantage should be had by the latter over the former by the effect of such proposed Imperial Legislation.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—That the Return of correspondence between the Government and the Hon. *Ambrose Shea* laid on the Table of this House be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. *Caron, Workman, Blain, Brouse* and the mover.

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No. 9.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1876.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1876.

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*Hector Cameron*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Victoria, Ont., having taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

Seven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Union Permanent Building and Savings Society, of the City of Toronto; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society, to that of the Union Loan and Savings Company.

Of the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *John Turner* and others, of the City of Toronto; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Scottish Canadian Loan Company.

Of the City Bank of Montreal and Royal Canadian Bank of Toronto; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate under the name of the Consolidated Bank of Canada.

Of the Mechanics Bank; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to reduce the paid up capital of said Bank to the extent of forty per cent., and for other purposes.

Of the Dominion Board of Trade; praying for such legislation as will afford protection to the capital already invested in manufactures, encourage further investment, and afford employment to the people in the workshops of Canada.

Of the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the renewal and extension of certain Letters Patent to them.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Dominion Board of Trade; praying for the adoption of such measures as will secure the restoration of the differential duty of ten per cent on Tea and Coffee imported from the United States, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided:—"That as the prayer of this Petition involves a public charge, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Cameron* (*Cardwell*), introduced a Bill (No. 10) to amend the Law relating to Criminal Procedure.—Second reading on Thursday, the 2nd of March, next.

Mr. *Forbes* introduced a Bill (No. 11) to amend the Act to make better provision, extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain Staple Articles of Canadian Produce.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Cameron (Cardwell) introduced a Bill (No. 12) to amend the Criminal Law, in relation to the crime of abortion.—Second reading on Thursday, the 2nd of March next.

Mr. Blake introduced the two following Bills, which were read the first time, and ordered for the second reading, to-morrow, viz.:—

No. 13. To make more effectual provision for the administration of the Law relating to corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

No. 14. To provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

Mr. Cartwright,—Return to Address of the 17th February 1875, for a copy of the prospectus and terms of the loan of 1874; the number and names of the parties, or firms to whom the loan was allotted, with the sums to each respectively.

On motion of Mr. Blain it was Resolved, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for the Engineer's Report of surveys of the St. Lawrence, and Estimates for improvements so as to give 14 feet of water.

On motion of Mr. De Cosmos, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for all correspondence respecting the non-admission of Fish-Oils and Fish of all kinds, the produce of the Province of British Columbia, into the United States, free of duty, under the Treaty of Washington, of the 8th May, 1871.

On motion of Mr. Langevin, it was Resolved, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a copy of the contract between the Government and Mr. Charles E. Forgues of Malbaie, for the construction of a Light-house upon *Isle aux Coudres*; also copies of the correspondence which took place upon the subject and a statement shewing the amount claimed as compensation or damages by virtue of the said contract, and the amount paid to the said Charles E. Forgues, or to any other person in this matter.

On motion of Mr. Langevin, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement of the tenders received for the construction of a Line of Telegraph in connection with the Pacific Railway, shewing the names of the parties tendering, the amount asked by each such party and the names of the sureties; also copies of the contract between the Government and F. Barnard, Esquire, in relation to the construction of the said Line of Telegraph; copies of all correspondence which may have been had with the Government on the occasion and since the passing of the said contract with a statement of all claims which may have been made in virtue of the said contract shewing the amount promised or paid in connection therewith, including all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders in relation to the cancelling or suspension of the said Contract or to the indemnity to be paid in respect thereof.

On motion of Sir John A. Macdonald, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of the following papers:

1. The Order in Council creating the office of Agent General of Canada for England or the United Kingdom.
2. The Commission or Letter of appointment of Mr. Jenkins to the office of Agent General.
3. The general instructions given to the Agent General and all subsequent modifications thereof.
4. The Order in Council abolishing the office of Agent General.
5. The letters and correspondence relating to the termination of Mr. Jenkins' employment by resignation or otherwise.

Also, a further Address; for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government or any member thereof with the Hudson Bay Company relating to the acquisition or purchase by the Dominion from the Company of their lands in Manitoba and the North-West Territories, or either of them, and of all Orders in Council, despatches and other papers respecting the same.

On motion of Mr. McDougall (Renfrew), it was

Resolved, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer for a Return,—

1st. Of the names of persons who have ceased to belong to the Cullers' Office since 1st January, 1875, through death, superannuation or otherwise, distinguishing the cause and employment in each instance; with the allowance in each case of superannuation.

2nd. Of the names of those who have been added to the Staff in either a temporary or permanent capacity during the same time.

On motion of Mr. Kirkpatrick, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for all Orders and Minutes of Council, papers and correspondence with the Imperial Government relating to the introduction and passage through the Imperial Parliament of an Act chaptered 38 Victoria 38 and 39, intituled "An Act to remove certain doubts with respect to the Parliament of Canada under Section 18 of the British North America Act 1867."

Mr. Flynn moved that an Address be voted to His Excellency for a copy of the Report and Plan made by Mr. Perley in the summer of 1873, for the enlargement of St. Peter's Canal; with all subsequent Reports, Orders in Council, advertisements, tenders, and contracts appertaining to that work.

And a Debate arising thereon—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Tremaine, adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—BILL entitled “An Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court and the Exchequer Court of Canada.”

Mr. *Rouleau*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Who has been appointed Postmaster of St Henri in place of *C. A. Collette*, Esquire?

Mr. *Cimon*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, inasmuch as the Government last year remitted to the Northern Railway Company of Canada a sum of more than two million dollars owing by that Company to the Government of Canada, and also granted a considerable subsidy to the Canada Central Railway in view of its extension from Douglas to the Eastern terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway, it is their intention to ask this House to consent to a grant in aid of the Railways of the Province of Quebec?

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to furnish a copy of the “Official Gazette” to the different municipalities of the country?

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to sell any portion of the public property set apart for military purposes in the County of Lévis?

Mr. *Goudge*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all Gypsum or Plaster of Paris imported from the United States into Canada, giving the Ports or places whence imported, as also the Ports in Canada where entered; the quantity entered in a crude state that entered as ground for purposes of manure; that entered as ground for purposes of manufacture; that entered as calcined plaster; also at what prices entered; the rate of duty upon each class, and the amount of duty collected from the same.

Mr. *Cuthbert*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government are taking any, and if so, what steps towards removing the obstructions now placed in the way of Canadian Ships or Barges or Canadian Forwarding Companies' boats, passing from any Port in Canada to New York and back *via* the Richelieu River, Lake Champlain, Champlain Canal and Hudson River, and placing them on the same footing as American barges navigate our rivers?

Mr. *McIsaac*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether in changing Way Offices in Nova Scotia into Post Offices unnecessary duties have been imposed on Postmasters; if so, have steps been taken to relieve them or increase their salaries in proportion to the additional labor?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Friday next—That the Return to an Address presented to the House on the 2nd April last, in relation to the Legislation which was under the consideration of the Imperial Parliament from the end of 1871 to 1874, in connection with the so-called *Plimsoll* movement, be referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence on papers with the Colonial Officer, or with the Government of the United States in regard to the apparent violation of the Washington Treaty in denying the free navigation of the United States Canals in accordance with that Treaty.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a Return of all the Steam Fire Engines imported into the Dominion of Canada from Foreign Countries; the class of such Engines; the country or countries from which they were imported; the price at which each such Engine was entered for duty; by whom so entered; and the amount of duties so paid upon each Engine respectively.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government will lay on the Table of the House a statement of the amounts of money belonging to Canada in the hands of the Financial Agents or the banks in Canada or their agencies in England on the 15th day of June last, and at the present time respectively; specifying the amounts that were bearing no interest and the rate of interest on all the other amounts respectively?

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Friday next—Order of the House for a Return of all Licenses to fish with hoop and trap nets issued during 1875 for the Province of Ontario; all petitions and communications to and with the Minister or the Department of Marine and Fisheries in favour of or opposing the use of such nets; and reports, &c., shewing the effect of the system of fishing with hoop and trap nets on the quantity of fish in the waters where such nets are used.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—That on Tuesday next the House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the following Resolution:—

That it is expedient to provide that the travelling expenses of the Judge and all expenses incurred by the Sheriff or other officer in consequence of any sitting for the trial, and for providing a Court room and any accessories under the Bill (No. 13) intituled: "An Act to make more effectual provision for the administration of the Law relating to corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons," shall be defrayed out of any moneys which may be provided by Parliament for the purpose.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the following Resolutions: That it is expedient to provide that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to order the payment of the necessary expenses of any enquiry under the Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons," and every Commissioner not being a Judge shall be paid at the conclusion of the enquiry, besides his travelling and other expenses, such sum as shall be fixed by the Governor in Council; and every Commissioner shall, after the making of the Report hereinbefore directed, lay before the Governor in Council a statement of the number of days he has been actually employed in the enquiry, together with an account of his travelling and other expenses; and any payment by this Resolution authorized shall be made out of any money which may be provided by Parliament for the purposes of Commissions issued hereunder.

No. 10.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to effect a further loan, and to authorize the redemption of outstanding mortgages and incumbrances on the said Railway, and for the payment thereof or the substitution of other securities therefor, and for other purposes.

Of *Thomas Elliott* and others, licensed Engineers of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec; praying for certain Amendments to the Seamens Act of 1875.

Of the *Mail Printing and Publishing Company (Limited)*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to issue Preferential Stock.

Of *François Kirouac*, Mayor of St. Sauveur and others; praying for the adoption of such measures as will secure the extension of the Telegraphic system from Prince Edward Island or Cape Breton to the Magdalen Islands, and from thence to Bird Rocks in the centre of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Of the *Citizens Insurance and Investment Company*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Company to that of the *Citizens Insurance Company of Canada*, and to make further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Robert Campbell* of the Town of Whitby, County of Ontario, Merchant; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Eliza Maria Byrne* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *William R. Taylor*, and others, owners and Captain of vessels; praying that an appropriation may be granted for the improvement of the Port Whitby Harbor,—and the Petition of *Dugald B. McNab*, of Sydney, C. B.; praying that a pension may be allowed him, in consideration of his long and faithful public services, as a Crown Land Surveyor in Cape Breton, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided :—“That as the granting the prayer of these Petitions would involve the expenditure of public money, they cannot be received.”

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, —Lists of Stockholders of the *Federal Bank of Canada*, on the 21st instant,—of the *Ontario Bank*, on the 15th instant,—and of *La Banque de St. Hyacinthe*, on the 21st instant, under the provisions of the Act 34 Victoria, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell) introduced a Bill (No. 15) to amend the Law relating to Banks and Banking.—Second reading on Thursday, 2nd of March next.

Mr. *Cook* introduced the two following Bills, which were read the first time, and ordered for the second reading on Monday next, viz :—

No. 16. To provide for the examination and licensing of persons employed as Engineers, elsewhere than on Steam boats.

No. 17. To provide means of escape for persons falling into the water, in the vicinity of Wharves and Docks.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of the Estate of the Bank of Upper Canada.

Mr. *Cauchon*, from the Select Committee appointed to assume the direction under the Orders of The House of the Reporting and Printing of the Debates of The House, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee respectfully recommend that that portion of their First Report as contained in the second Resolution, which recommended that for the translation of the Debates into the French language, the official translators of The House be utilized, be rescinded,—as, upon further consideration, they conceive the two duties would conflict ;—they have therefore felt it necessary to make other arrangements ; and having received an offer from Mr. *Alfred De Celles* for the due performance of the work, including all the services connected with the translation, reading and revising the proofs, and making and revising the Indexes, &c., at a specific charge of \$1.25 per printed page, they respectfully recommend the same for acceptance by your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton), an Address was voted to His Excellency for a Return of the number of tons of coal imported into Canada during the past year from the United States ; and for the correspondence between the Canadian and the United States Governments regarding the renewal by the latter, of the duty imposed on coal, exported from Canada to the United States.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of Revenue and Expenditure on account of the Consolidated Fund ; from 1st July, 1875, to 10th February, 1876.

Mr. *McCallum* moved that it be *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works, and the Superintendent of the Welland Canal as to the damages to lands along the Grand River, by raising the water in the upper level of the said Canal ; also copies of all instructions to valuers in valuing said damages ; also of Reports, if any, made by valuers to the Government in the years 1874-75 ; also the amount of damages paid, or to be paid, to different parties, giving number of acres paid for, or to be paid for.

And a Debate arising thereon ;

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, The House adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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*Mr. Rouleau*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement showing the names, occupations and places of residence of the persons who made application as militia men of 1812 for the pension granted to such militia men, and who have not obtained such pension, with the reasons for the refusal thereof.

*Mr. Rouleau*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to continue the payment of the pension to the families of Veterans of 1812 who have died since a grant was voted for that purpose?

*Mr. Cameron (Cardwell)*—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That whenever a check or draft on any Incorporated Bank, payable to order on demand, shall be issued, crossed with the name of any other Incorporated Bank, in written or stamped letters across its face, such name being placed there, either by the maker or payee of such cheque or draft, such check or draft shall be payable only to or through such other Incorporated Bank by the Bank on which such check or draft is drawn.

2. That the crossing of such check or draft with the name of any Incorporated Bank shall be a material part of such check or draft, and shall not be obliterated, altered or added to by any person whomsoever, and any person who shall obliterate, alter or add to the crossing of such check or draft with intent to defraud or shall offer or dispose of or put off such check or draft whenever such alteration, obliteration or addition has been made, with such intent, shall be guilty of felony and shall be subject to the same punishment as is provided by Law for the forgery of a Bill of Exchange or Promissory Note.

3. That every check or draft drawn upon any Incorporated Bank for a sum of money payable to order on demand, which shall when presented for payment purport to be endorsed to the person to whom the same shall be drawn payable shall be a sufficient authority to such Banks to pay the amount of such check or draft to the bearer thereof, and it shall not be incumbent on such Bank to prove that such endorsement or any subsequent endorsement was made by or under the direction or authority of the person to whom the said check or draft was or is made payable, either by the payee or any subsequent endorser thereof.

*Mr. Macdonald (Toronto)*—On Monday next—Order of House for copies of instructions issued by the Public Works Department to any Engineer regarding the survey of Toronto Harbor; also copies of all Reports made to the Government, shewing the present state of the Harbor or suggesting additional works to preserve it from destruction.

*Mr. Mitchell*—On Monday next—Order of House for a Return of all remissions or refunds of duties on Tea at the Ports of Montreal and Halifax during the past year; specifying the dates of such remission or refunds; the parties to whom made; with all correspondence, Minutes of Treasury Board and Orders in Council thereon; also the names of parties from whom Bonds were taken for the duties on such Tea in cases where the same were finally remitted.

*Mr. Aylmer*—On Monday next—Order of House for Return of Roofing Slate and other manufactured Slate imported into Canada during the present year from the United States.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

Three Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Canada Landed Credit Company, and of the Canadian Gas Lighting Company; severally praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Samuel Wadell* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "Royal Albert Bridge Company."

Of the Dominion Type Founding Company and others, Printers and Publishers in Canada; praying that justice may be done them under the circumstances set forth in their petition.

Of the Dominion Board of Trade; praying for the establishment of a system of Marine Telegraphs on the shores and principal islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the same be extended to the shores of the Maritime Provinces.

Of *William Bell* and others, licensed engineers of the Province of Ontario; praying for certain amendments to the Seamen's Act of 1875.

Motion being made that the Petition of *Martin Stevens* and others, of Noel and vicinity; praying for the construction of a Breakwater,—and the Petition of *A. Bufontain* and others, Shipowners, Shipmasters and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the construction of a Breakwater at *Main à Dieu* Harbor, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting the prayer of these Petitions would involve the expenditure of public money, they cannot be received.”

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House,—Official Return of the distribution of the Dominion Statutes of Canada, being 38 Victoria, Second Session of the Third Parliament, 1875, Volumes I and II, English and French versions, half bound, Law sheep.

Mr. *Stirton*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents, and recommended that they be printed, viz :—  
*Report of the Librarian*, on the state of the Library of Parliament. (*In Sessional Papers only.*)

*Report of the Minister of Justice*, as to Penitentiaries in Canada, for the year ended 31st December, 1875, (except the statements containing the names, &c. of the convicts.)

*Statement of allowances, &c., under the Act for the better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein in certain cases.*

*Statement, shewing the expenditure of the \$34,000 appropriated for Treaty No. 4, and for which a Special Warrant was issued. (Sessional Papers only.)*

*Return of Expenditure under credit for \$50,000 authorized by Order in Council of the 27th December, 1875, on account of the North-West Mounted Police. (Sessional Papers only.)*

*Statement of Expenditure on His Excellency the Governor General's Special Warrant of 5th October, 1875, for \$60,000 for Settlers' relief in Manitoba.*

*Return to Address,—Papers and Correspondence between the Government of Canada and Her Majesty's Government in relation to Legislation which may be under consideration of the Imperial Parliament in relation to British Shipping, and affecting Shipping registered in Canada, &c.*

*Return to Address,—Giving the annual amount paid, at the time of the late Mr. Dixon's death, for salaries, at the Dominion Emigration Office, London, England, &c.; also the amount now paid for same services and expenses, &c., distinguishing in the case of Mr. Edward Jenkins, the salary paid him as Emigration Agent and as Agent General. (For distribution only.)*

*Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government and the Hon. Ambrose Shea respecting a claim in connection with a supply of labor for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway. (For distribution only.)*

The Committee also recommend that the following documents *be not printed, viz :—*

*Report of the Commission appointed by the Government to investigate the nature and extent of the commercial advantages to be derived from the construction of the Baie Verte Canal. (Being already printed).*

*General Rules and Tariffs made by the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, and Rules made by the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec in pursuance of the Dominion Controverted Elections Act of 1874.*

*Lists of the Stockholders of the several Chartered Banks under the provisions of the Act 34 Vict., Chap. 5, Sec. 12.*

*General Statement of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in certain Districts, &c.*

*Statement under the Act 31 Vict., Chap. 73, Sec. 6, shewing the average number of the Dominion Police employed during each month of the year, 1875, the cost of pay and travelling expenses expended in respect thereof.*

*Return to Address,—Return of all Leases or Licenses for Fishing Stations in the Lake Simcoe District and of all fines and forfeitures inflicted in the years 1874 and 1875, &c., &c.*

*Statement of payments charged to unforeseen expenses under Orders in Council, from 1st July, 1875, to the 10th February, 1876.*

*Return to Address,—Return of all monies voted, together with Correspondence, Reports, and Tenders received by the Government with regard to the beacon lights proposed to be erected at Tadousac, County of Saguenay.*

*Return to Address,—Return of all fees or amounts received from Members of the Senate or House of Commons, or others, in consequence of the introduction of Private Bills, from 1st January, 1874, to present time.*

*Return to Address,—Return shewing the number of Appeals yearly to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council from the Superior Courts of the several Provinces of the Dominion during the past five years.*

*Return to Address,—Copy of the prospectus and terms of the loan of 1874, the number and names of the parties or firms to whom the loan was allotted, with the sums to each respectively.*

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, the Return to Address on the 2nd April, 1875, in relation to the Legislation which was under the consideration of the Imperial Parliament from the end of 1871 to 1874, in connection with the so-called *Plimsoll* movement, was referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz:—Of the Union Permanent Building and Savings Society of the City of Toronto; for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the Society to that of the Union Loan and Savings Company,—Of the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company; for an Act of incorporation,—Of the Scottish Canadian Loan Company; for an Act of incorporation,—Of the City Bank and Royal Canadian Bank; for an Act empowering them to amalgamate under the name of the Consolidated Bank of Canada,—Of the Mechanics Bank; for an Act authorizing them to reduce the paid-up Capital of said Bank to the extent of forty per cent.; and for other passages,—Of *William Smith Amies*, of Guernsey, one of the Channel Islands; for an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent to him for a new and useful Artificial Manure,—Of the Mail Printing and Publishing Company; for an Act empowering them to issue Preferential Stock,—Of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company; for an Act to enable them to effect a further loan, and to authorize the redemption of outstanding mortgages and incumbrances on the said Railway, and for the payment thereof or the substitution of other securities therefor, and for other purposes,—Of the Citizens Insurance and Investment Company; for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Company and for other amendments,—and of *Robert Campbell*, of the Town of Whitby, County of Ontario, Merchant; for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Eliza Maria Byrne* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries to be appointed under the Bill (No. 2) intituled An Act to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia, shall each receive a salary not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars per annum and travelling expenses, to be determined by the Governor in Council.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday last, to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Minister of Agriculture, or such other Minister as is mentioned in the Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to make provision for the Collection and Registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada," shall cause to be paid out of any monies which may be provided by Parliament for that purpose, to any Clerk, Officer or Sheriff filling up and transmitting the Schedules required under the first section of the said Bill the sum of one dollar and the further sum of five cents for each case comprised in such Schedule; and to any officer transmitting the returns required under the second section thereof the sum of one dollar.

2. *Resolved*, That whenever in any Province a system of collecting Statistics relative to the prisoners committed to the Provincial Gaols or Reformatories is established, the Governor in Council may arrange with the Government of such Province for the collection and transmission through such Government of any part of the information to be embraced in the Schedules authorized under the above Act.

3. *Resolved*, That in case of such arrangement, the Minister of Agriculture, or such other Minister, as aforesaid, may cause to be paid out of any monies which may be provided by Parliament for that purpose to the Government of such Province, instead of to the Sheriffs or Wardens such sum as may be agreed on, not exceeding the amounts which would otherwise be payable for like services, to the Sheriffs or Wardens.

Mr. Cartwright moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for the House to go again into Committee of Supply.

And a Debate arising thereon, the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Irving, adjourned.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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Mr. Masson--On Monday next--ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the Province of Quebec, relating to the Jesuit Barracks in the City of Quebec, together with all memorandums and Orders in Council relating to the same.

Mr. Mackenzie--On Monday next--To substitute the name of *Thomas Oliver* for that of *G. W. Ross* to serve on the Select Committee appointed on the 14th of February, to assume the direction of the Reporting and Printing of the Debates of the House.

Mr. Domville--On Monday next--ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY--Whether it is the intention of the Government to erect a Light-House at Palmer's Point on the St. John River, in the vicinity of the Wharf?

Mr. Langevin--On Monday next--That the Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin* the Member representing the Electoral District of Charlevoix in this House, having stated from his place in this House that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish by satisfactory evidence that the Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* the Member representing in this House the Electoral District of Quebec Centre and the President of the Privy Council of Canada, was instrumental in hiring, or causing to be hired a number of men who are employed in summer as members of the River Police at Quebec, and in sending them or causing them to be sent to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the recent Election of a Member to represent that District in the House of Commons; and that the said men were headed or accompanied by one *Edmond Trudelle* an officer or employee of the Customs Department at Quebec, and that the whole or a large portion of said body of men were conveyed to said District in vehicles, the cost of such hire being charged to the said Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* who has promised to pay, or directed or caused the same to be paid, the said men so headed or accompanied being sent to said Electoral District to interfere illegally in said Election to disturb said Election and thus to deprive the Electors or a portion of the Electors of said District of their freedom as such Electors; and the said Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* having denied these charges; *it is ordered* that the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections do enquire into all the circumstances connected with the above charges, with power to send for persons, papers and records and with instructions to report in full the evidence taken before them and the proceedings of said Committee on this subject.

Mr. *Laird* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Department of the Interior, for the year ended the 30th June, 1875.

He also laid before The House,—Report of the Geology and Resources of the region in the vicinity of the 49th Parallel, from the Lake of the Woods to the Rocky Mountains; with lists of plants and animals collected, and Notes on the Fossils, by *George Mercer Dawson*, Assoc. F. G. S., Geologist and Botanist to the British North American Boundary Commission; and addressed to Major *D. R. Cameron*, R.A., H.M. Boundary Commissioner.

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand) introduced a Bill (No. 18) to incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Toronto Centre) introduced a Bill (No. 19) to authorize the Shareholders of the Union Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Irving* introduced a Bill (No. 20) to enable *William Smith Amies* to obtain Letters Patent for a new and useful Artificial Manure.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Jetté* introduced a Bill (No. 21) to amend the Acts respecting the Citizens Insurance and Investment Company.—Second reading on Monday next.

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

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the travelling expenses of the Judge and all expenses incurred by the Sheriff or other officer in consequence of any sitting for the trial, and for providing a Court room and any accessories under the Bill (No. 13) intituled: “An Act to make more effectual provision for the administration of the Law relating to corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons,” shall be defrayed out of any moneys which may be provided by Parliament for the purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to order the payment of the necessary expenses of any enquiry under the Bill (No. 14) intituled: “An Act to provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons,” and that every Commissioner not being a Judge shall be paid at the conclusion of the enquiry, besides his travelling and other expenses, such sum as shall be fixed by the Governor in Council; and that every Commissioner shall, after the making of the Report by the said Bill directed, lay before the Governor in Council a statement of the number of days he has been actually employed in the enquiry, together with an account of his travelling and other expenses; and that any payment by this Resolution authorized shall be made out of any money which may be provided by Parliament for the purposes of Commissions issued under the said Bill.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole on Tuesday last, respecting the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be as follows:—

Six County Court Judges, each..... \$2,000 per annum

The County Court Judge for the County of Halifax..... 2,400 “

and that to each of the County Court Judges there may be paid for actual travelling expenses such sum not exceeding the rate of \$200 per annum as may be allowed by the Governor in Council.

2. *Resolved*, That the salary of any of the said County Court Judges receiving less than \$2,400 per annum shall after a period of three years service as such County Court Judge be \$2,400 per annum with travelling expenses as aforesaid.

3. *Resolved*, That the said salaries and allowances may be paid out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

4. *Resolved*, That the 8th section of the Act passed in the 37th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled “An Act to amend the Act 36th Victoria, Chapter 31, for the readjustment of the salaries of Judges and other purposes” shall apply to the said County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and that they shall be entitled to the same retiring allowance or annuity on the same condition and payable in the same manner as if they were expressly referred to and included in the said section.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 22) to provide for the salaries of the County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia; and for other purposes.—Second reading on Monday next.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday last, respecting the salaries and travelling expenses of the Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries, to be appointed in Manitoba and British Columbia, was reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 2) to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia, and is as follows:—

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Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—That the Select Committee to enquire into the causes of the present commercial depression, &c., have leave to employ a short hand reporter, when they deem it necessary.

Mr. *Fr chet*—On Monday next—INQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether there still remains any Militia-men of 1812 who have not received their share of the \$50,000 voted last year; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to ask for a supplementary vote in their behalf?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a statement shewing Imports during the Fiscal Year 1874-1875 into the North-West Territories through Ports on the Hudson and James Bay together with Exports from the same; names of, and remuneration paid to persons employed by the Government at the said Ports, together with instructions furnished them by the Government and reports made by them to the Customs Department.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE of the Whole to consider the following Resolution: That in the opinion of this House the right of Legislation to affect Canadian Ships and the rights and liabilities of the owners thereof belong exclusively to the Parliament of Canada and that any Legislation on those subjects by the Imperial Parliament (except so far as may equally affect Canadian Ships with the Ships of all other Countries in Ports of Great Britain and such as may affect Imperial interests) would be inconsistent with such exclusive right of the Canadian Parliament and a violation of responsible Government as conceded to Canada.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the amount which the Government of Canada have incurred in the construction of the Branch of the Intercolonial Railway around Courtney Bay towards the Ballast Wharf at the City of Saint Johns, New Brunswick; also copies of all correspondence between any of the authorities of the said City and any person on behalf of the Government with reference to the terms on which the Government was allowed to build that work on property belonging to the City; and copies of all correspondence for the purchase of the Rankin Wharf Property for a deep water terminus for the said Railway and of the estimate of the cost of securing and construction of such terminus.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have decided to abandon the building of the Branch of the Intercolonial Railway around Courtney Bay to the Ballast Wharf at Saint John, New Brunswick; and if so, whether they intend to make any compensation to the said City for the injury to its property by building of the said Road over the City property?

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Stockholders of *La Banque de St. Jean*, on the 3rd ultimo, —of *La Banque du Peuple*, on the 15th instant,—and of the Union Bank of Lower Canada, on the 21st instant, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Also,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Iberville, for the year 1875.

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House, in obedience to the Order of The House of Monday, the 21st instant, a statement shewing the monthly wages paid by the Government to each of the men composing the crew of the Medical Officers' boat at the Port of Quebec in 1874 and 1875; a statement shewing the total cost of the service of the said boat for each of the said years; also all correspondence which may have passed between the Government and the said Medical officer or officers in relation to the said service during the said two years.

Sixteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Honorable Mr. *C. Cameron* and others, of the City of Toronto; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of The National Trust and Investment Company of Toronto (Limited.)

Of the Montreal Board of Trade, and the Montreal Corn Exchange Association; praying that the provisions of a certain Bill for the purpose of amending and consolidating the several Acts respecting Insurance, may not, if enacted, in any way apply to Marine Insurance Companies.

Of the Canada Shipping Company; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of Le Crédit-Foncier du Bas-Canada; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and for power to change the name of the Company to Crédit-Foncier de Montréal.

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying for additional Semaphores at Lighthouses, and extension of Telegraph lines along the North and South Shore Coasts and Islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Of *E. Leadlay* and others, Tanners and Dealers; praying for certain Amendments to the Act to make better provision, extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the Inspection of certain Staple Articles of Canadian produce.

Motion being made, that the Petition of Messrs *Lymans, Clare* and Company and others, Manufacturers and others, of the Province of Quebec; praying for certain changes in the mode of levying duties, the imposition of duties on gold of certain articles therein mentioned, and that the same duty be levied on machinery imported in separate parts, and would be levied if the same were put together in working order, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting the prayer of this Petition involves a public charge, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Masson* moved that the Second Report of the Select Committee appointed, to assume the direction under the Orders of The House, of the reporting and printing the Debates of The House, be now concurred in.

And objection having been taken to this motion on the ground, that it was not properly a matter of privilege which could be brought up without notice;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows:—“There is a great conflict of decisions on matters of privilege, but my impression is, that this question cannot be considered strictly as one of privilege, demanding immediate consideration. The general principle appears to be that where it is possible to give notice of a motion, and where no injury can result to an individual, or to The House from the consequent delay, then the question should not be treated as a matter of privilege. I am of opinion that the usual notice should be given in the present case.”

Mr. *Bowell* introduced a Bill (No. 23) to amend the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 111, intituled: “An Act to incorporate the *Mail Printing and Publishing Company (Limited)*”—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 24) to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court, and the Exchequer Court of Canada.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the causes of the present depression of the manufacturing, mining, commercial, shipping, lumber, and fishing interests; with power to send for persons, papers and records, obtained leave to engage a short-hand writer.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement shewing what steps have been taken by the Government touching the opening up of regular steam communication between Canada and the British, Spanish and French West Indies, with a copy of the Tariff of any of these Islands which may be in possession of the Government, with such other information, if any there be, calculated to increase the interest in, and promote our valuable commerce with these prosperous Islands.

Mr. *Perry* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for a statement shewing what steps have been taken by the Government, touching the opening up of Steam communication, in the winter season, between Prince Edward Island and the main land, in accordance with the terms of Union between Prince Edward Island, and the Dominion of Canada; also all correspondence, copies of contracts with different parties, with the view of effecting the same.

And a Debate arising thereon;—

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, The House adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Rouleau*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to select another place for the Post Office of the Township of Cranbourne, County of Dorchester, inasmuch as the present Post Office is not in the centre of population?

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all the Official Correspondence respecting the appointment of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners.

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—BILL entitled “An Act to make provision for the crossing of navigable waters by Railway or other Road Companies incorporated under Provincial Acts.”

Mr. *Masson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to adopt any means to assure the construction of a line of Railway to connect Portage du Fort, proposed terminus of the projected Quebec Government Railway with the subsidized portion of the Canada Central Railway?

Mr. *Bunster*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for the Reports for 1874 and 1875 of the Engineer in charge of the British Columbia section of the Western Division of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Mr. *Baby*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for all papers and correspondence between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and *L. J. Loranger*, Esquire, Fishery Overseer, or any other person, in relation to Licenses granted or refused to parties wishing to fish in the Lakes comprised within the limits of the Countries of Terrebonne, Montcalm, Joliette and Berthier; and of all instructions given to the said *L. J. Loranger*; and also for a statement shewing the names of all persons to whom such Licenses have been granted and on what conditions they were so granted.

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government is aware of the fact that the Government of the Province of Quebec is issuing Letters-Patent granting to private individuals rights of property in beach-lots on the St. Lawrence between the lines of high and low water and even beyond the line of low water in the navigable waters of the St. Lawrence and the seaports thereof; and if so, whether the Government acknowledges the right of the Government of Quebec so to act?

Mr. *Masson*—On Wednesday next—That the second Report of the Select Committee appointed to assume the direction under the orders of the House of the reporting and printing of the Debates of the House be concurred in.

Mr. *Dymond*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any, and if any, what steps have been taken by the Government towards enlarging the scope of the existing provisions for the Extradition of Criminal as between Canada and the United States?

Mr. *Dymond*—When the House goes into Committee on Bill (No. 10) to amend the Law respecting Criminal Procedure, that the following be added to the Bill as a section thereof;—“Any person accused of felony or misdemeanor may, on his trial for the same offer to be examined and give evidence on his own behalf in the case, and shall then be subject to examination and cross-examination as a witness for the defence, and his evidence shall be subject to the same incidents as that of any other witness, as respects credibility or otherwise howsoever; and any wilfully false statement therein shall be Perjury and punishable as such; but no such person shall be compellable so to offer to be examined, or shall be so examined without his consent.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to ask this House to agree to a grant to aid the Railways of the Province of Quebec?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of Ontario relative to the boundary between Ontario and the North-West Territories; also copies of any instructions to the Arbitrator appointed by the Dominion Government.

Mr. *Bowell*--On Wednesday next--ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all moneys lying at the credit of the Dominion in any Bank or in the hands of any Financial Agent or other person with whom such moneys are deposited in Canada or elsewhere, said statement to shew:—

1st. The amount to the credit of the Dominion in each Bank on the last day of each month from December 1873 to December 1875, inclusive.

2nd. The amounts drawing interest at the close of each month in the different Banks and the rate and the amounts on demand not drawing interest.

3rd. The amounts on deposit in the hands of Canadian Banks, Financial Agents or other persons in England or elsewhere other than in the Dominion and the rate of interest, if any, received upon said deposits.

Mr. *Wallace* (Albert)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to construct a Steam Fog Trumpet on Grindstone Island at the head of the Bay of Fundy for which an appropriation was made last year?

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1876.

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Seven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz.:—Of *Samuel Wadell* and others; for incorporation of the Royal Albert Bridge Company,—Of the Canadian Gas Lighting Company; for amendments to their Act of incorporation,—Of *Le Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*; for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation, and for power to change the name of the Company to *Crédit Foncier de Montréal*; and of the *Welland Vale Manufacturing Company*; for the passing of an Act authorizing the renewal and extension of certain Letters Patent to them.

Mr. *Brouse* introduced a Bill (No. 25) further to amend "The St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Act."—Second reading on Thursday next.

Mr. *Irving* introduced a Bill (No. 26) to enable The Welland Vale Manufacturing Company to obtain an extension of Patent, known as "*Rodden's Improved Capped Ferrule or Socket*."—Second reading on Thursday next.

Mr. *Mackenzie* delivered a Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

*DUFFERIN,*

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons certain papers having reference to the financial position of the Province of Manitoba.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 29<sup>th</sup> February, 1876.

*Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 26th October, 1875.*

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration the Memorandum hereunto annexed prepared by the Honorable the Minister of Justice on behalf of the Sub-Committee of Council appointed to confer with the Hon. Mr. Davis the First Minister and Treasurer, and the Hon. Mr. Royal, the Minister of Public Works of the Province of Manitoba, on the subject of the Financial position of that Province, and they respectfully report their concurrence in the views expressed by the Sub-Committee in the said Memorandum, and advise that the same be approved, and that a copy thereof and of the present Minute be transmitted for the consideration of the Government of Manitoba.

Certified.

W. A. HIMSWORTH,  
Clerk, Privy Council.

(Copy.)

25th October, 1875.

The undersigned who has been requested to prepare a Memorandum on the recent discussions as to the finances of Manitoba, begs leave to report as follows:—

That Mr. *Davis* the First Minister and Treasurer, and Mr. *Royal* the Minister of Public Works of the Province have been in communication with the Sub-Committee of Council on this subject.

They point out that in dealing with New Brunswick an additional allowance was made by the B. N. A. Act 1867, of \$63,000 a year for ten years from the date of Union; that in dealing with Nova Scotia an additional allowance of \$82,698 a year for ten years was made to that Province based upon the fact of the allowance to New Brunswick; that in dealing with British Columbia her allowance in respect of debt as well as in respect of population was calculated upon an assumed population of 60,000 while the actual population was not 11,000; that in dealing with Prince Edward Island her allowance for debt was calculated at the rate of \$50 per head on the population instead of \$27.77 the rate assigned to the other Provinces, and a special allowance of \$45,000 a year was made to her in consideration of her not having any Crown Lands; while in dealing with Manitoba, which has no Crown Lands at her disposal, her allowance in respect of debt was calculated upon a population of 17,000 only at the rate of \$27.77 per head, and her allowance in respect of population was calculated on the same estimate of 17,000.

They point out that the total resources of the Province derivable from the Dominion are as follows:—

Specific Grant .....	\$ 30,000 00
80c per head on 17,000 .....	13,600 00
5 per cent. Int. on \$472,090 debt as \$27.77 per head.....	23,604 50
do do \$79,357 additional debt as adjusted in 1873.....	3,967 85
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 71,172 35</b>

They represent that the additional revenue of the Province has been insignificant, the only important item having been that of licenses for the sale of liquor which at one time realized about \$10,000 but which by the combined operation of a stringent License Law and of the transfer to the City of Winnipeg of the fund derivable from licenses within that Corporation has been reduced to a trifling sum. They state that the only other sources of Public Revenue, the Province having no Crown Lands, are Marriage Licenses and Law fees, from neither of which can any considerable sum be expected.

They state that looking to the fact that the bulk of the population is composed of new settlers they cannot hope to realize forthwith from local taxation any considerable sum, and that the attempt at this time so to raise a substantial revenue would seriously impair the well being of the Province.

They refer to the fact that in the short time which has elapsed since the formation of the Province, the population has increased from about 12,000 to about 36,000 thus very materially increasing the expenses of Government, and they give it as their opinion that this increase of population will be continuous for some years. They point out that in carrying on the Government of the Province up to this time the sum of \$158,386.11 as charged in the books of the Dominion on the settlement of the accounts up to 30th June, 1875 between the Province and the Dominion has been advanced by the Dominion to supplement the deficiency in the Revenue, that if the sum already advanced be capitalized the interest at 5 per cent. will amount to \$7,919.30 thus reducing the revenue of the Province from the Dominion to \$63,253.04.

They were asked to furnish an Estimate of the annual Expenditure for the future on the most economical scale.

From this estimate, which is annexed, it appears that their calculation of expenditure amounts to \$106,765 per annum which would result in a deficiency of over \$43,000 annually.

The Sub-Committee of Council on examination of this Estimate observe that it involves an expenditure in carrying on the machinery of Government of between \$50,000 and \$60,000, very nearly the whole of the actual revenue while only between \$40,000 and \$50,000 is proposed to be expended in the services of the Administration of Justice, Education, Agriculture, Public Works and Charity.

It is the opinion of the Sub-Committee that the expenses of carrying on the machinery of Government as proposed in the Estimate are disproportionately large, and that no satisfactory results can be anticipated unless a simpler and less expensive system be adopted and greater economy be exhibited.

There may perhaps be difficulties in the adoption at present of the simpler and more rudimentary form of self government which in the opinion of the Sub-Committee would have been most suitable for a country like Manitoba during its early settlement; but the Sub-Committee feel that the people of that Province should be called on carefully to consider the propriety of making such changes as may prevent the absorption of the great bulk of their available income in the payment of the expenses of the machinery of Government and as may leave a substantial part at any rate free to be devoted to the maintenance and advancement of the material interests of the Province. Even if no more radical change be made it appears to the Sub-Committee that the present form of Government should be simplified and cheapened by the abolition of the Second Chamber and the material reduction of the other expenses of Government and legislation, and that (in case it is proposed to expend a sum larger than that which may be available from the Dominion) provision should be made for supplementing the revenue from local resources to the necessary extent so as to avoid future deficits.

The Sub-Committee are of opinion that having regard to the whole circumstances of the case it would be proper, provided the Local Government and Legislature should make such changes in their system as would (without diminishing the total aggregate amount to be devoted to the great objects of Education, Agriculture, Public Works, Charity and Administration of Justice) bring down the total expenditure to a sum not exceeding (independent of the amount of local revenues) \$90,000, it would be proper to charge as an advance on the debt account, the balance due to the Dominion, and to invite Parliament to make an additional annual grant to the Province of \$26,746.96, being the amount necessary in order to raise its revenue derivable from the Dominion to \$90,000, such grant to commence from the 1st day of July 1875 and to continue until 1881 when the Province will become entitled to the increased population allowance based upon the census to be taken in that year.

The Sub-Committee observe that the Government of Canada has leased for a term of years extending to 1880, at a rental of \$2,000 a year the Hudson Bay Company's premises at Winnipeg used as a Government House; and that as well this rental as the expense of repairs has hitherto been borne by Canada, the Sub-Committee are unable to suggest that during the term of this lease the present arrangement as to the rent should be altered; but they advise that in view of the increased grant proposed the repairs from the 1st July 1875 be paid by the Province.

(Signed,)

EDWARD BLAKE.

## ESTIMATES, &amp;c., OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>1st. Legislative Assembly.</i>		
24 Members at \$300.....	7,200 00	
Mileage.....	150 00	
Speaker.....	800 00	
Clerk.....	700 00	
Sergeant at Arms.....	100 00	
Messenger.....	500 00	
Extra Clerk, Translation, Stationery, &c.....	1,700 00	
	<hr/>	11,150 00
<i>2nd. Legislative Council.</i>		
7 Members at \$300.....	2,100 00	
Mileage.....	40 00	
Speaker.....	500 00	
Usher.....	75 00	
Clerk.....	700 00	
Extra Clerk, Translation, Stationery, &c.....	300 00	
	<hr/>	3,715 00
<i>3rd. Civil Government.</i>		
Provincial Treasurer.....	2,000 00	
Minister of Public Works.....	2,000 00	
Provincial Secretary.....	2,000 00	
Attorney General.....	2,000 00	
Minister of Agriculture.....	1,000 00	
Clerk of Executive Council.....	500 00	
Private Secretary Lieutenant Governor.....	1,000 00	
Deputy Provincial Treasurer.....	1,200 00	
Deputy Provincial Secretary.....	1,200 00	
Messenger, Governor's Office.....	600 00	
Two Messengers, Lieutenant Governor.....	1,000 00	
Administration of Justice.....	15,000 00	
Law Clerk Department and Stationery.....	2,100 00	
Education.....	10,000 00	
Agriculture.....	3,000 00	
Road Service and Bridges.....	10,000 00	
Public Buildings.....	7,000 00	
Lieutenant Governor's Residence.....	6,000 00	
Charity, Hospitals and Asylums.....	4,000 00	
Caretaker of Governor's Office.....	300 00	
Provincial Jail.....	6,000 00	
Printing.....	9,000 00	
Miscellaneous.....	5,000 00	
	<hr/>	30,800 00
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		106,765 00

26th October, 1875.

The Hon. R. A. DAVIS,  
Provincial Treasurer of Manitoba,  
Russell House, Ottawa.

SIR,—I am directed to transmit to you herewith for the information of the Government of the Province of Manitoba, a copy of an Order of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the subject of the representations made by yourself and the Hon. Mr. Royal, on behalf of that Government, in reference to the financial position of the Province.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed,) EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN.  
*Under Secretary of State.*

“RUSSELL HOUSE,” OTTAWA, 27th Oct., 1875.

SIR,—We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter to-day covering a copy of an Order in Council on the subject of the representation made by ourselves on behalf of the Government of the Province of Manitoba in reference to the financial position of the Province.

The abolition of the Legislative Council in order to simplify our political machinery and bring down the expenses of legislation has always been the policy of the present Administration, and it is expected that no serious difficulty will be met in finally carrying through at the next sitting of the Provincial Legislature.

The settlement of accounts between the Dominion Government and the Province of Manitoba we take it to be final, and the debt of the Province will stand at the figure indicated in the said Order in Council.

We have no doubt that the decision arrived at by the Dominion Government with respect to the financial affairs of our Province will be gladly received by the whole population of Manitoba, exhibiting as it does, the interest which is manifested respecting its progress and prosperity.

(Signed,) We have, &c.,  
R. A. DAVIS  
*Provincial Treasurer, Manitoba.*

(Signed,) J. ROYAL,  
*Minister of Public Works, Manitoba.*

The Honorable R. W. SCOTT,  
Secretary of State, Ottawa.

On motion of Mr. Muckenzie it was Resolved, That when The House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Thursday next.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. Cartwright's proposed motion:—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to go again into Committee of Supply."

Mr. Irving moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not leave the Chair, but that it be Resolved, That this House, in sustaining the policy adopted by the present and the past Governments, of limiting the rate of duties upon the import of those classes of articles which are produced in the country, to the extent required to meet the wants of the Revenue, fully appreciates the national benefits arising from the degree of protection to the existing manufacturing interests of the Dominion afforded under that system, but observes with regret, that the extraordinary fluctuations in prices, resulting from the uncertain condition of foreign markets, affecting the Canadian markets, and incapable of being foreseen by Canadian manufacturers, exposes our manufacturing interests to unfair competition.

And this House while now ready to record its approval of the general policy of the present Administration, is nevertheless of opinion, that the said manufacturing interests deserve the continued fostering care of Parliament, and that the time has arrived when the Government of the Dominion should inform the Imperial Government, that the Parliament of Canada deem it necessary to revive some features of a former policy, by imposing differential duties.

And to indicate further, that in order to meet the difficulties against which Canadian manufacturers are struggling and in the general interest of the Canadian Public to bring the British and foreign manufacturer on nearer terms of equality in the Canadian market, this House would be prepared to approve of any measure to be submitted to them by the Administration, whereby a rate not less than ten per centum, should be added to the existing import tariff, against those articles of foreign production, of which the same classes are manufactured in the Dominion, by way of difference to that extent in favour of the like classes, the production of the Mother Country.

Mr. Workman moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "That" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"it be Resolved, That this House deeply regrets to learn, from the speech of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, on Friday last, that the Government has not proposed to this House, a policy of protection to our various and important manufacturing industries.—The large amount of capital now invested therein, and their present depressed condition rendering such a policy necessary, to restore them to a condition of prosperity."

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of Order, inasmuch as it was irregular to propose an amendment to an amendment to the main motion: "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply."

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment, it was negatived on the following division :

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Devlin,

Irving,

Wood—3.

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Appleby,	Cunningham,	Lajoie,	Platt,
Aylmer,	Currier,	Landerkin,	Plumb,
Baby,	Cuthbert,	Langevin,	Pope,
Bain,	Davies,	Langlois,	Pouliot,
Bannatyne,	Dawson,	Lanthier,	Pozer,
Barthe,	DeCosmos,	Little,	Ray,
Bécharde,	Delorme,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Richard,
Benoit,	Desjardins,	Macdonald ( <i>Kingston</i> ),	Robillard,
Bernier,	De St. Georges,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Robitaille,
Bertram,	DeVeber,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Rochester,
Biggar,	Domville,	MacDonell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Roscoe,
Blackburn,	Dymond,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Blain,	Farrow,	MacDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Rouleau,
Blake,	Ferguson,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Ryan,
Blanchet,	Ferris,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	Rymal,
Borden,	Fiset,	Mackenzie,	Scatcherd
Borron,	Fleming,	Macmillan,	Schultz,
Bourassa,	Flesher,	McCallum,	Seriver,
Bowell,	Flynn,	McGreevy,	Shibley,
Bowman,	Forbes,	McGregor,	Sinclair,
Boyer,	Fraser,	McIntyre,	Skinner,
Brown,	Fréchette,	McIsaac,	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Buell,	Galbraith,	McLeod,	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Bunster,	Gaudet,	McNab,	Smith ( <i>Westmoreland</i> ),
Burk,	Gibson,	McQuade,	Snider,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Gill,	Masson,	Stephenson,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Gillies,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Gilmour,	Mills,	St. Jean,
Carmichael,	Gordon,	Mitchell,	Thibaudeau,
Caron,	Goudge,	Moffat,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Cartwright,	Greenway,	Monteith,	Thompson ( <i>Haldimand</i> ),
Casey,	Hagar,	Montplaisir,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Casgrain,	Haggart,	Mousseau,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Harwood,	Norris,	Tupper,
Charlton,	Higinbotham,	Oliver,	Vail,
Cheval,	Holton,	Ouimet,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Christie,	Horton,	Palmer,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Church,	Huntington,	Paterson,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Cimon,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Pelletier,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Cockburn,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Perry,	Workman,
Coffin,	Kerr,	Pettes,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ),
Colby,	Killam,	Pickard,	Yeo,
Cook,	Kirk,	Pinsonneault,	Young.—174.
Coupal,	Laird,		

And the question being put on the main motion, and a further Debate arising,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Macmillan, adjourned.

Mr. Smith presented,—Return to Address of the 14th instant; for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada, and any of its Officers, or with any individual or public body, in relation to violations of the *Deck Load Law*; and also in relation to violations of the *Port Wardens Act*; with any instructions that may have been given by the Government to its Officers for the enforcement of the Laws referred to.

The House then adjourned until Thursday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—That an Order of this House do issue for copies of all correspondence which may have been had between private individuals or Corporations and the Government of Canada, in relation to the offices, workshops and works of the Intercolonial Railway at Rimouski.

Mr. *Roulean*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to enact such a law as will prevent the boats which cross during the winter between Quebec and Lévis, from breaking the ice bridge which forms there every year?

Mr. *Laird*—On Friday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:

That it is expedient to extend the Acts 35 V. C. 47 respecting Weights and Measures, and the Act 38 V. C. 36 respecting the making of casks containing merchantable liquids with their respective capacity, and the Act 36 V. C. 48 to provide for the inspection of Gas and Gas Meters, to the Province of Prince Edward Island, including in such extension the powers given to the Governor in Council to make Tariffs of fees for services performed in carrying the said Acts into effect; and to repeal such Acts of the Legislature of the said Province as may be inconsistent with the said Acts;—Such extension to take place from and after a time to be named in the Bill to be introduced for the purposes aforesaid.

Mr. *Laird*—On Friday next—That the House do then go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. That Roads, one chain wide, be laid out in rear of the farms fronting on the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, between them and the "outer two miles" or "hay privilege" proposed to be granted to the owners of the said farms,—and between the lots in the said "outer two miles" and the sections or legal subdivisions of sections bounding the same,—and also at convenient distances between the lots in the "outer two miles," and running from front to rear thereof; and that for the land taken for such last-mentioned roads, compensation may, in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior, be granted to the owners thereof by the issue of land-scrip to them at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents for each acre of such land.

2. That the said Roads, and all Road Allowances on Block Lines surveyed in the Province of Manitoba, and in townships surveyed and subdivided in the said Province, be transferred to the Province as the property thereof.

3. That on the Government of Canada receiving notice, accompanied by sufficient plans and detailed descriptions of the public travelled roads or trails through the settlements on the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, and of those commonly known as "The great highways of the Settlement Belt," existing within the present limits of the Province at the time of the transfer of the North-West Territories to Canada, the Governor in Council may transfer the same to the Province as the property thereof, subject to any rights acquired under any patents for lands crossed by such roads, issued before such notice.

4. That it is expedient to amend the Dominion Lands Act, and to provide,—

1. That claims may be entered for tracts of land, not exceeding a quarter section or 160 acres, in any case, for the purpose of planting the same with forest trees, subject to provisions for ensuring such planting, and on condition that no patent shall be issued for any such claim until the expiration of six years from the entry of the claim, when a free grant shall issue in favor of the claimant, if all the said provisions have been complied with; the claimant paying an office fee of ten dollars at the time of entering such claim.

(2.) That in case of any immigrant brought out at the expense of another party, under Section 15 of the said Act, attempting to evade the lien given by the said section for the re-payment of the expense so incurred by such other party, by obtaining a homestead entry outside the tract withdrawn from public settlement in order to its being settled by immigrants so brought out, the expense so incurred shall become a charge on the homestead so entered.

(3.) That Dominion Land Surveyors, or candidates for becoming such, may, if they see fit, be examined in the higher branches of surveying, and of mathematics and other sciences connected with surveying, and if successful in passing such examinations, may obtain certificates thereof; and that the following schedule of examination fees be substituted for that in Section 84 of the said Act:—

(a.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each pupil, on giving notice of his desire for examination preliminary to being articulated, one dollar.

(b.) To the Secretary of the Board, as the fee due on such examination, ten dollars, and a further sum of two dollars for certificate.

(c.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each pupil, at the time of transmitting to such Secretary the indentures or articles of such pupil, two dollars.

(d.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each candidate for final examination, with his notice thereof, two dollars.

(e.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each applicant, obtaining a commission, as his fee thereon, two dollars.

(f.) To the Secretary of the Board, as an admission fee by the applicant receiving the commission, twenty dollars, which sum shall also cover any certificate by the Board in the case of a candidate passing the higher examination; but such amount, as also the ten dollars required to be paid under paragraph (b), shall be paid to the Receiver General to the credit of Dominion Lands.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—That the House will on Tuesday next resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution :

“ That under the circumstances appearing in the Minute of Council of 26th October 1875, upon the finances of the Province of Manitoba, laid before the House, it is expedient that Canada should pay as a temporary annual grant to that Province the sum of \$26,745.96 yearly by semi-annual instalments, being the amount necessary in order to raise its revenue derivable from Canada to \$90,000. Such grant to commence from the 1st day of July, 1875, and to continue until the close of the year 1881.”

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—That during the remainder of the Session Government measures shall have precedence on Thursdays.

Mr. *Domville*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Was the Iron Station now at Halifax awaiting erection purchased privately or by Public Tender, and from whom ?

Mr. *Domville*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have authorized the General Superintendent of Government Railways to place Iron Snow Sheds on the Intercolonial Railroad in the place of the Wooden ones now existing ; If so, has the contract been awarded and to whom ; also was it by private bargain or public tender ?

Mr. *Desjardins*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying for the production of all correspondence, petitions, and memorials relating to the Sugar refining interest since 1872.

Mr. *Mitchell*—That the Return to an Address laid on the Table on the 29th February 1876 in relation to violations of Deck Load Law, etc., be printed.

Mr. *Mills*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any correspondence has taken place between the Government and the Secretary of the Colonies in reference to the instructions given to the Governor General with a view to make the instructions consistent with the undoubted authority of the Parliament of Canada ?

Mr. *McDougall* (South Renfrew)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any correspondence has taken place with the Imperial Government for the purpose of bringing about an amendment to the Extradition Treaty with the United States ?

Mr. *Pouliot*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the fishing licenses granted since confederation for setting up fisheries on the beach of the St. Lawrence in front of the parishes of Notre Dame du Portage, River du Loup and Cacouna shewing 1st. The names of the persons to whom licenses were granted, together with the amount paid for each such license. 2nd. The amount of fines and penalties paid for infractions of the law in setting up such fisheries, with the names of the persons who paid such penalties and the amount paid by each of them.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 2ND MARCH, 1876.

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Twelve petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society, to that of the Provincial Loan and Savings Company.

Of *W. Roche*, President of the Union Marine Insurance Company, and others; praying for the adoption of such measures as will secure the extension of the Telegraphic System from Prince Edward Island, or Cape Breton to the Magdalen Islands, and from thence to Bird Rocks in the centre of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Of the Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company; praying for certain Amendments to the Pilot Act of 1873.

Of *James H. Taylor* and others, licensed Engineers of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec; praying for certain Amendments to the Seamen's Act of 1875.

Of the Canada and Detroit River Bridge Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their proposed Bridge and other works, and for other purposes.

Of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their proposed Railway, and for other purposes.

Of *John T. Grange* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada.

Of *R. M. Wanzer* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the National Loan and Life Assurance Company of Canada.

Of the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company; praying that their works known as Melons Chenal Boom and Allumette Boom may be authorized and confirmed, and that they may be empowered to levy tolls for boom working expenses as well as for the use of their works, with right of lien and sale, and to extend the power of selection of ten points for new works for five years.

Of *James Domville*, M. P., of the City of Saint John, New Brunswick, Merchant, and others; praying for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "A Bill to incorporate the Chartered Bank of London, and North America."

Of *A. Cross* and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation to enable them to carry on the business of a Loan and Agency Company.

Of *J. J. C. Abbott* and others of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Atlantic and Pacific Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

Of the Honorable *Joseph Gibb Robertson*, of the City of Sherbrooke, M. P. P., and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Canadian Securities Trust Corporation.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend their corporate powers.

Of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Frank Smith* and others, of the City of Toronto; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the British Canadian Investment Company.

Of the Board of Trade, the Corn Exchange Association and Merchants, and others of Montreal; and of the Council of the Municipality of Havre aux Maisons, Magdalen Islands; severally praying for the adoption of such measures as will secure the extension of the Telegraphic system from Prince Edward Island to the Magdalen Islands, and from thence to Bird Rocks, in the centre of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Of the Saint John Board of Trade; representing that Legislation affecting Canadian ships is proposed at the present Session of the Imperial Parliament, and praying that a delegation may be appointed to proceed to England to protect the interests of Canadian Ship-owners.

Of *O. Morrill*, of the Township of Stanstead, Province of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent to him for certain improvements in Sewing Machines invented by one *John Reece* of the said Township.

Of Messrs. *Newton* and Brother and others, Tanners and Dealers; praying for certain Amendments to the Act to make better provision, extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the Inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Rev. *P. J. Saucier*, and others, of Cape Cove, County of Gaspé; praying for the construction of a Breakwater at Cape Cove,---and the Petition of *R. W. Heneker*, and others, manufacturers, merchants and others, of the City of Sherbrooke; praying that a revision of the Tariff may be made, and that protection may be introduced for an increase of the standard rate of duties from 17½ to 30 per cent. on all articles included amongst the manufactures of the Dominion, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided---"That, as the granting of the prayer of the former Petition involves an expenditure of the public money,---and the latter a public charge, they cannot be received."

Mr. *Burpee* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 17th February, 1876, a statement shewing the total value of all articles imported from the United States into each Province of the Dominion during 1871'72 and '73, paying 15, 10 and 5 per cent. duty respectively; and also a similar statement for 1873 and '75 of articles paying 17½, 10 and 5 per cent., together with such explanatory remarks and further facts as the Hon. the Minister of Customs may be able to add touching the increased importation of American manufactures into Canada.

Mr. *Blain* introduced a Bill (No. 27) to incorporate "*The Scottish Canadian Loan Company*."---Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Workman* introduced a Bill (No. 28) respecting "*The Mechanic's Bank*."---Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 29) to make provision for the winding up of *Insolvent Incorporate Banks*.---Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Laird* introduced a Bill (No. 30) to amend and consolidate the *Laws* respecting *Indians*.---Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Masson* moved, that the Second Report of the Select Committee appointed, to assume the direction under the Orders of The House, of the reporting and printing the Debates of The House, be now concurred in.

And objection being taken to the said motion, on the ground that it is on the notice paper of this day, and cannot be taken out of its course;

Mr. Speaker decided, that the question partaking of the character of Privilege, as it pertains to the business of The House, it might therefore take precedence when Notices and Motions are reached.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 31) to make provision for the crossing of navigable waters by *Railway* or other Road Companies, incorporated under Provincial Acts.---Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Masson* moved, that the Second Report of the Select Committee appointed, to assume the direction under the Orders of The House, of the reporting and printing the Debates of The House, be now concurred in.

Mr. *Delorme* moved in amendment thereto, that The House do adhere to the mode of translation, as proposed by the Third Report of the said Committee, and that they be instructed to secure such assistance as may be necessary to ensure the prompt execution of the work; which was agreed to on the following division:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Archibald,	Cheval,	Higinbotham,	Oliver,
Aylmer,	Christie,	Holton,	Paterson,
Bain,	Church,	Horton,	Pelletier,
Barthe,	Cockburn,	Huntington,	Perry,
Bernier,	Cook,	Jetté,	Pettes,
Bertram,	Davies,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Pickard,
Biggar,	Dawson,	Killam,	Pozer,
Blackburn,	Delorme,	Kirk,	Richard,
Blain,	De St. Georges,	Laflamme,	Robillard,
Blake,	Devlin,	Laird,	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Borden,	Dymond,	Lajoie,	Scatcherd
Borron,	Ferris,	Landerkin,	Scriver,
Bourassa,	Fiset,	Langlois,	Skinner,
Bowman,	Fleming,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Boyer,	Flynn,	McDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Brouse,	Forbes,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Westmoreland</i> ),
Burk,	Fréchette,	Mackenzie,	Snider,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Galbraith,	McCraney,	Stirton,
Carmichael,	Gibson,	McGregor,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Gilmour,	McLeod,	Trow,
Casey,	Gordon,	McNab,	Vail,
Casgrain,	Goudge,	Metcalfe,	Workman,
Cauchon,	Hagar,	Mills,	Yeo,
Charlton,	Hall,	Norris,	Young.—96.

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Baby,	Ferguson,	McDougall ( <i>Three Rivers</i> ),	Pope,
Bannatyne,	Flesher,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	Robinson,
Blanchet,	Fraser,	Macmillan,	Robitaille,
Bowell,	Gaudet,	McCallum,	Rochester,
Cameron ( <i>Cardwell</i> ),	Gill,	McQuade,	Roscoe,
Caméron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Haggart,	Masson,	Rouleau,
Caron,	Harwood,	Mitchell,	Short,
Cimon,	Hurteau,	Moffat,	Stephenson,
Colby,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Monteith,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Coupal,	Kirkpatrick,	Montplaisir,	Tupper,
Currier,	Langevin,	Mousseau,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cuthbert,	Lanthier,	Ouimet,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Desjardins,	Little,	Palmer,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Dewdney,	Macdonald ( <i>Kingston</i> ),	Pinsonneault,	Wood,
Domville,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Platt,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ),
Farrow,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Plumb,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ).—64.

7:30 P. M.

(The Order for Public Bills and Orders was called under Rule 19.)

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *McCallum's* proposed motion, and which motion was that it be *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works, and the Superintendent of the Welland Canal as to the damages to lands along the Grand River, by raising the water in the upper level of the said Canal; also copies of all instructions to valuers in valuing said damages; also of Reports, if any, made by valuers to the Government in the years 1874-75; also the amount of damages paid, or to be paid, to different parties, giving number of acres paid for, or to be paid for.

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and ordered accordingly.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Perry's* proposed motion, and which motion was, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for a statement showing what steps have been taken by the Government, touching the opening up of Steam communication, in the winter season, between Prince Edward Island and the main land, in accordance with the terms of Union between Prince Edward Island, and the Dominion of Canada; also all correspondence, copies of contracts with different parties, with the view of effecting the same.

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and the Address ordered accordingly.

The following Bills were severally read a second time, and referred as follows:—

*To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:*

No. 8. To amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 51, entitled: "An Act to authorize the Incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion."

No. 11. To amend the Act to make better provision extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.

No. 4. To incorporate "The National Exchange Company."

*To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines:*

No. 9. To amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 42, respecting the transportation of cattle by Railway or other mode of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Orton*, and which motion was—  
"That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *McGregor*, *Wallace* (Norfolk), *Stephenson*, *Ferguson*, *Biggar*, *Harwood*, *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Monteith*, *Burk*, *Montplaisir*, *McQuade*, *Cunningham*, *Farrow*, *Coupal*, and the mover."

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and the said Committee appointed accordingly.

Mr. *Cook* moved, that the Bill (No. 16) to provide for the examination and licensing of persons employed as Engineers, elsewhere than on steamboats, be now read a second time.

And a Debate ensuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew) adjourned.

The Bill (No. 2) to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence or communications since the 1st day of January 1874 between the Government of Canada or any of the Departments or officers thereof and Merchants and other parties, if any there be, relating to changes in the duties on Tea and asking for or relating to compensation resulting from such changes, together with a statement in detail of all duties refunded on Teas with the names of the parties to whom the refund was made.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for:—

1st. Copy of the contract between the Government and Mr. *Adolphe Gagnon*, for the construction of a pier or piers at Baie St. Paul;

2nd. Copies of the correspondence between the Government and the said *Adolphe Gagnon* and others in connection with such contract, and the claims of the said *Adolphe Gagnon* in the matter;

3rd. Copies of all claims or accounts presented by the said *Adolphe Gagnon*, or by any other person in his name, for indemnity in this case;

4th. Copies of all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders referring this claim or this account to the Official Arbitrators;

5th. Copies of the award of the said Arbitrators and the papers accompanying it, and of all Orders in Council or Departmental orders giving effect to each award.

On motion of Mr. *Caron*, it was Resolved, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer for 1st. Copies of all contracts between the Government and any person or company for the execution of work at the Citadel of Quebec in 1874 and 1875; 2nd. Copies of all arrangements, made with a contractor or contractors, or with a superintendent or overseer, or superintendents or overseers, for the execution of any portion of the said works; 3rd. Copies of the Pay lists, shewing the sum paid to each overseer, superintendent, workman, &c., for the execution of such work, the number of workmen, overseers, and superintendents, employed each week, and the total cost of such work during the year ending the 31st December 1874, and the total cost for the following year.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence with the Colonial Secretary, on the subject of the exercise of the power of disallowance of the Provincial Statutes.

Mr. *Langevin* moved, that an Address be read to His Excellency, for copies of the Commission, appointing Mr. *Heury Simard*, Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Electoral District of Charlovoix,—and of the oath taken by him as such Inspector, and of the date of such oath.

And a Debate ensuing thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer for copies of advertisements asking for tenders for the erection of an Examining Warehouse in Montreal; of all tenders submitted to the Department of Public Works in answer to such advertisements; of all correspondence with any party tendering in respect of such contract; a statement of all alterations, if any, made in any of the tenders after their submission to the Department, and correspondence, if any, relating to such changes; and copy of the contract entered into for the erection of the said Examining Warehouse.

On motion of Mr. *Paterson*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer for all correspondence which has taken place between the Council of the Six Nation Indians and the Indian Department with reference to the payment of accrued interest moneys which belong to them and which have been placed in their general fund; and also for an approximate statement shewing the amount of said interest moneys.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of instructions given to the officer in charge of the steam dredge employed clearing the bar at the entrance of Miramichi River with all Reports from the officer in charge or parties under him as to the amount of work done in that locality; stating the number of yards removed and the character of the material; the depth to which the channel has been deepened and the width thereof; the length of the cutting or dredging yet to be done; also stating the contemplated depth and width to which the Government propose to improve said channel; the number of days during which such vessel has been actually at work; also copies of the Report or Reports of the Engineers or other officers on which such improvements are based and the depth of water which it is proposed to obtain; also the amount already expended on such work with an estimate of the amount required to complete it.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, it was *Resolved*, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return of the names and ages of all Employees of the Montreal Custom House who have been superannuated within the last two years, with causes of such superannuation; names of all persons who have been taken into the Public Service during the same period in connection with the Montreal Custom House, whether as permanent employees or as supernumeraries, and the salary paid to each, and for what period and shewing whether they are still employed.

Also, a further Order of The House, for a Return of copies of all correspondence relating to the contracts entered into by the Government of Canada, or any Department thereof, for the purchase of Steel Rails in the year 1874, including correspondence, if any, with parties before the advertisement for tenders—copies of all the advertisements and names of newspapers in which they were published, with date of first insertion in each of them; all correspondence on the subject of further delay in the time of receiving tenders; copies of all advertisements postponing the time for receiving tenders, with name of newspapers in which such notice was published; copies of all tenders received for the supply of Steel Rails with all correspondence in relation to them and names of persons by whom or through whom such tenders were submitted or made; all correspondence with any of the parties tendering, as to the quantity of Rails to be supplied by them; copies of contracts entered into and of all correspondence relating to them; copies of contracts for the transport of Steel Rails from Montreal to the different parts of the Dominion with any changes made in such contracts and correspondence relating to such changes at the time the contracts were entered into with a statement of the dates of payment of all monies on such contracts, the present location of the Rails and all charges for transport or storage of the same.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Statement shewing the amount which the Government of Canada have agreed to pay or have already paid under each contract passed between the Government and any individual or Company for the execution of any portion of the work on the Pacific Railway or the Line of Telegraph, or of any other work in relation to the said Railway; also the total amount of such different sums.

Also,—a further Order of The House, for a Statement showing the amount which the Government of Canada have agreed to pay or have already paid under each contract passed between the Government and any individual or Company for the execution of any portion of the works required for the enlargement of the St. Lawrence Canals, including the Welland and Lachine Canals, since the report of the last Commission appointed to examine the question; also the total amount of such different sums.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return of copies of the circulars sent to ship-building firms for the construction of a steam tender to transport mails from Father Point to the ocean steamers; all correspondence with any parties in relation to the same and a statement of the names of all parties or firms to whom such circulars were sent with the tenders received; the date of the acceptance of Messrs. *Cantin's* tender and a copy of the contract entered into with them.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, the Return to an Address for copies of correspondence between the Government and the Hon. *Ambrose Shea*, and laid on the Table of this House, on 22nd February, last, was referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Tupper*, *Caron*, *Workman*, *Blain*, *Brouse*, *Jones* (Halifax), and *Palmer*.

On motion of Mr. *Fréchette*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of all correspondence and documents relating to the dismissal of Mr. *Collet*, as Postmaster of St. Henry, in the County of Lévis.

On motion of Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return of all Licenses to fish with hoop and trap nets issued during 1875 for the Province of Ontario; all petitions and communications to and with the Minister or the Department of Marine and Fisheries in favour of or opposing the use of such nets; and reports, &c., shewing the effect of the system of fishing with hoop and trap nets on the quantity of fish in the waters where such nets are used.

On motion of Mr. *Goudge*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House to issue to the proper Officer, for a Return of all Gypsum or Plaster of Paris imported from the United States into Canada, giving the Ports or places whence imported, as also the Ports in Canada where entered; the quantity entered in a crude state that entered as ground for purposes of manure; that entered as ground for purposes of manufacture; that entered as calcined plaster; also at what prices entered; the rate of duty upon each class, and the amount of duty collected from the same.

On motion of Mr. *Rouleau*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement shewing the names, occupations and places of residence of the persons who made application as Militia men of 1812, for the pension granted to such Militia men, and who have not obtained such pension; with reasons for the refusal thereof.

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald* (Toronto Centre), it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer for copies of instructions issued by the Public Works Department to any Engineer, regarding the survey of Toronto Harbor; also copies of all Reports made by the Government, showing the present state of the Harbor, or suggesting additional works to preserve it from destruction.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for a Return of all remissions or refunds of duties on Tea at the Ports of Montreal and Halifax during the past year; specifying the dates of such remission or refunds; the parties to whom made; with all correspondence, Minutes of Treasury Board and Orders in Council thereon; also the names of parties from whom Bonds were taken for the duties on such Tea in cases where the same were finally remitted.

On motion of Mr. *Baby*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House issue to the proper officer, for all papers and correspondence between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and *L. J. Loranger*, Esquire, Fishery Overseer, or any other person, in relation to Licenses granted or refused to parties wishing to fish in the Lakes comprised within the limits of the Counties of Terrebonne, Montcalm, Joliette and Berthier; and of all instructions given to the said *L. J. Loranger*; and also for a statement shewing the names of all persons to whom such Licenses have been granted and on what conditions they were so granted.

Mr. *Schultz* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of Ontario, relative to the boundary between Ontario and the North-West Territories; also copies of any instructions to the Arbitrator appointed by the Dominion Government.

And a Debate arising thereon, the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of this House do issue to the proper officer, for copies of all correspondence which may have been had between private individuals or Corporations and the Government of Canada, in relation to the offices, workshops and works of the Intercolonial Railway at Rimouski.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—BILL respecting the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Bertram*—On Monday next—ORDER of the House for a statement of the condition of the *Wallace* Accounts, shewing whether they have been balanced or not, said Accounts being a record of part of the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey expenditure.

Mr. *Barthe*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any Petition, correspondence or other documents in the hands of the Government in favor of the building of a Custom House in the Town of Sorel, District of Richelieu.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend the Weights and Measures Act of 1873."

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement shewing the names of the Rivers for which fishing leases have been renewed or granted since the 1st December 1873;—when;—in favour of whom;—for what period, and for what yearly sum each of these leases has been thus renewed or granted.

Mr. *White* (Renfrew)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the contract made between Hon. A. B. *Foster* and the Government (dated 27th February 1875) for the construction and working of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway has been cancelled or modified; and if the said contract has been cancelled, whether it is the intention of the Government to take such steps as will secure the early construction of the said Branch line of Railway?

Mr. *Dymond*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of any correspondence between the Government of the Dominion and the Imperial Government relating to the Extradition of Criminals between Canada and the United States.

Mr. *Cook*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of documents relating to the forcible seizure and detention of nets and fish belonging to British fishermen by Indians residing on the shore and Islands of Georgian Bay and all correspondence resulting therefrom.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any Report has been made by the Port Warden of Quebec to the Collector of that Port or to the Department of Marine and Fisheries in relation to a violation during the season of 1875 of an Act entitled "*An Act respecting Deck-loads*," 36 *Victoria*, Cap. 56 by the Barque "N. Churchhill;" or whether such violation of said Law has been brought to the notice of said Department in any other way; also whether such vessel before clearance by the Customs Department had the certificates required by Sections 5, 6 and 7 of said Act, and whether any prosecution has been taken against the master of said vessel for violations of the provisions of said Act for the penalties provided under sections 8, 9 and 10 of said Act or the punishment of imprisonment to which the master of said vessel is liable?

Mr. *Domville*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for the contract for the Iron Roof of the Station House to be erected at Halifax together with Tenders for the same.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a return of all special rates accorded to any companies or individuals for the conveyance of freight over the Railways in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick with the names of the companies or individuals, the privileges accorded, the dates at which such special rates were given, with any correspondence between the General Superintendent of Railways or any other officer of the Government and any persons on the subject of special rates since the 1st day of January 1874 to the 1st day of January 1876.

Mr. *Jones* (Halifax)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion and the Government of the United States respecting the alleged violation of the Treaty of Washington.

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## PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

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The following Bill was posted this day for consideration by the *Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce* on or after Thursday 9th March instant:—

No. 4. To incorporate "The National Exchange Company."

No. 15.

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PRIVATE BILL NOTICE

The following Bill was presented this day for consideration by the Standing Committee on Finance and  
Commerce in order to amend the law relating to the National Bank of Canada.  
No. 4. To amend the National Bank Act.

No. 16.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1876.

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Nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Cauchon*, from the Select Committee appointed to assume the direction, under the Orders of The House, of the reporting and printing of the Debates of The House, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

*Resolved*, That in accordance with the instruction of the House that the Official Translators of the Department be utilized for the translation of the Debates; an arrangement be now entered into with the Chief Translator for that purpose, and for the extra duty thus imposed on him, and to enable him to secure such assistance as may be necessary for the prompt execution of the work, a sum not exceeding \$1.25 per printed page be allowed, to cover all expenses of translating, making the Indexes, reading and revising of proofs, &c.

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*Proceedings of the Committee, at the meeting held this day, 3rd March, in Committee Room No. 46:*

PRESENT :

Hon. Mr. *Cauchon*,  
Mr. *Bowell*,  
Mr. *Béchar*,

Mr. *Charlton* and  
Mr. *Desjardins*.

The Order of the House of yesterday was read.

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On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Charlton*, it was

*Ordered*, That the Clerk be requested to ask Mr. *Coursolles* to attend this Committee forthwith for the purpose of making arrangements with the Committee for the translation of the Official Report of the Debates into French.

Mr. *Coursolles* appeared before the Committee.

Mr. *Charlton* moved to Resolve, seconded by Mr. *Béchar*d, That in accordance with the instruction of the House that the Official Translators of the Department be utilized for the translation of the Debates; an arrangement be now entered into with the Chief Translator for that purpose, and for the extra duty thus imposed on him, and to enable him to secure such assistance as may be necessary for the prompt execution of the work, a sum not exceeding \$1.25 per printed page be allowed, to cover all expenses of translating, making the Indexes, reading and revising of proofs, &c.

And the Question being put, the Committee divided, and the Yeas and Nays being called for, they were taken down as follow:

YEAS :

Messrs. *Charlton*,  
*Béchar*d,

NAYS :

Messrs. *Desjardins*,  
*Bowell*.

The Chairman, Hon. Mr. *Cauchon*, voting Yea, the motion was carried in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Desjardins*, it was

*Ordered*, That the proceedings of the Committee to-day, so far as they relate to the translation of the Reports into French be reported to the House, for the information of the Members thereof. But that the translation be proceeded with without delay as per instructions from the House.

Attest,

HENRY HARTNEY,  
Clerk of Committee.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz.:—

Of the Canada Shipping Company; for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation,—Of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society; for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society, to that of the Provincial Loan and Savings Company,—Of the Canada and Detroit River Bridge Company; for an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their proposed Bridge, and other works; and for other purposes,—Of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway Company; for an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their proposed Railway; and for other purposes,—Of *John T. Grange* and others; for incorporation of the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada,—Of *R. M. Wanzer* and others; for incorporation of the National Loan and Life Assurance Company of Canada,—Of *A. Cross*, and others, of the City of Montreal; for incorporation as a Loan and Agency Company,—Of the Atlantic and Pacific Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company; for incorporation,—Of the Hon. *Joseph Gib Robertson*, M.P.P., and others; for an Act of incorporation under the name of the Canadian Securities Trust Corporation,—Of the Great Western Railway Company; for an Act to extend their corporate powers,—Of *Frank Smith*, and others, of the City of Toronto; for incorporation under the name of the British Canadian Investment Company,—Of *O. Morrill*, of the Township of Stanstead, Province of Quebec; for an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent to him, for certain improvements in Sewing Machines, invented by one *John Reece*, of the said Township.

On the Petition of the Canada Landed Credit Company, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation the Committee find that notice was first published of an application to the Local Legislature of the Province of Ontario, through misapprehension; and the notice of application to the Dominion Parliament therefore did not appear until the 22nd of January, and will not be completed for three weeks; under the circumstances they have no hesitation in recommending that the notice (which shall be continued) be deemed sufficient.

On the Petition of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation, the Committee find that no notice was given; but as no private rights can be affected by the measure other than those of the Petitioners, they recommend a suspension of the Rule requiring notice.

The time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills having expired on Thursday last; the Committee recommend that the same be extended for ten days, and the time for receiving Private Bills, and Reports thereon, for a like period.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal* it was *Resolved*, That the question of extending for ten days the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and for receiving Bills and Reports thereon, be referred to the several Select Standing Committees, charged with consideration of Private Bills.

Mr. *Wood* introduced a Bill (No. 33) to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway; and for other purposes.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Cameron* (Victoria, Ont.) introduced a Bill (No. 34) to incorporate the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Wood introduced a Bill (No. 35) to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Canada and Detroit River Bridge; and for other purposes.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Macdonald (Toronto Centre) introduced a Bill (No. 36) to authorize the Shareholders of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Holton introduced a Bill (No. 37) to amend the Act incorporating "Le Crédit Foncier du Bas-Canada."—Second reading on Monday next.

Also,—a Bill (No. 38) to amend the Act incorporating "The Canada Shipping Company."—Second reading on Monday next.

And also,—a Bill (No. 39) to incorporate "The Trust Company of Canada."—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Scatcherd introduced a Bill (No. 40) to amend the Act intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company."—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Young introduced a Bill (No. 41) to grant to the Canada Landed Credit Company enlarged powers of borrowing and lending; and for other purposes therein mentioned.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Irving introduced a Bill (No. 32) respecting the Capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Jetté introduced a Bill (No. 42) to incorporate "The Royal Albert Bridge Company."—Second reading on Monday next.

Also,—A Bill (No. 43) to amend the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 93, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Canadian Gas Lighting Company."—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Laird, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday next, to consider the following Resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to extend the Act 36 Victoria, Chapter 47 respecting Weights and Measures, and the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 36 respecting the making of casks containing-merchantable liquids with their respective capacity, and the Act 36 Victoria, Chapter 48 to provide for the inspection of Gas and Gas Meters, to the Province of Prince Edward Island, including in such extension the powers given to the Governor in Council to make Tariffs of fees for services performed in carrying the said Acts into effect; and to repeal such Acts of the Legislature of the said Province as may be inconsistent with the said Acts;—Such extension to take place from and after a time to be named in the Bill to be introduced for the purposes aforesaid.

1. *Resolved*, That Roads, one chain wide, be laid out in rear of the farms fronting on the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, between them and the "outer two miles" or "hay privilege" proposed to be granted to the owners of the said farms,—and between the lots in the said "outer two miles" and the sections or legal subdivisions of sections bounding the same,—and also at convenient distances between the lots in the "outer two miles," and running from front to rear thereof; and that for the land taken for such last-mentioned roads, compensation may, in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior, be granted to the owners thereof by the issue of land-scrip to them at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents for each acre of such land.

2. *Resolved*, That the said Roads, and all Road Allowances on Block Lines surveyed in the Province of Manitoba, and in townships surveyed and subdivided in the said Province, be transferred to the Province as the property thereof.

3. *Resolved*, That on the Government of Canada receiving notice, accompanied by sufficient plans and detailed descriptions of the public travelled roads or trails through the settlements on the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, and of those commonly known as "The great highways of the Settlement Belt," existing within the present limits of the Province at the time of the transfer of the North-West Territories to Canada, the Governor in Council may transfer the same to the Province as the property thereof, subject to any rights acquired under any patents for lands crossed by such roads, issued before such notice.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Dominion Lands Act, and to provide:—

(1.) That claims may be entered for tracts of land, not exceeding a quarter section or 160 acres, in any case, for the purpose of planting the same with forest trees, subject to provisions for ensuring such planting, and on condition that no patent shall be issued for any such claim until the expiration of six years from the entry of the claim, when a free grant shall issue in favor of the claimant, if all the said provisions have been complied with; the claimant paying an office fee of ten dollars at the time of entering such claim.

(2.) That in case of any immigrant brought out at the expense of another party, under Section 15 of the said Act, attempting to evade the lien given by the said section for the re-payment of the expense so incurred by such other party, by obtaining a homestead entry outside the tract withdrawn from public settlement in order to its being settled by immigrants so brought out, the expense so incurred shall become a charge on the homestead so entered.

(3.) That Dominion Land Surveyors, or candidates for becoming such, may, if they see fit, be examined in the higher branches of surveying, and of mathematics and other sciences connected with surveying, and if successful in passing such examinations, may obtain certificates thereof; and that the following schedule of examination fees be substituted for that in Section 84 of the said Act:—

(a.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each pupil, on giving notice of his desire for examination preliminary to being articulated, one dollar.

(b.) To the Secretary of the Board, as the fee due on such examination, ten dollars, and a further sum of two dollars for certificate.

(c.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each pupil, at the time of transmitting to such Secretary the indentures or articles of such pupil, two dollars.

(d.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each candidate for final examination, with his notice thereof, two dollars.

(e.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each applicant, obtaining a commission, as his fee thereon, two dollars.

(f.) To the Secretary of the Board, as an admission fee by the applicant receiving the commission, twenty dollars, which sum shall also cover any certificate by the Board in the case of a candidate passing the higher examination; but such amount, as also the ten dollars required to be paid under paragraph (b), shall be paid to the Receiver General to the credit of Dominion Lands.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday next, to consider the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*, That under the circumstances appearing in the Minute of Council of 26th October 1875, upon the finances of the Province of Manitoba, laid before the House, it is expedient that Canada should pay as a temporary annual grant to that Province the sum of \$26,746.96 yearly by semi-annual instalments, being the amount necessary in order to raise its revenue derivable from Canada to \$90,000. Such grant to commence from the 1st day of July, 1875, and to continue until the close of the year 1881.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That after Thursday next, during the remainder of the Session, Government Measures shall have precedence on Thursdays.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill referred back to a Committee of the Whole, further amended, reported, amendments agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply."

And a further Debate arising,—at 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven, P.M.

7:30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The following Bills were severally read a second time, and referred as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:

No. 18. To incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

No. 19. To authorize the Shareholders of the Union Permanent Building and Savings Society; to change the name of the said Society.

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines:

No. 25. Further to amend "The St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Act."

The House then resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply."

And a further Debate ensuing;

Mr. *Holton* moved, That the Debate be adjourned.

And a Debate arising thereon; and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 4th March, 1876.

And the Debate still continuing; the said motion for the adjournment of the Debate was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to, and The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

3. To defray the salaries of the Department of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada .....\$14,540.00.  
Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, on Tuesday next.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of the balances in the hands of the Financial Agents, and the various Banks in Canada and England on the 15th June, 1875, and on February 10th and February 29th, 1876,—Statement of the entire Expenditure for all purposes, during the month of July, 1875,—and total Expenditure 1874-5.

The House then adjourned at 3:30 A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

#### ERRATUM.

In the Votes of yesterday (page 108) the entry relating to the appointment of a Select Committee to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion, was erroneously inserted, as the adjourned Debate was not resumed, but left standing on the Orders of the Day for further consideration on Monday next.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Ouimet*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for statement shewing the number of Convicts now incarcerated in the Provincial Penitentiary of Quebec at St. Vincent de Paul, together with the number of Convicts who have been transferred from the said Penitentiary to that of Kingston, in the year 1874 and 1875.

Mr. *Ouimet*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a statement of the names and salaries of the employees of the Penitentiaries of St. Vincent de Paul, Quebec, and of Kingston, Ontario.

Mr. *Ouimet*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for Copies of all official correspondence and of all instructions issued in relation to the completion or finishing of the buildings and out-buildings of the Penitentiary of St. Vincent de Paul (Quebec), and in relation to the building of a house for the Keepers and employees of the said Penitentiary; also a statement shewing the amount expended for repairs on the residence of the Warden of the said Penitentiary—the whole from the establishment of the said Penitentiary to 1st January, 1876.

Mr. *Ouimet*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all salaries, fees and indemnity paid by the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal to any member or employee of the said Harbour Commission since 1872.

Mr. *Mousseau*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement shewing the number of employees in the Montreal Post Office, with the salary paid to each employee, on the 7th November, 1873;

Also a statement shewing the number of employees in the Montreal Post Office with the salary of each employee, on the 31st December, 1875;

Also a statement shewing the number of employees in the Montreal Post Office dismissed or placed on the retired list from 7th November, 1873, to 31st December, 1875.

Mr. *Cook*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence with the Quebec Board of Trade; Mr. *Risley*, the Chairman of the Board of Steamboat Inspection and the Government in reference to the passage of an Act for the Licensing of Engineers elsewhere than on Steamboats.

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce during the present Session, any measure for the purpose of securing a more effectual supervision of Banks, with a view to protecting the interests of depositors, shareholders and the public?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the arrangements and negotiations carried on in 1872 and 1873 between the Canadian Government and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, for the transfer of Portage Island, in the Bay of Miramichi, to the Canadian Government have resulted in the title of such Island being vested in the Government of Canada?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all papers and correspondence between the Government of Canada, or any Department thereof, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, or any person or persons acting for them, for the transfer of Portage Island in the Bay of Miramichi to the Canadian Government.

Mr. *Thompson (Cariboo)*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether such progress has been made in the surveys of the proposed Canadian Pacific Railway in the Province of British Columbia as to enable the Government to decide upon a route between the Pacific Ocean and the Rocky Mountains, or to enter into contract for the construction of the whole or any portion of the same?

Mr. *Macmillan*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—By whose authority the Report of the Commission on the Baie Verte Canal was published; at what printing establishment it was printed; whether the printing was done by tender or not; how many copies were printed and what was the total cost thereof; whether the account for the publishing thereof has been paid, and if so, by whose authority?

Mr. *Colby*—When the House is next moved into Committee of Supply that it be *Resolved*, That it is expedient in the Public interest that the rate of Customs duty upon Coal Oil and Refined Petroleum be reduced from fifteen cents per gallon to a rate which shall not exceed seven and one-half cents per gallon.

Mr. *Gill*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take the necessary measures to have a resident Judge at Sorel during the leave of absence granted to the Honorable Justice *Loranger*?

Mr. *Currier*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all correspondence relating to the regulation of the United States Customs Department, which requires an officer of that Department to be placed on board Canadian boats at the first Port of Entry, and to continue on board such vessel throughout its voyage in American waters and requiring such officers to be paid by the shipper or forwarder.

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## PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

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The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after *Friday, 10th March instant* :---

*Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce :*

- No. 18. To incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company.
- No. 19. To authorize the Shareholders of the Union Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society.

*Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines :*

- No. 25. Further to amend "The St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Act."
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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1876.

The Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Shareholders of the *Imperial Bank of Canada*, on the 10th ultimo,—of the *Bank of Yarmouth, N.S.*,—and of *La Banque Nationale*, on the 1st May, 1875, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Also,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the District of Beauharnois, and in the Counties of Bellechasse, Montmagny, and L'Islet in the District of Montmagny, for the year, 1875.

Two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Messrs. *Robson and Lauchland* and others; of Messrs. *Sessions, Cooper and Smith*, and others of the City of Toronto; of *Samuel Wainwright* and others; of *John Scott* and others; and of Messrs. *Hugh Finlayson and Company* and others, Tanners and Dealers; severally praying for certain Amendments to the Act to make better provision, extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.

Of the Canada Southern Bridge Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their Bridge and other works, and for other purposes.

Of the Canada Southern Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to issue Preference Debenture Stock in the manner, for the respective amounts and purposes and with the priorities of charges and of payment of dividends, as set forth in their petition.

Of *Richard Lippincott Denison* and others, Members of the Committee appointed by the private shareholders of the Northern Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act granting to the shareholders of the said Company an extension of time to enable them to raise sufficient money to pay off the Government Lien, and to carry out certain improvements on their Railway; and also for power to elect from among themselves a proper representation upon the Board of Directors of the said Company.

Of the Commercial Travellers Association of Canada; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Frank Smith* and others, Merchants, Bankers and others, of the City of Toronto; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the British Canadian Loan and Trust Company.

Of *William Kersteman* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the England and Canada Mortgage Security Company.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Rupert's Land, in connection with the Church of England, and of the Executive Committee of the Synod thereof; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Diocesan Synod of the Church of England in Rupert's Land.

Of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; of the Sabbath Reformation Society of Kingston; and of the Presbytery of Paris of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of *Donald Cameron*, Elder, on behalf of the Elders, Trustees, Managers and others of St. Andrew's Church Bayfield and Varna of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland; setting forth that the Act of the Legislature of the Province of Ontario uniting the different Presbyterian bodies in the Dominion is oppressive and tyrannical, and praying for relief in the premises.

Of *E. C. Lemieux* and others, Manufacturers and others; praying that in any tariff of duties to be established by Parliament, the rate of duties to be levied be based on the proportion of labor expended in the different stages of manufacture; that duties on manufactured articles may be calculated on the gold value at the place of export, and that the same duty be levied on machinery imported in separate parts as would be levied if the same were put together in working order.

Of Messrs. *O. L. Richardson* and Sons, and others of the Province of Quebec; praying that a duty be imposed upon Hemlock Bark exported to the United States.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the First Report of the said Committee,—and Mr. *Mills*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the First Report of the said Committee, severally recommending that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills (which expired on Thursday last), be extended for ten days; and the time for receiving Private Bills, and Reports thereon, for a like period.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, the recommendations from the Select Standing Committees on Standing Orders,—Banking and Commerce,—and Miscellaneous Private Bills were concurred in, and the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and receiving Private Bills and Reports thereon, was extended for ten days.

Mr. *Oliver* introduced a Bill (No. 44) to amend the Weights and Measures Act, of 1873.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker, from the Select Committee appointed to assist him in revising the Rules of the House of Commons, presented the following Report:—

The Committee have carefully perused the Rules of The House, which were referred to them, and have agreed to the following amendments which they submit to the consideration of Your Honorable House,

That the 19th Rule be amended as follows:—

19. The ordinary Daily Routine of Business in The House shall be as follows:—

PRESENTING PETITIONS.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS.

PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES.

MOTIONS.

The Order of Business for the consideration of The House, day by day, after the above Daily Routine, shall be as follows:—

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### MONDAY.

PRIVATE BILLS.

QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

PRIVATE BILLS AND ORDERS.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

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## TUESDAY.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

PUBLIC BILLS AND ORDERS.

QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

OTHER NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS.

## WEDNESDAY.

QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

PUBLIC BILLS AND ORDERS.

*From half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.]*

PRIVATE BILLS FOR THE FIRST HOUR.

PUBLIC BILLS AND ORDERS.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

## THURSDAY.

*Until the hour of Six o'clock, P.M.*

QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

PUBLIC BILLS AND ORDERS.

*From half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.*

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

OTHER NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

## FRIDAY.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

PUBLIC BILLS AND ORDERS.

QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

OTHER NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

*From half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., PRIVATE BILLS for the first hour.*

*That the 49th Rule be read as follows:---*

“No Petition for any Private Bill is received by The House after the *first three weeks* of each Session; nor may any Private Bill be presented to The House after the *first four weeks* of each Session; nor may any Report of any Standing or Select Committee upon a Private Bill be received after the *first six weeks* of each Session. And no motion for the general suspension or modification of this Rule shall be entertained by The House, unless after reference made thereof at a previous sitting of The House, to the Committee on Standing Orders, or upon Report submitted by two or more Committees, charged with the consideration of the Private Bills.”

*That the 58th Rule be rescinded and the following substituted thereof:---*

Any person seeking to obtain any Private Bill, giving any exclusive privilege, or profit, or private or corporate advantage, or for any amendment of the former Act, shall be required to deposit with the Clerk of The House, eight days before the meeting of The House, a copy of such Bill in the English or French language, with a sum sufficient to pay for translating and printing the same—600 copies to be printed in English, and 200 copies to be printed in French—the translation to be done by the Officers of the House and the printing by the Contractor. The applicant shall be also required to pay the Accountant of The House a sum of \$200, and the cost of printing the same for the Statutes, and lodge the receipt for the same with the Clerk of the Committee to which such Bill is referred—such payment to be made immediately after the second reading, and before the consideration of the Bill by such Committee.

*That the 59th Rule be rescinded and the following substituted thereof:---*

Every Private or Local Bill, when read a second time, is referred to the Standing Committee charged with the consideration of such Bill. Bills relating to Banks, Insurance, Trade and Commerce, to Committee on Banking and Commerce; Bills relating to Railways, Canals, Telegraphs, Canal and Railway Bridges, to the Committee on Railways; the Bills not coming under these classes to the Committee on Private and Locals Bills.

*That the 2nd sub-section of the 60th Rule be amended as follows:---*

2. On the day of the posting of any Bill under this Rule, the Deputy-Clerk shall cause a notice of such posting to be appended to the printed Votes and Proceedings of the day.

*That the 61st Rule be rescinded, and the numbering of the following Rules be thereof altered, to the 87th Rule inclusive.*

*That the 71st Rule be amended and read as follow:---*

A Book, to be called “Private Bill Register,” shall be kept, in which Book shall be entered by the Clerk appointed for that business by the Clerk of The House the name, description, and place of residence of the parties applying for the Bill, or of their Agent, and all the proceedings thereon, from the Petition to the passing of the Bill—such entry to specify briefly each proceeding in The House, or in any Committee to which the Bill or the Petition may be referred, and the day on which the Committee is appointed to sit—such Book to be open to public inspection daily, during office hours.

*That the 72nd Rule be altered, amended, and read as follows:---*

The Deputy Clerk shall cause lists of all Private Bills and Petitions for such Bills, upon which any Committee is appointed to sit, specifying the time of the meeting and the room where the Committee shall sit, to be prepared daily by the Clerk of the Committee to which such Bills are referred, and shall cause the same to be hung up in the Lobby.

*That, the 120th Rule be numbered 87th Rule, and be transferred at the end of the present 87th Rule numbered hereafter 86th Rule.*

The Committee recommend to the consideration of Your Honorable House for adoption the following Resolution agreed upon by the Committee to be substituted to the present 6th Rule thereby rescinded:---

That if at any sitting of The House, or in Committee, any Member shall take notice that strangers are present, Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman (as the case may be,) shall forthwith put the question that strangers be ordered to withdraw without permitting any debate or amendment.

*Provided*—That Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, whenever he thinks proper, order the withdrawal of strangers from any part of The House.

The Committee also recommend that the Sessional Orders now published with the Rules and Orders of your Honorable House be hereafter Standing and Permanent Orders of The House.

The Committee further recommend that during the present Session any Notice of Motion not proceeded with, when first called, may be allowed to stand, but that if not proceeded with when called the second time, Mr. Speaker be requested to enforce the 25th Rule.

Mr. *Domville* introduced a Bill (No. 45) to incorporate "The Chartered Bank of London and North America."--Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, Mr. *Flynn's* name was ordered to be substituted for that of Mr. *Jones* (Halifax), on the Select Committee to whom was referred the Return to an Address of the 21st ultimo; for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Hon. *Ambrose Shea*, respecting a claim in connection with a supply of labor for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, Messrs. *Casey* and *Burk* were added to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines,--and Mr. *Mousseau* to that on Public Accounts.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred as follows:--

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce :

- No. 21. To amend the Acts respecting the Citizens Insurance and Investment Company.  
No. 28. Respecting "The Mechanics' Banks."

To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills :

- No. 23. To amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 111, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Mail Printing and Publishing Company* (Limited)."

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines :

- No. 32. Respecting the capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities.

Mr. *Smith* presented,---Copy of correspondence in relation to enquiry respecting the Barque "N. Churchill."

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Reports by Engineers, Reports from the Quebec Harbor Commission, documents, correspondence and Orders in Council, relating to the selection of the site for the construction of a Graving-Dock, at the Port of Quebec.

On motion of Mr. *Mackay* (Cape Breton), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of the correspondence with the Local Government of Nova Scotia, respecting the contemplated transfer of the branch line of Railway, between Truro and Pictou.

On motion of Mr. *Charlton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of any correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of Canada through the British Minister at Washington and the United States Government, relating to the obstruction of the Navigation of Niagara River by the erection of an Inlet Pier, in mid channel of said River, for the Buffalo City Water Works, thereby causing a dangerous obstruction to the passage of vessels and rafts of timber.

On motion of Mr. *Pope*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all Orders in Council, Letters and Telegrams between the Dominion Government and the Government of Manitoba or any officer or other person, respecting the relief to be given to settlers and others in Manitoba, shewing the amount appropriated, the parties to whom it is to be given, and the conditions upon which it is given.

On motion of Mr. *Masson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copy of all Reports and communications between the Government or any of its officers or other persons since June 1875 relating to the state and condition of the Dawson Route from Thunder Bay to Fort Garry, together with a statement of the number of passengers and quantity of freight transported on said route during the season of 1875.

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House,---Copies of contracts and other papers relating to the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for 1st. A statement of all claims made by private individuals or Corporations in relation to the Construction of the Intercolonial Railway within the limits of the Province of Quebec ;—showing the claims which have been settled, the amount of each such claim and the amount allowed ; also the claims which have not been settled, the amount of each such claim, and why the same has not been settled.

Mr. *Baby*—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Criminal Law relating to offenses against the Person.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Government of British Columbia and the Dominion Government respecting the construction of a Telegraph Line from Esquimalt to Nanaimo ; also all Orders in Council or correspondence with any other officer or person respecting the same.

Mr. *Tremaine*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to build a Pier or Breakwater on the North side of the Grand Narrows, Victoria County, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Tremaine*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place Buoys on the Bras D'or Lake to mark the several shoals between Grand Narrows and Baddeck, and between Baddeck and Little Narrows, Saint Patrick's Channel?

Mr. *Tremaine*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to build a dwelling for the keeper of McKenzie's Point Light House, North side Bras D'or Lake, County of Victoria, N.S., and if so, when?

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Reports of Engineers, plans and correspondence in possession of the Government relating to the construction of a Harbor at some point on Lake Erie between Rond Eau Point and the Village of Clearville, in the County of Kent.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any sum will be put into the Supplementary Estimates, or be otherwise provided this year for the purpose of prosecuting the work already begun for the improvement of the navigation of the *Ecarte Chenal* at its confluence with Lake St. Clair?

Mr. *Béchar*d—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to have published in French the book intituled "*Laws and Orders in Council affecting the Inland Revenue of Canada, 1875*," which the Department of Inland Revenue has just published?

Mr. *Perry*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any correspondence has taken place between the Dominion Government and the Government of Prince Edward Island in reference to the award of the Commissioners appointed to value the lands of certain proprietors in Prince Edward Island in accordance with the Land Purchase Act, 1875?

Mr. *Dewdney*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any proposition has been received by the Dominion Government from a Private Company to construct the Nanaimo and Esquimalt Railway ; if so, what is the amount of money asked for per mile and do the Government propose to entertain the proposition?

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. A barrel of apples or other fruit shall, from and after the first day of July 1876 be held to mean a barrel of the following inside dimensions, that is to say : Diameter at each head seventeen inches, Diameter at midlength of the stave twenty inches, length between the heads twenty-six inches, or of such other dimensions as will give a capacity of not less than twenty-five gallons.
2. Every bargain for the sale and purchase of apples or other fruit by the barrel shall be for barrels of the above dimensions.
3. Any person who shall use for packing apples or other fruit, for sale, barrels of less dimensions or capacity than are herein stated, shall be guilty of an offence and shall for the first offence incur a penalty of five dollars for every barrel so used and a penalty of double the amount for every subsequent offence.
4. All such forfeitures and penalties shall be imposed and appropriated in the same manner as forfeitures and penalties are recoverable and appropriated under the Weights and Measures Act of 1873.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Wednesday next—Bill to amend "*The Dominion Elections Act, 1874*," and to declare ineligible for election to the House of Commons, all persons disqualified for election to the Local Legislatures.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of copies of the contracts for the conveyance of Mails between Wallace in the County of Cumberland and Greenville Station on the Inter-colonial Railway supplying the several way offices at Wallace Bridge, Six mile road, Wallace River, Henderson Settlement, Streets Bridge, Middleboro, and Head of Wallace Bay, to 1st November last when the delivery for these offices was changed to Wentworth Station, with the contract for the latter service and the amount paid therefor; also a statement of the new services now required to supply the before mentioned offices and the cost thereof with the tenders received therefor and all correspondence and communications with the Post Office Department connected therewith.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a return of a copy of the contract recently made for the conveyance of the Mail between Wallace and Malagash, in the County of Cumberland, with the tenders received therefor and the notices calling for such service specifying when and where such notices were posted and also a statement of the amount previously paid for the same service.

Mr. *Desjardins*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for correspondence, petitions and complaints relating to the Postal Service in the following localities in the County of Hochelaga: Hochelaga, Cote Visitation, Coteau St. Louis, St. Jean Baptiste Village, Notre Dame de Grace, Town of St. Henri, Cote St. Paul and St. Gabriel Farm, with copies of any departmental orders relating to the same.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to give to one of their Engineers the instructions which they gave last Spring to Mr. *Symmes*, respecting the works required to be executed in order to improve the navigation in that part of the River Saguenay, called "*Bras de Chicoutimi*,"—inasmuch as Mr. *Symmes* died before being able to carry out these instructions?

Mr. *Cimon*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for  
1st. Copies of the instructions given to *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière*, Esquire, Physician, of Malbaie, to go and vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the St. Lawrence, in the County of Saguenay, during the year 1875;

2nd. Reports and accounts, produced by the said *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière*, Esquire, in this matter, and all correspondence between him and the Government respecting these accounts;

3rd. A statement of the sums of money paid by the Government to the said *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière* as such vaccinating Physician.

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## PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

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The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Monday, 13th March instant :—

*Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:*

- No. 21. To amend the Acts respecting the Citizens' Insurance and Investment Company.
- No. 28. Respecting "The Mechanics' Bank."

*Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines:*

- No. 32. Respecting the Capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities.

*Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:*

- No. 23. To amend the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 111, intituled "An Act respecting the Mail Printing and Publishing Company (Limited)."

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1876.

Six Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :

Of the Reverend *V. N. Vignulle*, and others, of the society of Brothers of the Christian Schools in Canada; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of Brothers of the Christian Schools in Canada.

Of *R. A. R. Hubert*, President and others, Provisional Directors of *La Banque St. Jean Baptiste*; praying that the time limited for obtaining the Certificate of the Treasury Board, required by their Act of Incorporation, may be extended to one year.

Of the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company (Limited); praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and the several Acts amending the same.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz :—

Of *R. L. Denison*, and others, Member of the Committee appointed by the private Shareholders of the Northern Railway Company of Canada; for the passing of an Act granting to the Shareholders of the said Company an extension of time to enable them to raise sufficient money to pay off the Government Lien, and to carry out certain improvements on their Railway; and also for power to elect from among themselves a proper representation upon the Board of Directors of the said Company,—Of the Commercial Travellers Association of Canada; for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation,—Of the British Canadian Loan and Trust Company; for an Act of incorporation,—Of the Canada Southern Railway Company; for an Act empowering them to issue Preference Debenture Stock in the manner for the respective amounts and purposes, and with the priorities of charges and of payment of Dividends, as set forth in their Petition,—and of the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company; praying that their works known as Melons Chenal Boom and Allumette Boom, may be authorized and confirmed and that they may be empowered to levy tolls for Boom working expenses, as well as for the use of their works, with a right of lien and sale; and to extend the power of selection of ten points for new works for five years.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Toronto Centre) introduced a Bill (No. 46) to incorporate "The British Canadian Investment Company."—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Bourassa* introduced a Bill (No. 47) to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Cameron* (Victoria, Ont.) introduced a Bill (No. 48) to incorporate the National Loan and Life Assurance Company of Canada.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin) introduced a Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act to incorporate "The Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada."—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *White* (Renfrew) introduced a Bill (No. 50) to extend the Act of last Session, intituled: "An Act relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company."—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 7) respecting the North West Territories, and to create a separate Territory out of part thereof, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 5) to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats and Molestations, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 6) to make further provision for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of Investments in London, June 15th, 1875.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, the Order of The House of yesterday, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 45) to incorporate "The Chartered Bank of London and North America," was discharged and the Bill withdrawn.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply."

Mr. *Workman* moved in amendment, to leave out all the words after "That," and insert the following in lieu thereof:—"This House deeply regrets, that the Government has not proposed to Parliament a policy of increased protection to our various and important manufacturing industries. The large amount of Capital now invested therein, and their present depressed condition rendering such a policy necessary, to restore them to a condition of prosperity."

And a Debate arising thereon;—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Wednesday, 8th March, 1876.

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Domville,	Lanthier,	Pinsonneault,
Benoit,	Dugas,	Little,	Platt,
Blain,	Farrow,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Plumb,
Blanchet,	Ferguson,	Macdonald ( <i>Kingston</i> ),	Pope,
Bowell,	Flesher,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Robinson,
Brooks,	Fraser,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Robitaille,
Brouse,	Gaudet,	McDougall ( <i>Three Rivers</i> ),	Rouleau,
Brown,	Gill,	Macmillan,	Stephenson,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Haggart,	McCallum,	Tupper,
Caron,	Harwood,	McQuade,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cimon,	Hurteau,	Masson,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Colby,	Irving,	Mitchell,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Cuthbert,	Jetté,	Monteith,	Wood,
DeCosmos,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Montplaisir,	Workman,
Desjardins,	Kirkpatrick,	Mousseau,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ),
Devlin,	Langevin,	Palmer,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ).—64.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Church,	Huntington,	Pozer,
Archibald,	Cockburn,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Ray,
Aylmer,	Coffin,	Kerr,	Richard,
Bain,	Cook,	Killam,	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Bannatyne,	Costigan,	Kirk,	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Barthe,	Coupal,	Laffamme,	Ryan,
Béchar,	Cunningham,	Laird,	Rymal,
Bernier,	Davies,	Lajoie,	Scatcherd,
Bertram,	Dawson,	Landerkin,	Sriver,
Biggar,	Delorme,	Langlois,	Shibley,

Blake,  
Borden,  
Borron,  
Bourassa,  
Bowman,  
Boyer,  
Buell,  
Bunster,  
Burk,  
Burpee (*St. John*),  
Burpee (*Sunbury*),  
Cameron (*Ontario*),  
Carmichael,  
Cartwright,  
Casey,  
Casgrain,  
Cauchon,  
Charlton,  
Cheval,  
Christie,

De St. Georges,  
DeVeber,  
Dymond,  
Ferris,  
Fiset,  
Fleming,  
Flynn,  
Forbes,  
Fréchette,  
Galbraith,  
Gibson,  
Gillies,  
Gillmor,  
Gordon,  
Goudge,  
Greenway,  
Hagar,  
Higinbotham,  
Holton,  
Horton,

Laurier,  
Macdonnell (*Inverness*),  
MacDougall (*Elgin*),  
MacKay (*Cape Breton*)  
Mackenzie,  
McCraney,  
McGregor,  
McIntyre,  
McIsaac,  
McLeod,  
McNab,  
Metcalf,  
Mills,  
Norris,  
Oliver,  
Paterson,  
Pelletier,  
Perry,  
Pettes,  
Pickard,

Short,  
Sinclair,  
Skinner,  
Smith (*Peel*),  
Smith (*Selkirk*),  
Smith (*Westmoreland*),  
Snider,  
Stirton,  
St. Jean,  
Taschereau,  
Thibaudeau,  
Thompson (*Haldimand*),  
Thomson (*Welland*),  
Tremaine,  
Trow,  
Vail,  
Wallace (*Albert*),  
Yeo,  
Young.—119.

The main motion was then agreed to, and The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

4. To defray the salaries of the Department of Justice..... \$16,200 00

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1.20 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Masson*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of all Correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the Province of Quebec relating to an exchange of the property called “Vieux Chateau St. Louis” in the City of Quebec, for that of Hospital and Officers’ Quarters in St. Louis Street of the said City, together with all Orders in Council relating to the same.

Mr. *Langlois*—On Thursday next—BILL to prevent the ice bridge between Quebec and Lévis from being broken up or destroyed.

Mr. *Langlois*—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution :—  
That a penalty of \$500 be imposed upon every person who shall break up and destroy the ice bridge between Quebec and Lévis.

Mr. *Macdonnell* (Inverness)—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the number of dismissals and voluntary resignations of Postmasters ; also shewing number and extent of defalcations in connection with the Post Offices in the Dominion during the last year.

Mr. *Domville*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all papers and correspondence in connection with payments made to *J. G. B. McCready* and others in King’s County, for alleged damage sustained from the Intercolonial Railroad from fire and other causes.

Mr. *McKay*—(Colchester)—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Tenders received for the erection of the Passenger Station at Halifax ; all correspondence relative to said tenders ; to any change in plans and specifications before or after such tenders were received ; to whom awarded and amount of such contract as awarded.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a copy of any new contract or instructions given to *F. Barnard*, Esquire, in relation to the Telegraph Line in connection with the Pacific Railway line and especially with that portion of the line which goes through “*Tête Jaune Cache*.”

Mr. *Rouleau*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to alter the conditions of the contract for carrying the Mail between St. Anselme and St. Malachie, County of Dorchester, so as to provide that the St. Claire and St. Malachie mails may be received on the same day that they reach St. Anselme ?

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government is aware of certain appointments made by the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, since the year 1869, of District and County Court Judges, having jurisdiction, without appeal, in civil and criminal cases, in the said Province, under the name of “District Magistrates ;” and whether such appointments have not been made in violation of the provisions of “The British North America Act of 1867,” and in usurpation of the powers exclusively reserved to the Governor General of Canada, by the said Act ?

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Local Government of the Province of Quebec, in relation to the appointment by the Lieutenant-Governor of the said Province in Council, of certain District and County Court Judges, having jurisdiction without appeal, in civil and criminal matters, under the name of “District Magistrates ?”

Mr. *Flynn*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send a dredge boat during the coming summer to deepen the entrance of Fourchi Harbor ?

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled “An Act to make other provisions as to the law for the more speedy trial in certain cases of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec .”

Mr. *Pelletier*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to change the system of Military Exercises ; and whether the formation of Camps in each Military District is to be continued ?

Mr. *Cunningham*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint a County Court Judge for the District of New Westminster, British Columbia ; and if so, when is the appointment to be made ?

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Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the contract for the cages and frames for the Canadian Department of the Centennial Exhibition was given out by Tenders or by private arrangement; if the former who was the successful competitor, and if the latter with whom was the arrangement made?

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution :—  
That it is expedient to provide that the Acts respecting Dominion Notes shall extend to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Manitoba respectively, and that said Notes be a legal tender in the said Provinces as in the other Provinces of the Dominion.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all papers and correspondence between any Individual and any Department of the Government in relation to the "*Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Clinton*," or between any officer of the said Company and the Government; also a copy of the License, if any, issued by the Government to the said Company with a statement of the amount of deposit, if any, lodged by the said Company with the Government and whether the same is available to the Creditors of the said Company for the liabilities of the said Company; also a statement as to whether the said Company have complied with the requirements of the Law in relation to Insurance Companies.

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No. 18.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1876.

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**  
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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1876.

Two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *Robert Cassells* and others, Provisional Directors of the Bank of the United Provinces; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Bank to that of the London and Canada Bank, and for other purposes.

Of *James G. Ross* and others, of the City of Quebec; praying that Life Insurance policies may be made unforfeitable by law, and that on a cessation of payment of premium the insured shall be entitled to a proportional paid up policy, or remuneration in money.

Mr. *Baby* introduced a Bill (No. 51) to amend the Criminal Law respecting offences against the person.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Oliver* introduced a Bill (No. 52) to empower the Canada Southern Railway Company to issue preference Stock.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Taschereau* introduced a Bill (No. 53) to amend *The Dominion Elections Act, 1874*, and to declare ineligible for election to the House of Commons all persons disqualified for election to the Local Legislature.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Workman* introduced a Bill (No. 54) to incorporate the Atlantic and Pacific Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Mackenzie* introduced a Bill (No. 55) respecting the Intercolonial Railway.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return of the number of suits instituted before the Supreme Court; and of the number of Judgments rendered by the said Court.

Mr. *Oliver* moved that it *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement showing the amount of loss to the Post Office Department by sending Petitions and Addresses to the Legislatures of Ontario and Quebec, or any branch thereof, and also Votes and Proceedings and other papers printed by order of the said Legislatures or any branch thereof, sent free of postage during their last Session.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton), it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return in detail of all the monies received, with the Returns thereof, made to the Government by Mr. *Henry Mitchell*, Harbour Master of the Port of Glace Bay, in Cape Breton, stating the time when such Returns were made, and monies received; also copies of all instructions to said Officer with the amount of salary he receives, and stating whether the same is payable out of fees, or by fixed salary.

On motion of Mr. *Farrow*, a Select Committee was appointed, to enquire into the Salt Interests of this Country; with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that five Members do form a Quorum; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Farrow* (Monteith), *Trow*, *Horton*, *Orton*, *Killam*, *Greenway*, *Higinbotham*, *Paterson*, *Domville*, and *McCallum*.

On motion of Mr. *Brouse*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return of the names of occupiers or holders of land on the Islands of the St. Lawrence, between Brockville and Gananoque, called the "Thousand Isles"; the number in each holding; and the value and appraisalment of each holding.

On motion of Mr. *De Cosmos*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return shewing the tenders received in 1875 for the conveyance of the Mails between Victoria and San Francisco, with a copy of any correspondence respecting the said tenders and Mail service generally; also a copy of the contract for the performance of the said service.

Also,—for a copy of all correspondence or reports in the possession of the Government respecting the loss of the Steamship "*Pacific*."

And also,—for a Return shewing the respective sums paid in 1875-76 for transporting freight and passengers, in British Columbia, belonging to the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey—the said Return showing the rate per pound for freight, whether packed or waggoned, the distance carried and where carried; also the fare for each passenger, the distance carried and where carried; and also shewing the persons other than Indians, to whom the same may have been paid; also copies of any tenders and calls for tenders for transporting the said freight and passengers; also copies of any Departmental instructions issued to the Paymaster or Chief Engineer in charge of the Western Division of the C P R R, or any correspondence respecting the giving of the said freight and passengers to any one or more persons.

On motion of Mr. *Thomson* (Welland), it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer for a complete statement of all the duties levied on Locomotives or parts thereof since 1st July 1867, with the names of the importers, and also a statement showing what remissions or refunds of duties have been made on Locomotives or parts thereof up to the date of the Returns already before Parliament.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton), moved, that it be *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of all correspondence relating to the dismissal of Mr. *McDougall*, Postmaster at Christmas Island, Cape Breton.

And a Debate arising thereon,—at 6 o'clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven P. M.

7:30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The following Bills were severally read a second time, and referred as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:

No. 26. To enable the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company to obtain an extension of Patent, known as "*Rödden's* Improved Capped Ferrule or Socket."

No. 43. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 93, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company."

*To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce :*

- No. 27. To incorporate "The Scottish Canadian Loan Company."  
 No. 34. To incorporate the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada.  
 No. 36. To authorize the Shareholders of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society.  
 No. 38. To amend the Act incorporating "The Canada Shipping Company."  
 No. 41. To grant to the Canada Landed Company enlarged powers of borrowing and lending; and for other purposes therein mentioned.

*To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines :*

- No. 33. To extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway; and for other purposes.  
 No. 35. To extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Canada and Detroit River Bridge; and for other purposes.  
 No. 40. To amend the Act, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company."

(*Public Bills and Orders.*)

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Orton*, and which motion was—"That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *McGregor*, *Wallace* (Norfolk), *Stephenson*, *Ferguson*, *Biggar*, *Harwood*, *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Monteith*, *Burk*, *Montplaisir*, *McQuade*, *Cunningham*, *Farrow*, *Coupal*, and the mover."

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that the name of Mr. *Burpee* Sanbury, be substituted in the room of Mr. *Ferguson*,—Mr. *Ray* in the room of Mr. *Monteith*,—and Mr. *Sinclair* in the room of Mr. *McQuade*; which was agreed to.

The main motion was then agreed to, as amended, and the said Committee appointed accordingly.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Cook*, that the Bill (No. 16) to provide for the examination and licensing of persons employed as Engineers, elsewhere than on Steamboats, be now read the second time.

After some further Debate thereon,—Mr. Speaker ruled, that the motion was out of Order, on the ground that the Bill related to trade, and should have originated by Resolutions in Committee of the Whole; and that it also imposed fines and penalties, and exacted a fee, which could only be done with consent of the Crown.

The said Order was then discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell) moved that the Bill (No. 10) to amend the Law relating to Criminal Procedure, be now read the second time.

And a Debate arising thereon,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Thursday, 9th March, 1876.

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and the Bill accordingly read the second time.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell) the said Bill was then referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Cameron* (Cardwell), *Baby*, *Irvine*, *Laflamme*, *MacDonnell* (Inverness), *Palmer* and *Scatcherd*.

Mr. *Burpee* presented,—Return to Address of the 23rd ult., for all correspondence respecting the non-admission of Fish Oils, and Fish of all kinds, the produce of the Province of British Columbia, into the United States, free of duty, under the Treaty of Washington, of 8th May, 1871.

Also,—Return to Address of the 24th ult., for a Return of the number of tons of coal imported into Canada during the past year from the United States; and for the correspondence between the Canadian and the United States Governments regarding the renewal by the latter, of the duty imposed on coal, exported from Canada to the United States.

Also,—Return to Address of the 15th ult. for: 1st. Copies of the Order in Council or other document fixing the salary of *Damase Hudon* Esquire, Deputy Collector of Customs at Chicoutimi; and  
 2nd. A statement showing the several amounts collected by the said *Damase Hudon*, Esquire, in his said capacity, from the 1st May 1875 to the 1st November 1875, and the amounts paid in by him in consequence.

Also,—Return to Address of the 23rd ult.; for all Orders and Minutes of Council, papers and correspondence with the Imperial Government relating to the introduction and passage through the Imperial Parliament of an Act chaptered 38 *Victoria* 38 and 39, intituled "An Act to remove certain doubts with respect to the Parliament of Canada under Section 18 of the British North America Act 1867."

And also,—Copy of Supplementary documents connected with a Return laid before The House on Tuesday, the 6th April, 1875, *in re* duties refunded to Great Western Railway Company, with Index for guidance of Printer, as to the manner of printing the same.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for the Returns showing the names of the valuator employed on the Intercolonial Railway, in the counties of Temiscouata and Rimouski, for the purchase of lands, the valuation of damages, &c., the period of time during which each such valuator was employed and the salary paid in each case;

Also a list of all claims filed with the Government for damages caused by the expropriation of lands or the passing of the line of Railway through the said counties; the amount allowed by the valuator on each of the said claims, with the names of those who accepted the offer made to them and the names of those who refused.

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk)—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence with the Postmaster General or with the Department in reference to charges preferred against the Postmaster at Bloomsbury in the County of Norfolk; also for the evidence taken by the Inspector who investigated the charges, together with his report thereon.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all papers, correspondence and communications between the Government of Canada and the Collector of Customs at the Port of Quebec, or any other person, in relation to a violation of an Act intituled "An Act respecting Deck Loads," 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 56, by the Barque "*N. Churchill*;" also any communication between the Port Warden of the Port of Quebec and the Commissioner of Customs of said Port in relation to said violation; also the official record of any investigation had by the said Collector of Customs and the steps taken to verify the truth of the charges of said violation of said Law; also a statement of any steps taken by the said Collector or other officer of Government in verifying the truth of the charges of violation of said Law; also copies of any certificates furnished by the officers of Customs, if any, and required by sections 5, 6 and 7 of said Act before clearance of any vessel; also copies of any proceedings or record of Judgment had against the master of said vessel for any violation of said Law.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copy of statement shewing the debt, &c., of Canada, issued in London on 19th October 1875, by the Hon. the Finance Minister on the occasion of placing the last loan on the English Market.

Mr. *Robillard*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether *Athanase Branchard*, Esquire, Advocate, of Montreal, has ever paid into the hands of the Receiver General a sum of \$619.68, which the said *A. Branchard* received from the Sheriff of Beauharnois, on the 4th January, 1868, being the amount for which Her Majesty was collocated in a case numbered 269, in the Superior Court, Beauharnois, in which the Right Honorable *Edward Ellice* was Prosecutor, and *W. A. N. Noël*, and others Defendants, under a Power of Attorney to him, dated 1st July, 1867; what steps have been taken to compel the said *Branchard* to reimburse the said sum; and if the said sum has not yet been reimbursed, what is the reason of the delay?

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of the names of all vessels from which Harbour Masters fees were collected for the year ending December 31st 1875 at the Port of Little Glace Bay N. S., and the amount of fees collected for each vessel respectively by the Harbour Master, and the date at which each fee was collected.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to provide funds for building a Breakwater at the Port of Main-à-Dieu, N. S., this year?

Mr. *Pelletier*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to extend the system of free delivery of letters to St. Sauveur, one of the suburbs of the City of Quebec?

## PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

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The following "Bills" were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Wednesday, the fifteenth March, instant:

*Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:*

- No. 27. To incorporate "The Scottish Canadian Loan Company."
- No. 34. To incorporate the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada.
- No. 36. To authorize the Shareholders of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society to change the name of the said Society.
- No. 38. To amend the Act incorporating "The Canada Shipping Company."
- No. 41. To grant to the Canada Landed Credit Company enlarged powers of borrowing and lending; and for other purposes therein mentioned.

*Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines:*

- No. 33. To extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Great Western and Lake Shore Junction Railway; and for other purposes.
- No. 35. To extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Canada and Detroit River Bridge; and for other purposes.
- No. 40. To amend the Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company."

*Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:*

- No. 26. To enable the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company to obtain an extension of Patent known as "Rodden's Improved Capped Ferrule or Socket."
  - No. 43. To amend the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 93, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company."
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No. 19.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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Ten Petitions were brought up, and laid on thé Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *François Pouliot*, Mayor, and others of St. Michel County of Bellechasse; praying for the establishment of a system of Marine Telegraphs on the shores and principal islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the same be extended to the shores of the Maritime Provinces.

Of the St. Lawrence Bank; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Bank to that of the Standard Bank of Canada, and to make further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Edward C. Jones* of the City of Toronto and *William Chaplin* of the City of St. Catharines; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the renewal and extension of certain Letters Patent to them, and the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company, for an improvement known as *Rodden's* improved Capped Ferrule or Socket.

Of the Hamilton Board of Trade; praying that such changes may be made in the Tariff, as will afford protection to the Manufacturing interests of the Dominion.

Of *Philip Loggie* and others, Fishermen and others of Miramichi, New Brunswick; praying that the recent Fishery regulations imposing a tax upon Salmon and Bass be repealed, and that the rights of the Fishermen be maintained.

Of *Herbert Bell*, P.L.S. and others of Prince Edward Island; praying for certain Amendments to the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories in so far as relates to the establishment of Separate Schools in the said Territories.

Mr. *Mackenzie* delivered a Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

*DUFFERIN.*

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, certain correspondence, having reference to the inadequacy of the existing Extradition Treaty between Great Britain and the United States.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 8th March, 1876.

Mr. *Tupper*, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Return to an Address of the 21st ult.; for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Hon. *Ambrose Shea*, respecting a claim in connection with a supply of labor for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, presented a Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee after careful consideration of the correspondence and after hearing the testimony of the Hon. *Ambrose Shea* and the Right Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, have unanimously arrived at the conclusion that the statements made in Mr. *Shea's* memorial are substantially correct, and that he has a just claim for the re-payment of the amount actually expended by him (and still unpaid) in procuring laborers in Newfoundland, and sending them to work on the Intercolonial Railway.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Report of the Postmaster General, for the year ending, 30th June, 1875, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Colby* introduced a Bill (No. 56) to enable *Ozro Morrill* to obtain a Patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttlers.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 57) to make other provisions as to the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanor in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Rouleau*, an Address was voted His Excellency for 1st. A list of all the employés, whether permanent or temporary, of the following Public Departments at Ottawa:—Public Works, Receiver General, Finance, Post Office, Militia, Customs, Inland Revenue, Secretary of State, Marine and Fisheries, Justice, Interior, Agriculture and Statistics,—shewing the salary of each of such employés;

2nd. A statement shewing the *bonus* granted to each of the employés above named, for the fiscal year ending, 30th June, 1875, and what portion of the sum voted for that purpose, during the last Session of this Parliament, has been thus distributed among such employés;

3rd. Copies of all Orders in Council, Reports or Documents granting such *bonus* to each of the said employés; and shewing upon what basis such *bonus* was distributed among them.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon* it was

*Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officers, for Copies of the following documents, relating to the undertaking and construction by Messrs. *Piton & Co.*, Contractors, of certain buildings for the Dominion Government at Grosse Isle, namely:

1. Correspondence between *Piton & Co.*, and the Department of Public Works;
2. Reports of Messrs. *Lepage, Scott, Peachy*, and *Gawreau*, Architects and Civil Engineers, and correspondence of these gentlemen with one another, and with the Department of Public Works;
3. Reports of Mr. *Scott* after his visit to the locality, and Reports of the same on the several Reports referred to him;
4. Reports of *J. B. St. Michel* to M. *Lepage*;
5. Accounts of *Piton & Co.* transmitted to the Department of Public Works;
6. A detailed statement of sums paid by the Department of Public Works, to *Piton & Co.*

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille*, a Select Committee was appointed, to inquire into the possibility of establishing a Submarine Telegraph system, and in the advantage and necessity of such a system of Telegraphy in the waters of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence, and the waters forming the approaches to the Gulf; to be composed of Messrs. *Robitaille, Mitchell, Langevin, Short, Ray, Blain, Smith* (Selkirk), *Jones* (Halifax), *Workman, Caron, Archibald*, and *Cher'ton*.

On motion of Mr. *Fréchette*, a Select Committee was appointed to take into consideration the possibility of navigating the River and Gulf St. Lawrence during the winter season, so as to yield profitable results; with power of summoning witnesses and collecting evidence; to be composed of Messrs. *Fréchette, Thibaudeau, Goudge, Robitaille, Davies, Macdougall* (Elgin), *Pelletier, Perry, Yeo, Lanjouis*, and *Fiset*.

7,30 P. M.

(The Order for Public Bills and Orders was called under Rule 19.)

The House resumed the further consideration of the proposed motion of Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton), that it be *Resolved*, That an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of all correspondence relating to the dismissal of Mr. *McDougall*, Postmaster at Christmas Island, Cape Breton.

And a Debate arising;

Mr. *Jones* (Halifax) moved, that The House do now adjourn.

And a Debate arising on Mr. *Jones's* motion,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn. The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to, and ordered accordingly.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Flynn*, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for a copy of the Report and Plan made by Mr. *Perley* in the summer of 1873, for the enlargement of *St. Peter's Canal*; with all subsequent Reports, Orders in Council, advertisements, tenders and contracts appertaining to that work.

And a further Debate arising,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, adjourned.

The following Bills were severally read a second time, and referred as follows:—

*To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:*

No. 39. To incorporate "The Trust Company of Canada."

No. 48. To incorporate the National Loan and Life Assurance Company of Canada.

*To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines:*

No. 42. To incorporate "The Royal Albert Bridge Company."

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, The House went into Committee, to consider a certain Resolution respecting Dominion Notes to extend to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Manitoba.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Acts respecting Dominion Notes shall extend to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Manitoba respectively, and that said Notes be a legal tender in the said Provinces as in the other Provinces of the Dominion.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Cartwright* then introduced a Bill (No. 58) to extend the Acts respecting Dominion Notes to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia, and Manitoba.—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 22) to provide for the salaries of the County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia; and for other purposes, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 24) to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court, and the Exchequer Court of Canada, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution respecting the Canada Civil Service Act, 1868, and Acts amending the same.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the provisions of the Canada Civil Service Act, 1868, and any Acts amending the same, and of the "Act for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein in certain cases," and any Acts amending the same, shall extend and apply to the Officers, Clerks and Servants of the Supreme Court of Canada and of Exchequer Court of Canada, at the seat of Government.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 24) to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court, and Exchequer Court of Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Laird*, The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution respecting Weights and Measures.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to extend the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 47 respecting Weights and Measures, and the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 36 respecting the marking of casks containing merchantable liquids with their respective capacity, and the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 48 to provide for the inspection of Gas and Gas Meters, to the Province of Prince Edward Island, including in such extension the powers given to the Governor in Council to make Tariffs of fees for services performed in carrying the said Acts into effect; and to repeal such Acts of the Legislature of the said Province as may be inconsistent with the said Acts.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Laird* then introduced a Bill (No. 59) to extend the Acts therein mentioned, respecting Weights and Measures, and the Inspection of Gas and Gas Meters to Prince Edward Island.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution respecting the payment of a Grant to the Province of Manitoba.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

*Resolved*, That under the circumstances appearing in the Minute of Council of 26th October 1875, upon the finances of the Province of Manitoba, laid before the House, it is expedient that Canada should pay as a temporary annual grant to that Province the sum of \$26,746.96 yearly by semi-annual instalments, being the amount necessary in order to raise its revenue derivable from Canada to \$90,000. Such grant to commence from the 1st day of July, 1875, and to continue until the close of the year 1881.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Mackenzie* then introduced a Bill (No. 60) to provide for the payment of a Grant to the Province of Manitoba.—Second reading to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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*Mr. Costigan*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint a “Resident Indian Commissioner” at “Tobique,” New Brunswick, in accordance with the wish of those interested in the Indian Reserve at that place; and in order to reduce the cost of managing the affairs of said Reserve?

*Mr. Smith (Peel)*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of all correspondence between the Government and the Vine Growers’ Association of Canada, in relation to any infraction by said Company of the Revenue Laws of the Dominion since 1870; also a return of the quantity of wine and brandy manufactured by said Association since that period, and the amount of excise or any other duties paid thereon.

*Mr. Dewdney*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Honorable Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the Agent of that Department in Victoria, or any other parties, in reference to a complaint made from the Canadian Pacific Railway Office, Victoria, shewing the inconvenience occasioned by the Government Steamer “Sir James Douglas,” being allowed to carry passengers when engaged in Government service transporting survey parties.

*Mr. Blanchet*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to give three mails per week to St. Cajetan d’Armagh and to St. Magloire, in the County of Bellechasse?

*Mr. Rouleau*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What are the reasons why the writ of Election for Dorchester was not issued until several months after the judgment amending the election, which took place in 1874.

*Mr. Cunningham*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and British Columbia Governments with reference to the appointments of a County Court Judge for New Westminster, British Columbia.

*Mr. Costigan*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any instructions given to the Inspector of Post Offices in New-Brunswick; of any instructions sent by that Inspector to the Post Master of Grand Falls, N. B. and of any report of the aforesaid Inspector relative to the granting of Money Orders by the Post Master of Edmondston, N. B., for which he accepted private scrip issued by Messrs. *E. D. Jewitt & Co.*, St. John, N. B., drawn by them on *Jewitt & Pitcher*, Bankers, Boston, for one dollar, two dollars and upwards.

*Mr. Bunster*—On Monday next—That owing to the location survey having been made on Vancouver’s Island, B. C., for the Rail Road from Esquimalt to Nanaimo, the Government are enable to select their lands according to the Carnarvon terms which have been agreed to on the part of this Government and the Government of British Columbia, it is very desirable that the Dominion Government should at once take steps to have the Dominion Lands of the Island sold and that the Government instruct their agent in the Province to dispose of them to intending settlers and purchasers with the utmost facility.

*Mr. Vail*—On Monday next—BILL to amend the Acts respecting the Militia and the Defence of Canada—

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## PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Thursday, the Sixteenth March, instant:

*Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:*

No. 39. To incorporate "The Trust Company of Canada."

No. 48. To incorporate the National Loan and Life Assurance Company of Canada.

*Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines:*

No. 42. To incorporate "The Royal Albert Bridge Company."

No. 20.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

3rd Session, 3rd Parliament, 39 Victoria, 1876.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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Twelve Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catharines; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society, to that of the Security Loan and Savings Company.

Of the County Council of the County of Ontario; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz. : Of *Robert Cassels* and others Provisional Directors of the Bank of the United Provinces; for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Bank, to that of the London and Canada Bank; and for other purposes,—Of *R. A. R. Hubert*, President and others, Provisional Directors of La Banque St. Jean Baptiste; praying that the time limited for obtaining the certificate of the Treasury Board, required by their Act of incorporation, may be extended to one year,—Of the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company (Limited); for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation, and to several Acts amending the same,—Of the St. Lawrence Bank; for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Bank, to that of the Standard Bank of Canada; and to make further amendments to their Act of incorporation,—Of the Reverend *N. Vigneulle*, and others, of the Society of the Brothers of the Christian Schools in Canada; for an Act of incorporation under the name of "Brothers of the Christian Schools in Canada,—Of *James Domville*, M.P. of the City of Saint John, New Brunswick, Merchant, and others; for incorporation of the Chartered Bank of London and North America,—Of the Canada Southern Bridge Company; for an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their Bridge, and other works; and for other purposes.

On the Petition of the Honorable *M. C. Cameron*, and others of the City of Toronto; for an Act of incorporation, under the name of "The National Trust and Investment Company of Toronto (Limited);" the Committee find that notice was first published of an application to the Local Legislature of the Province of Ontario, through misapprehension; and the notice of application to the Dominion Parliament did not appear until the end of January in the *Canada Gazette*, but that in the local paper it has been given for the full time required by the Rule. The Committee therefore beg to recommend that the notice be deemed sufficient.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the First Report of the said Committee, reporting the two following Bills, *with amendments, viz. :—*

No. 25. Further to amend "The St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Act."

No. 9. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 42, respecting the transportation of cattle by Railway, or other mode of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille*, the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the possibility of establishing a Submarine Telegraph system, and into the advantage and necessity of such a system of Telegraphy in the waters of the Gulf and the River St. Lawrence, and the waters forming the approaches to the Gulf, obtained leave to report from time to time, with power to send for persons, and papers; and five Members to form a Quorum.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* introduced a Bill (No. 61) to amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 103, intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company (Limited)."—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Oliver* introduced a Bill (No. 62) respecting "The Canada Southern Bridge Company."—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Blain* introduced a Bill (No. 63) to incorporate "The National Trust and Investment Company of Canada (Limited)."—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Domville* introduced a Bill (No. 45) to incorporate "The Chartered Bank of London and North America."—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 6th instant; for copies of any correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of Canada through the British Minister at Washington and the United States Government, relating to the obstruction of the Navigation of Niagara River by the erection of an Inlet Pier, in mid channel of said River, for the Buffalo City Water Works, thereby causing a dangerous obstruction to the passage of vessels and rafts of timber.

The Bill (No. 14) to provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, The House went into Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of the necessary expenses of any enquiry under the last mentioned Bill (No. 14.)

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to order the payment of the necessary expenses of any enquiry under the Bill (No. 14) intituled: "An Act to provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons," and that every Commissioner not being a Judge shall be paid at the conclusion of the enquiry, besides his travelling and other expenses, such sum as shall be fixed by the Governor in Council; and that every Commissioner shall, after the making of the Report by the said Bill directed, lay before the Governor in Council a statement of the number of days he has been actually employed in the enquiry, together with an account of his travelling and other expenses; and that any payment by this Resolution authorized shall be made out of any money which may be provided by Parliament for the purposes of Commissions issued under the said Bill.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 14) to provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

The Bill (No. 29) to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Banks, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Laird*, The House went into Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions on the subject of Roads, and Road allowances in the Province of Manitoba.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That Roads, one chain and a half wide, be laid out in rear of the farms fronting on the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, between them and the "outer two miles" or "hay privilege" proposed to be granted to the owners of the said farms,—and between the lots in the said "outer two miles" and the sections or legal subdivisions of sections bounding the same,—and also at convenient distances between the lots Roads one chain wide in the "outer two miles," and running from front to rear thereof; and that for the land taken for such last-mentioned Roads, compensation may, in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior, be granted to the owners thereof by the issue of land-scrip to them at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents for each acre of such land.

2. *Resolved*, That the said Roads, and all Road Allowances on Block Lines surveyed in the Province of Manitoba, and in Townships surveyed and subdivided in the said Province, be transferred to the Province as the property thereof.

3. *Resolved*, That on the Government of Canada receiving notice, accompanied by sufficient plans and detailed descriptions of the public travelled Roads or trails through the settlements on the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, and of those commonly known as "The great highways of the Settlement Belt," existing within the present limits of the Province at the time of the transfer of the North-West Territories to Canada, the Governor in Council may transfer the same to the Province as the property thereof, subject to any rights acquired under any patents for lands crossed by such Roads, issued before such notice.  
Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Laird* then introduced a Bill (No. 64) respecting Roads and Road allowances in Manitoba.—Second reading on Monday next.

7:30 P. M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.*)

The Bill (No. 37) to amend the Act incorporating "Le Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That this House regrets that His Excellency the Governor General has not been advised to recommend to Parliament a measure for the readjustment of the Tariff, which would not only aid in alleviating the stagnation of business, deplored in the gracious speech from the Throne, but would also afford fitting encouragement and protection to the struggling manufactures and industries, as well as to the Agricultural products of the Country.

And a Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 11th March, 1876,

And the Debate still continuing, the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Fleming*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 1.20 A. M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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Mr. *Norris*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the United States in reference to the Regulations imposed compelling Foreign Vessels to call and report at Duncan City in the Straits of Mackinaw before being allowed to enter Lake Michigan; also in reference to the payment of Tonnage dues on all Foreign vessels in American Ports.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have entered into any engagement with any Person or Persons, Company or Companies, in the Province of New Brunswick, to supply them with Rails to promote the construction of Railways; and if so, what Railways and who are the parties and companies and what are the conditions of such arrangements?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the quantity of old Rails now on hand and in the possession of the Government and shewing whether the same are of such a character as to be made available for the ordering of the construction of Branch Lines.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada or any of their officers and any person or persons, company or companies in New Brunswick since the 1st day of January 1874, in relation to aid to be given to the construction of Railways in that Province by the supplying of Rails or other Plant or Rolling Stock for such proposed Railways.

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Monday next—That it is expedient to assimilate the Commercial Laws in force in the different Provinces of the Dominion, assimilating them at the same time as nearly as possible to those in force in Great Britain and the United States of America and to prepare on these bases a Commercial Code.

Mr. *Brouse*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Among the applicants for Pensions for services in the war of 1812 and 15 how many already were in possession of a Pension either by the British or Canadian Governments; also on what basis has a Pension been denied our Veterans who were in receipt of one for injuries received during the Canadian Rebellion of 1837 and 38?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to erect a Beacon or Light House at the mouth of the Red River known as Sloop Channel?

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend the Railway Act of 1868."

Mr. *Scatcherd*—When the Bill (No. 32) "An Act respecting the capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities" is taken into consideration by the Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines—the following amendments or additional sections be added thereto, that is to say:—

The Great Western Railway Company shall at all times receive and carry over that part of its line between the City of London and its junction with the London Huron and Bruce Railway cordwood or any wood for fuel at a rate not to exceed for dry wood two and one-half cents per mile per cord for all stations exceeding fifty miles, and at a rate not exceeding three cents per cord per mile for all stations under fifty miles, in full car loads, and for green wood at the rate of two and one-half cents per ton per mile—34 *Victoria*, chapter 42, Section 34, Ontario.

The Great Western Railway Company shall further at all times furnish every facility necessary for the free and unrestrained traffic in cordwood to as large an extent as in other freight over the said Railway between its junction with the London Huron and Bruce Railway and the City of London.—34 *Victoria*, Cap 72, Section 35, Ontario.

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## PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

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The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce* on or after Friday 17th March instant:—  
No. 37. To amend the Act incorporating "*Le Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada.*"

No. 21.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1876.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1876.

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Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Stockholders of the *Eastern Townships Bank*, on the 22nd ult,—and of the *Merchants' Bank of Halifax*, on the 3rd instant, under the provision of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Also,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Beauce*, *Chicoutimi*, *Saguenay*, and in the County of *Compton*, for the year 1875.

Eleven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.;

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Reverend *John M. Pike* and others; Of the Reverend *Charles Tupper, D.D.*, and others; Of the Reverend *W. L. Parker* and others; Of *Robert Dickson* and others; Of the Reverend *Job Shenton* and others; and of *John Mackinnon* and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories, may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of *Pierre Poulin* of the City of Ottawa, Province of Ontario, Trader; praying for an investigation into the conduct and acts of the Honourable *Aimé Lafontaine* Judge of the Superior Court in and for the District of Ottawa.

Of *Alexander Vidal*, President, and *Thomas Gales* and *James McCaul*, Secretaries, on behalf of the Temperance Convention held in the City of Montreal on the fifteenth day of September, 1875; and of the Municipal Council of the County of Lambton; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of Messrs. *H. McLean* and Company and others; Of *John Alexander*, and others; and of *E. V. Mosley*, and others, of Montreal; severally praying for certain Amendments to the Act to make better provision extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the Inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.

Of the Ottawa Gas Company; praying for the passing of an Act to amend their Acts of Incorporation, to confirm a certain Resolution of their shareholders, placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing; and to confirm amend and extend their corporate powers.

Of *William Thomson* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company, (Limited).

Of the British American Land Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to loan money and to stipulate for, and exact any rate of interest or discount on any contract or agreement whatsoever which may be agreed upon not exceeding eight per centum per annum within the Dominion of Canada.

Of the Reverend *L. Cameron* and others, Members of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, at Thamesford, Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of Messrs. *Baldwin* and *Maller* and others, of the County of Gloucester, Province of New Brunswick; praying that the recent Fishery regulations imposing a tax upon Salmon and Bass be repealed, and that a reasonable lease or license tax be substituted therefor.

Of the Dominion Millers' Association; praying that duties corresponding to those levied by the United States upon Agricultural produce grown or manufactured in Canada, may be imposed upon similar imports from the United States, and that a drawback may be allowed upon the export of foreign Grain when manufactured in Canada.

Of *C. W. Wetmore* and others of the City of Saint John, Province of New Brunswick; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Maritime Savings and Loan Society.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *John Grant* and others, of the County of Northumberland, Province of New Brunswick,—and the Petition of *Alexander Murdoch*, and others, of Lower Napan, Lower Chatham, and Point aux Car, County of Northumberland, Province of New Brunswick; severally praying that certain regulations may be enforced with regard to the Salmon fisheries of the *Miramichi*, and the fisheries off *Fox Island* and *Portage Island*, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided, "that in accordance with Rule 86, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners in the sheet containing the prayer of the Petition, and the sheets of the prayers on these Petitions not having any signature at all, they cannot be received."

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
13th March, 1876.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament beg leave to submit, as their Third Report, the Report of the Sub Committee appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, together with the Report of the Clerk of the Committee on the Printing Services of the past year, and "The Printing Account Balance Sheet," all of which they respectfully recommend to the consideration of both Houses.

Appended to the Report of the Sub Committee will also be found a Balance Sheet, shewing the cost of the several services in connection with the reporting and publishing the Debates of the House of Commons, submitted for the information of the Committee.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,  
Chairman.

#### REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
10th March, 1876.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, to whom was referred the Printing Accounts, together with the Balance Sheet, and the Clerk's Report on the Services of the past year, beg leave to report as follows:—

That they have carefully examined the Balance Sheet and having compared the sums entered on the Debtor side as the moneys received with the Certificate of the Auditor, &c., they found them correct; they also compared the sums entered on the Creditor side, the moneys expended, with the receipted accounts for the several services rendered, and found them also correct. The Printing Accounts were verified by a fyle of the documents printed during the year, each of which has its cost, in detail, endorsed upon it, a sufficient number of which Your Committee examined to satisfy themselves of their correctness.

A Balance Sheet showing the cost of the several services in connection with the reporting and publishing the Debates of the House of Commons, submitted for the information of Your Committee, is appended to this report.

The Sub-Committee would recommend that as the requisite accommodation for the storage of the printing paper has now been provided, the order of the Committee that at least six months supply be kept on hand to meet all contingencies, be rigidly enforced, and that if the contractor is unable or unwilling, at the season of the year most suitable for the proper manufacture of printing paper to make and furnish the above quantities, other means be taken to obtain the same.

With regard to the binding of the Sessional Papers during the past year, the Sub-Committee beg to express their approval of the work having been performed by Mr. *Mortimer*, as, in their opinion, the circumstances of the case, as well as the requirements of the Public Service, entirely justified and required the action taken, in carrying out the Resolution of the Committee passed on the 1st of April last, which ordered: "That if the parties to whom the Binding Contract had been awarded, were not prepared with a bindery and materials &c., to perform the work when required, it was to be offered to the next lowest tenderer."

The Sub-Committee having carefully examined into the expenditure for Printing Services up to the present time, find that it will be necessary to ask for a Supplementary Estimate for \$30,000,—this sum is required not only to finish the work of the present Session, but also to cover the deficiency of the past year, which should have been met by a Supplementary Estimate last Session as asked for by a Report of the Committee, it was not sent down, but the money required was advanced, and charged against the appropriation for the present year, thus making the present requirement appear large.

The sum placed in the Estimates for the year 1876-7 is larger than usual, but from the voluminous nature of the Reports &c., being laid before Parliament, which are being printed in full, the Sub-Committee do not deem it prudent to ask for less.

G. W. ROSS, *Chairman*.  
J. SIMPSON,  
A. W. McLELAN,  
JNO. P. LANTHIER,  
M. H. GOUDGE.

## BALANCE SHEET.

DEBATES HOUSE OF COMMONS, SESSION 1875.

## ENGLISH EDITION.

Dr.		\$	cts.			\$	cts.	Cr.	
1875.	To Cash.....	9,397	42	1875.	June 16. By Reporting, A. M. Burgess.....	\$5,000	00		
					22. By Printing Paper, James Barber....	1,076	75		
					23. By Printing, C. W. Mitchell.....	3,080	77		
					Oct. 16. By Binding, A. Mortimer.....	240	00		
		9,397	42		Total cost, English Edition .....			9,397	42

## FRENCH EDITION.

Dr.		\$	cts.			\$	cts.	Cr.	
1875.	To Cash.....	2,931	99	1875.	Sept. 25. By Translation, M. Lanctot .....	\$1,501	25		
					Oct. 9... By Printing Paper, James Barber...	103	70		
					Oct. 9... By Printing, MacLean & Roger.....	1,247	04		
					16... By Binding, A. Mortimer .....	80	00		
		2,931	99		Total cost, French Edition.....			2,931	99
		12,329	41		Total cost Debates English and French.....			12,329	41

## REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

10th February, 1876.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing:

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to present the Annual Balance Sheet for the Printing Services of Parliament for the year 1874-75 which shews the cost of those services to have been \$57,298.76. Accounts shewing the expenditure in detail, with fyles of the work performed, are ready to be submitted to the Audit Committee.

The total cost of the Official Publishing of the Debates of the House of Commons in the English and French languages, including the Reporting and Translating, was \$12,329.41.

Suitable accommodation has been provided under the New Library building for the storage and safe keeping of printed sheets and printing paper, thus enabling a sufficient supply of the latter always to be kept in stock to meet all probable contingencies.

A large Vault has also been fitted up for the safe keeping of the printed records and bound volumes,—these are now so classified and arranged as to be ready for immediate reference and use. This enables me to report the Department in a sound efficient state, and also that notwithstanding the increase in the labor year by year, as partially shewn by the Postage Account, which in 1870 amounted to \$423.47 and in 1875 had increased to \$1,886.09, the Department numerically and personally, is the same as when first organized, and that the Employés are able and willing still to perform all the necessary duties without assistance.



Dr. PARLIAMENTARY PRINTING ACCOUNT, Annual Balance Sheet from 1st July, 1874, to 30th June, 1875. Cr.

	\$ cts.	Vouchers No.	\$ cts.
1875. July 1.....			
To value of Paper on hand from last Session.....	1,595 34	1	
To amount of Warrants issued, Parliamentary Printing.....	63,000 00	2	
To amount of Warrants issued, Departmental Reports { 3,729 29 } 2,197 35 } 4,277 99 }	10,204 63	3	
To amount received for the Printing of Private Bills.....	476 73	4	
To amount received from Queen's Printer--for Printing Paper.....	169 50		
			\$ 75,446 20
By Printing, I. B. Taylor, balance of last account.....			\$ 6,233 21
By Printing, I. B. Taylor.....			23,699 81
By Printing, Maclean and Roger.....			\$12,594 39
Less retained as representing the 20 per cent....			2,518 88
By Binding.....			10,075 51
By Printing Paper.....			3,785 79
By Print. Paper on hand from last Session.....			\$17,422 25
By Print. Paper on hand from last Session.....			1,595 34
Total value of Paper on hand.....			\$19,017 59
Balance on hand for next Session.....			2,529 35
Total cost of paper used.....			16,488 24
By Balance due contractor on last account.....			2,567 29
By paper--Queen's Printer.....			212 52
By Insurance.....			90 00
By Salaries.....			2,487 50
By Postage.....			1,886 09
By Advertising.....			66 34
By Lithographing.....			312 50
By Miscellaneous.....			139 64
By Superannuation Fund.....			35 76
Total cost.....			\$ 67,980 12
By value of Paper on hand.....			2,529 35
By cash in hand.....			4,936 73
			\$ 75,446 20

Total cost, as above..... \$67,980 12  
 REFUNDS :--  
 Departmental Reports..... \$10,204 63  
 Private Bills..... 476 73  
 \$10,681 36

To Balance of Paper on hand :--  
 545 Reams of Royal, at \$3.05..... \$1,662 25  
 754 do Foolscap, at \$1.15..... 867 10  
 \$2,529 35

Total cost, Parliamentary Printing..... \$57,298 76

Numerically calculated, the cost for each House would stand thus :--  
 The Senate..... \$14,532 25  
 The House of Commons..... 42,766 51  
 \$57,298 76

COMMITTEE ROOM, July, 1875.  
 Audited and found correct.

GEO. W. ROSS, *Chairman*,  
 J. O. BUREAU,  
 J. P. LANTHIER,  
 M. H. GOUDGE,  
 J. SIMPSON,  
 A. W. MCLELAN,

HENRY HARTNEY, *Clerk*,  
 Department, Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Scatcherd*, the Petition of the Municipal Council of the City of London, presented this day, was read and received; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Great Western Railway Company of Canada, may not become Law, unless provision is made, binding the said Company to carry cordwood over that part of its line, which it makes use of, to connect the City of London with the London, Huron and Bruce Railway, on the same terms as are set forth in section 34 of the Act incorporating the London, Huron and Bruce Railway Company; the said Petition having reference to a Bill to be considered by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, *to-morrow*.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell) introduced a Bill (No. 65) to amend the Charter of the *St. Lawrence Bank*; and to change the name of the said Bank.—Second reading on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) the Second and Third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.

The Bill (No. 25) further to amend "The *St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Act*," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act to incorporate "The Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Bill (No. 52) to empower the Canada Southern Railway Company to issue Preference Stock, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Mr. *Forbes*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government, also between the Local Governments of the Maritime Provinces, and the Dominion Government, relating to Certificates of Service, granted by the Dominion to Captains in the Merchant Service, before 1871.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting their Honors to transmit to this House for its information, a copy of the Report made by a Select Committee of that House, during the last Session, appointed to enquire into all matters connected with the construction of Booms, Piers, and other works, on the Gatineau.

Mr. *Robillard* moved that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to go into Committee to consider a certain Resolution on the subject of Wharfage dues to be levied on vessels, etc., etc.

Whereupon Mr. *Mackenzie* rose in his place, and informed The House, that His Excellency having been made acquainted with the subject matter of the said Resolution, gave his consent thereto.

Mr. *Robillard's* motion was then agreed to, and The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that each and every person who may have constructed or may be in possession of a wharf on any navigable water in Canada, such wharf not being within the limits assigned by competent authority to any Corporation of Harbor Commissioners, so long as the said wharf shall be maintained in good repair and fit for public use, may levy on vessels moored to such wharf and upon all goods landed or shipped or deposited thereon (except arms, ammunition and military accoutrements, and other munitions of war, for the use of Government or for the defence of the Dominion, and except also vessels wholly laden therewith), the several rates and dues mentioned in the Schedule appended to the Act of the Parliament of Canada, passed in the 36th year of Her Majesty's Reign and chaptered 61, subject to the right of the Governor in Council to suspend at any time such power to collect the said rates and dues, or to order the demolition and removal of such wharf should he consider it advisable in the public interest so to do.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 2) to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia, *without amendment*.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, *with amendments*.

On motion of Mr. *Gillmor*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement of all licenses issued for fishing weirs or traps in the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, for the years 1874 and 1875; also a statement of the tax collected each year, from the same source.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton), it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue at the proper Officer, for copies of Tenders, Plans and Specifications for building a Light-house at Guyon Island; and all correspondence relating to the same; also a copy of the contract for building the same.

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution, for the purpose of founding an Address to Her Majesty thereon:—

*Resolved*, As the opinion of this House that any Legislation affecting British Merchant Shipping which may be adopted by the Imperial Parliament should not include in its operation Canadian Tonnage, or if such Legislation should be applied to Canadian Tonnage, it should also include Foreign Tonnage in order that no advantage should be had by the latter over the former by the effect of such proposed Imperial Legislation.

Mr. *McLeod* moved in amendment, that all the words after “that” be expunged, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—“The Despatch forwarded by the Government of the Dominion to Lord Carnarvon under date the 8th February, 1876, is approved, and that this House expresses a hope, that the views therein contained, will be adopted by the Imperial Parliament in any Legislation affecting British Merchant Shipping.”

Mr. *Langevin* moved in amendment thereto, that all the words after “that” in the said proposed amendment be expunged, and the following inserted instead thereof:—“In the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Government should continue the efforts made by the late and present Governments, to ensure the exemption of Canadian Shipping from the effects of any Imperial Legislation—calculated to place Canadian Shipping at a disadvantage with foreign ships in British and foreign ports.”

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, adjourned.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, Return to Address of the 23rd ult., for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government, or any Member thereof, with the Hudson Bay Company, relating to the acquisition or purchase by the Dominion from the Company of their lands in Manitoba and the North-West Territories, or either of them; and of all Orders in Council, Despatches and other papers respecting the same.

He also laid before The House,—

Return in pursuance of the Railway Statistics Act by the Brockville & Ottawa Railway Company,—Cobourg, Peterboro’ and Marmora Railway Company,—Canada Southern Railway Company,—Midland Railway Company,—Northern Railway Company, for half year ending, 30th June, 1875,—and Northern Extension Railway Company, of their authorized Share and Loan Capital, and the sums received in respect of their Ordinary Capital and Preferential Capital, and Debenture Stock, or Funded Debt, on the 31st December, 1874, specifying the rate per cent. of the Dividends for the year, 1874, on each of the said Capitals, shewing also the Loans outstanding on the 31st December, 18—, classified according to the several rates per cent., of interest, and the capital subscribed to other undertakings, whether such undertakings are on Lease to, or worked by the subscribing Company, or are independent.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting the Marine and Emigrant Hospital at Quebec.

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—BILL entitled “An Act to supply an omission in the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 42, extending certain Criminal Laws of Canada to British Columbia.”

Mr. *Blake*—In Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled “An Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court and the Exchequer Court of Canada.” The following additional clauses :

### HABEAS CORPUS.

26. An appeal to the Supreme Court in any *Habeas Corpus* matter shall be heard at an early day whether in or out of the prescribed Sessions of the Court.

27. In any *Habeas Corpus* matter before a Judge of the Supreme Court and any appeal to the Supreme Court in any *Habeas Corpus* matter the Judge or Court shall have the same power to bail, discharge or commit the prisoner or person, or to direct him to be detained in custody or otherwise to deal with him as any Court, Judge Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction in any such matters in any Province of Canada.

28. On any appeal to the Supreme Court in any *Habeas Corpus* matter it shall not be necessary, unless the Court shall otherwise order that any prisoner or person, on whose behalf such appeal is made, shall be present in Court at the argument of or the judgment on such appeal; but the prisoner or person shall remain in the custody, to which he was committed or had been remanded at the time of giving the notice of appeal, unless at liberty on bail by order of a Judge of the Court which refused the application or of a Judge of the Supreme Court, provided that the Supreme Court may by writ or order direct that such prisoner or person shall be brought before it.

### COSTS.

29. The Judges of the Supreme Court, or any five of them may, under the 79th Section of the said Act from time to time make general rules and orders for awarding and regulating costs in each of the said Courts in favour of and against the Crown as well as the subject.

30. Any costs adjudged to Her Majesty in either of the said Courts shall be paid to the Receiver General, and the Receiver General shall pay out any moneys in his hands for the time being legally applicable thereto, and which may be voted by Parliament for the purpose any costs awarded to any person against Her Majesty.

### CERTIORARI.

31. A writ of certiorari may by order of the Supreme Court or a Judge thereof issue out of the said Court to bring up any papers or other proceedings, had or taken before any Court, Judge or Justice of the Peace and which may be considered necessary with a view to any enquiry appeal or other proceeding had or to be had before the Supreme Court.

And also that section 58 be amended by adding after the words “Crown alone” in the 8th line, the words following: “And in all cases in which demand shall be made or relief sought in respect of any matter which might in England be the subject of a suit or action in the Court of Exchequer on its Plea side against any officer of the Crown;” and also by striking out the words “or any officer of the Crown” at the end of the said section.

Mr. *Caron*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have wholly paid off the indemnity to the Seigniors of the Province of Quebec: and in case the whole has not been paid, whether the balance is to be paid so soon as the claims of the Seigniors have been approved: finally, whether the Government intend paying tutors unconditionally?

Mr. *Taschereau*—In Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 24) “An Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court, and the Exchequer Court of Canada.”

1st. That the following clause be added to the said Bill:

“Whenever there is not a quorum of the Judges of the Supreme Court to hear and determine any cause or causes pending before the said Court in consequence of one or more of the said Judges being disquali-

"fied or incompetent to sit in any such cause or causes, absent from Canada or on leave, the Registrar shall, on a requisition to him to that effect, make an entry thereof in the Register, and on the order of one of the Judges of the said Court, give notice thereof to the Minister of Justice."

"Her Majesty may therefore appoint one or more persons being Judges of one of the Superior Courts in any of the Provinces forming the Dominion of Canada to replace such Judge or Judges during the period of their inability to sit."

2nd. That section 23 of the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter XI. be amended by inserting after the word "by-law," the words "resolutions, procès verbal, roll, or other decision or ordinance."

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled an "Act respecting the attendance of Witnesses on Criminal trials."

Mr. *Horton*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have based the Commission to Country Postmasters on the basis of their receipts for 1874, 1875 and if not, why not?

Mr. *Fiset*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for the correspondence between the Government and the Censitaires of the Seigniorie Nicolas Rioux, in the County of Rimouski, in the matter of the tax which they pay to the Seigniors; instead of Statute days' labor (les journées de Corvée.)

Mr. *Costigan*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the receipts from, and expenditure on account of the Indian Reserve at Tobique N. B. for the year 1875; together with copies of any correspondence between the Government and the Indians or any one on their behalf regarding the appointment of a resident Commissioner.

Mr. *St. Jean*—On Wednesday next—That a Select Committee composed of Messrs. *Cameron* (Cardwell,) *Laflamme*, *Brooks*, *Taschereau*, *Laurier*, *Fréchette*, *Pelletier*, *Scatcherd*, and *Irving* be appointed to enquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa, in the Province of Quebec, and that the Petition of *Pierre Poulin*, Esquire, and others of the said District and of the City of Ottawa praying for the impeachment and removal of the Honorable Judge *Louis Aimé Lafontaine* be referred to the said Committee for their report; said Committee to have power to send for persons, papers and records and report thereon from time to time.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of tenders, plans and specifications for building a Marine Hospital at Sydney, Cape Breton, the amount of each tender, the name of the party to whom the contract was awarded in the first instance, the report of the Government Architect on the matter, the correspondence cancelling the contract with the party in the first instance, the name of the party to whom the contract was awarded in the second instance and the reasons why.

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## PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Monday, 20th March instant :—

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines :

No. 52. To empower the Canada Southern Railway Company to issue Preference Stock.

Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills :

No. 49. To amend the Act to incorporate "The Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada."

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Certificate of the Election and Return of *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esq., Member to represent the Electoral District of *Two Mountains*.

Sixteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

*Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esq., Member to represent the Electoral District of *Two Mountains*, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

Mr. *Huntington* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 21st ult; a Return for copies of the instructions issued to Mr. *Talbot*, one of the Employés or Sub-Inspectors of the Post Office Department, in relation to his visits to the Electoral District of Charlevoix, during the Dominion Election, in the month of January last.

Also, in obedience to the Order of the House, of the 9th instant; a Return for copies of all Correspondence relating to the dismissal of Mr. *McDougall*, Postmaster at Christmas Island, Cape Breton.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents, and recommend that they be printed, viz:—

*Statement of the Estate of the Bank of Upper Canada. (In Sessional Papers only.)*

*Statement of Revenue and Expenditure on account of the Consolidated Fund from 1st July 1875 to 10th February 1876. (For Distribution only.)*

*Message from His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting certain papers having reference to the Financial position of the Province of Manitoba.*

*Statement shewing the value of all articles imported from the United States into each Province of the Dominion during 1871, '72 and '73, paying 10, 15 and 5 per cent. duty respectively; and also similar statement for 1873 and 1875 of articles paying 17½, 10 and 5 per cent. duty. (In Sessional Papers only.)*

*Statement of the balances in the hands of the Financial Agents and the various Banks in Canada and England on the 15th of June 1875 and on February 10th and 29th 1876.*

*Return to Address,—Shewing the general nature and value of all manufactured articles imported into Canada from the United States in the years 1873, '74 and '75.*

*Return to Address*.—Respecting the non-admission of Fish oils and Fish of all kinds, the produce of British Columbia, into the United States, free of duty under the Treaty of Washington of 8th May 1871.

*Return to Address*.—Orders and Minutes of Council, papers and correspondence with the Imperial Government, relating to the introduction and passage through the Imperial Parliament of the Act 38th Vict., 38 and 39, intituled "An Act to remove certain doubts with respect to the Parliament of Canada under Section 18 of the British North America Act, 1867."

*Message from His Excellency the Governor General* transmitting certain correspondence having reference to the inadequacy of the existing Extradition Treaty between Great Britain and the United States.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be *not* printed:—

*Official Return of the Distribution of the Dominion Statutes of Canada 1875.*

*Report of the Geology and resources of the region in the vicinity of the 49th parallel from the Lake of the Woods to the Rocky Mountains. (Being printed in pamphlet form, not to be reprinted for Sessional Papers.)*

*Order of the House for Statement* shewing the monthly wages paid by the Government to each of the men composing the crew of the Medical Officers' boat at the Port of Quebec in 1874 and 1875; also, statement showing the total cost of the service of the said boat, &c.

*Correspondence in relation to enquiry respecting the barque "N. Churchill."*

*Return to Address*.—Reports and other documents communicated by the Post Office Inspector of the Province of New Brunswick, as the result of that officer's investigation into the conduct of the Postmaster of Sackville.

*Return to Address*.—Statement of the number of tons of coal imported into Canada during the past year from the United States, and for the correspondence between the Canadian and United States Governments regarding the renewal by the latter, of the duty imposed on coal exported from Canada to the United States.

*Return to Address*.—Copies of Order in Council or other Document fixing the salary of *Damase Hudon*, Esquire, Deputy Collector of Customs at Chicoutimi, and a statement shewing the several amounts collected by the said *Damase Hudon*, Esquire, from 1st May to 1st November 1875.

*Return to Address*.—Correspondence between the Government of Canada and the United States Government, relating to the obstruction of the Navigation of the Niagara River by the erection of an inlet Pier for the Buffalo City Water Works.

The Committee would respectfully recommend that after the present Session, the Votes and Proceedings of the House of Commons be so prepared and printed that they may be changed into Journal form, on the same principle as the minutes of the Senate are now being done, by which it is hoped economy as well as despatch will be obtained.

*Mr. Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz:—*O. William Kersteman* and others; for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the England and Canada Mortgage Security Company;—Of the Security Permanent Building and Savings Society, of St. Catherines; for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society, to that of the Security Loan and Savings Company;—Of the Ottawa Gas Company; for the passing of an Act to amend their Acts of Incorporation; to confirm a certain Resolution of their Shareholders, placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing; and to confirm, amend, and extend their corporate powers;—Of *William Thomson* and others; for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited);—Of *C. W. Wetmore* and others, of the City of Saint John, Province of New Brunswick; for incorporation under the name of the Maritime Savings and Loan Society.

The Committee have examined the Petition of the Right Reverend, the Lord Bishop of Rupert's Land, in connection with the Church of England, and of the Executive Committee of the Synod thereof; for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Diocesan Synod of the Church of England in Rupert's Land, and find that no Notice has been given, but the reasons assigned justify them in recommending that the Rule be suspended in this case.

The Committee beg also leave to recommend, that the Petition of *Frank Smith* and others of the City of Toronto, for incorporation under the name of the British Canadian Loan and Trust Company, reported on the seventh instant, be referred back to them for further consideration.

On motion of *Mr. Kirkpatrick*, the Petition of *Frank Smith*, and others, of the City of Toronto; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The British Canadian Loan and Trust Company," was referred back to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders in accordance with the recommendation of the said Committee.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow, viz.:*—

By *Mr. Young*—No. 66. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

By *Mr. Currier*—No. 67. To amend the Act incorporating "The Ottawa Gas Company;" to confirm a Resolution of their Shareholders, placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing; and to confirm, amend, and extend their corporate powers.

By *Mr. Vail*—No. 68. To amend the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Militia and the Defence of the Dominion of Canada.

By *Mr. De Veber*—No. 69. To incorporate "The Maritime Savings and Loan Society."

By Mr. *Norris*—No. 70. To authorize the shareholders of "The Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catharines," to change the name of the said Society.

By Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell)—No. 71. To incorporate the Synod of the Church of England Diocese of Rupert's Land (and the 51st Rule was suspended in relation to this Bill, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.)

By Mr. *Mackenzie*—(No. 72.) To amend the Railway Act of 1868.

The Bill (No. 5) to amend the Criminal Law relating to violence, threats and molestations, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 31) to make provision for the crossing of navigable waters by Railway, and other Road Companies, incorporated under Provincial Acts, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Bill (No. 55) respecting the Intercolonial Railway was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 14) to provide for more effectual enquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,—and of Sir *John A. Macdonald's* motion in amendment thereto,—and which motion was "that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply, but that it be *Resolved*, That this House regrets that His Excellency the Governor General has not been advised to recommend to Parliament a measure for the readjustment of the Tariff, which would not only aid in alleviating the stagnation of business, deplored in the gracious speech from the Throne, but would also afford fitting encouragement and protection to the struggling manufactures and industries, as well as to the Agricultural products of the Country."

And a further Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 15th March, 1876.

And the Debate still continuing, the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Borden*, adjourned, and to be the First Order of the Day, at the next meeting of The House, this day.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 32) respecting the Capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities, with amendments.

Mr. *Laird* presented, in obedience to an Order of the House of the 8th instant; a Return of the names of occupiers or holders of land on the Islands of the St. Lawrence, between Brockville and Gananoque, called the "Thousand Isles"; the number in each holding; and the value and appraisement of each holding.

Also,—in obedience to the Order of The House of the 2nd instant; a Return for all correspondence which has taken place between the Council of the Six Nation Indians and the Indian Department with reference to the payment of accrued interest moneys which belong to them and which have been placed in their general fund; and also for an approximate statement shewing the amount of said interest moneys.

The House then adjourned at 1 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875."

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have considered and intend to propose any more stringent measures for the inspection of the monthly statements of our Chartered Banks published in the official *Gazette*?

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex)—On Thursday next—Adoption of the Fourth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 15TH MARCH, 1876.

Three Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Presbytery of Stratford of the Presbyterian Church in Canada ; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of the Reverend *William Grant* and others ; of *F. R. Parker* and others ; of the Reverend *A. F. Thomson* and others ; and of *Thomas D. Hart* and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia ; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the laws respecting the North-West Territories ; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of the Lévis Board of Trade ; praying for the establishment of a system of Marine Telegraphs on the shores and principal islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the same be extended to the shores of the Maritime Provinces.

Of the St. Catharine's Board of Trade ; praying that the Custom's duties on such importations of foreign manufactures and products as injuriously compete with Canadian industries may be raised to twenty-five per cent.

Of the Montreal Board of Trade ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Royal Albert Bridge Company, may not become law.

Of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Royal Albert Bridge Company, may not become law, until all objections have been fully considered.

*Mr. Blake* presented,—Return to Address of the 8th instant ; for a Return of the number of suits instituted before the Supreme Court, and of the number of Judgments rendered by the said Court.

He also laid before The House, Copies of the General Rules and Orders, framed by the Judges of the Supreme and Exchequer Courts for regulating the procedure of those Courts, and for carrying out the other objects, as contained in Section 79 of "The Supreme and Exchequer Court Act."

*Mr. Huntington* presented,—Return to Address of the 21st ult. ; for a statement setting forth the total number of Newspapers and other periodicals in each County and City of the Dominion, which have paid postage on papers sent from the office of publication, with the total Revenue received therefrom, during the three months ending, 31st December, last.

Mr. Mackenzie delivered a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows :

**DUFFERIN.**

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, Correspondence, Reports, and other papers regarding the construction of the Pacific Railway.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Ottawa, 14th March, 1876.

Mr. Holton, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, reporting the four following Bills, with amendments, viz :

No 8. To amend the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 51, intituled : "An Act to authorize the incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion."

No. 19. To authorize the Shareholders of the Union Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society.

No. 36. To authorize the Shareholders of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society.

No. 38. To amend the Act incorporating "The Canada Shipping Company."

Mr. Blake introduced the two following Bills, which were ordered for a second reading, to-morrow, viz :

No. 73. To supply an omission in the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 42, extending certain Criminal Laws of Canada, to British Columbia.

No. 74. Respecting the attendance of Witnesses in Criminal trials.

Mr. Taschereau moved, that the entry in the Journals of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, for the Session of the year, 1866, relating to the production of certain papers in the case of *The Queen vs Daoust*, at the sitting of The House, held on the 4th July, 1866, be now read.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Holton, the Petition of *T. Workman* and others, on behalf of the Metropolitan Bank of Montreal, presented this day, was read and received; praying to be permitted to lay before The House a Petition for amendments to the Act incorporating the said Bank, notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. Cartwright's proposed motion, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,—and of Sir John A. Macdonald's motion in amendment thereto,—and which motion was "that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply, but that it be Resolved, That this House regrets that His Excellency the Governor General has not been advised to recommend to Parliament a measure for the readjustment of the Tariff, which would not only aid in alleviating the stagnation of business, deplored in the gracious speech from the Throne, but would also afford fitting encouragement and protection to the struggling manufactures and industries, as well as to the Agricultural products of the Country."

And a further Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

THURSDAY, 16th March, 1876.

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Dugas,	McDougall ( <i>Three Rivers</i> ),	Pope,
Benoit,	Farrow,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	Robinson,
Blanchet,	Ferguson,	Macmillan,	Robitaille,
Bowell,	Flesher,	McCallum,	Rochester,
Bunster,	Fraser,	McGreevy,	Rouleau,
Cameron ( <i>Cardwell</i> ),	Gaudet,	Masson,	Schultz,
Caron,	Gill,	Mitchell,	Short,
Cimon,	Haggart,	Monteith,	Stephenson,
Colby,	Harwood,	Montplaisir,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Costigan,	Hurteau,	Mousseau,	Tupper,
Currier,	Irving,	Norris,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cuthbert,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Orton,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Daoust,	Kirkpatrick,	Ouimet,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
DeCosmos,	Langevin,	Palmer,	Wood,
Desjardins,	Lanthier,	Pinsonneault,	Workman,
Devlin,	Little,	Platt,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ), and
Dewdney,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Plumb,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ).—70.
Donahue,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),		

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Appleby,	Church,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Pouliot,
Archibald,	Coffin,	Kerr,	Power,
Aylmer,	Cook,	Killam,	Pozar,
Bain,	Coupal,	Kirk,	Ray,
Barthe,	Cunningham,	Laird,	Richard,
Bécharde,	Davies,	Lajoie,	Roscoe,
Bernier,	Dawson,	Landerkin,	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Bertram,	Delorme,	Langlois,	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Biggar,	De St. Georges,	Laurier,	Ryan,
Blackburn,	DeVeber,	Macdonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Rymal,
Blake,	Dymond,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Scatcherd,
Borden,	Ferris,	MacDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Scriver,
Borron,	Fiset,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Shibley,
Bourassa,	Fleming,	Mackenzie,	Sinclair,
Bowman,	Flynn,	McCraney,	Skinner,
Boyer,	Forbes,	McGregor,	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Brouse,	Fréchette,	McIntyre,	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Buell,	Galbraith,	McIsaac,	Smith ( <i>Westmoreland</i> ),
Burk,	Gibson,	McLeod,	Snider,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Gillies,	McNab,	Stirton,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Gillmor,	Metcalfe,	St. Jean,
Cameron ( <i>Ontario</i> ),	Gordon,	Mills,	Taschereau,
Carmichael,	Goudge,	Moffat,	Thompson ( <i>Haldimand</i> ),
Cartwright,	Greenway,	Oliver,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Casey,	Hagar,	Paterson,	Tremaine,
Casgrain,	Hall,	Pelletier,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Higinbotham,	Perry,	Vail,
Cheval,	Horton,	Pettes,	Yeo, and
Christie,	Huntington,	Pickard,	Young.—116.

The main motion being then agreed to, The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

5. To defray the Salaries of the Department of Militia and Defence.....\$35,150 00  
Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 2:35 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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Mr. *Blain*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, as some of the Pensioners of 1812-15 died after the vote of last Session but before the amount was paid over, it is the intention of the Government to pay the amount ascertained under the vote to such of the friends or relations of deceased as attended them in illness and saw them interred?

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of copies of all tenders for No. 3 Contract on the Lachine Canal and all correspondence connected therewith; also a copy of the contract entered into for that work and the amount of money paid thereon for that service.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a return of all expenses connected with the collection of Customs at Montréal during the Fiscal years 1873 '74 and '75 respectively; and also a statement of the revenue collected at that Port for the same years respectively.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Friday next—BILL to amend certain Acts relating to Life Insurance.

Mr. *Rouleau*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Copies of all Tenders, correspondence and documents of whatsoever nature, between the Inspector of Post Offices for the Quebec Division, the Post Office Department at Ottawa and any persons whomsoever, in relation to the contract for carrying the mail between Scott's Junction in the county of Beauce and parish of St. Bernard in the county of Dorchester.

No. 24.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

3rd Session, 3rd Parliament, 39 Victoria, 1876.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA:

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No. 25.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1876.

Nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *Thomas Gray*, a first mortgage bondholder of the Canada Southern Railway Company, residing in Glasgow, Scotland, and of *J. T. H. McEwan*, a first mortgage bondholder of the Canada Southern Railway Company, residing in Stirling, Scotland; severally praying that no Act may be passed permitting the Canada Southern Railway Company to alter in any way the position or privileges of their Bondholders, before the Bondholders residing in Great Britain shall have had ample opportunity afforded them of obtaining full information of the provisions of the desired Act and its objects and considering of its merits.

Of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario; praying for the establishment of a Bureau of Statistics of Manufactures and Commerce, so that reliable information may be disseminated concerning the imports and exports of such fruits as are grown in the Dominion.

Of the St. Catharines Board of Trade; praying that the Customs duties on such importations of foreign manufactures and products as injuriously compete with Canadian industries may be raised to twenty-five per cent.

Of the Religious Hospital Ladies of St. Joseph, of the Hotel Dieu of Montreal; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Mechanics' Bank, may not become law, unless provision is made protecting the rights of the shareholders against any loss or damage in their stock.

*J. D. MacGillivray* and others; of the Rev. *Alexander, J. Mackichan* and others; of *George Walker* and others; of the Rev. *Duncan B. Blair* and others; of *Hector Mackenzie* and others; of *Alexander Mackay* and others; of the Rev. *John Lees* and others; of *John Reid* and others, and of the Rev. *J. M. Sutherland* and others of Pugwash and vicinity, Province of Nova Scotia; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh section of the Act to amend and consolidate the laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories, may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of the Rev. *George O. Gates*, A.B. and others of Queen's County, Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Royal Albert Bridge Company, may not become law.

Of the Presbytery of Bruce of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of *Alexander Loggie* and others, fishermen, and others of Miramichi, Province of New Brunswick; praying that the recent Fishery regulations imposing a tax upon Salmon and Bass be repealed, and that the rights of the fishermen be maintained.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Petition in behalf of the Metropolitan Bank of Montreal; praying for leave to present a Petition for amendments to their Act of incorporation; and satisfactory reasons having been assigned for the delay, they recommend that the said Petition be received, notwithstanding the expiration of the time.

On motion of Mr. *Workman* the Petition of the Metropolitan Bank, presented this day, was read and received; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to amalgamate the stock of the said Bank with some other chartered Bank of the Dominion; and to cancel such shares received by the said Bank, in settling of obligations due the Bank.

Mr. *Robinson* introduced a Bill (No. 75) to incorporate "The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company."—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the Fourth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in, excepting the last paragraph which recommends, "that after the present Session of Parliament, the Votes and Proceedings of The House Commons should be so prepared and printed that they may be changed into Journal form, on the same principle as the Minutes of the Senate are now being done, by which it is hoped economy, as well as despatch will be obtained."

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 6th instant; for copies of all Reports by Engineers from the Quebec Harbor Commission, documents, correspondence and Orders in Council, relating to the selection of the site for the construction of a Graving Dock at the Port of Quebec.

He also presented, in obedience to the Order of the House of the 2nd instant; a Return of copies of the circulars sent to ship-building firms for the construction of a steam tender to transport mails from Father Point to the ocean steamers; all correspondence with any parties in relation to the same and a statement of the names of all parties or firms to whom such circulars were sent with the tenders received; the date of the acceptance of Messrs. *Cantin's* tender and a copy of the contract entered into with them.

Also,—Return to Address of the 6th instant; for copy of all Reports and communications between, the Government or any of its officers or other persons since June 1875 relating to the state and condition of the Dawson Route from Thunder Bay to Fort Garry, together with a statement of the number of passengers and quantity of freight transported on said route during the season of 1875.

Also, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 2nd instant; a Return for copies of all correspondence which may have been had between private individuals or Corporations and the Government of Canada, in relation to the offices, workshops and works of the Intercolonial Railway at Rimouski.

And also,—Return to Address of the 14th ult.; for copies of the Report or Reports of *Frederic Baillarge* Esquire, Assistant Engineer to the head of the Public Works Department, on his surveys in the Parish of St. Fidèle and St. Siméon in 1875; the instructions furnished him in relation thereto and of all petitions and correspondence presented or exchanged on the subject.

On motion of Mr. *Taschereau*, the entry in the Journals of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, for the Session of the year 1866, relating to the production of certain papers in the case of *The Queen vs. Daoust*, at the sitting of The House held on the 4th July, 1866; and the said papers, now in the hands of the Clerk of this House, were read, and are as follows:—

APPEAL OFFICE,  
Montreal, 27th June, 1866.

SIR,—In compliance with your letter of the 21st instant, requesting me on the part of the Honorable the Attorney-General of Lower Canada—to furnish copies of certain papers connected with the trial of *J. B. Daoust*, Esquire, for forgery, I have the honor to forward you copy of the whole case transmitted to me by order of Mr. Justice *Aylwin*; but I fear it does not contain precisely all the papers you desire.

For the purposes of the Appeal the recital of Mr. Justice *Mondelet's* Judgment by Mr. Justice *Aylwin* in his case was probably thought sufficient.

However, to save delays, I have called upon the Clerk of the Crown to furnish me with a Copy of the entry made in the Register of the Court of Queen's Bench (Crown Side) touching the Judgment of Mr. Justice *Mondelet* for granting a new trial which he has omitted to annex to the case transmitted to my Office and to which I take the liberty to refer as forming part of the documents I am requested to furnish.

For the same purpose, I also include an abstract from the Register of the Court of Queen's Bench (Crown Side) containing the Order of Mr. Justice *Aylwin* for reservation of the point, which extract was furnished me at my request by the Clerk of the Crown, and to which I also take the liberty to refer.

In addition to what you ask, I send also a minute of all the entries in my Register touching the said case.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your Most Obedient Servant,

L. W. MARCHAND.

GEO. FUTVOYE, Esquire,  
Clerk of the Crown, Law Department, Ottawa.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL. }

## COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

(Crown Side.)

28 Victoria, March Term, A. D. 1865.

THURSDAY, the twentieth day of April, 1865.

Present :

THE HONORABLE CHARLES MONDELET, Asst. Judge of said Court.

No. 18.

THE QUEEN  
vs.  
JEAN BAPTISTE DAoust. }

On conviction of Forgery.

Mr. *Ouimet* files two affidavits and moves on behalf of the prisoner, "That in view of the affidavits filed and for the reasons following, the verdict of "Guilty" pronounced against him in this cause by the Jury, on the 31st day of March last, on the Indictment for perjury, be annulled and set-aside, and that a new trial take place in this case. *To Wit* :

1. Because the said prisoner has discovered, since the rendering of the said verdict of "Guilty," that *Joseph Legault dit Deslauriers*, farmer, of the parish of St. Laurent, was an essential and necessary witness who can prove the authorization or permission given to the prisoner by *Joseph Desforges*, whose name he is accused of having forged, to use the names of the said *Desforges*, to sign his name on notes, provided the amount should not exceed one thousand dollars;

2. Because it was not until towards the fifth day of April instant, that the prisoner became aware of this fact, notwithstanding that he made all due and diligent search before his trial in order to procure witnesses to that effect;

3. Because the facts which the witness *Joseph Legault* can prove will entirely change the results of the case on the merits and will have the effect of causing the Prisoner to be declared innocent of the crime of which he is accused;

4. Because the Prisoner underwent a trial on the 18th April instant, on a charge of the same kind and which differs from that of which he has been found guilty only in the date and the amount of the note, that *Joseph Legault* was therein heard as a witness and the Prisoner was acquitted and declared innocent in as much as he proved the authorization or permission to him given by *Joseph Desforges* to use his name on notes provided the amount should not exceed one thousand dollars.

5. Because the notes constituting the matter of the two actions do not exceed one thousand dollars, and that the prisoner was accused of having forged or counterfeited the name of *Joseph Desforges* on the back of each of the said two notes, and proved an authorization or permission to that effect.

Having heard Mr. *Ouimet* for the prisoner, and Mr. *Johnson*, Q.C., for the Crown, the Court grants the motion of the prisoner for a new trial.

Certified to be a true copy from the Register of the said Court.

DESSAULLES & ERMATINGER,  
Clerk of the Crown.

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL. }

## COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

(Crown Side.)

29th Victoria, September Term, A. D. 1865.

Monday the twenty-fifth day of September one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

PRESENT :

THE HONORABLE THOMAS CUSHING AYLWIN, Judge of the said Court,

No. 18.

THE QUEEN  
vs.  
JEAN BAPTISTE DAoust. }

On conviction of Forgery.

The said *Jean Baptiste Daoust* is called and appears in Court.

Mr. *Ramsay* on the part of the Crown, moved that the second trial of the prisoner upon this Indictment be proceeded with in conformity with the order of the Court made on this twentieth day of April last, granting the prisoner's motion for a new trial.

Thereupon the Court, Mr. Justice *Aylwin* presiding, considering that it hath no power or authority to proceed with the second trial of the prisoner in view of his former conviction and that the order granting the new trial is illegal, doth reserve the question of law thus arising upon Mr. *Ramsay's* motion, for the consideration of the Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal Side) to be held on the first day of December next, and doth order that the prisoner in the meantime be released on bail, himself in the sum of one thousand dollars and two sureties in the sum of five hundred dollars each, to appear before this last mentioned Court on the first day of December next, as also before this Court on the first judicial day of the next term of this Court, which is to be held on the twenty-fourth day of March next and thence afterwards from day to day until duly discharged.

Certified to be a true extract from the Register of the said Court.

DESSAULLES AND ERMATINGER,  
Clerk of the Court.

*Index of all the Papers and Documents composing the Record in this Cause.*

Indictment for Forgery.  
Motion for a new trial.  
Affidavit of *Gédéon Ouimet*.  
Deposition on Affidavit of *J. B. Daoust*.  
Affidavit of *Joseph Legault dit Des Lauriers*.  
Affidavit of *Felix Paquin*.  
Deposition of *Joseph Desforges*.  
Deposition of *Narcise M. Lecavalier*.  
Deposition of *Henry Starnes*.  
Case reserved for the opinion of the Judges.  
Transcript.  
Certificate.

*Index of Supplementary Documents.*

Extract No. 1. Order of Mr. Justice *Mondelet* for granting a new trial.  
Extract No. 2. Order of Mr. Justice *Aylwin* for reservation of the point.

(Translation.)

The following documents are copies of the Record transmitted to the Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal side) from the Court of Queen's Bench, sitting on the Crown side at Montreal, and of all the proceedings had before the said Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal side) in the the Reserved Case of Our Sovereign Lady, the Queen versus *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, which copies I am requested to transmit to the Honorable the Attorney General for Lower Canada.

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
Lower Canada, }  
To Wit: }

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

March Term, 1875.

(Crown Side.)

DOMINA REGINA,

vs.

JEAN BAPTISTE DAoust.

District of Montreal, }  
To Wit: }

The Jurors for Our Lady the Queen, upon their oath, present that *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, late of the City of Montreal, in the district of Montreal, Esquire, on the fifteenth day of March, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, at the city aforesaid, in the district aforesaid, did feloniously forge on the back of a certain promissory note for the payment of money purporting to be the promissory note of the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust* dated at the city aforesaid, on the fifteenth day of March aforesaid, for the payment in three months after the date thereof, at the office of the Ontario Bank, in the said city, of the sum of three hundred dollars to the order of one *Joseph Desforges*, a certain endorsement of the said promissory note, which said forged endorsement is as follows, that is to say:—

"Joseph Desforbes," with intent to defraud, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of Our Lady the Queen, her Crown and dignity. And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid do further present that the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust* on the fifteenth day of March in the year aforesaid in the city aforesaid in the District aforesaid, feloniously did offer, utter, dispose of and put off a certain forged endorsement on the back of a promissory note for the payment of money purporting to be the promissory note of the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, dated at the city aforesaid on the fifteenth day of March aforesaid, for the payment of three hundred dollars, in three months after the date of the said promissory note, at the office of the Ontario Bank in the said city to the order of one *Joseph Desforbes*, which said forged endorsement is as follows, that is to say:—

"Joseph Desforbes" with intent to defraud, he the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, at the time he so uttered the said last mentioned forged indorsement, then and there well knowing the same to be forged against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and against the peace of Our Lady, the Queen, her Crown and dignity.

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

GEO. E. CARTIER,  
Attorney General, L. C.

by F. J. JOHNSON, Q. C.

(True Copy.)

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

ENDORSATION.

True Bill.  
T. DOUCET,  
Foreman. }

No. 18.

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH,

(Crown Side.)

March Term, 1865.

THE QUEEN  
against  
JEAN BAPTISTE DAoust.

Indictment for Forgery.

Fyled this 27th March, 1865.

Arraigned 23th March, 1865.

Plea "Not Guilty."

Trial fixed for 30th March, 1865.

Trial had do do

Verdict:—Guilty (and recommended to mercy).

Witnesses—Joseph Desforbes.  
Narcisse M. Lecavelier.  
Henry Starnes.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
 District of Montreal. }

## COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

(Crown Side.)

THE QUEEN.

vs.

JEAN BAPTISTE DAoust.

Motion on the part of the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust* the prisoner, that in view of the affidavits produced and for the following reasons the verdict of *Guilty* pronounced against him in this case by the Jury, on the 31st day of March last, on the indictment of forgery, be annulled and set aside, and that a new trial take place in this case, to wit:

1st. Because the said prisoner has discovered (since) the rendering of the said verdict of *Guilty* that *Joseph Legault dit Deslauriers*, farmer, of the parish of St. Laurent, was an essential and necessary witness who can prove the authorization and permission given to the prisoner by *Joseph Desforges*, whose name he is accused of having forged, to use the name of the said *Desforges* to sign his name on notes, provided the amount should not exceed one thousand dollars;

2nd. Because it was only about the fifth of April instant, that the prisoner became aware of this fact, notwithstanding that he had made all due and diligent search before his trial to procure witnesses to that effect;

3rd. Because the facts which the witness *Joseph Legault* can prove, will entirely change the result of the case on the merits, and will have the effect of causing the prisoner to be declared innocent of the crime of which he is accused;

4th. Because the prisoner underwent a trial on the 18th of April instant on an accusation of the same kind and which differs from that in which he was found guilty, only in the date and the amount of the note, that *Joseph Legault* was therein examined as a witness, and the prisoner was acquitted and declared innocent, in as much as he proved the authorization or permission to him given by *Joseph Desforges* to make use of his name on notes provided the amount should not exceed one thousand dollars;

5th. Because the notes which constituted the matter of the two actions, do not exceed one thousand dollars, and that the prisoner has been accused of having forged or counterfeited the name of *Joseph Desforges*, on the back of each of the said notes, and has proved an authorization or permission to that effect.

Montreal, 20 April, 1865.

OUIMET AND CHAPLEAU,  
*Advocates for Prisoner.*

(Duly notified),

T. G. JOHNSON, Q.C.

(True Copy.)

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
*Clerk of the Crown.*

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
 District of Montreal. }

## COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH

(Crown Side.)

THE QUEEN

vs.

JEAN BAPTISTE DAoust.

*Gédéon Ouimet*, Esquire, Advocate, having been duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists deposeth and saith: I have known the prisoner for about fifteen years, and he has always borne an honest reputation since I have known him; I was one of the prisoner's counsel in the two trials he underwent for the crime of forgery, during the term of this Court held in April instant; I have personal knowledge of the fact that the prisoner used all possible diligence to procure one or more witnesses to prove the authorization which *Joseph Desforges* had given him to make use of his name on notes, provided the amount should not exceed one thousand dollars, but that the prisoner was unable to remember the name of any witness before or during his trial which took place on the 30th March last; that on or about the 5th or 6th April, instant, I was informed that *Joseph Legault* might be an essential witness, and I caused him to come to the city where he made, on the 10th April instant, the affidavit produced, sworn before *J. A. Labadie*, Esquire, Justice of the Peace; I know

that on the 18th April instant, the prisoner underwent a trial on a like accusation, which differs only in the date and the amount of the note, and that *Joseph Legault* having been heard as a witness, therein deposed to facts respecting the authorization or permission given to the prisoner to make use of the name of the said *Joseph Desforges*, under the restriction aforesaid, and that the prisoner was acquitted, and if the said *Joseph Legault* is examined on a new trial in the present case, he will in all probability be acquitted. I truly believe that the said *Joseph Legault* has told the truth and that the prisoner is innocent of the crime of which he has been found guilty—And the same being read over Deponent hath signed.

GEDÉON OUMET.

Sworn in open Court the 20th April, 1865.  
CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

(True copy),

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
District of Montreal. }

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

(Crown Side.)

THE QUEEN

vs.

JEAN BAPTISTE DAoust.

*Jean Baptiste Daoust* of the city of Montreal, Esquire, and now confined in the common gaol of this district being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists, deposes and saith:—That on the 31st March last he was convicted of the crime of forgery, and a verdict was entered against him accordingly, that deponent was accused of having affixed the name of *Joseph Desforges* to a promissory note dated the 15th March, 1864, payable to the order of *Joseph Desforges* at the Ontario Bank, in Montreal, for the sum of three hundred dollars; that deponent was innocent of that crime, for the said *Joseph Desforges* had authorized and given permission to said deponent to write and make use of his name, as he was accustomed to do, which authorization and permission was given him about four years ago, and even since; that deponent did not at all recollect that *Joseph Legault*, farmer of the Parish of St. Rose, had been present when *Joseph Desforges* had given him such permission and authorization; that it was only after the conviction and verdict of the Jury that deponent was informed of the facts which the said *Joseph Legault* could prove; that on the 18th of April, instant, deponent underwent a trial on a charge of the same kind, to wit: For having forged the signature of the said *Joseph Desforges*, on a note of five hundred dollars, dated the 24th day of August, 1864; that the said *Joseph Desforges* was examined as a witness on the said trial, as also *Felix Paquin*, of the Parish of St. Eustache; that the said *Joseph Legault* testified on the said trial to the permission and authorization given to deponent by the said *Joseph Desforges* to make use of his name and to sign it on the notes, provided the amount should not exceed one thousand dollars; deponent further said that the affidavits of the said *Joseph Legault* and *Felix Paquin* annexed to these presents, contain the truth; that the said *Joseph Legault* is an essential witness on whose testimony the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, the deponent, will be acquitted of the charge laid against him on a new trial, in as much as the facts to which the said *Joseph Legault* can testify bear directly upon the facts of the signature of the said *Joseph Desforges* on the back of the note of the 15th March, 1864, and upon the essential point of fact of the case; that deponent did not in any way whatever recollect before or during his trial on the 30th March last, that said *Joseph Legault* had been present at the time of the authorization or permission from the said *Joseph Desforges* to deponent as he has declared, but for which deponent would have used due diligence to bring him forward as his witness: that moreover, deponent made all due diligent search to secure witnesses to that effect, and took all steps necessary in the like case; that the said *Joseph Legault* having left the Parish of St. Laurent, where deponent often went, the latter did not have occasion to meet with the said *Joseph Legault*; that deponent is certain that in case of a new trial, the result on the merits would be favorable to him. And having read deponent hath signed.

J. B. DAoust.

Sworn in open Court, 20th April, 1865.

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

(True Copy.)

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
District of Montreal. }

*Joseph Legault* surnamed *Deslauriers*, Farmer of the Parish of St. Rose, in the District of Montreal, being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, deposes and says:—

I am very well acquainted with *Joseph Desforges*, Farmer, of the Parish of St. Laurent, witness heard in the cause *Regina vs. J. Bte. Daoust*, for Forgery, a cause in which the said *J. Bte. Daoust* was found guilty by the Petit Jury. The said named *Joseph Desforges* is my brother-in-law, and I have known him for more than fifteen years.

Three years ago last April I was living in the Parish of St. Laurent, ten acres from the house of the man named *Joseph Desforges*. I had lived there for two or three years. I often had occasion to go to the house of the said *Desforges*, as he was my relative and friend. I very often met Mr. *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, now in the common gaol of the District of Montreal, under the finding of the above mentioned verdict, at the house of the person called *Joseph Desforges*, whilst I was living at St. Laurent.

Mr. *Daoust* and Mr. *Desforges* had business together, money and banking business, they often spoke about it before me.

I recollect very well that towards the end of the June preceding my departure from St. Laurent, to wit: Towards the end of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, or about that date, Mr. *Daoust* came to the house of Mr. *Desforges (Joseph)*, to make him endorse a note for the Bank; the weather and roads were then very bad.

Mr. *Joseph Desforges* on that occasion said to Mr. *Daoust*: "You are very wrong in giving yourself so much trouble; do as I have told you to do; put my name upon your notes as usual; you know exactly how I sign; do not hesitate; you can make use of my name for your notes and sign in my stead; provided you do not exceed one thousand dollars, all will be right," or other words to the same effect; I was at that time in the house of the said *Joseph Desforges* at St. Laurent.

I also remember that, in the course of the autumn of the same year (1862), I was again at the house of the person named *Joseph Desforges*, and there I met Mr. *J. Bte. Daoust*; I am positive in stating that there and then *Joseph Desforges* repeated to Mr. *Daoust* the authorization which he had already given him, to make use of his name to endorse his notes, provided their amount did not exceed one thousand dollars, adding:—"I take for granted that you will meet those notes, and that will not place me in a bad position; so long as you meet them, do not hesitate; make use of my name."

To the best of my knowledge, at the first interview of the month of June (1862), Mr. *Desforges* then endorsed a note for Mr. *Daoust*. I do not recollect the amount of the note.

In the course of that year (one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two) and before it, I often heard Mr. *Daoust* and Mr. *Desforges* speak of their note transactions, and I know that they transacted a good deal of business together of this nature.

Mr. *Daoust* was the confidential man of business of Mr. *Desforges*, and when the latter had any advice to obtain, he applied to Mr. *Daoust*; as we say in the country, Mr. *Daoust* was the protecting deity (*le bon dieu*) of Mr. *Desforges*, that is to say that he had the most implicit reliance in him.

I have mentioned what I now depose to, to several persons, and if I had known that Mr. *Daoust* was going to be sued I would have come to give my evidence to the same effect, but I heard and believed that this matter had been arranged, and that all had been paid and settled.

I should add that I am a vigorous political party-man, belonging to the party opposed to that of Mr. *Daoust*, and I was not eager to come to his assistance, with greater reason seeing that Mr. *Joseph Desforges* is my brother-in-law. And I only learnt of the suit against Mr. *Daoust* through the news of his condemnation. I know Mr. *Daoust*, and I have no doubt, from what passed before me, that a great injustice has been done him, for he was authorized by his brother-in-law, *Desforges*, to use his name to endorse these notes, and have declared that I cannot sign, and that having been read over to me, the present deposition contains the truth.

Sworn before me, at Montreal, this Tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

J. A. LABADIE, J. P.

(True copy.)

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
District of Montreal. }

*Felix Paquin*, Trader, of the Parish of St. Eustache, in the District of Terrebonne, being sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, deposes and says:—

I know *Joseph Legault* surnamed *Deslauriers*, Farmer, of the Parish of St. Rose, in the District of Montreal. I met this Mr. *Legault* at the door of the church of St. Eustache, on Sunday the second day of April instant. We had a small matter of business to transact together, and Mr. *Legault* came to my house.

Our business over, Mr. *Legault* said to me: "It appears that this poor Mr. *Daoust* is condemned," (alluding to *J. Bte. Daoust*, Esquire, now in the prison of Montreal.) "I thought," added *Legault*, "that this matter had been settled and arranged. It is unlucky that Mr. *Daoust* did not recollect that I was with him at the house of *Joseph Desforjes*, when the latter told him to make use of his name to endorse the notes, and not to hesitate, provided that the amount did not exceed one thousand dollars; *Desforjes* told him in my presence: You know well how I sign, you can yourself put my name on your notes."

These words surprised me a little, and as *Legault* had risen and gone out after having told me this, I began to reflect upon the importance of this revelation. I sent some one in pursuit of *Legault*. He returned to my house much surprised, thinking that I had something against him; he asked me if he still owed me anything. I answered him no, but that what he had told me was very serious, and that his evidence would probably be required in Court; that I would inform Mr. *Daoust's* attorneys about it; that he would do well to reflect on what he had said to me in the matter; he answered that that was indeed the truth. He then went to Vespers, and after Vespers he came back to me to say that he had earnestly reflected that what he had told me was correct, and that he well recollected the circumstances; thereupon we separated.

I immediately wrote to Messieurs *Ouimet & Chapeau*, Attorneys for Mr. *Daoust*, informing them of the matter, and Mr. *Legault* came afterwards to the town to give his deposition with reference to the facts above mentioned. His sworn deposition which I have read, exactly agrees in substance with the facts which he had related, as I have stated above, and I have signed.

Sworn at Montreal, this twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

FELIX PAQUIN.

J. A. LABADIE, J. P.

(True Copy.)

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, }  
City of Montreal. }

POLICE OFFICE.

The deposition of *Joseph Desforjes*, Farmer of the Parish of St. Laurent, in the District of Montreal taken under oath this nineteenth day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, by the undersigned Judge of the Sessions of the Peace, in and for the City of Montreal, who declares; I am the brother-in-law of *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esquire, Farmer of the Parish of St. Eustache. I now see in the possession of *Henry Starnes*, Esquire, two promissory notes, one dated the fifteenth day of March last (1864), and the other dated the twenty-fourth day of August last (1864), purporting to be endorsed by me and having thereon the endorsement of *Joseph Desforjes*.

I never affixed my signature, nor did I ever authorize any person to affix my signature on the back of the said two notes, and consequently those signatures are forged and counterfeit, and further I say not, and have signed after reading.

JOSEPH DESFORGES.

Sworn before me at Montreal this 19th January, 1865.

CHAS. J. COURSOL,

Judge of the Sessions of the Peace.

*Joseph Desforges*, Farmer, of the Parish of St. Laurent, in the District of Montreal, appears before me the undersigned *Charles Joseph Coursol*, Esquire, Judge of the Sessions of the Peace in and for the District of Montreal, and being duly sworn deposes and saith:—

On or about the twenty-second day of December last, after I had been sued by the Ontario Bank at Montreal for the amount of the two Promissory notes for the payment of money mentioned in my preceding deposition, I went to *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, also mentioned in my preceding deposition, and asked him if he was going to settle the affair for which I was being sued, and he answered me that he was going to settle it very soon; I then asked him who it was that put my name on the notes which were the subject of the suit, and he voluntarily and without promises or threats told me that it was he who had put my name on those notes, and further I say not, and have signed after reading.

JOSEPH DESFORGES.

Sworn before me at Montreal this 23rd day of January, 1865.

CHAS. J. COURSOL, J. S. P.

The foregoing deposition having been taken and read in the presence of the prisoner, *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, and the preceding deposition having also been read to the deponent in his presence, and the deponent then sworn having declared that it contains the truth, the said prisoner is asked whether he has any questions to put to the deponent and he answers as follows, that he has the following questions to put to the witness:—

*Question*—Have you already endorsed notes for me?

*Answer*—Yes, and you have also endorsed some for me.

*Question*—About the end of November last did you not say to me that if I could manage to discharge a hypothec of two hundred and twenty pounds on your property that you would continue to assist me in getting money?

*Answer*—No; but I said that I would help you in some way, without saying how.

*Question*—If the notes in question and the amount of the hypothec had been paid by me, would you have given your deposition in this case?

*Answer*—If I had not been sued myself in the Civil Court I would not have given my deposition against you, because I should not have known it.

*Question*—Before the action was brought against you for the recovery of the amount of the said two notes, did you know that your name was on the back of those notes as endorser?

*Answer*—I knew it through having heard it said.

*Question*—In the month of November last, when the question of discharging the hypothec, which is mentioned above, came up, did you not ascertain that your name was on the said two notes as endorser?

*Answer*—I asked you whether it was true that my name was on the two notes in question, and you answered me, "Yes, it is true, but keep quiet and those notes will be paid before they fall due."

The prisoner having declared that he had no further question to put to the witness, this deposition is closed and the witness hath signed.

JOSEPH DESFORGES.

MONTREAL, 23rd January, 1865.

CHAS. J. COURSOL, J. S. P.

(True copy.)

CARTER & DESSAULLES,  
Clerk of the Crown.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, }  
City of Montreal. }

POLICE OFFICE.

The deposition of *Narcisse M. Lecavalier*, Esquire, Notary Public of the Parish of St. Laurent in the District of Montreal, taken under oath this twenty-third day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, by the undersigned Judge of the Sessions of the Peace in and for the City of Montreal, who declares:—

I now see in the possession of *Henry Starnes*, Esquire, Manager of the Ontario Bank at Montreal, two Promissory Notes, one dated at Montreal on the 15th March, 1864, for the sum of three hundred dollars, and the other dated at St. Eustache, 24th August, 1864, for the payment of the sum of five hundred dollars, both signed by *J. B. Daoust*.

The said two notes have on the back the name *Joseph Desforges*, and I very well know the said *Joseph Desforges*, Farmer, of the Parish of St. Laurent, and I know his signature, and I have reason to believe and I truly believe that the signature *Joseph Desforges* affixed on the back of said two notes is not the signature of the said *Joseph Desforges*, and further I say not and have signed after reading.

Sworn before me at Montreal this 23rd January, 1865.

N. W. LECAVALIER.

CHAS. J. COURSOL, J.S.P.

The foregoing deposition having been taken and read in the presence of the prisoner, *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, he is asked whether he has any questions to put to the deponent and he answers as follows :—

That he has the following questions to put to the deposing witness :—

*Question.*—On what grounds do you state that the signature on the back of the said notes is not the true signature of the said *Desforjes*?

*Answer.*—Because I find there is a difference between the two signatures, and that the letters which form the name on the back of the said notes are not made in the same manner as *Desforjes* usually makes them.

*Question.*—Point out which are the letters in the signature on the back of the notes which are not similar to those used by him in writing his name?

*Answer.*—I have seen the notes, but I have them not in my hand to examine them.

*Question.*—Do you positively swear that the signature on the back of the said notes is not that of the said *Desforjes*?

*Answer.*—I cannot swear it positively, but to the best of my knowledge that signature is not his.

The prisoner having declared that he has no further questions to put to the witness, this deposition is closed, and the deponent hath signed after reading.

N. M. LECAVALIER.

Montreal, 23rd January, 1865.

CHAS. J. COUBSOL, J.S.P.

(True copy.)

CARTER & DASSAULLES,

Clerk of the Crown.

(Translation.)

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, }  
City of Montreal. }

POLICE OFFICE.

The information and complaint of *Henry Starnes*, Esquire, of the City of Montreal, in the District of Montreal, taken under oath this seventeenth day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four by the undersigned Judge of the Sessions of the Peace in and for the City of Montreal; who declares :—

I am Manager of the Ontario Bank, a body politic and corporate, at the City of Montreal in the District aforesaid :—

On or about the fifteenth day of March last (1864) *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esquire, Farmer, of the Parish of St. Eustache, gave to the said Ontario Bank in the said City of Montréal, a promissory note couched in the following words, that is to say :—

MONTREAL, 15 March, 1864.

Three months after date, for value received, I promise to pay to the order of *Joseph Desforjes*, at the office of the Ontario Bank at Montreal the sum of three hundred dollars.

J. B. DAOUST.

And endorsed as follows, that is to say :—

JOSEPH DESFORGES and  
J. J. C. ABBOTT.

And that in renewal of another note then due at the said Ontario Bank.

On or about the twenty-fourth day of August last (1864) the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust* gave to the said Ontario Bank in renewal of a note then due at the said Ontario Bank a note in the following form, that is to say :—

ST. EUSTACHE, 24th August, 1864.

Three months after date, for value received, I promise to pay to the order of *Joseph Desforjes*, at the office of the Ontario Bank, Montreal, the sum of five hundred dollars currency.

J. B. DAOUST.

And endorsed as follows, that is to say :—JOSEPH DESFORGES.

The said two notes were protested for non-payment, the first on the 18th day of June last (1864) and the latter on the twenty-fourth day of November last (1864).

In the month of December last an action was brought against the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust* and the said *Joseph Desforjes* for the recovery of the amount of the said two notes. On or about the 11th day of January, instant, the said *Joseph Desforjes* in defence in the said action filed an affidavit taken at St. Laurent on the seventh day of January, instant, before *N. M. Lecavalier*, Esquire, a Commissioner appointed for taking affidavits to be used in the Superior Court for the District of Montreal, showing that the said *Joseph*

*Desforges* had never signed nor authorized any person to endorse said notes, or either of them, and that the endorsements, *Joseph Desforges*, on each of the said two notes were forged and counterfeit, and that consequently the said *Jean Baptiste Daoust* did feloniously write or cause to be written the name *Joseph Desforges* upon the said notes.

Wherefore I pray for justice and further say not and have signed, after reading.

HENRY STARNES.

Sworn before me at Montreal this 17 January, 1865.

CHAS. J. COURSOL J.S.P.

Upon this twenty-third day of January (1865) the above named deponent again appears before the undersigned *Charles Joseph Coursol* Esquire, Judge of the Sessions of the Peace in and for the City of Montreal, and being sworn in presence of *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, the prisoner, the foregoing deposition is there and then read to the said deponent, who declares that it contains the truth; and thereupon the said prisoner is asked whether he has any questions to put to the said deponent and he answers as follows:—I have no question to put to the witness.

Montreal, 23rd January, 1865.

CHAS. J. COURSOL. J.S.P.

(True Copy.)

CARTER & DESSAULLES, Clerk of the Crown.

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
LOWER CANADA, To Wit: }  
District of Montreal.

IN THE QUEEN'S BENCH.

DOMINA REGINA

vs.

JEAN BAPTISTE DAOUST.

Upon an indictment for feloniously forging a certain endorsement of a promissory note, for the payment of the sum of three hundred dollars, with intent to defraud, and with a second count charging the Defendant with uttering the said endorsement with intent to defraud, he was on the 30th of March last, tried before the Honourable Mr. Justice *Mondelet*, at this Court in Montreal, and found guilty.

On the 20th April last, upon a motion founded upon two affidavits, (of which motion and affidavits, together with the indictment, copies are annexed), the learned Judge ordered that the verdict should be set aside, and awarded a new trial.

On the 25th September last, Mr. *Ramsay*, on behalf of the Crown, moved that a day for the trial should be fixed, whereupon being of opinion that I had no authority to take a second trial, after the former verdict of Guilty, I directed that the opinion of the Court of Queen's Bench in Appeal should be asked first whether a second trial can be legally had, and secondly, as the course to be pursued, should there be no authority to take the new trial?

I have now respectfully to ask the opinion of this Court, in respect of the premises, and have directed the Defendant to bail until the first day of the approaching term in Appeal.

J. C. AYLWIN,

J.

MONTREAL, 25th September, 1865.

PROVINCE OF CANADA }  
LOWER CANADA, To Wit: }  
District of Montreal.

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

(Appeal Side.)

Transcript.

Of the Proceedings had and entries made in the Register of the Court of Queen's Bench for Lower Canada, Appeal Side.

1st December, 1865.

PRESENT:

The HONOURABLE Mr. Justice AYLWIN,  
Mr. Justice MEREDITH,  
Mr. Justice DRUMMOND,  
Mr. Justice MONDELET, Assistant.

This case being called *T. K. Ramsay*, Esquire, Her Majesty's Counsel appears for the Crown, and *G. Ouimet*, Esquire, appears for the prisoner, and the hearing is fixed for to-morrow.

2nd December, 1865.

PRESENT:

The HONOURABLE Mr. Justice AYLWIN,  
Mr. Justice MEREDITH,  
Mr. Justice DRUMMOND,  
Mr. Justice MONDELET, Assistant.

It is ordered that the hearing in this case be continued to the 1st day of March next.

1st March, 1866.

PRESENT :

The HONOURABLE JEAN FRANÇOIS JOSEPH DUVAL, Chief Justice,  
 Mr. Justice AYLWIN,  
 Mr. Justice MEREDITH,  
 Mr. Justice DRUMMOND,  
 Mr. Justice MONDELET, Assistant.

This cause is continued over to the Third instant for hearing.

3rd March, 1866.

PRESENT :

The HONOURABLE JEAN FRANÇOIS JOSEPH DUVAL, Chief Justice.  
 Mr. Justice AYLWIN,  
 Mr. Justice MEREDITH,  
 Mr. Justice MONDELET, Assistant.

Ordered that the hearing of this cause do stand over.

Same day.

PRESENT :

The HONOURABLE JEAN FRANÇOIS JOSEPH DUVAL, Chief Justice.  
 Mr. Justice AYLWIN,  
 Mr. Justice MEREDITH,  
 Mr. Justice DRUMMOND.  
 Mr. Justice MONDELET, Assistant.

This case being called for hearing, *T. K. Ramsay*, Esquire, Her Majesty's Counsel, and *G. Ouimet* Esquire, of Counsel for the Prisoner, were heard, whereupon :

*Curia advisare vult.*

9th March, 1866.

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE JEAN FRANÇOIS JOSEPH DUVAL, Chief Justice.  
 Mr. Justice AYLWIN.  
 Mr. Justice MEREDITH.  
 Mr. Justice DRUMMOND.  
 Mr. Justice MONDELET, Assistant.

After hearing counsel as well on behalf of the prisoner as for the Crown, and due deliberation had on the case transmitted to this Court from the Court of Queen's Bench, sitting on the Crown Side, at Montreal, it is ordered *avant faire droit* that the Defendant do enter into recognizance to appear before this Court at the first day of the next term, *to wit* : on Friday, the first day of June next, in the sum of two thousand dollars, the principal, and two sureties in the sum of one thousand dollars each, to the intent that such things may by the consideration of our said Court be done and ordered what to law and justice shall appertain.

9th June, 1866.

PRESENT :

The HONOURABLE JEAN FRANÇOIS JOSEPH DUVAL, Chief Justice.  
 Mr. Justice MEREDITH,  
 Mr. Justice DRUMMOND,  
 Mr. Justice MONDELET, Assistant.

After hearing Counsel, as well on behalf of the Prisoner as for the Crown, and due deliberation had on the case transmitted to this Court from the Court of Queen's Bench, sitting on the Crown Side at Montreal, it is ordered, adjudged and finally determined by the Court now here, pursuant to the Statute in that behalf, that a second trial cannot be legally had on the indictment found against the Prisoner, *Jean Baptiste Daoust*.

*Dissentiente.*—The Honourable Mr. Assistant Judge Mondelet.

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }  
 Lower Canada, *To Wit* : }

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

(APPEAL SIDE.)

I, *Louis François Wilfred Marchand*, Deputy Clerk of Appeals of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for Lower Canada, do hereby certify that the forty-nine foregoing and present pages contain true and faithful copies, *to wit* : of the Record transmitted to the Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal Side) from the Court of Queen's Bench sitting on the Crown side at Montreal, and of all the proceedings had before the said Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal Side) in the reserved case of Our Sovereign Lady the Queen *v.s.* *Jean Baptiste*

*Daoust*, and of all and every the entries in the Register of the said Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal Side) from the Court of Queen's Bench sitting on the Crown Side at Montreal.

In faith and testimony whereof, I have to these presents set and subscribed my signature and affixed the seal of the said Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal Side).

Given at the City of Montreal, in that part of the Province of Canada called Lower Canada, this twenty-sixth day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

(L.S.)

L. W. MARCHAND.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker requested *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of *Two Mountains* to withdraw in accordance with Parliamentary usage.

*Jean Baptiste Daoust*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of *Two Mountains* rose in his place, and made the following statement:—

“In the month of March 1865, two indictments were found against me for forging the name of my brother-in-law to two notes, one for \$500 and the other for \$300. I knew that my brother-in-law had authorized me to place his name on those notes, and that a witness was present when the authority was given to me, but when the first indictment was tried I could not remember who the witness was. I could not swear to the fact myself, and I was convicted because I could produce no witness to substantiate my statement.

“The trial of my case was published in the newspapers, and my witness heard of it and came forward to testify to my innocence. The first indictment was tried in March, and the second in April, when the witness came forward and was examined. On his evidence I was at once acquitted by the Jury without leaving the box. I then directed my Counsel to move to set aside the verdict and to obtain a new trial on the first indictment. Judge *Mondelet*, before whom the motion was made, set aside that verdict and granted me a new trial on the affidavits that I put in; the Counsel for the Crown consenting that a new trial should be granted.

“When my case came before Judge *Aylwin* for the new trial, he held that the new trial was illegally granted, because no new trial could be granted on facts alone, and directed that it should be referred to the Court of Appeal for adjudication, and that Court so decided on the appeal at the Criminal Term following. Mr. *Ramsay* as Counsel for the Crown, moved for judgment against me and Judge *Mondelet*, before whom the motion was made, declined to entertain the motion, declaring that his order to quash the verdict against me had never been set aside and there was therefore no conviction against me on which any sentence could be passed.

“That after these charges or accusations had been made against me, and all the facts known to the public, I was elected to this House by acclamation and sat as the Member for *Two Mountains* for a whole Parliament; that the Members of the present Government who were then in this House, sat in The House with me. That the Hon. Chief Justice *Dorion*, the leader of the Members from Lower Canada who were opposed to me, also sat in the House, but no one of them during all that time ever made any motion against me, nor since the present Government took office have they ever instructed any Crown Officer to ask that sentence should be passed upon me on that conviction, now ten years old.”

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Taschereau* it was *Resolved*, That it appears from the statement of Mr. *Daoust*, Member for *Two Mountains*, made in his place, that he is the person referred to in the papers, in the case of *The Queen vs. Daoust*, the said papers be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to examine into the legal questions arising in the case, and to search for Parliamentary precedents applicable thereto; and to report to this House the result of their enquiries, and whether any, and if so, what further proceedings should be taken by this House in the premises.

A Message was received from the Senate, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee appointed by that House during last Session, to enquire into all matters connected with the construction of Booms, Piers and other works on the Gatineau, for the information of this House as desired by Message sent to them, on Monday last, the 13th instant.

The Bill (No. 14) to provide for more effectual inquiry into the existence of corrupt practises at Elections of Members of the House of Commons, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 13) to make more effectual provision for the administration of the Law, relating to corrupt practises at Elections of Members of the House of Commons, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress having been reported; Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution, to provide for the travelling expenses of the Judge and other officials for the administration of the Law relating to corrupt practices at the Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

(In Committee)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the travelling expenses of the Judge and all expenses incurred by the Sheriff or other officer in consequence of any sitting for the trial, and for providing a Court room and any accessories under the Bill (No. 13) intituled: “An Act to make more effectual provision for

the administration of the Law relating to corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons," shall be defrayed out of any moneys which may be provided by Parliament for the purpose.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on the last mentioned Bill (No. 13).  
The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

## II.—CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

	Financial Inspector.....	\$2,600 00
	Office of Assistant Receiver-General, Toronto.....	8,000 00
	do Montreal.....	5,500 00
	Auditor and do Halifax, N.S.....	10,000 00
1	do do St. John, N.B.....	11,000 00
	do do Fort Garry.....	6,500 00
	do do Victoria, B.C.....	7,000 00
	do do Charlottetown, P.E.I.....	4,000 00
	Country Savings Bank, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia.....	12,000 00
	Seigniorial Tenure and Commission.....	2,500 00

## III.—CIVIL GOVERNMENT.—(Continued.)

6	The Department of Secretary of State.....	30,140 00
7	do The Minister of the Interior.....	39,680 00
8	do Receiver-General.....	20,720 00
9	do Finance.....	48,250 00
10	do Customs.....	27,500 00
11	do Inland Revenue.....	24,982 50
12	do Public Works.....	48,934 00
13	Post Office Department.....	84,990 00
14	Department of Agriculture.....	28,240 00
15	do Marine and Fisheries.....	23,815 00
16	Treasury Board Office.....	3,300 00
17	Office of Inspector of Penitentiaries.....	3,150 00
18	Departmental Contingencies.....	175,000 00
19	Stationery Office for Stationery.....	20,000 00
20	Readjustment of Salaries (including promotions).....	35,000 00

## IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

21	Miscellaneous.....	10,000 00
22	do North-West Territories.....	10,000 00
23	Circuit Allowances, British Columbia.....	15,000 00
24	do Manitoba.....	3,000 00
25	Travelling Expenses of Stipendiary Magistrates in North-West Territories.....	3,000 00
26	Precis Writer of the Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	1,800 00
27	Clerk of Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	300 00
28	Messenger of Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	300 00
29	Contingencies and Disbursements, including Salaries of Officers to be appointed in the Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	10,000 00
30	Law Books for Supreme Court.....	1,000 00

## V.—POLICE.

31	Dominion Police.....	15,000 00
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## VI.—PENITENTIARIES.

32	Kingston Penitentiary, Ontario.....	97,841 75
33	Rockwood Asylum, Ontario.....	61,977 50
34	Halifax Penitentiary, N.S.....	27,532 13
35	St. John do N.B.....	38,944 25
36	St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, Quebec.....	52,230 06
37	Manitoba Penitentiary.....	17,650 00
38	Maintenance of Convicts, British Columbia.....	10,000 00

## VII.—LEGISLATION.

## SENATE.

39 Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate..... 50,718 00

## HOUSE OF COMMONS.

40 Salaries, per Clerks' Estimate..... 60,850 00  
 41 Expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c..... 13,000 00  
 42 Contingencies..... 20,140 00  
 43 Publishing Debates..... 15,000 00  
 44 Salaries and Contingencies, per Sergeant at Arms' Estimate..... 35,450 00

And the Committee having continued to sit until twelve of the Clock, midnight.

Friday, 17th March, 1876.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

## MISCELLANEOUS.

45 Grant to Parliamentary Library, including provision for Law Books..... 12,000 00  
 46 For readjustment of salaries of Librarian and Assistant..... 400 00  
 47 Printing, Binding, and Distributing the Laws..... 12,500 00  
 48 To meet the estimated expenses in connection with Codification of the Laws..... 8,000 00  
 49 Printing, Printing Paper, and Bookbinding..... 70,000 00  
 50 Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery . . . . . 1,200 00  
 51 Miscellaneous Printing..... 2,000 00

Resolution, to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 12:35, a.m.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Irving*—On Monday next—That an Order of the House do issue to require the Minister of Public Works to lay before this House returns of the Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure of the Railways of the Dominion, in accordance with the requirements and provisions of the Law in that behalf.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew)—On Monday next—That an Order of the House do issue for the Evidence taken before the Dominion Arbitrators on the claim of *George Rochester* against the Government.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—That the Clerk do lay on the Table a statement shewing the age, names, present salaries and length of service of each officer and permanent Clerk in his Department. Also, the age, names and salaries of the Extra or Sessional Clerks at present employed in the service of the House of Commons.

Also a statement shewing the ages, names, salaries and length of service of the Officers, Clerks, Bookkeepers and Messengers of the Department of the Sergeant-at-Arms whether employed permanently or otherwise.



No. 25.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

3rd Session, 3rd Parliament, 39 Victoria, 1876.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

Eight Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *James Turnbull*, and others, licensed Engineers of the Province of Ontario; praying for certain Amendments to the Seaman's Act of 1875.

Of the Reverend *A. D. Morton*, A. M., and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the repeal of the Eleventh section of the Act to amend and consolidate the laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of *J. E. Dickson*, and others, Fishermen; praying that the yearly tax imposed upon Fishweirs may be reduced from ten dollars to one dollar.

*Mr. Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, reporting the three following Bills, *with amendments*, viz :—

No. 11. To amend the Act to make better provision extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.

No. 18. To incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

No. 29. To make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Banks.

*Mr. Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 76) to amend the Insolvent Act, 1875.—Second reading on Monday next.

*Mr. Cartwright* delivered a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by *Mr. Speaker*, and is as follows :—

*DUFFERIN.*

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons the accompanying Estimate of the sum required to be appropriated to the relief of distressed settlers in the Province of Manitoba, and recommends the same to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT, HOUSE.

OTTAWA, 17th March 1876,

And the said Estimate is as follows:—

Estimate of the sum required to be appropriated for the relief of distressed settlers in the Province of Manitoba, \$25,000.00.

On motion of Mr. Cartwright, the said Message and Estimate were referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Desjardins, the Petition of *Henry Prince*, and others, of the City of Montreal, presented this day, was read and received; praying that the Bill respecting "The Mechanic's Bank," may not become a Law, unless provision is made that the present stock shall not be cancelled and a new depreciated stock substituted therefor; and that no preferential stock shall be issued, except an express approval of the same by the votes of at least two-thirds in value of the *bona fide* paid up stock in said Bank; and that the Directors or officers of said Bank may not be discharged from any personal responsibility.

The Bill (No. 13) to make more effectual provision for the administration of the Law relating to corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 60) to provide for the payment of a grant to the Province of Manitoba, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Monday next.

7:30 P.M.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz:

No. 77 intituled: "An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the City Bank and the Royal Canadian Bank, and to incorporate the Consolidated Bank of Canada." (On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, the said Bill was read the first time.—Second reading on Monday next.)

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19).

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed:—

No. 32. Respecting the Capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities.

No. 19. To authorize the Shareholders of "The Union Permanent Building and Savings Society," to change the name of the said Society.

No. 36. To authorize the Shareholders of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society.

No. 38. To amend the Act incorporating "The Canada Shipping Company."

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:

No. 46. To incorporate "The British Canadian Investment Company (Limited)."

No. 50. To extend the Act of last Session, intituled: "An Act relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company."

No. 54. To incorporate the Atlantic and Pacific Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

No. 61. To amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 108, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company (Limited)."

No. 63. To incorporate "The National Trust and Investment Company of Canada (Limited)."

No. 45. To incorporate "The Chartered Bank of London and North America."

No. 70. To authorize the Shareholders of "The Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catharines," to change the name of the said Society.

No. 65. To amend the Charter of the St. Lawrence Bank, and to change the name of the said Bank.

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines:

No. 62. Respecting "The Canada Southern Bridge Company."

To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:

No. 56. To enable *Ozro Morrill* to obtain a Patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttles.

No. 67. To amend the Act incorporating "The Ottawa Gas Company," to confirm a Resolution of their Shareholders, placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing; and to confirm, amend, and extend their corporate powers.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

206 To defray appropriation for the relief of distressed settlers in the Province of Manitoba... \$ 25,000 00

VIII.—ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

53 To meet Expenses in connection with the organization of the Patent Record..... 6,500 00  
54 do do preparation of Criminal Statistics..... 5,000 00

X.—PENSIONS.

57 { Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly..... 490 00  
L. Gagné, Messenger, do ..... 72 00  
John Bright, do do ..... 80 00  
Mrs. Antrobus..... 800 00

NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.

58 { Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children ..... 265 00  
Jane Lakey..... 146 00  
Rhoda Smith..... 110 00  
Janet Anderson ..... 110 00  
Margaret Mackenzie..... 80 00  
Mary Ann Richey and two children..... 336 00  
Mary Morrison..... 80 00  
Louise Prud'homme and two children..... 110 00  
Virginie Charron and four children..... 150 00  
Paul M. Robins..... 146 40  
Charles T. Bell..... 73 20  
Alex. Oliphant..... 109 80  
Charles Lugsdon..... 91 50  
Thomas Charters..... 91 50  
Charles T. Robertson..... 110 00  
Percy G. Routh ..... 400 00  
Richard S. King..... 400 00  
George A. Mackenzie..... 73 20  
Edward Hilder..... 146 40  
Fergus Schofield..... 73 20  
John Bradley..... 910 80  
Richard Penticost ..... 91 50  
James Bryan..... 109 80  
Jacob Stubbs..... 73 20  
Mary Connor..... 110 00  
Mary Hodgins and three children..... 191 00  
John Martin..... 110 00  
A. W. Stevenson..... 110 00  
Mrs. J. Thorburn... .. 150 00  
Mrs. P. T. Worthington and children..... 378 00  
Mrs. J. H. Elliot and children..... 130 00  
Ellen Kirkpatrick and three children..... 266 00  
Mrs. George Prentice and children..... 400 00  
Mary Hannah Temple and child..... 298 00

59 To meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812..... 50,000 00  
60 Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land..... 8,000 00

And the Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Saturday, 18th March, 1876.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

XI.—MILITIA.

EXTRAORDINARY.

72 Care and Maintenance of Properties transferred from the Ordnance and the Imperial Governments, including Rents..... 7,000 00  
73 Ordnance and Equipment of Field Batteries Artillery..... 10,000 00

## SPECIAL.

74 Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and School of Gunnery, Kingston and Quebec.....	110,000 00
76 Military Schools, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.....	10,000 00
77 Pay and Maintenance of Dominion Force in Manitoba.....	30,000 00
78 Mounted Police, Manitoba.....	292,651 50

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, on Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 3:40 A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Gillmor—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for the Report made by the Government Engineer in reference to the probable cost of a Breakwater at North Head Grand Manan, also at Woodward's Cove on the same Island.

Mr. Higinbotham—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all tenders received for the construction of Contract No. 15 Canadian Pacific Railway; also all correspondence with reference thereto, together with copies of instructions, if any, issued by the Department of Public Works to the Engineer in charge having reference to said contract.

Mr. Cheval—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Why the Members of this House have no access to the book containing the payments on their indemnity?

Mr. Cheval—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for the names of the Members and the amount received on account of their indemnity up to the 17th March instant.

Mr. Costigan—When the motion is made for the House to go again into Committee of Supply, the following amendment thereto:—

That the Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be resolved that whereas this House did on the 13th day of February 1875 vote an Address to Her Majesty praying that a full amnesty should be granted to all persons connected with the North-West troubles, for all acts committed by them during the said troubles, saving only *Louis Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *W. D. O'Donoghue*, and that a like amnesty should be granted to *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine*, conditional on five years banishment from Her Majesty's Dominion, thereby excluding *W. D. O'Donoghue* from the benefits of such amnesty—and whereas the said *W. D. O'Donoghue* has since written the following letter; viz. —

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa City:—

SIR,—I beg to state to you and the hon. body over which you preside, that a great injustice has been done me by the late action of Parliament in excluding me from the Amnesty granted to all others who participated in the insurrection of 1869 and 1870 in Manitoba. As this action of Parliament would seem to throw the whole responsibility of the "Insurrection," the "execution of *Scott*" and so called "Fenian Raid" on me, I do not propose shouldering all of them, that those who were responsible may go forth spotless at my expense, purified by a resolution of Parliament.

I accordingly make the following statement of facts, which I can prove most conclusively:—

1st. The insurrection was advised by Gov. *Wm. McTavish* who, with other officers of the Hudson Bay Company, also aided and abetted it from its inception, up to the very hour it ceased to exist. That *Riel* was in constant communication with Governor *McTavish*, and on many occasions under his instructions. That he, Governor *McTavish*, fully recognized the Provincial Government. That *Donald A. Smith*, on

arriving at Fort Garry, recognized the Government, also in my own hearing, and with Gov. *McTavish* was *Riel's* adviser during his stay in the Fort, and after the departure of both of these from the country, *Riel* continued to hold council with *John McTavish*, who then represented the Hudson Bay Company.

2nd. That others, whose names I now forbear mentioning, and who are very "loyal" subjects, advised recourse to arms.

3rd. That I was not a party to the Insurrection till the 15th of November, 1869, about four weeks after its inauguration, and two weeks after possession was taken of Fort Garry.

4th. That the case of *Thomas Scott* was never brought before the Provincial Government, either before or after the execution of "murder," as it is properly termed, of *Thomas Scott*, that I am entirely clear of this charge, and should no other alternative be left me to remove the stigma of murder from my character, I am determined to do so at some future day at any hazard. From this I state without fear of contradiction, that the Provisional Government did not order the trial or execution of *Scott*, and that neither as a member of that Government, nor as a private individual, had I any part, directly, or indirectly, in the execution of *Thomas Scott*.

5th. That the so-called "Fenian Raid" is a *misnomer*, as Fenianism has nothing whatever to do with it. That it was simply a continuation of the insurrection inaugurated in '69, and with the same avowed intention, and by the same parties, a fact which the then existing Government of Manitoba was cognizant of for months previous to the so-called "raid." That my part in it was simply that of an agent of the people, holding a commission authorized by a resolution of the Council held at La Riviere Salle in September '70, over which Council *L. Riel* presided. This commission I hold, as a proof of which I have in my possession the minute book of the Council. Neither was it brought at any time before the Privy Council composed of the French members of the Legislature. Further, that as a member of the Government, and having my residence in Fort Garry, I was entirely ignorant of the fact that a military council was to be held or being held, to try any of the prisoners there confined, until I was summoned to give testimony by *Riel* and the Council then sitting on *Scott's* case, which summons I treated with contempt by informing the Council that it was acting without authority, and as such I fail to recognize it, and that I refused to testify in the case. That neither *Riel* nor any other officer of the Government consulted with me, nor I with either of them, on the trial or execution, and that I am entirely innocent of the blood of *Scott*, which were I given an opportunity, I could prove conclusively. And further, that but for my part in the so-called "Fenian Raid,"—of which I will speak hereafter—I would have gone to Manitoba long since and demanded a trial on evidence in my possession signed by the officers, both civil and military, of the late Provincial Government of the French party, and also a copy of the resolution authorizing the commission.

That I am aware persistent efforts have been made by certain parties since I left the country to throw the responsibility of all the unlawful acts committed during the "troubles" upon me. A certain pamphlet was published last winter "to show why an amnesty should be issued by the Canadian Government," in which this effort was repeated, and the "manifesto letter," of *Riel* aimed also at this point. Had the causes of the "troubles" and the acts committed during them been thoroughly investigated, these immaculate gentlemen would doubtless stand in a different position in the eyes of the public, from what they do at present—purified by a resolution of Parliament and amnesty. That I ask no favors now of the Canadian Government or ParliamEnt, they have meted out to me the full measure of their injustice, but the world shall know in my own good time the whole unvarnished truth.

W. D. O'DONOGHUE,  
Secretary of Treasury, &c., &c., of the late Provisional  
Government of Rupert's Land, N. W.

St. Paul, Minnesota, February 26th, 1875.

In the opinion of this House the Government should at once institute a thorough enquiry into the statements contained in said letter, in order that Justice may be done in the premises.

## PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Friday, 24th March instant :—

### Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce :

- No. 46. To incorporate the British Canadian Investment Company (Limited.)  
 No. 50. To extend the Act of last Session, intituled: "An Act relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company."  
 No. 54. To incorporate the Atlantic and Pacific Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company.  
 No. 61. To amend the Act 35 Victoria, chapter 108, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company (Limited)."  
 No. 63. To incorporate "The National Trust and Investment Company of Canada (Limited)."  
 No. 45. To incorporate "The Chartered Bank of London and North America."  
 No. 70. To authorize the Shareholders of "The Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catharines" to change the name of the said Society.  
 No. 65. To amend the charter of the St. Lawrence Bank and to change the name of the said Bank.

### Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines :

- No. 32. Respecting "The Canada Southern Bridge Company."

### Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills :

- No. 56. To enable *Ozro Morrill* to obtain a Patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttles.  
 No. 67. To amend the Act incorporating "The Ottawa Gas Company," to confirm a Resolution of their Shareholders placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing, and to confirm, amend and extend their corporate powers.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—List of Stockholders of the "*Peoples' Bank of Halifax*, on the 31st January, 1876, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12."

And,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the District of Terrebonne, for the year 1875.

Fifteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Presbytery of Barrie of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of the Reverend *Joseph Gootz* and others; of *Alexander McGregor* and others; of *H. Bool* and others; of *J. M. Parker* and others; of *John Clark* and others; of *Alexander Stirling* and others; of the Reverend *James Bayne*, D.D., and others; of *Peter McEwen* and others; of *Douglas Spence* and others; and of the Reverend *John McMillan* and others of the Province of Nova Scotia; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of the Agents of the Allan Line Steamship Company and others; of the Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company; and of Messrs. *Hugh* and *Andrew Allan* and others interested in the carrying trade of the Dominion of Canada; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament to define and settle the duties, rights and liabilities of common carriers in certain cases, may not become law, or that it be so amended as to render it conformable to justice.

Of *Alexis Delisle* and others; praying for the establishment of a system of marine telegraphs on the shores and principal islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the same be extended to the shores of the Maritime Provinces.

Of *Horace D. Clark*, of the City of Montreal; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to amalgamate the City Bank and Royal Canadian Bank, and incorporate the Consolidated Bank of Canada, may not become law, unless his rights be protected.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 21) to amend the Acts respecting the Citizens' Insurance and Investment Company, *without amendment*.

Mr. *Rymal* from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Petition of *F. Smith*, and others; for the incorporation of the British Canadian Loan and Trust Company, and find that notice was published in the *Canada Gazette* only; but as the proposed Company will not effect any existing rights, they therefore recommend that the notice be considered sufficient.

On the Petition of the British American Land Company; for the passing of an Act authorizing them to loan money, and to stipulate for, and exact any rate of interest or discount on any contract or agreement whatsoever, which may be agreed upon, not exceeding eight per centum per annum, within the Dominion of Canada, they find that no notice was given, the necessity for the application having arisen too recently to admit of it, and the reasons assigned justify them recommending a suspension of the Rule in this case.

On the Petition of *T. Workman* and others; for the passing of an Act authorizing them to amalgamate the stock of the Metropolitan Bank with some other Chartered Bank of the Dominion, and to cancel such shares received by the said Bank in settling of obligations due the Bank; the Committee find that no notice was given, nor any proof produced to show that the application for such amendments to their incorporation was approved of by the shareholders, they therefore report *unfavorably* on the said Petition.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell), from the Select Committee appointed, to assist the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned; and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library, presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

As the new and spacious building which has been erected for the permanent accommodation of the Library of Parliament is now nearly ready for occupation, the Joint Committee consider it a fitting time to call the attention of Parliament and of the Government to the arrangements which in their opinion, should be made, in order to place it in such a position as would make it a Library worthy of the Dominion.

The Joint Committee are aware that a large expenditure must necessarily be made to render the Library all that the people of the Dominion are entitled to expect it should become, and they believe that the Executive Government would, equally with themselves, be anxious that everything should be done that may conduce to this end, and that both Houses of Parliament will be ready to accede to any proposal that the Executive may submit to them in that respect.

The necessity for an increased expenditure of this time arises from the large additions that are required to the Legal Department of the Library, in consequence of the establishment of The Supreme Court, as well as to remove deficiencies which now exist in the Departments of History and French literature; and also to provide for such additional assistance in the Staff of the Library, as will be required under its altered circumstances.

The Joint Committee are of opinion that the Library should be divided into three Departments, to be called The General, The French and The Legal, and that each Department should be under the care and supervision of an Assistant Librarian; and that such Assistants should be added to the present staff; under the general control of the principal Librarian.

The Joint Committee furthermore consider that the staff of the Library should be placed on the same footing, both as to rank and emolument, as the other Departments in the Civil Service of the Government, and they recommend that such changes shall be made in the existing Law as will affect this object.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell), the said Report was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin), the Petition of *Edward Mackay* and other shareholders of the *Mail*, Printing and Publishing Company, presented this day, was read and received; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, respecting the said Company, may not become Law, unless upon proper conditions for the retirement or withdrawal of the said Petitioners from the said Company.—The said Petition having reference to a Bill to be considered by the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, *to-morrow*.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading *to-morrow*, viz.:—

By Mr. *Bowell*,—No. 78. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Trust Company (Limited)," and Rule 51, in relation thereto, was suspended, in conformity with the recommendation of the Committee on Standing Orders.

By Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell),—No. 79. To further amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank," and to amend the Act amending the same.

By Mr. *Brooks*,—No. 80. Respecting loans by "The British American Land Company."

Mr. *Vail* presented,—Return to Address of the 15th ult,—and in obedience to the Order of The House of the 2nd instant,—a Return shewing the names, age, and residence of the Veterans of 1812–15, who have applied for, and who have received a gratuity from the Federal Government of Canada; the number of those Militiamen having Commissions as Officers; and how many such applications have been made by persons living out of Canada.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion of Canada, for the calendar year, 1875.

Mr. *Smith* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 8th instant; a Return in detail of all the monies received, with the Returns thereof, made to the Government by Mr. *Henry Mitchell*, Harbour Master of the Port of Glace Bay, in Cape Breton, stating the time when such Returns were made, and monies received; also copies of all instructions to said Officer with the amount of salary he receives, and stating whether the same is payable out of fees, or by fixed salary.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 81) to amend and consolidate certain Acts respecting Insurance.—Second reading to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 22) to provide for the salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and for other purposes, *without amendment*.

Also,—with the following Bill of their own (No. 82) intituled: "An Act to remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Corporation of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners," to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

The Bill (No. 18) to incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 77) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the City Bank and the Royal Canadian Bank, and to incorporate the Consolidated Bank of Canada," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Schultz*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Acts passed by the Council of the North-West Territories, and all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the said Territories, relative to matters which have been under consideration by the said Council.

On motion of Mr. *Brouse*, a Select Committee was appointed to enquire into the expediency of legislating in the matter of Sanitary reform; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Brouse, Holton, Tupper, Robitaille, Scatcherd, Blain, Dymond, Flynn, Young, Burpee* (Sunbury), *Kerr, Landerkin, Forbes, Christie* and *Fiset*.

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, it was Ordered, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return of all the Steam Fire Engines imported into the Dominion of Canada from Foreign Countries; the class of such Engines; the Country or Countries from which they were imported; the price at which each such Engine was entered for duty; by whom so entered; and the amount of duties so paid upon each Engine respectively.

Mr. *Langevin* moved, that the Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin* the Member representing the Electoral District of Charlevoix in this House, having stated from his place in this House that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish by satisfactory evidence that the Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* the Member representing in this House the Electoral District of Quebec Centre and the President of the Privy Council of Canada, was instrumental in hiring, or causing to be hired a number of men who are employed in summer as members of the River Police at Quebec, and in sending them or causing them to be sent to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the recent Election of a Member to represent that District in the House of Commons; and that the said men were headed or accompanied by one *Edmond Trudelle* an officer or employé of the Customs Department at Quebec, and that the whole or a large portion of said body of men were conveyed to said District in vehicles, the cost of such hire being charged to the said Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* who has promised to pay, or directed or caused the same to be paid, the said men so headed or accompanied being sent to said Electoral District to interfere illegally in said Election to disturb said Election and thus to deprive the Electors or a portion of the Electors of said District of their freedom as such Electors; and the said Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* having denied these charges; *it is Ordered*, That the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections do enquire into all the circumstances connected with the above charges, with power to send for persons, papers and records and with instructions to report in full the evidence taken before them and the proceedings of said Committee on this subject.

Mr. *Fréchette* moved in amendment, that all the words in the said motion, between the word "charges" and "inquire" be expunged, and the following inserted instead thereof: "a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by The House."

And a Debate arising thereon;

Mr. *Baby* moved, that the Debate be adjourned.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said Debate was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Tuesday, 21st March, 1876.

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment; it was agreed to.

The main motion as amended, was then agreed to.—

The Members to compose the Committee were then named by The House, as follows:—Messrs. *Laurier, Langlois, Laflamme, Aylmer, Palmer, Baby, Taschereau, Blanchet*, and *Macdougall* (Elgin).—9

The House then adjourned at 1 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

## ERRATUM.

In the Votes of Friday last (page 192) in Resolution 78, the word "Manitoba" was changed to "North-West Territories," and the entry therefore should read, as follows:—

78 Mounted Police, North-West Territories..... \$292,651 50

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the workmen on section 3 of the Intercolonial Railway and the Government, in relation to the non-payment of their wages for work done under the direction of *John O'Donnell*, agent of *Duncan McDonald*, contractor for the said section; copies of their sworn accounts transmitted to the Department of Public Works by divers persons: also copies of all correspondence which may have passed between the Government and the Superintendent of Dominion Railways for the Government, or between the Government and the parties interested.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for the correspondence between the Government or the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, and the interested parties of the Parish of Bic, with reference to the change of site of the Railway Station at the said place:—also for the correspondence between the interested parties of the Parish of St. Octave de Métis, and neighboring parishes, and the Government asking that the Station at St. Octave, be placed in a more convenient situation,

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Do the Government intend to pay the debts contracted and due about eighteen months ago respecting the Post Office, Victoria, by the Post Office Inspector with certain mechanics of that place? If so, when? If not, why?

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—When do the Government intend to transfer to the Province of British Columbia for Provincial purposes, certain Public Reserves and Public Buildings for which application has been made at various times between 1871 and 1876?

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Did the Government send any telegram, despatches or Minutes of Council in 1874 or 1875 to the Government of British Columbia, requesting the latter to make provision by Statute or Order in Council for the conveyance to the Dominion of a belt of land 20 miles wide along the line of the proposed Railway between Esquimalt and Nanaimo? If so, will the Government bring down all the papers connected with such request?

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send one of the Government steam dredges to deepen the bar at the entrance of the Harbour at Lingan this year according to promise made last Session?

Mr. *Roscoe*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between this Government and the Government of the United States regarding settlement of the Boundary Line between Alaska and British Columbia.

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## PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

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The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the

*Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce*, on or after Wednesday the 22nd March, instant :—

No. 77. From the Senate, intituled :—“ An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the City Bank and the Royal Canadian Bank, and to incorporate the Consolidated Bank of Canada.”

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No. 27.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 20TH MARCH, 1876.

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**  
**OF THE**  
**HOUSE OF COMMONS.**

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No. 28.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 1876.

Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *without amendment, viz* :—

No. 33. To extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway; and for other purposes.

No. 40. To amend the Act, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company."

And the Bill (No. 31) to make provision for the crossing of navigable waters by Railway, or other Road Companies, incorporated under Provincial Acts, *with amendments*.

Mr. *Mills*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act to incorporate "The Commercial Travellers Association of Canada," *without amendment*.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 2<sup>nd</sup> instant, a Statement shewing the amount which the Government of Canada have agreed to pay or have already paid under each contract passed between the Government and any individual or Company for the execution of any portion of the works required for the enlargement of the St. Lawrence Canals, including the Welland and Lachine Canals, since the report of the last Commission appointed to examine the question; also the total amount of such different sums.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 29. To make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Banks.

No 60. To provide for the payment of a Grant to the Province of Manitoba.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain Resolutions, providing for the amendment of the Dominion Lands Acts.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Dominion Lands Act, and to provide :—

(1.) That claims may be entered for tracts of land, not exceeding a quarter section or 160 acres, in any case, for the purpose of planting the same with forest trees, subject to provisions for ensuring such planting, and on condition that no patent shall be issued for any such claim until the expiration of six years from the entry

of the claim, when a free grant shall issue in favor of the claimant, if all the said provisions have been complied with; the claimant paying an office fee of ten dollars at the time of entering such claim.

(2.) That in case of any immigrant brought out at the expense of another party, under Section 15 of the said Act, attempting to evade the lien given by the said section for the re-payment of the expense so incurred by such other party, by obtaining a homestead entry outside the tract withdrawn from public settlement in order to its being settled by immigrants so brought out, the expense so incurred shall become a charge on the homestead so entered.

(3.) That Dominion Land Surveyors, or candidates for becoming such, may, if they see fit, be examined in the higher branches of surveying, and of mathematics and other sciences connected with surveying, and if successful in passing such examinations, may obtain certificates thereof; and that the following schedule of examination fees be substituted for that in Section 84 of the said Act:—

(a.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each pupil, on giving notice of his desire for examination preliminary to being articulated, one dollar.

(b.) To the Secretary of the Board, as the fee due on such examination, ten dollars, and a further such of two dollars for certificate.

(c.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each pupil, at the time of transmitting to such Secretary the indentures or articles of such pupil, two dollars.

(d.) To the Secretary of the Board by each candidate for final examination, with his notice thereof, two dollars.

(e.) To the Secretary of the Board, by each applicant, obtaining a commission, as his fee thereon, two dollars.

(f.) To the Secretary of the Board, as an admission fee by the applicant receiving the commission, twenty dollars, which sum shall also cover any certificate by the Board in the case of a candidate passing the higher examination; but such amount, as also the ten dollars required to be paid under paragraph (b), shall be paid to the Receiver General to the credit of Dominion Lands.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. Laird then introduced a Bill (No. 83) to amend the Dominion Lands Acts.—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 58) to extend the Acts respecting Dominion Notes to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Manitoba, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole; progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz.:—

No. 59. To extend the Acts therein mentioned, respecting Weights and Measures, and the Inspection of Gas and Gas Meters to Prince Edward Island.

No. 68. To amend the Acts therein mentioned respecting the Militia and Defence of the Dominion of Canada (*amended*.)

No. 72. To amend the Railway Act of 1868.

No. 73. To supply an omission in the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 42, extending certain Criminal Laws of Canada, to British Columbia.

The Bill (No. 30) to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Friday next.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill (No. 84) of their own, intitled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Mr. Cartwright, the said Bill was read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.)

Mr. Laird laid before The House,—Copies of all Orders of His Excellency the Governor General in Council; and of all Laws and Ordinances of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of the North-West Territories, made under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 16, Section 1, submitted for the information of the Honorable, the House of Commons, as required by that Act.

The Bill (No. 64) respecting Roads and Road Allowances in Manitoba, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Thursday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

## IMPROVEMENTS OF NAVIGABLE RIVERS.

97	{	Improvements of Navigable Rivers.....	10,000 00
		St. Lawrence, removal of chains and anchors.....	15,000 00
		Neebish Rapids .....	10,000 00

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

98	Lake Superior and Red River Route.....	25,000 00
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## PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

*Ontario.*

99	{	Examining Warehouse., Toronto.....	39,000 00
		Guelph Custom House, Excise and Post Office.....	25,000 00
		Kingston Military School and Repairing Fortifications.....	40,000 00

*Quebec.*

100	{	Repairing Fortifications.....	5,000 00
		Examining Warehouse, Montréal.....	60,000 00

*Nova Scotia.*

102	Sydney Marine Hospital .....	3,000 00
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*Prince Edward Island.*

103	Souris Marine Hospital.....	500 00
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*North-West Territories.*

104	Public Buildings, &c.....	25,000 00
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*British Columbia.*

105	Public Buildings.....	5,000 00
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## PENITENTIARIES.

106	{	General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces.....	30,000 00
		St. Vincent de Paul.....	20,000 00
		Manitob. Penitentiary.....	52,400 00
		British Columbia Penitentiary.....	66,000 00
		Penitentiaries generally, additions and repairs.....	5,000 00

## RENTS, REPAIRS, &amp;C.

107	{	Rents, repairs, furniture and heating, &c.....	182,000 00
		Heating Public Buildings.....	40,000 00
		Removal of Snow, Public Buildings, Ottawa .....	2,500 00
		Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa.....	12,000 00
		Allowance for Fuel and Light, Rideau Hall.....	5,000 00
		Repairs and Miscellaneous Expenses, Rideau Hall.....	10,000 00

## HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

*Ontario.*

108	{	Cobourg Harbour, Lake Ontario.....	15,000 00
		Bayfield do Lake Huron.....	5,600 00
		Kincardine do do .....	3,100 00
		Goderich do do .....	32,500 00
		Thunder Bay.....	6,000 00

*New Brunswick.*

110	{	Richibucto Harbour.....	10,000 00
		Shippegan Breakwater.....	11,000 00
		St. John Harbour.....	65,000 00

And the Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

*Wednesday, 22nd March, 1876.*

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

*Nova Scotia.*

111	{	Musquodoboit Halifax Co.....	1,000 00
		Cow Bay, C.B.....	10,000 00
		Ingonish South, C.B.....	15,000 00
		Breakwater between Michaud and Mark Points, Richmond Co.....	5,000 00
		Chipman's Brook, Kings Co.....	2,750 00
		Lingan Beach, C.B.....	2,000 00
		Tracadie, Antigonish Co.....	750 00

*Prince Edward Island.*

112	{	Tignish.....	4,750 00
		Colville Bay (Souris).....	20,000 00
113		Slides and Booms.....	10,000 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

114		Dredge Vessels.....	11,000 00
115		Dredging.....	102,000 00
116		Miscellaneous Works not otherwise provided for.....	10,000 00
117		Surveys and Inspections.....	45,000 00
118		Arbitrations and Awards.....	15,000 00

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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Mr. Church—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send an Engineer to Petite Nation River, Lunenburg County, N. S. to make a survey and report if the erection of a Breakwater is necessary.

Mr. Church—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to make arrangements so that the Dredge "Canada" shall return to the Harbour of Lunenburg, N. S., during the present year to complete the work commenced there last Autumn?

Mr. Church—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Dredge "Cape Breton" will be sent to Mahone Bay, N. S. to deepen the channel of that Harbour after her present engagements are completed; and if so, when?

Mr. Bunster—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of the Revenue and Expenditure on account of Consolidated fund for each year since Confederation in the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and in the Provinces of Manitoba and British Columbia for each year since they became Provinces of the Dominion; also the amount of expenses in each of the said Provinces yearly during the same period on Capital Account.

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No. 28.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1876.

Seven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to define and settle the duties, rights and liabilities of Common Carriers in certain cases, may not become law.

Of the Corporation of the Town of Lévis; praying for the establishment of a system of Marine Telegraphs on the shores and principal islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the same be extended to the shores of the Maritime Provinces.

Of the Reverend *Murdoch Stewart* and others; of the Reverend *J. J. Skinner* and others of the County of Lunenburg, Province of Nova Scotia; and of the Reverend *J. M. Cramp*, D.D. and others, representing the Baptist convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh section of the Act to amend and consolidate the laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Motion being made, that the Petitions of the Rev. *Donald Sutherland*, and others, of Gaberouse, Cape Breton,—of *John Lorway*, and others, of Louisburg, Cape Breton,—and of *Neil Stewart*, and others, of Furehe and Framboise; severally praying for an increased Postal communication in certain places on the Island of Cape Breton,—and the *Memorials* of the Directors of the Chambers of Commerce, of the City of Milwaukee, U. S.,—of the Board of Directors of the Northern Transit Company,—of the Toledo Produce Exchange, Ohio, U. S.,—of the Cleveland (U. S.) Board of Trade,—of the Board of Trade of the City of Detroit, U. S.,—and of the Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, U. S.; severally representing that suspension of Navigation upon the Welland Canal on Sundays, has become a serious impediment to Commerce, be now received:

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting of the prayer of the three Petitions involves an expenditure of public money,—and the six *Memorials* are each without containing a prayer, they cannot be “received.”

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting their Honors will give leave to the Hon. Messrs. *Reesor*, *Sutherland*, *Cochrane* and *Haythorne*, four of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed by this House, to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion.

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (Leeds), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence or papers with the Colonial Office, or with the Government of the United States, in regard to the action of that Government in denying the free navigation of the United States Canals, in accordance with the Washington Treaty.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer* it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement shewing the amount which the Government of Canada have incurred in the construction of the Branch of the Intercolonial Railway around Courtney Bay towards the Ballast Wharf at the City of Saint Johns, New Brunswick; also copies of all correspondence between any of the authorities of the said City and any person on behalf of the Government with reference to the terms on which the Government was allowed to build that work on property belonging to the City; and copies of all correspondence for the purchase of the Rankin Wharf Property for a deep water terminus for the said Railway and of the estimate of the cost of securing and constructing such terminus.

On motion of Mr. *Schultz* it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement shewing Imports during the Fiscal Year 1874-1875 into the North-West Territories through Ports on the Hudson Bay and James Bay together with Exports from the same; names of, and remuneration paid to persons employed by the Government at the said Ports, together with instructions furnished them by the Government and reports made by them to the Customs Department.

Mr. *Bunster* moved that it be *Resolved*, That an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of the Reports for 1874 and 1875, of the Engineer in charge of the British Columbia section of the Western Division of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Bowell* moved, that it be *Resolved*, That an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement of all moneys lying at the credit of the Dominion in any Bank or in the hands of any Financial Agent or other person with whom such moneys are deposited in Canada or elsewhere, said statement to shew:—

1st. The amount to the credit of the Dominion in each Bank on the last day of each month from December 1871, to December 1875, inclusive.

2nd. The amounts drawing interest at the close of each month in the different Banks and the rate and the amounts on demand not drawing interest.

3rd. The amounts on deposit in the hands of Canadian Banks, Financial Agents or other persons in England or elsewhere other than in the Dominion and the rate of interest, if any, received upon said deposits.

And a Debate arising thereon,—at 6 o'clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at half past seven o'clock P.M.

7:30 P. M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.*)

The Bill (No. 18) to incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company, was read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 21. To amend the Acts respecting the Citizens Insurance and Investment Company.

No. 33. To extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway, and for other purposes.

No. 40. To amend the Act, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company."

No. 49. To amend the Act to incorporate "The Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada."

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred as follows, *viz*:—

*To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:*

No. 66. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

No. 69. To incorporate "The Maritime Savings and Loan Society."

No. 75. To incorporate "The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company."

*To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:*

No. 71. To incorporate the Synod of the Church of England, Diocese of Rupert's Land.

The Bill (No. 9) to amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 42, respecting the transportation of cattle by Railway, or other mode of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 8) to amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 51, entitled: "An Act to authorize the incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 11) to amend the Act to make better provision, extending to the whole Dominion, respecting the inspection of certain Staple Articles of Canadian produce, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendment agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Flynn's* proposed motion, "that it be *Resolved, That* an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer, for a copy of the Report and plan made by Mr. *Perley* in the summer of 1873, for the enlargement of St. Peter's Canal; with all subsequent Reports, Orders in Council, advertisements, tenders and contracts appertaining to the work."

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and ordered accordingly.

Mr. *Bourassa* moved, that the Bill (No. 47) to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, be now read the second time; which was negatived on the following division:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Baby,	Coupal,	Gordon,	Montplaisir,
Bain,	Cuthbert,	Greenway,	Orton,
Béchar,	Daoust,	Hagar,	Ouimet,
Benoit,	Desjardins,	Higinbotham,	Pozer,
Bernier,	Farrow,	Hurteau,	Robitaille,
Blanchet,	Ferguson,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Rymal,
Bourassa,	Fiset,	Langevin,	Stirton,
Bowell,	Fleming,	Lanthier,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Bunster,	Flesher,	Macmillan,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cheval,	Fréchette,	McCallum,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Christie,	Galbraith,	McCraney,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Cimon,	Gaudet,	McNab,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ), and
Cook,	Gibson,	Masson,	Yeo.—55.
Costigan,	Gillies,	Monteith,	

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Archibald,	Church,	Laird,	Norris,
Bannatyne,	Cockburn,	Landerkin,	Oliver,
Bertram,	Coffin,	Laurier,	Pelletier,
Biggar,	Davies,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Perry,
Blake,	DeCosmos,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Borden,	Delorme,	Macdonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Bowman,	DeVeber,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Ryan,
Brooks,	Donahue,	MacDougall ( <i>Three Rivers</i> ),	Schultz,
Brown,	Dymond,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Skinner,
Buell,	Flynn,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Burk,	Forbes,	Mackenzie,	Taschereau,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Fraser,	McGregor,	Thibaudeau,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Gillmor,	McIntyre,	Trow,
Carmichael,	Horton,	McIsaac,	Tupper,
Cartwright,	Irving,	McLeod,	Wood,
Casey,	Kerr,	Mills,	Workman, and
Casgrain,	Lafamme,	Moffat,	Young.—69.
Charlton,			

The Bill (No. 51) to amend the Criminal Law relating to offences against the person, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill (No. 19) to amend the Law relating to Criminal Procedure.

The Bill (No. 53) to amend "The Dominion Elections Act, 1874," and to declare ineligible for Election to the House of Commons, all persons disqualified, for Election to the Local Legislatures, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Monday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

## XIII.—OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

## DOMINION STEAMERS.

119 Maintenance and repairs of Steamers <i>Napoleon III</i> , <i>Newfield</i> , <i>Druid</i> , <i>Lady Head</i> and <i>Sir James Douglas</i> .....	80,000 00
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## MAIL SUBSIDIES.

120	Moiety payable to Allan Line between Halifax and Cork.....	39,541 67
121	Steam Communication between Halifax and St. John, <i>via</i> Yarmouth.....	10,000 00
122	do on Lakes Huron and Superior.....	12,500 00

And the Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Thursday, 23rd March, 1876.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

## OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.—(Continued.)

123	Steam Service between San Francisco and Victoria, British Columbia.....	54,000 00
124	Steam Communication with the Magdalen Islands.....	4,200 00
125	Winter Service by Steamer between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.....	15,000 00
126	Steam Communication between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.....	5,000 00
127	do do Grand Manan Island, N.B., and the Mainland.....	1,500 00
128	To provide for the examination of Masters and Mates.....	4,250 00
129	For purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers and Rewards for Saving Life.....	7,000 00
130	To provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and Collection of information relating to disasters to Shipping.....	1,000 00
131	Expenses in connection with Canadian Register and Classification of Shipping.....	6,000 00
132	Montreal Water Police.....	14,090 00
133	River Police, Quebec.....	21,700 00
134	Removal of obstructions in navigable rivers.....	500 00

## XIV.—LIGHTHOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

135	Salaries and Allowance of Lighthouse Keepers.....	142,917 50
136	Maintenance and Repairs.....	213,000 00
137	For construction of Lighthouses, and completion of Lighthouses in course of construction.	30,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 12:35 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Cartwright—On Friday next—BILL to amend the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 5.

Mr. Blake—On Friday next—HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution:—

That it is expedient to extend the provisions of the third section of the Act 31 Vic., Chap. 33, to the Chief Justice and Justices of the Court of Error and Appeal for the Province of Ontario, so that they shall under like circumstances be entitled to the same proportion of their salaries as retiring allowances, as the Judges mentioned in the said section, payable in like manner out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Friday next—That when the House adjourns it shall stand adjourned until Saturday at 2 o'clock, P.M., and that Government Measures shall have precedence on that day.

Mr. Ross (Middlesex)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Lieutenant Governors of the different Provinces regarding the relative jurisdiction of the Dominion and Provincial Parliaments over the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors; together with all decisions of the Courts in the different Provinces bearing upon this matter.

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PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Wednesday, 29th March, instant:—

*Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:*

- No. 66. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."
- No. 69. To incorporate "The Maritime Savings and Loan Society."
- No. 75. To incorporate "The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company."

*Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:*

- No. 71. To incorporate the Synod of the Church of England, Diocese of Rupert's Land.
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No. 29.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1876.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1876.

Thirty-eight Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Henry Gripell*, a first mortgage bondholder of the Canada Southern Railway Company, residing in London, England; praying that no Act may be passed permitting the Canada Southern Railway Company to alter in any way the position or privileges of their Bondholders, before the Bondholders residing in Great Britain shall have had ample opportunity afforded them of obtaining full information of the provisions of the desired Act and its objects and considering of its merits.

Of *William Christie* and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of the Council of the Village of Gaspé and others; praying for the adoption of such measures as will secure the extension of the Telegraph system from Prince Edward Island to the Magdalen Islands and from thence to Bird Rocks, in the centre of the Gulf of the St. Lawrence.

Of the Ontario Car Company; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to empower the Canada Southern Railway Company to issue preference stock, may not become law, if the said preference stock is to have priority over the Second Mortgage Bonds.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 41) to grant to the Canada Landed Credit Company enlarged powers of borrowing and lending; and for other purposes therein mentioned, *with amendments*.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents and recommend that they be printed, viz:—

*Message*, transmitting papers regarding the construction of the Pacific Railway.

*Return*, in pursuance of the Railway Statistics Act, for the several Railways, &c.

*Return* and Supplementary documents, *in re* duties refunded to Great Western Railway.

*General Rules* and *Orders* framed by the Judges of the Supreme and Exchequer Courts for regulating the procedure of those Courts. (*For Distribution only.*)

*Return to Address* shewing the number of newspapers, &c., in each County and City of the Dominion which have paid postage on papers sent from the office of publication.

*Return to Address*, Reports by Engineers, from the Quebec Harbor Commission relating to the site for a graving dock at the Port of Quebec. (*In a condensed form.*)

*Return to Address* relating to the state and condition of the Dawson route from Thunder Bay to Fort Garry. (*Tables only.*)

*Return* in relation to the offices and workshops of the Intercolonial Railway at Rimouski.

*Return to Address*,—Statement shewing the use which has been made of any portion of the Steel Rails purchased by the Government, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Report by Mr. *F. Shanly* upon the Prince Edward Island Railway.

*Return*,—Statement shewing the amount which the Government have agreed to pay or have already paid in connection with the enlargement of the St. Lawrence Canals, including the Welland and Lachine Canals.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Dominion and Ontario Governments regarding the granting of land or any other aid by the Ontario Government to the Georgian Bay Branch Railway.

*Orders* of His Excellency the Governor in Council and all Laws and Ordinances of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of the North-West Territories made under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Cap. 16, Sec. 1.

The Committee also recommend that the following document be *not printed*:—

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence with the Hudsons Bay Company relating to the acquisition by the Dominion from the Company of their lands in Manitoba and North-West Territories.

*Return*,—Instructions issued to Mr. *Talbot* an employé of the Post Office Department in relation to his visits to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the Dominion election in the month of January last.

*Return* of the names of parties holding lands on the Islands of the St. Lawrence called the "Thousand Islands."

*Return*,—Correspondence between the Six Nation Indians and the Indian Department with reference to the payment of accrued interest moneys.

*Return to Address*,—Number of suits instituted before the Supreme Court and Judgments rendered.

*Return*,—Copies of circulars sent to Ship building firms for the construction of the steam tender to transport mails from Father Point to the Ocean Steamers, &c.

*Return to Address* for the names, age and residence of the veterans of 1812-15.

*Return*,—Statement of all moneys received by Mr. *Henry Mitchell*, Harbor Master of the Port of Glacé Bay, Cape Breton, &c.

The Committee also beg leave respectfully to submit the following:—

That, whereas the Joint Committee on Printing have in their Third Report, expressed their approval of the action taken in carrying out their Resolution passed on the 1st April last, "That if the parties to whom the Binding Contract had been awarded were not prepared with a Bindery, Materials, &c., to perform the work, when required, it was to be offered to the next lowest tenderer," and as the said Third Report has been concurred in by both Houses, it is now necessary to provide for the performance of the work, and as the contract contains a provision that it may at any time be cancelled by a Resolution of the Committee; be it therefore

*Resolved*, That the Contract entered into with Messrs. *Grisson* and *O'Donoghue*, on the 19th day of March 1875, for the Binding required by Parliament be cancelled,—and that the Deposit Receipt furnished by the Bank of Montreal, as their security, be returned to the Bank, subject to the order of the said Messrs. *Grisson* and *O'Donoghue*.

*Resolved*, That a Contract be entered into with Mr. *Alexander Mortimer* for the binding required by Parliament, in accordance with his tender, it being the next lowest, on his furnishing the requisite security.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, the papers, documents, letters and correspondence, having reference to the selection of a site for the construction of a Graving Dock at the Port of Quebec (Document No. 91), and laid before The House on the 6th April, 1875, was referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses, on the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Langlois*, the Select Committee appointed, to enquire into the charges of illegal interference in the last Election for the Electoral District of Charlevoix, obtained leave to employ a shorthand writer to take down the evidence of their investigation.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 2nd instant; copies of instructions issued by the Public Works Department to any Engineer, regarding the survey of Toronto Harbor; also copies of all reports made by the Government, shewing the present state of the Harbor, or suggesting additional works to preserve it from destruction.

Return to an Order of The House of the 22nd instant; for all papers and correspondence between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and *L. J. Loranger*, Esquire, Fishery Overseer, or any other person, in relation to Licenses granted or refused to parties wishing to fish in the Lakes comprised within the limits of the Counties of Terrebonne, Montcalm, Joliette and Berthier; and of all instructions given to the said *L. J. Loranger*; and also for a statement shewing the names of all persons to whom such Licenses have been granted and on what conditions they were so granted.

Return to Address of the 6th instant; for copies of the correspondence with the Local Government of Nova Scotia, respecting the contemplated transfer of the Branch Line of Railway, between Truro and Pictou.

Return to Address of the 21st ult; for all Orders in Council, instructions to officers, Reports from officers, with all correspondence to or from Officials or private Individuals or public bodies in connection with the attempt of the Government to compel the occupants of Fisheries in the Maritime Provinces to an enforced attornment to the Government and an arbitrary deprivation of their rights which have for at least a quarter of a century been used and enjoyed by them.

Return to Address of the 14th ult.; for a copy of the Report of *Henry R. Symmes*, Esquire, in reference to his surveys in the Parish of St. Irénée in the Electoral District of Charlevoix in 1874 or 1875; also a copy of the instructions issued to him on that subject, and of all petitions and correspondence which may have been sent in or exchanged in relation thereto.

Return to an Order of The House of the 13th instant; for a statement of all licenses issued for Fishing weirs or traps, in the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia for the years 1874 and 1875; also a statement of the tax collected each year, from the same source.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 5) to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats, and Molestations, *without amendment*.

Also,—giving leave to the Hon. Messrs. *Reesor*, *Sutherland*, *Cochrane*, and *Haythorne*, four of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed by this House, to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion, if they think fit.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments agreed to, read a third time, and passed, *viz.* :—

No. 31. To make provision for the crossing of navigable waters by Railway, or other Road Companies, incorporated under Provincial Acts.

No. 64. Respecting Roads and Road Allowances in Manitoba.

The Bill (No. 24) to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court and the Exchequer Court of Canada, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments agreed to, and ordered for a third reading, *to-morrow*.

The Bill (No. 58) to extend the Acts respecting Dominion Notes, to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia, and Manitoba, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 74) respecting the attendance of Witnesses on Criminal trials, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, *to-morrow*.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce*, *viz.* :—

No. 81. To amend and consolidate certain Acts respecting Insurance.

No. 84. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue."

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Costigan* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That whereas this House did on the 13th day of February 1875 vote an Address to Her Majesty praying that a full amnesty should be granted to all persons connected with the North-West troubles, for all acts committed by them during the said troubles, saving only *Louis Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *W. D. O'Donoghue*, and that a like amnesty should be granted to *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine*, conditional on five years banishment from Her Majesty's Dominion, thereby excluding *W. D. O'Donoghue* from the benefits of such amnesty—and whereas the said *W. D. O'Donoghue* has since written the following letter; *viz.* —

*To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa City:—*

SIR,—I beg to state to you and the honorable body over which you preside, that a great injustice has been done me by the late action of Parliament in excluding me from the Amnesty granted to all others who participated in the insurrection of 1869 and 1870 in Manitoba. As this action of Parliament would seem to throw the whole responsibility of the "Insurrection," the "execution of *Scott*" and so called "Fenian Raid" on me, I do not propose shouldering all of them, that those who were responsible may go forth spotless at my expense, purified by a resolution of Parliament.

I accordingly make the following statement of facts, which I can prove most conclusively :—

1st. The insurrection was advised by Gov. *Wm. McTavish* who, with other officers of the Hudson Bay Company, also aided and abetted it from its inception, up to the very hour it ceased to exist. That *Riel* was in constant communication with Governor *McTavish*, and on many occasions under his instructions.

That he, Governor *McTavish*, fully recognized the Provincial Government. That *Donald A. Smith*, on arriving at Fort Garry, recognized the Government, also in my own hearing, and with Gov. *McTavish* was *Riel's* adviser during his stay in the Fort, and after the departure of both of these from the country, *Riel* continued to hold council with *John McTavish*, who then represented the Hudson Bay Company.

2nd. That others, whose names I now forbear mentioning, and who are very "loyal" subjects, advised recourse to arms.

3rd. That I was not a party to the Insurrection till the 15th of November, 1869, about four weeks after its inauguration, and two weeks after possession was taken of Fort Garry.

4th. That the case of *Thomas Scott* was never brought before the Provincial Government, either before, or after the execution of "murder," as it is properly termed, of *Thomas Scott*, that I am entirely clear of this charge, and should no other alternative be left me to remove the stigma of murder from my character I am determined to do so at some future day at any hazard. From this I state without fear of contradiction, that the Provisional Government did not order the trial or execution of *Scott*, and that neither as a member of that Government, nor as a private individual, had I any part, directly, or indirectly, in the execution of *Thomas Scott*.

5th. That the so-called "Fenian Raid" is a *misnomer*, as Fenianism has nothing whatever to do with it. That it was simply a continuation of the insurrection inaugurated in '69, and with the same avowed intention, and by the same parties, a fact which the then existing Government of Manitoba was cognizant of for months previous to the so-called "raid." That my part in it was simply that of an agent of the people, holding a commission authorized by a resolution of the Council held at La Riviere Salle in September '70, over which Council *L. Riel* presided. This commission I hold, as a proof of which I have in my possession the minute book of the Council. Neither was it brought at any time before the Privy Council composed of the French members of the Legislature. Further, that as a member of the Government, and having my residence in Fort Garry, I was entirely ignorant of the fact that a military council was to be held or being held, to try any of the prisoners there confined, until I was summoned to give testimony by *Riel* and the Council then sitting on *Scott's* case, which summons I treated with contempt by informing the Council that it was acting without authority, and as such I fail to recognize it, and that I refused to testify in the case. That neither *Riel* nor any other officer of the Government consulted with me, nor I with either of them, on the trial or execution, and that I am entirely innocent of the blood of *Scott*, which were I given an opportunity, I could prove conclusively. And further, that but for my part in the so-called "Fenian Raid,"—of which I will speak hereafter—I would have gone to Manitoba long since and demanded a trial on evidence in my possession signed by the officers, both civil and military, of the late Provincial Government of the French party, and also a copy of the resolution authorizing the commission.

That I am aware persistent efforts have been made by certain parties since I left the country to throw the responsibility of all the unlawful acts committed during the "troubles" upon me. A certain pamphlet was published last winter "to show why an amnesty should be issued by the Canadian Government," in which this effort was repeated, and the "manifesto letter," of *Riel* aimed also at this point. Had the causes of the "troubles" and the acts committed during them been thoroughly investigated, these immaculate gentlemen would doubtless stand in a different position in the eyes of the public, from what they do at present—purified by a resolution of Parliament and amnesty. That I ask no favors now of the Canadian Government or Parliament, they have meted out to me the full measure of their injustice, but the world shall know in my own good time the whole unvarnished truth.

W. D. O'DONOGHUE,  
Secretary of Treasury, &c., &c., of the late Provisional  
Government of Rupert's Land, N. W.

St. Paul, Minnesota, February 26th, 1875.

That in the opinion of this House the Government should at once institute a thorough enquiry into the statements contained in said letter, in order that Justice may be done in the premises.

And the question being put, it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Benoit,  
Bernier,  
Blanchet,  
Caron,  
Costigan,  
Coupal,  
Currier,  
De St. Georges,

Devlin,  
Domville,  
Donahue,  
Dugas,  
Ferguson,  
Gaudet,  
Harwood,  
Hurteau,

McCallum,  
McQuade,  
Mitchell,  
Monteith,  
Montplaisir,  
Orton,  
Pinsonneault,

Robillard,  
Robitaille,  
Stephenson,  
St. Jean,  
Thompson (*Cariboo*),  
White (*Hastings*), and  
Wright (*Ottawa*).—30.

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Appleby,	Davies,	Kirkpatrick,	Pettes,
Archibald,	Dawson,	Lafamme,	Pickard,
Aylmer,	Delorme,	Laird,	Platt,
Bain,	Desjardins,	Lajoie,	Plumb,
Bannatyne,	DeVeber,	Landerkin,	Pouliot,
Barthe,	Dewdney,	Langevin,	Pozer,
Bertram,	Dymond,	Langlois,	Ray,
Blake,	Farrow,	Lanthier,	Robinson,
Borden,	Ferris,	Laurier,	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Borron,	Fiset,	Little,	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Bowell,	Fleming,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Bowman,	Flesher,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Ryan,
Boyer,	Flynn,	MacDonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Rymal,
Brooks,	Forbes,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Scriver,
Brouse,	Fraser,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Shibley,
Brown,	Fréchette,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	Short,
Buell,	Galbraith,	Mackenzie,	Sinclair,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Gibson,	McCraney,	Skinner,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Gill,	McGregor,	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Cameron ( <i>Cardwell</i> ),	Gillies,	McIntyre,	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Carmichael,	Gillmor,	McIsaac,	Snider,
Cartwright,	Gordon,	McLeod,	Stirton,
Casey,	Goudge,	McNab,	Taschereau,
Casgrain,	Hagar,	Masson,	Thibaudeau,
Cauchon,	Hall,	Metcalfe,	Trow,
Charlton,	Higinbotham,	Mills,	Tupper,
Cheval,	Holton,	Moffat,	Vail,
Christie,	Horton,	Mousseau,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Church,	Irving,	Norris,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cimon,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Oliver,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Cockburn,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Quimet,	Wood,
Coffin,	Kerr,	Paterson,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ),
Cook,	Killam,	Pelletier,	Yeo and
Cunningham,	Kirk,	Perry,	Young.—136.

The main motion was then agreed to, and The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

## XV.—FISHERIES.

Salaries and Disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens :—

138	{	Ontario .....	8,860 00
		Quebec .....	10,000 00
		Nova Scotia, including Inspector and Clerk.....	14,375 00
		New Brunswick, do do .....	10,085 00
		Prince Edward Island and Manitoba.....	1,500 00
		British Columbia.....	1,000 00
139		Maintenance and repairs of Steamer for protection of Fisheries.....	17,000 00
140		Fish-breeding, Fishways and Oyster Beds.....	16,000 00

And the Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

Friday, 24th March, 1876.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

## XVI.—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

## OBSERVATORIES.

141	Observatory, Quebec.....	2,400 00
142	do Toronto .....	4,800 00
143	do Kingston .....	500 00
144	do Montreal .....	500 00
145	do New Brunswick.....	850 00
146	Grant for Meteorological Observations, including Instruments and cost of Telegraphing Weather Warnings .....	37,000 00
147	Additional for Geological Survey.....	5,000 00

## XVII.—MARINE HOSPITALS AND SICK AND DISTRESSED SEAMEN

## MARINE HOSPITALS.

148	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec.....		20,000 00
149	{ Montreal General Hospital.....	\$ 3,000 00	
	{ Other ports in Quebec.....	2,000 00	
			5,000 00
150	{ St. Catherines, Hospital, Ontario.....	500 00	
	{ Kingston Hospital.....	500 00	
			1,000 00
151	{ Halifax General Hospital.....	3,500 00	
	{ Other ports in Nova Scotia.....	10,000 00	
			13,500 00
152	{ Hospital of St. John.....	4,000 00	
	{ Other ports in New Brunswick.....	8,000 00	
			12,000 00
153	Ports in British Columbia.....		3,000 00
154	Ports in Prince Edward Island.....		2,000 00

## EXPENSE OF SHIPWRECKED AND DISABLED SEAMEN.

	{ Province of Quebec.....		1,000 00
	{ do Nova Scotia.....		2,000 00
155	{ do New Brunswick.....		1,000 00
	{ do British Columbia.....		1,000 00
	{ do Prince Edward Island.....		500 00
156	To reimburse Board of Trade, London, for expenses incurred in connection with shipwrecked and distressed seamen of the Dominion.....		3,000 00

## XVIII.—STEAMBOAT INSPECTIONS.

## SALARIES.

	{ Chairman.....		1,800 00
	{ Deputy Chairman.....		1,400 00
	{ Inspector, Toronto District.....		1,200 00
	{ do Three Rivers District.....		1,000 00
	{ do Quebec District.....		1,000 00
	{ do East Ontario District.....		1,000 00
	{ do Montreal.....		1,200 00
	{ do British Columbia.....		750 00
	{ Travelling expenses of Chairman, and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection Clerk to Inspection.....		1,100 00
157	{ Travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and contingencies of Office.....		300 00
	{ Travelling expenses of Inspector of Toronto District, and contingencies of Office.....		865 00
	{ Travelling expenses of Inspector, Three Rivers.....		600 00
	{ do do Quebec.....		200 00
	{ do do East Ontario.....		250 00
	{ do do Montreal.....		330 00
	{ To provide for expenses, inspecting Prince Edward Island steamers.....		405 00
	{ For purchase of instruments and steam gauges.....		500 00
	{ To provide travelling expenses of Inspector, British Columbia.....		550 00
			200 00

## XIX.—INSPECTION OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

158	To meet expenses in connection with the Inspection of Insurance Companies.....	6,000 00
	Resolutions to be reported.	

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1.15 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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*Mr. Poyer*—On Monday next—BILL entitled “An Act to detach a certain portion of the County of Lotbiniere and to annex it to the County of Beauce.”

*Mr. Ross* (Middlesex)—On Monday next—That the Fifth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on Parliamentary Printing be adopted; also that that part of the 4th Report of the same Committee referring to The Printing of the Journals of the House be adopted.

*Mr. Blain*—On Monday next—House in Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolution:—That it is expedient to provide, that any Company incorporated by Act of the Parliament of Canada, or of the Legislature of any Province in Canada, with power to loan or invest money, may stipulate for, take and recover, any rate of interest on such loan or investment, which may be agreed on and which could be lawfully stipulated for, taken and recovered by any private party in the Province where the agreement is made, on a like loan or investment.

*Mr. Cameron* (Victoria, N.R.)—In Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 53) entitled “An Act to amend the Dominion Elections Act 1874—That Section 1 thereof be amended by adding after the words “Provinces of Canada” the words “by the final judgment of the Court or Judge appointed for the trial of Election Petitions in any of the said Provinces” and by adding after the words “any corrupt practice” the words “as defined by the Dominion Elections Act 1874.”

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The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Michigan Car Company; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to empower the Canada Southern Railway Company to issue Preference Stock, may not become law if the said Preference Stock is to have priority over the Second Mortgage Bonds.

Of the Reverend *John McAlpine* and others of the Widder Street Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, Town of St. Mary's; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of *Neil McInnes* and others; of *H. Macdonald Scott*, B.A., B.D., and others; of *Charles Randall* and others; and of the Reverend *William McCulloch*, D.D. and others of the Province of Nova Scotia; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of *William H. Hingston*, Chairman, on behalf of a Public meeting of the Citizens of Montreal; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Royal Albert Bridge Company, may become law.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 8th instant; a Return showing the tenders received in 1875 for the conveyance of the Mails between Victoria and San Francisco, with a copy of any correspondence respecting the said tenders and Mail service generally; also a copy of the contract for the performance of the said service.

And,—Return to an Order of The House of the 2nd instant for copies of the circulars sent to ship-building firms for the construction of a Steam Tender to transport Mails from Father Point to the ocean steamers; all correspondence with any parties in relation to the same and a statement of the names of all parties or firms to whom such circulars were sent with the tenders received; the date of the acceptance of Messrs. *Cantin's* tender and a copy of the contract entered into with them.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz* :—

- No. 4. To incorporate "The National Exchange Company."  
 No. 27. To incorporate "The Scottish Canadian Loan Company."  
 No. 39. To incorporate "The Trust Company of Canada."

Mr. *Mills*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz* :—

- No. 23. To amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 111, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Mail Printing and Publishing Company (Limited)."  
 No. 43. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 93, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company."

And the Bill (No. 26) to enable the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company, to obtain an extension of a Patent known as "*Rodden's Improved Ferrule or Socket*," *without amendment*.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain Resolution to extend the provisions of Section 3 of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 33.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

*Resolved*,—That it is expedient to extend the provisions of the third section of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 33, to the Chief Justice and Justices of the Court of Error and Appeal for the Province of Ontario, so that they shall under like circumstances be entitled to the same proportion of their salaries as retiring allowances, as the Judges mentioned in the said section, payable in like manner out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Blake* then introduced a Bill (No. 85) to extend the provisions of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 33, respecting the retiring allowance of Judges, to the Chief Justice and Justices of the Court of Error and Appeal for the Province of Ontario.—Second reading on Monday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

#### XXI.—INDIANS.

159	For Indians, Quebec .....	2,200 00
160	Purchase of blankets for aged and infirm Indians of Ontario and Quebec.....	1,600 00
161	Indians of Nova Scotia, relief, &c., &c.....	4,500 00
162	Indians of New Brunswick, relief, &c., &c.....	4,500 00
163	Indians of Prince Edward Island, relief, &c., &c.....	2,000 00
164	Indians of British Columbia :—	
	Victoria Superintendency .....	\$15,000 00 }
	Fraser do .....	10,000 00 }
		25,000 00

Manitoba and the North-West, for the following purposes :—

#### *Manitoba Superintendency.*

165	Annuities under Treaties Nos. 1 and 2.....	22,926 00
166	do do 3.....	17,440 00
167	do do 5.....	14,660 00
168	Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools to be furnished under the above-mentioned Treaties Nos. 1 and 2.....	4,000 00
169	do do 3.....	8,000 00
170	do do 5.....	3,000 00
171	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under the above-mentioned Treaties .....	10,000 00
172	Salaries and Office Expenses .....	18,660 00

*North-West Superintendency.*

173	For Annuities under Treaty No. 4.....	27,610 00
174	Agricultural Implements, &c., under Treaty No. 4.....	8,000 00
175	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities.....	12,000 00
176	Ammunition and twine under this Treaty.....	1,500 00
177	Salaries and Office Expenses.....	19,000 00
178	Probable expense in connection with New Treaties.....	80,000 00

*Miscellaneous.*

179	To aid Indians' Schools where most required.....	2,000 00
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## XXII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

181	Canada Gazette.....	4,000 00
182	Miscellaneous Printing.....	8,000 00
183	Unforeseen Expenses: Expenditure thereof under Order in Council, and a detailed statement to be laid before Parliament during the first fifteen days of the next Session...	50,000 00
184	Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy.....	12,000 00
185	For the organization of Government in the North-West Territories.....	12,000 00

At 6 o'clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, to adjourn The House until half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7:30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The Bill (No. 41) to grant to the Canada Landed Credit Company enlarged powers of borrowing and lending; and for other purposes therein mentioned, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a time time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 80) respecting loans by "The British American Land Company," was read the second time, and referred to the *Select Committee on Banking and Commerce*.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the two following Bills, *with and amendment, viz* :—

No. 55. Respecting the Intercolonial Railway,  
No. 13. To make more effectual provision for the administration of the Law, relating to corrupt practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

*The Committee of Supply resumed.*

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

## XXIII.—CUSTOMS.

## SALARIES AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SEVERAL PORTS.

186	{	In Province of Ontario.....	219,054 00
		do Quebec.....	199,510 00
		do New Brunswick.....	92,329 00
		do Nova Scotia.....	103,250 00
		do Manitoba and North-West Territories.....	10,250 00
		do British Columbia.....	20,208 00
		do Prince Edward Island.....	21,990 00
		Salaries and travelling expenses of Inspectors of Ports, and travelling expenses of other Officers on Inspection.....	16,000 00
		Contingencies of Head Office, covering printing, stationery, advertising, telegraphing, &c., for the several Ports of Entry.....	15,000 00

## XXIV.—EXCISE.

187	{	Salaries of Officers and Inspectors of Excise.....	177,800 00
		Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, &c.....	45,000 00
		Preventive Service.....	3,000 00
		To provide for payment of additional salary to special class of Excisemen.....	3,000 00
		To provide for additions to outside service.....	5,000 00
		To pay Collectors of Customs allowance on duties collected by them.....	2,000 00

## XXV.—CULLING TIMBER.

## QUEBEC OFFICE.

188	Supervisor.....	2,000 00
	Deputy Supervisor and Book-keeper.....	1,600 00
	Cashier.....	1,200 00
	Specification Clerks.....	1,900 00
	Messenger.....	400 00
	Specification Clerks, viz: 4 at \$600, 2 at \$700, 1 at \$500, 2 at \$1,000 (8 months).....	6,300 00
	Pay of Cullers.....	57,000 00
Contingencies.....	5,000 00	

## MONTREAL AND SOREL OFFICES.

Deputy Supervisor.....	800 00
Book-keeper and Specification Clerks.....	1,000 00
Pay of Cullers.....	4,000 00
Contingencies.....	300 00

## XXX.—POST OFFICE.

203	For Ontario and Quebec.....	1,229,000 00
	New Brunswick.....	155,000 00
	Nova Scotia.....	188,500 00
	Manitoba.....	28,000 00
	British Columbia.....	80,000 00
	Prince Edward Island.....	52,000 00

## XXVI.—WEIGHTS AND MEASURES (EQUIPMENT AND INSPECTION).

189	For Standards ordered in England, but not yet delivered.....	20,000 00
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## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES (INSPECTION OF).

190	Salaries and expenses of 92 Inspectors of Weights and Measures. (Will be recouped by fees.).....	72,000 00
191	Salaries and expenses of 32 Gas Inspectors.....	18,600 00

## XXVII.—INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

192	For the purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other Expenditure under the Act.....	3,000 00
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## XXVIII.—ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

193	To meet Expenses under the Act 36 Vic., chap. 49. (Will be mainly recouped by fees.).....	10,000 00
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And the Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

*Saturday, 25th March, 1876.*

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

## XXIX.—PUBLIC WORKS.

*Maintenance and Repairs.*

194	Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers.....	35,170 00
195	Collection of Slide and Boom Dues.....	18,475 00
196	Repairs and Working Expenses of above.....	438,500 00
199	Prince Edward Island Railway.....	200,000 00
200	Telegraph Lines, British Columbia (including Subsidy).....	32,200 00
201	do between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.....	1,946 66
202	Agent and Contingencies, British Columbia.....	4,000 00

## XXXI.—DOMINION LANDS.

204	Surveys of Land, North-West (including Commissions and Staff).....	60,000 00
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## XXXII.—MINOR REVENUES.

205 Estimate of amount for which a vote is required..... 10,000 00  
 Resolutions to be reported.

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Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, on Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS,

Mr. *Domville*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—How many steam Tug Boats the Government contracted for in St. John, N.B., last year; Who were the contracting parties; Are they yet built and will they be ready for use this coming Summer?

Mr. *McIsaac*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send an Engineer next Summer to make a Survey of the Harbour of Antigonish with the view of ascertaining and making the improvements required?

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## PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on and after Friday, 31st March, instant* :—

No. 80. Respecting loans by "The British American Land Company."

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No. 31.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—List of the Stockholders of the Bank of British North America, on the 1st of January, 1876, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

And,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the Districts of Arthabaska, Quebec, Richelieu, and St. Francis, for the year, 1875.

Thirty-two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Reverend *R. Middlemist*, M.A., Senior Master of Harrow School, England; of *F. S. Barlin*; of *Thomas Paterson*; of *John Macpherson*; of *Henry Holder*; of *Mrs. Margaret S. McIntyre*, Widow; of Messrs. *Naggiar and Company*; of *Charles Henry Langmead*; of *Charles John Eley*; of *Robert Dahgemple*; of *John Ewart*; of *John Mackinlay*; of *Sydney Howard* of London; of *Henrietta Charlotte Grice* of Beckermont, Cumberland; of *James Slinn* of Langley; of *Robert Harris*; of Messrs. *Morris and Marks*; of *Edward Nicholson*; of *James Fender Logan* of Liverpool; of *William Andrews* of Coventry; of *David H. Barlin* of Surrey; of *H. M. Wyles* of Warwickshire; of *Edward Yates*; of *William Horace Hines* of Hampshire; of *John Hague Edmondson*; of *William Hamilton Colne*; of *Richard Isherwood Hargreaves* of Lancashire; of *William Fuller* of Shropshire; of *Francis H. West* of Stroud; of *Robert Webster* of Sneaton; of *William Davies* of Wolverhampton; of *William Sommerville* of Bristol; of *Thomas Kay* of Stockport; of *D. S. Hasluck* of Birmingham; of *William G. Ling*; of *Frances Tapsell* of Bath; of *William Ling* of Ipswich, all of England; of *R. Mungle Steffing*, R.N.; of *William Watherston*; of *Hugh Rose*; of *William Fleming*; of *James Sime*; of *H. Calderwood*, L.L.D.; of *Grace Mackinlay*; of *Henry William Hislip*; of *Adam Pearson*; of *Thomas Landale* of Edinburgh; of *A. Buchanan Dick*; of *Alexander Cleland*; of *James L. Mitchell*; of *William Merkle*; of *Christina Stewart* of Glasgow; of *William Maclaren* of Stirling; of *Andrew Buchan*; of *Joseph Hood* of Ayrshire; of *Alexander Fish* of Coldstream; of *John Lawson*, Junior, of Forfar; of *C. G. Sidey* of Perth; of *David Wilson* of Dunfermshire; of *John Vassie*; of *A. G. Pirie* of Lanarkshire; of Messrs. *James and Alexander Guthrie* of Dundee; of *Henry Stirling* of Perthshire, all of Scotland; of *H. K. White*; of *William H. Baskin*, Junior, for himself and on behalf of *William H. Baskin*, Senior, and *Robert Baskin* of Dublin, Ireland; of *J. Hastiou* of Paris, France; of *Hubert Bowering*, of St. Heliers; and of *Ph. Falle* of Jersey; all first Mortgage

Bondholders of the Canada Southern Railway Company; severally praying that no Act may be passed permitting the Canada Southern Railway Company to alter in any way the position or privileges of their Bondholders before the Bondholders residing in Great Britain shall have had ample opportunity afforded them of obtaining full information of the provisions of the desired Act and its objects, and the considering of its merits.

Of *E. W. Perry* and others; of the Rev. *C. E. Maclean* and others; of *James Armstrong* and others; and of *J. P. Foster* and others of Nova Scotia; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of *Archibald Ferguson* and others of the City of Montreal; praying that the Bill respecting the Mechanics Bank may not become law, unless it be so amended as to provide that nothing therein contained shall lessen the responsibility of persons who have subscribed for or accepted by transfer or otherwise stock in the said Bank, and have not wholly paid up the same; that no preference stock be issued, and that the present stock be reduced.

Of *F. W. Haultain* and others of Peterborough and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others, of the District of Richelieu in the Province of Quebec; setting forth certain charges of gross neglect of duty, injustice, extortion, partiality, etc., against Mr. Justice *Loranger*; and praying for a remedy, be now received;—*the consideration of its reception was postponed, until to-morrow.*

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Charles Dickson*, and others, Ship-owners, Ship-masters, and others, of *Main à Dieu*, Cape Breton; praying for the construction of a Breakwater at *Main à Dieu Harbor*, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting the prayer of this Petition involves the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Scriver*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 67) to amend the Act incorporating “The Ottawa Gas Company,” to confirm a Resolution of their shareholders, placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing; and to confirm, amend and extend their corporate powers, *with an amendment.*

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Seventh Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 84) from the Senate, intitled: “An Act to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue,” *without amendment.*

And the following Bills, *with amendments, viz* :—

No. 28. Respecting “The Mechanics Bank,” (*re-printed as amended.*)

No. 77. From the Senate, intitled: “An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the City Bank and the Royal Canadian Bank, and to incorporate the Consolidated Bank of Canada.”

No. 46. To incorporate “The British Canadian Investment Company (Limited).”

No. 50. To extend the Act of last Session, intitled: “An Act relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.”

No. 63. To incorporate “The National Trust and Investment Company of Canada (Limited).”

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the Petitions of First Mortgage Bondholders of the Canada Southern Railway Company, residing in Edinburgh, Scotland, and elsewhere presented this day, were read and received; praying that no Act may be passed, permitting the Canada Southern Railway Company, to alter in any way the position or privilege of the Bondholders, before the Bondholders residing in Great Britain shall have had ample opportunity afforded them, of obtaining full information of the provisions of the desired Act and its objects, and the consideration of its merits. The said Petitions having reference to a Bill to be considered by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, *to-morrow.*

Mr. *Pozer* introduced a Bill (No. 86) to detach a certain portion of the County of Lotbinière, and to annex it to the County of Beauce.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting that they will give leave to the Hon. Messrs. *Macfarlane*, *Leonard* and *Archibald*, three of their Members to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed by this House, to enquire into the causes of the present depression of the Manufacturing, Mining, Commercial, Shipping, Lumber, and Fishing interests.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the Fifth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.

Mr. *Robinson* introduced a Bill (No. 87) to amend the Criminal Law.—Second reading to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz* :—

No. 36 To authorize the Shareholders of the Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society, to change the name of the said Society to that of “The Provincial Loan and Savings Company.”

No. 19 To authorize the Shareholders of “The Union Permanent Building and Savings Society,” to change the name of the said Society, to that of “The Union Loan and Savings Company.”

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 6) to make further provision for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, *with amendments*.—The said amendments were read the first time.

Also,—with the following Bill (No. 88) of their own, intituled: “An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the “*Banque Saint Jean Baptiste*,” to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (Motion of Mr. *Jetté*, the said Bill was read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.)

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time and passed, *viz* :—

No. 23. To amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 111, intituled: “An Act to incorporate “*The Mail Printing and Publishing Company (Limited)*.”

No. 43. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 93, intituled: “An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company.” (*Amended*.)

No. 26. To enable the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company, to obtain an extension of Patent known as “*Rodden's Improved Capped Ferrule or Socket*.”

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments agreed to, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow, *viz* :—

No. 27. To incorporate “*The Scottish Canadian Loan Company*.”

No. 39. To incorporate “*The Trust Company of Canada*.”

The Bill (No. 4) to incorporate “*The National Exchange Company*,” was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 79) to further amend the Act to incorporate “*The London and Canada Bank*,” and to amend the Act amending the same, was read the second time, and referred to the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce*.

Mr. *Burpee* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 2nd instant; a Return of all Gypsum or Plaster of Paris imported from the United States into Canada, giving the Ports or places whence imported, as also the Ports in Canada where entered; the quantity entered in a crude state, that entered as ground for purposes of manure; that entered as ground for purposes of manufacture; that entered as calcined plaster; also at what prices entered; the rate of duty upon each class, and the amount of duty collected from the same.

And,—Return to an Address of the 2nd instant; for a Return of all remissions or refunds of duties on Tea at the Ports of Montreal and Halifax during the past year; specifying the dates of such remission or refunds; the parties to whom made; with all correspondence, Minutes of Treasury Board and Orders in Council thereon; also the names of parties from whom Bonds were taken for the duties on such Tea in cases where the same were finally remitted.

Mr. *Gordon* moved, that The House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*, That the interests of Public morality and the physical well-being of all classes of the community alike render it desirable and necessary that there should be a strict and uniform observance of the Lord's Day in all Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government.

2. *Resolved*, That in the conduct of Government surveys and explorations, Government employees should be enjoined to abstain from the prosecution of their labour on the Lord's Day.

3. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House there should be an entire closing and cessation of labour on all Canals, Railways and other Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government, during the twenty-four hours comprehended in the Lord's Day—save and except only such services as may be of absolute and unavoidable necessity.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of the House do issue to the proper Officer, for copies of any communication, Report of Engineers, or other parties, relating to the construction of a Branch Railway from *St. Charles*, County of *Bellechasse*, to *St. Joseph de Lévis*.

On motion of Mr. *Aylmer*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a Return of all Roofing Slate, and other manufactured Slate, imported from the United States, during the financial year ending, 30th June, 1875.

On motion of Mr. *Masson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of all correspondence between the Dominion Government, and the Government of the Province of Quebec, relating to the Jesuits Barracks, in the City of Quebec; together with all the *Memorandums* and Orders in Council, relating to the same.

Mr. Palmer moved, That The House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Whole to consider the following Resolution :—

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House the right of Legislation to affect Canadian Ships and the rights and liabilities of the owners thereof belong exclusively to the Parliament of Canada and that any Legislation on those subjects by the Imperial Parliament (except so far as may equally affect Canadian Ships with the Ships of all other Countries in Ports of Great Britain and such as may affect Imperial Interests) would be inconsistent with such exclusive right of the Canadian Parliament and a violation of responsible Government as conceded to Canada.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

#### ERRATA.

In the Votes of Friday last (page 221) the Return to an Order of The House of the 2nd instant; for copies of the circulars sent to shipbuilding firms for the construction of a Steam Tender, to transport Mails from Father Point to the Ocean Steamers, etc., was erroneously inserted;—that document having already been laid before The House, on Thursday, the 16th instant (page 172), and the following should have been inserted instead:—

Return to an Order of The House of the 2nd instant; for a Statement showing the amount which the Government of Canada have agreed to pay or have already paid under each contract passed between the Government and any individual or Company for the execution of any portion of the work on the Pacific Railway or the Line of Telegraph, or of any other work in relation to the said Railway; also the total amount of such different sums.

And the following entry was omitted, on the same day, on page 223:—

The Order of The Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 20) to enable *William Smith Amies* to obtain Letters Patent for a new and useful Artificial Manure, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Coupal—On Friday next—(As a question of Privilege.) That Mr. Coupal having declared from his seat in this House that he is credibly informed :

1st. That at the last Election of a Member to represent the Electoral District of Napierville, in this House, *Ephrem Bouchard*, of the Parish of St. Cyprien, Esquire, being then Registrar of the County of Napierville, and acting as Returning Officer for the said Election, did unlawfully and through gross negligence, omit to provide at the proper time, with a sufficient number of ballot papers, the several polling places appointed in the said district for recording the votes of the Electors at the said Election, as well as the officers in charge of the said polling places and bound to distribute the said ballot papers ;

2nd. That the voting at the said Election, was notably suspended and even prevented, in several cases, as well by the want of the requisite and indispensable ballot papers as by the practices of the said Returning Officer ;

3rd. That the said Returning Officer did by undue means and unlawful practices, endeavor to know how and for what candidate, at the said Election, certain Electors would vote or had voted, and notably how and for what candidate the Elector *Joseph Bell*, Caretaker of the Courthouse of the said Parish of St. Cyprien, would vote, voted and had voted at the said Election ;

*It is ordered :* That the Standing Committee of Privileges and Elections shall enquire into the facts aforesaid and into all the circumstances connected therewith, and that the Joint Committee do report from time to time its proceedings and votes.

Mr. Rouleau—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all documents, correspondence and copies of the instructions given to *Clovis Caron*, Fishery Overseer, having connection with the fishing rights of *Eugène Dumas*, *Joseph Lvesque* and *Zephirin Duval*, in the Parish of St. Jean Port Joli, County of L'Islet; and also copies of the *enquête* held by one *Gronclin*, or a person called *Damase Guay*, formerly Fishery Overseer.

Mr. Barthe—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence of whatsoever nature, telegrams, &c., between the Government and the Reverend *M. Dupré*, priest, Curé of Sorel, President of the Board of the Directors of the Classical and Commercial College, Sorel, *Robert Sewell*, *S. Hayden*, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, and any other person; of any report by the said *Hayden* or any other person, respecting offer to purchase a piece of land belonging to the Government, situated in the town of Sorel, by the Corporation of the said College of Sorel, together with copies of all communications from any person whomsoever, of whatsoever nature, in relation to this matter, between Colonel *Coffin*, an employee of the Government, or any other employee of the Government and any other person whomsoever, residing in the town of Sorel or elsewhere, in relation to the said offer to purchase the said piece of land.

Mr. Barthe—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Why the Government have refused to pay to the Veterans of 1812, who reside temporarily in the United States, their share of the *bonus* voted in 1875, the Act making no distinction? Why the Government have refused to pay to *Michel Heroux*, of the Parish of St. Robert, County of Richelieu, the amount of his claim?

Mr. Cimon—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE.—For all correspondence with the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in the course of last autumn, in the matter of the distress among the fishermen of the North Shore of the St. Lawrence, and the replies of the Department to such correspondence.

Mr. DeCosmos—When the motion is made for the House to go into Committee of Supply,—That the Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be Resolved,—

That in 1871 the public faith and honor of Canada was pledged in the most solemn manner to British Columbia "to secure the commencement, simultaneously, within two years from the date of Union, of the construction of a railway from the Pacific towards the Rocky Mountains and from such point as might be selected East of the Rocky Mountains towards the Pacific, to connect the seaboard of British Columbia with the railway system of Canada; and, further, to secure the completion of such railway within ten years from the date of Union."

That owing to divers causes the construction of the said railway was not commenced in British Columbia or elsewhere at the time agreed upon.

That in 1874 the Government of Canada applied for to British Columbia and afterward secured and accepted, through the intervention and upon the recommendation of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, an agreement for the relaxation of the Railway clauses of the terms of Union; and the public faith and honor of Canada now stand pledged to carry the said agreement respecting the said relaxation of the Railway clause of the terms of Union, forthwith in operation.

That notwithstanding the Public faith and honor of Canada stand twice solemnly pledged to construct the said Railway and commence the actual construction thereof in British Columbia and elsewhere, and notwithstanding nearly five years have passed since the date of Union, and nearly three years have elapsed from the date at which Canada agreed first that the actual construction should be commenced, and nearly eighteen months since she agreed the second time to commence the construction, yet the Government have not, up to the present moment, commenced the actual construction of the said Railway in the said Province.

That, therefore, this House is of the opinion that the Government should forthwith promptly commence and vigorously and continuously prosecute the work of the actual construction of the said Railway within British Columbia in accordance with its solemn pledges to that Province.

Mr. *Blain*—On the third reading of Bill No. 27—In amendment—That Proviso added by way of amendment to the 4th clause be struck out.

That the Proviso to the 5th clause be rejected and the following substituted:

“Provided that the said Company shall not borrow any money until at least \$100,000 of the subscribed capital of the Company shall have been paid.”

If the said last Proviso be not adopted then that the amendment as adopted by the Committee shall be adopted and further that Clause G added in the Committee be rejected.

Mr. *Blain*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of all Licenses issued by the Inspector of Fisheries for fishing in Burlington Bay and the Dundas Marsh during the years 1872, '73 '74 '75; the names of the parties to whom such Licenses were granted; for what periods; and in what way the proceeds from said Licenses have been applied; the Return to include all manner of catching, taking or spearing fish. Also for a copy of all instructions issued to *John W. Kerr*, Inspector of Fisheries, as to the rights, rules and regulations for taking fish in said waters during such period.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Wednesday next—That the House will resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following Resolution:

That as the duties formerly discharged by the Trinity House of Quebec, whose Warden was a salaried officer now devolved on the Quebec Harbor Commissioner, it is expedient to provide that the said Harbor Commissioners may from time to time appropriate out of the Harbor Revenues a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars to the payment of an annual indemnity to the President of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

Mr. *Baby*—When the House will resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 53) to amend the Dominion Elections Act of 1874,—that the following amendment be added to the first clause:—“Provided that nothing herein contained shall apply to any person who is a party to any Election Petition now pending, or to any person who may be declared incapacitated as aforesaid by the decision of a Court or a Judge on any Election Petition now pending.”

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## PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

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The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, on or after Monday, 3rd April next* :—

No. 79. Further to amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank" and to amend the Act amending the same.

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No. 32.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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3rd Session, 3rd Parliament, 39 Victoria, 1876.

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**  
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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 28TH MARCH, 1876.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, a Return of all Licenses to fish with hoop and trap nets issued during 1875 for the Province of Ontario: all Petitions and communications to and with the Minister or the Department of Marine and Fisheries in favour of or opposing the use of such nets; and Reports, &c., shewing the effect of the system of fishing with hoop and trap nets on the quantity of fish in the waters where such nets are used.

Also,—Return to an Order of The House on the 13th instant; for copies of tenders, plans, specifications for building a Light-house at *Guyon Island*; and all correspondence relating to the same; also a copy of the contract for building the same.

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred certain papers and documents in the case of *The Queen vs. Daoust*, presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

“That it appearing from the statement of *Jean-Baptiste Daoust*, the Member for Two Mountains, made in his place, that he is the person referred to in the papers in the case of *The Queen vs. Daoust*, the said papers be referred to the Select Standing Committee on *Privileges* and *Elections* to examine into the legal questions arising in the case and to search for Parliamentary precedents applicable thereto, and to report to The House the result of their enquiries and whether any, and if so, what further proceedings should be taken by The House in the premises” have the honor to report—

That at the first meeting of the Committee they directed that notice of their second meeting be given to the Member for Two Mountains, who appeared before the Committee and declared that he had nothing to add to the statement made by him in The House on the sixteenth day of March instant, and that he left the matter to the consideration of the Committee.

That at subsequent meetings of the Committee the three documents A. B. C. annexed to this Report were filed before the Committee, and having carefully examined these papers and all the papers to the Committee referred, they have agreed to report the following *Resolutions*:

*First*.—That *Jean-Baptiste Daoust*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Two Mountains, in the Province of Quebec, was, in the year 1865, indicted in the District of Montreal, on two indictments for forging the name of his brother-in-law as endorser of two promissory notes.

That on the first indictment he was tried in the month of March, in that year, and found guilty by the jury, but no judgment was then moved for or awarded on such verdict.

That on the other indictment he was tried in the month of April of the same year and acquitted by the jury on evidence given before them, that the brother-in-law had authorized him to sign his name.

That after such acquittal a new trial was moved for on the first indictment by Judge *Mondelet*, the same Judge who had tried both indictments, on the ground that the evidence given on the second trial would have equally well applied to the first indictment; and the Judge being of that opinion, and the Counsel for the Crown consenting, the Judge granted the motion for a new trial.

That afterwards the indictment with the former verdict endorsed, came before Judge *Aylwin* to be tried again, when that Judge declined to try it on the ground that the order granting the new trial was illegal—and he ordered that question to be reserved for the consideration of the Court of Queen's Bench (Appeal side), which Court adjudged and determined that a second trial could not be legally had in the case.

That after such decision the Counsel for the Crown moved Judge *Mondelet* for judgment on the verdict of guilty endorsed by the jury.

That the Judge declined to pass any judgment, on the ground that although the Court of Queen's Bench had set aside his order for a new trial, that Court had not set aside his order setting aside the Verdict.

That the Counsel for the Crown reported these last proceedings to the Attorney General for Lower Canada, in November 1866, and the Attorney General ordered that a *Nolle Prosequi* should be entered on the indictment, which however does not appear ever to have been attempted.

That on this state of facts, the legal result is that Mr. *Daoust* may be considered as standing in the same position now as when the verdict of guilty was pronounced against him.—But the Attorney General having under the circumstances hereinbefore appearing ordered a *Nolle Prosequi* to be entered on the indictment, the Committee, without pronouncing any judgment as to whether such a step could be taken at that stage, are of opinion that the faith and honor of the Crown are so pledged against any further proceedings that the Crown cannot now move for judgment.

*Second.*—That on examination of Parliamentary precedents, particularly those of late years in the cases of *Smith O'Brien* and *O'Donovan Rossa* the rule is: That Parliamentary action on connections must be based upon the final adjudication of the Courts, and accordingly it is laid down in May and affirmed in the case of *Smith O'Brien* that even after a conviction a new writ will not be issued when a writ of error is pending until the judgment has been affirmed.

*Third.*—That for the reasons mentioned in the *first* and *second Resolutions*, the Committee are of opinion that the seat of Mr. *Daoust* is not vacant by reason of the premises, and therefore the Committee do not recommend that any further proceedings should be taken by The House in the premises.

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PROVINCE OF CANADA,  
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL. }

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

September Term—1866.

(Crown Side.)

Wednesday, 17th October, 1866.

PRESENT :

THE HONORABLE CHARLES MONDELET, Assistant Judge of said Court.

No. 18.

THE QUEEN  
vs.  
JEAN-BAPTISTE DAoust. } On Conviction of Forgery.

Mr. *Ramsay* moves for Sentence upon the Verdict rendered against the said *Jean-Baptiste Daoust*, at the Term of this Court, in March, 1866.

The Court having considered the Motion, orders that the Crown take nothing by Motion, inasmuch as in and by the Judgment rendered by the *Court of Queen's Bench*, on the twentieth day of April, 1865, granting the Motion made on behalf of the Prisoner, for a New Trial, the Verdict rendered by the Jury in this case, was set aside, and inasmuch as the said Judgment, in so far as regards the setting aside of the said Verdict, has not been reversed.

Certified to be a true Extract from the Register of the said Court.

C. E. SCHILLER,  
Clerk of the Crown.

Montreal.

Court of Queen's Bench.

(Crown Side.)

September Term, 1866.

No. 18.

THE QUEEN

vs.

JEAN-BAPTISTE DAoust.

JUDGMENT.

Filed 21th March, 1876, by Mr. Masson,  
R.L.

## B

MONTREAL, 5th November, 1866.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit you herewith a statement of the proceedings in the Court of Queen's Bench during the present term.....

At the same time I also moved for sentence against *J. B. Daoust* on the Verdict rendered against him in March Term, 1865, but Mr. Justice *Mondelet* declined to pass sentence, inasmuch as his judgment ordering a new trial and setting aside the Verdict was still intact. Of course this judgment, however erroneous, can only be set aside in Error, and I therefore asked the Judge whether I had been rightly informed that Mr. *Johnson*, who prosecuted for the Crown during the March Term, 1865, had consented to the granting a new trial. He answered that he had, and I therefore felt that I cou'd not undertake to proceed by Writ of Error in the case in the face of such consent. As the case now stands I take it that the accused is exactly in the position of a person who has obtained a stay of judgment on motion. In order that you may have fully before you the whole facts of this most unsatisfactory case, I enclose copy of the entry on the book refusing my motion. Although I cannot help feeling regret at the result, I must frankly admit that I consider the Judgment of the Court of Appeals disallowing the new trial, and that of Mr. Justice *Mondelet* refusing to enter up sentence as both correct in law.

T. K. RAMSAY.

To the Honorable GEO. E. CARTIER,  
Attorney-General, &c., Ottawa.

## C

(No. 5,721.)

CROWN LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OTTAWA, 21st November, 1866.

SIR,—I am directed by the Honorable the Attorney-General for Lower Canada to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th inst., and with reference to that part which alludes to the case of *Jean Baptiste Daoust*, to convey to you his instructions that, as Mr. Justice *Mondelet* declined to pass sentence, inasmuch as his Judgment ordering a new trial and setting aside the verdict, was still in force, and inasmuch as that Judgment can only be set aside in error, and as Mr. *Johnson* who proceeded for the Crown had consented to the granting of a new trial, so that proceedings by Writ of Error could not be undertaken in the face of such consent. You do, at the next term of the Court of Queen's Bench, holding Diurnal Jurisdiction in the District of Montreal, fyle, in his name, a *nolle prosequi*, in the case of the *Queen vs. Jean Baptiste Daoust*, so that no further proceedings may be had therein.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

GEORGE FUTVOYE,  
Clerk, Crown Law Department.

T. K. RAMSAY, Esquire,  
Advocate, Montreal.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 35) to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Canada and Detroit River Bridge; and for other purposes, *with amendments*.

The Committee also reported the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*, That in their opinion the Bill (No. 40) to amend the Act to incorporate the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company, is not liable to the fee and charges levied on Private Bills under Rule 58.

The Committee would recommend that the fees, less the charges for printing, etc., on the Bill (No. 52) to empower the Canada Southern Railway Company, to issue Preference Stock, be refunded, the promoters having withdrawn their Bill for the present Session.

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, the fee, less the charges for printing on the last mentioned Bill (No. 52), was ordered to be refunded, in accordance with the recommendation of the last named Committee.

The House resumed the consideration of the reception of the Petition of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others, of the District of Richelieu, in the Province of Quebec; setting forth certain charges of gross neglect of duty, injustice, extortion, partiality, etc., against Mr. Justice *Loranger*, and praying for a remedy.

And objection being taken to the reception of this Petition, on the ground that it contains several appendices;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“that the objection was well taken, and that the Petition cannot be received by “The House.”

The Bill (No. 24) to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court, and the Exchequer Court of Canada, was read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment*, viz:—

No. 25. Further to amend “The St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Act.”

No. 14. To provide for more effectual inquiry into the existence of corrupt practices at Elections of Members of The House of Commons.

No. 68. To amend the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Militia and Defence of the Dominion of Canada.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 38) to amend the Act to incorporate "The Canada Shipping Company," with amendments. (The said amendments were read the first time.)

Also,—with the following Bill (No. 89) of their own, intituled: "An Act to amend "The Trade Mark and Design Act of 1868," to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

The Bill (No. 84) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 6) to make further provision for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, were taken into consideration, and agreed to.

The Bill (No. 30) to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress having been reported,—The Committee obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

Mr. Cartwright moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. DeCosmos moved in amendment thereto,—That Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be Resolved,—That in 1871 the public faith and honor of Canada were pledged in the most solemn manner to British Columbia "to secure the commencement, simultaneously, within two years from the date of Union, of the construction of a Railway from the Pacific towards the Rocky Mountains and from such point "as might be selected East of the Rocky Mountains towards the Pacific, to connect the seaboard of British Columbia with the Railway system of Canada; and, further, to secure the completion of such Railway "within ten years from the date of Union;"

That owing to divers causes the actual construction of the said Railway was not commenced in British Columbia at the time agreed upon, nor has it been commenced since;

That, therefore, this House is of the opinion that the Government should forthwith promptly commence and vigorously and continuously prosecute the work of the actual construction of the said Railway, within British Columbia, in accordance with its solemn pledges to that Province.

And a Debate arising thereon,—And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Wednesday, 29th March, 1876;

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bunster,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ), and
DeCosmos,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ).—6.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Cunningham,	Laird,	Pickard,
Archibald,	Cuthbert,	Lajoie,	Pinsonneault,
Baby,	Davies,	Landerkin,	Platt,
Bain,	Delorme,	Langevin,	Plumb,
Béchar,	Desjardins,	Laurier,	Pouliot,
Benoit,	De St. Georges,	Little,	Pozar,
Bernier,	Dewdney,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Ray,
Bertram,	Dugas,	Macdonald ( <i>Kingston</i> ),	Richard,
Biggar,	Dymond,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Robinson,
Blain,	Farrow,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Robitaille,
Blake,	Ferguson,	MacDonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Blanchet,	Ferris,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Borden,	Fiset,	McDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Borron,	Fleming,	McDougall ( <i>Three Rivers</i> ),	Rouleau,
Bourassa,	Flynn,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Ryan,
Bowell,	Forbes,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	Rymal,
Bowman,	Fraser,	Mackenzie,	Scriver,
Brown,	Fréchette,	Macmillan,	Shibley,
Buell,	Galbraith,	McCallum,	Sinclair,
Burk,	Gandet,	McCraney,	Skinner,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Gibson,	McGregor,	Snider,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Gill,	McIntyre,	Stirton,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Gillmor,	McIsaac,	St. Jean,
Carmichael,	Gordon,	McLeod,	Taschereau,

Caron,	Goudge,	McNab,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Hagar,	McQuade,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Casey,	Haggart,	Masson,	Tremaine,
Casgrain,	Hall,	Metcalfe,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Higinbotham,	Mills,	Tupper,
Charlton,	Holton,	Monteith,	Vail,
Cheval,	Horton,	Montplaisir,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Christie,	Hurteau,	Norris,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Church,	Irving,	Oliver,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Cimon,	Jetté,	Orton,	Wood,
Cockburn,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Ouimet,	Workman,
Coffin,	Kerr,	Paterson,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ),
Cook,	Killam,	Pelletier,	Yeo and
Costigan,	Kirk,	Perry,	Young.—154.
Coupal,	Kirkpatrick,		

The main motion was then agreed to, and the House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

79 Intercolonial Railway completion ..... \$500,000.00.  
Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received,—And Committee to sit again at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1.50 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Caron—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Why, and in accordance with what instructions does the Postmaster of Quebec refuse to sell Postage Stamps at the said office, contrary to the Act regulating the Postal Service? Also, whether it is the intention of the Government to provide a remedy for this breach of the Law?

Mr. Devlin—On Thursday next—When the motion is made for The House to go into Committee of Supply,—That the Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be  
*Resolved*,—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable and necessary that the Electoral system, now in force, should be so changed as to secure the adequate representation of minorities.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY 29th MARCH 1876

The following Table was laid and received:

Table with multiple columns and rows, containing names and titles, likely a list of members or officials. The text is very faint and difficult to read.

No. 34.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

Nineteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Reverend *Archibald Henderson*, M. A., and others, of St. Andrews, Province of Quebec; of the Reverend *John Irvine* and others, of the County of Argenteuil; of *John Mair*, M. D., and others, of Kingston and vicinity; of the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; of the Session of the Presbyterian Church of Ashburn, Ontario; of the Session of Knox Church, Goderich; of the Toronto Branch of the Evangelical Alliance; of the Toronto Temperance Reformation Society; of the Members of the Zion Congregational Church and Congregation, Toronto; of the Central Presbyterian Church, Toronto; of the Northern Congregational Church, Toronto; of *Samuel A. Dylke*, Pastor, and others of the Parliament Street Baptist Church, Toronto; of the Toronto Young Men's Christian Association; of the Reverend *B. B. Ussher*, Pastor, and Officials of Christ Church Reformed Episcopal, Toronto; of the Reverend *John Potts*, Pastor, and Congregation of the Metropolitan Methodist Church, Toronto; and of *George H. White* and others, of Yorkville; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of *William Sommerville* and others; of *John Murray* and others; and of *George Fulton* and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Allan McAdam*, and others, of North Side, East Bay, Cape Breton; praying that an appropriation may be granted for the construction of a wharf in a central position in St. Andrew's Channel, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting the prayer of this Petition involves the expenditure of “public money, it cannot be received.”

Mr. Mills, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 56) to enable *Ozro Morrill* to obtain a Patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttles, *without amendment*.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for the second reading, *to-morrow, viz:—*

By Mr. Cartwright—No. 90. To amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, as respects the Public Accounts.

By Mr. Mackenzie—No. 91. To amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, respecting the Indemnity to Members of both Houses of Parliament.

By Mr. Langlois—No. 92. To prevent persons from breaking up the ice-bridge between Quebec and Lévis.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the Bill (No. 89) from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend "The Trade Mark and Design Act of 1868," was read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider the Report of the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in revising the Rules of the House of Commons; and further amendments having been made, which were reported, and agreed to, and the said Rules then concurred in, as amended.

A Message was received from the Senate agreeing to the following Bills *without amendment, viz:—*

No. 73. To supply an omission in the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 42, extending certain Criminal Laws of Canada, to British Columbia.

No. 59. To extend the Acts therein mentioned, respecting Weights and Measures, and the Inspection of Gas and Gas Meters, to Prince Edward Island.

No. 60. To provide for a temporary Grant to the Province of Manitoba.

No. 72. To amend the Railway Act, 1868.

No. 58. To extend the Acts respecting Dominion Notes, to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia, and Manitoba.

At 6 o'clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7:30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19).

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the following Bills, being read;

The said Orders were severally discharged, and the Bills recommitted to Committees of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and the Bills read a third time, and passed, *viz:—*

No. 4. To incorporate "The National Exchange Company."

No. 27. To incorporate "The Scottish Canadian Loan Company."

No. 39. To incorporate "The Investment Company of Canada."

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz:—*

No. 67. To amend the Act incorporating "The Ottawa Gas Company," to confirm a Resolution of their shareholders placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing; and to confirm, amend and extend their corporate powers.

No. 28. Respecting The Mechanics' Bank."

No. 77 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the City Bank and Royal Canadian Bank, and to incorporate the Consolidated Bank of Canada." (*amended*.)

No. 46. To incorporate "The London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)."

No. 50. To extend the Act of last Session, intituled: "An Act relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company." (*amended*.)

- No. 63. To incorporate "The National Trust and Investment Company, of Canada."  
 No. 35. To continue for a limited time therein mentioned the Canada and Detroit River Bridge Company.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 38) to amend the Act to incorporate "The Canada Shipping Company," were taken into consideration, and agreed to.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, viz:—

- No. 78. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Trust Company (Limited)."  
 No. 88 From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the "*Banque Saint Jean-Baptiste*."

The following votes for Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—and Orders of The House to the proper Officers were severally moved, and agreed to, and they are as follows:—

By Mr. *Langevin*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a statement shewing the names of the Rivers for which fishing leases have been renewed or granted since the 1st December 1873;—when;—in favour of whom;—for what period, and for what yearly sum each of these leases has been thus renewed or granted.

By Mr. *Tupper*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a return of all special rates accorded to any companies or individuals for the conveyance of freight over the Railways in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick with the names of the companies or individuals, the privileges accorded, the dates at which such special rates were given, with any correspondence between the General Superintendent of Railways or any other officer of the Government and any persons on the subject of special rates since the 1st day of January 1872, to the 1st day of January 1876.

By Mr. *Caron*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for 1st. A statement of all claims made by private individuals or Corporations in relation to the Construction of the Intercolonial Railway within the limits of the Province of Quebec;—showing the claims which have been settled, the amount of each such claim and the amount allowed; also the claims which have not been settled, the amount of each such claim, and why the same has not been settled.

By Mr. *Tupper*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a return of a copy of the contract recently made for the conveyance of the Mail between Wallace and Malagash, in the County of Cumberland, with the tenders received therefor and the notices calling for such service specifying when and where such notices were posted and also a statement of the amount previously paid for the same service.

Also,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a Return of copies of the contracts for the conveyance of Mails between Wallace in the County of Cumberland and Greenville Station on the Intercolonial Railway supplying the several way offices at Wallace Bridge, Six mile road, Wallace River, Henderson Settlement, Streets Bridge, Middleboro, and Head of Wallace Bay, to 1st November last when the delivery for these offices was changed to Wentworth Station, with the contract for the latter service and the amount paid therefor; also a statement of the new services now required to supply the before mentioned offices and the cost thereof with the tenders received therefor and all correspondence, petitions and communications with the Post Office Department connected therewith.

By Mr. *Desjardins*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for correspondence, petitions and complaints relating to the Postal Service in the following localities in the County of Hochelaga; Hochelaga, Cote Visitation, Coteau St. Louis, St. Jean Baptiste Village, Notre Dame de Grace, Town of St. Henri, Cote St. Paul and St. Gabriel Farm, with copies of any departmental orders relating to the same.

By Mr. *Cimon*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for 1st. Copies of the instructions given to *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière*, Esquire, Physician, of Malbaie, to go and vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the St. Lawrence, in the County of Saguenay, during the year 1875;

2nd. Reports and accounts produced by the said *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière*, Esquire, in this matter, and all correspondence between him and the Government respecting these accounts;

3rd. A statement of the sums of money paid by the Government to the said *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière* as such vaccinating Physician.

By Mr. *Domville*,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for all papers and correspondence in connection with payments made to *J. F. B. McCready* and others in King's County, for alleged damage sustained from the Intercolonial Railroad from fire and other causes.

By Mr. *McKay* (Colchester),—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for copies of all Tenders received for the erection of the Passenger Station at Halifax; all correspondence relative to said tenders; to any change in plans and specifications before or after such tenders were received; to whom awarded and amount of such contract as awarded.

By Mr. *Mitchell*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for all papers and correspondence between any Individual and any Department of the Government in relation to the "*Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Clinton*," or between any officer of the said Company and the Government; also a copy of the License, if any, issued by the Government to the said Company with a statement of the amount of deposit, if any, lodged by the said Company with the Government and whether the same is available to the Creditors of the said Company for the liabilities of the said Company; also a statement as to whether the said Company have complied with the requirements of the Law in relation to Insurance Companies.

By Mr. *Fiset*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for the Returns showing the names of the valuator employed on the Intercolonial Railway, in the Counties of Temiscouata and Rimouski, for the purchase of lands, the valuation of damages, &c., the period of time during which each such valuator was employed and the salary paid in each case;

Also a list of all claims filed with the Government for damages caused by the expropriation of lands or the passing of the line of Railway through the said counties; the amount allowed by the valuator on each of the said claims, with the names of those who accepted the offer made to them and the names of those who refused.

By Mr. *Mitchell*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for all papers, correspondence and communications between the Government of Canada and the Collector of Customs at the Port of Quebec, or any other person, in relation to a violation of an Act intituled "An Act respecting Deck Loads," 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 56, by the Barque "*N. Churchill*;" also any communication between the Port Warden of the Port of Quebec and the Commissioner of Customs of said Port in relation to said violation; also the official record of any investigation had by the said Collector of Customs and the steps taken to verify the truth of the charges of said violation of said Law; also a statement of any steps taken by the said Collector or other officer of Government in verifying the truth of the charges of violation of said Law; also copies of any certificates furnished by the officers of Customs, if any, and required by sections 5, 6 and 7 of said Act before clearance of any vessel; also copies of any proceedings or record of Judgment had against the master of said vessel for any violation of said Law.

By Mr. *Bowell*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a copy of statement shewing the debt, &c., of Canada, issued in London on 19th October 1875 by the Hon. the Finance Minister on the occasion of placing the last loan on the English Market.

By Mr. *Smith* (Peel)—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a copy of all correspondence between the Government and the Vine Growers' Association of Canada, in relation to any infraction by said Company of the Revenue Laws of the Dominion since 1870; also a return of the quantity of wine and brandy manufactured by said Association since that period, and the amount of excise or any other duties paid thereon.

By Mr. *Dewdney*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for all correspondence between the Honorable Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the Agent of that Department in Victoria, or any other parties, in reference to a complaint made from the Canadian Pacific Railway Office, Victoria, shewing the inconvenience occasioned by the Government Steamer "*Sir James Douglas*," being allowed to carry passengers when engaged in Government service transporting survey parties.

By Mr. *Mitchell*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a Return of the quantity of old Rails now on hand and in the possession of the Government and shewing whether the same are of such a character as to be made available for the aiding in the construction of Branch Lines.

By Mr. *Fiset*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for the correspondence between the Government and the Censitaires of the Seigniorie Nicolas Rioux, in the County of Rimouski, in the matter of the tax which they pay to the Seigniors, instead of Statute days' labor (*les journées de Corvée*.)

By Mr. *Rouleau*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for copies of all tenders, correspondence and documents of whatsoever nature, between the Inspector of Post Offices for the Quebec Division, the Post Office Department at Ottawa and any persons whomsoever, in relation to the contract for carrying the Mail between Scott's Junction in the County of Beauce and Parish of St. Bernard in the County of Dorchester.

By Mr. *Tupper*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a Return of copies of all tenders for No. 3 Contract on the Lachine Canal and all correspondence connected therewith; also a copy of the contract entered into for that work and the amount of money paid thereon for that service.

Also,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a return of all expenses connected with the collection of Customs at Montreal during the Fiscal Years 1873, '74 and '75 respectively; and also a statement of the revenue collected at that Port for the same years respectively.

By Mr. *Irving*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE to issue or require the Minister of Public Works to lay before this House returns of the Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure of the Railways of the Dominion, in accordance with the requirements and provisions of the Law in that behalf.

By Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew)—ORDER OF THE HOUSE to issue for copies of the Evidence taken before the Dominion Arbitration on the claim of *George Rochester* against the Government.

By Mr. *Rouleau*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for copies of all documents, correspondence and copies of the instructions given to *Clovis Caron*, Fishery Overseer, having connection with the fishing rights of *Eugène Dumas*, *Joseph Lvesque* and *Zéphirin Duval*, in the Parish of St. Jean Port Joli, County of L'Islet; and also copies of the *enquête* held by one *Grondin*, or a person called *Damase Guay*, formerly Fishery Overseer.

Mr. *Bain*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a Return of all Licenses issued by the Inspector of Fisheries for fishing in Burlington Bay and the Dundas Marsh during the years 1872, '73 '74 '75; the names of the parties to whom such Licenses were granted; for what periods; and in what way the proceeds from said Licenses have been applied; the Return to include all manner of catching, taking or spearing fish. Also for a copy of all instructions issued to *John W. Kerr*, Inspector of Fisheries, as to the rights, rules and regulations for taking fish in said waters during such period.

By Mr. *Mitchell*—ADDRESS for all papers and correspondence between the Government of Canada, or any Department thereof, and the Lords Commissioners of the the Admiralty, or any person or persons acting for them, for the transfer of Portage Island, in the Bay of Miramichi, to the Canadian Government.

By Mr. *Desjardins*—ADDRESS for a copy of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the Province of Quebec, relating to an exchange of the property called "Vieux Chateau St. Louis" in the City of Quebec, for that of Hospital and Officers' Quarters in St. Louis Street of the said City, together with all Orders in Council relating to the same.

By Mr. *Cunningham*—ADDRESS for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and British Columbia Governments with reference to the appointments of a County Court Judge for New Westminster, British Columbia.

By Mr. *Mitchell*—ADDRESS for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada or any of their officers and any person or persons, company or companies in New Brunswick since the 1st day of January 1874, in relation to aid to be given to the construction of Railways in that Province by the supplying of Rails or other Plant or Rolling Stock for such proposed Railways.

Mr. *Langevin* moved, That it be *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer for a copy of any new contract or instructions given to *F. Barnard*, Esquire, in relation to the Telegraph Line in connection with the Pacific Railway line and especially with that portion of the line which goes through "Tête Jaune Cache."

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill (No. 8) to amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 51, entitled: "An Act to authorize the incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion," being read;

On motion of Mr. *Wood*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, amended and reported.

Amendments to be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Bowell's* proposed motion, and which motion was That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement of all moneys lying at the credit of the Dominion in any Bank or in the hands of any Financial Agent or other person with whom such moneys are deposited in Canada or elsewhere, said statement to shew:—

1st. The amount to the credit of the Dominion in each Bank on the last day of each month from December 1871, to December 1875, inclusive.

2nd. The amounts drawing interest at the close of each month in the different Banks and the rate and the amounts on demand not drawing interest.

3rd. The amounts on deposit in the hands of Canadian Banks, Financial Agents or other persons in England or elsewhere other than in the Dominion and the rate of interest, if any, received upon said deposits.

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 12) to amend the Criminal Law in relation to the crime of Abortion; being read;

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 44) to amend the Weights and Measures Act of 1873, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Mitchell's* proposed motion for a Resolution on which to found an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of proposed Legislation by the Imperial Parliament affecting British Merchant Shipping and its operation on Canadian Tonnage; the motion of Mr. *McLeod* in amendment thereto, and the motion of Mr. *Langevin* in amendment to the said amendment.

And after some further Debate,—the several proposed amendments, as well as the main motion were, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on the 18th February ultimo, and on the 3rd, 7th and 15th instant, respectively, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follow:—

### III.—CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

The Salaries of the Staff of the following Departments and Offices:—

2	The Governor-General's Secretary's Office.....	\$18,180 00
3	The Department of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada.....	14,540 00
4	do Justice.....	16,200 00
5	do Militia and Defence.....	35,150 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on the 16th instant, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follow:—

### II.—CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

	Financial Inspector.....	\$2,600 00
	Office of Assistant Receiver-General, Toronto.....	8,000 00
	do do Montreal.....	5,500 00
1	Auditor and do Halifax, N.S.....	10,000 00
	do do St. John, N.B.....	11,000 00
	do do Fort Garry.....	6,500 00
	do do Victoria, B.C.....	7,000 00
	do do Charlottetown, P.E.I.....	4,000 00
	Country Savings Bank, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia.....	12,000 00
	Seigniorial Tenure and Commission.....	2,500 00

### III.—CIVIL GOVERNMENT.—(Continued.)

6	The Department of Secretary of State.....	30,140 00
7	do The Minister of the Interior.....	39,680 00
8	do Receiver-General.....	20,720 00
9	do Finance.....	48,250 00
10	do Customs.....	27,500 00
11	do Inland Revenue.....	24,982 50
12	do Public Works.....	48,934 00
13	Post Office Department.....	84,990 00
14	Department of Agriculture.....	28,240 00
15	do Marine and Fisheries.....	23,815 00
16	Treasury Board Office.....	3,300 00
17	Office of Inspector of Penitentiaries.....	3,150 00
18	Departmental Contingencies.....	175,000 00
19	Stationery Office for Stationery.....	20,000 00
20	Readjustment of Salaries (including promotions).....	35,000 00

### IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

21	Miscellaneous.....	10,000 00
22	do North-West Territories.....	10,000 00
23	Circuit Allowances, British Columbia.....	15,000 00
24	do Manitoba.....	3,000 00
25	Travelling Expenses of Stipendiary Magistrates in North-West Territories.....	3,000 00
26	Precis Writer of the Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	1,800 00
27	Clerk of Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	300 00
28	Messenger of Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	300 00
29	Contingencies and Disbursements, including Salaries of Officers to be appointed in the Supreme Court of Canada and Exchequer Court.....	10,000 00
30	Law Books for Supreme Court.....	1,000 00

### V.—POLICE.

31	Dominion Police.....	15,000 00
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### VI.—PENITENTIARIES.

32	Kingston Penitentiary, Ontario.....	97,841 75
33	Rockwood Asylum, Ontario.....	61,977 50
34	Halifax Penitentiary, N.S.....	27,532 13
35	St. John do N.B.....	38,944 25
36	St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, Quebec.....	52,230 06
37	Manitoba Penitentiary.....	17,650 00
38	Maintenance of Convicts, British Columbia.....	10,000 00

## VII.—LEGISLATION.

## SENATE.

39 Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate..... 50,718 00

## HOUSE OF COMMONS.

40 Salaries, per Clerks' Estimate..... 60,850 00  
 41 Expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c..... 13,000 00  
 42 Contingencies..... 20,140 00  
 43 Publishing Debates..... 15,000 00  
 44 Salaries and Contingencies, per Sergeant at Arms' Estimate..... 35,450 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

45 Grant to Parliamentary Library, including provision for Law Books..... 12,000 00  
 46 For readjustment of salaries of Librarian and Assistant..... 400 00  
 47 Printing, Binding, and Distributing the Laws..... 12,500 00  
 48 To meet the estimated expenses in connection with Consolidation of the Laws..... 8,000 00  
 49 Printing, Printing Paper, and Bookbinding..... 70,000 00  
 50 Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery..... 1,200 00  
 51 Miscellaneous Printing..... 2,000 00

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Thursday, 30th March, 1876.

Mr. *Burpee* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 8th instant; a complete statement of all duties levied on Locomotives or parts thereof since 1st July 1867, with the names of the importers, and also a statement showing what remissions or refunds of duties have been made on Locomotives or parts thereof up to the date of the Returns already before Parliament.

Also,—A Return of the names and ages of all Employees of the Montreal Custom House who have been superannuated within the last two years, with causes of such superannuation; names of all persons who have been taken into the Public Service during the same period in connection with the Montreal Custom House, whether as permanent employees or as supernumeraries, and the salary paid to each, and for what period and shewing whether they are still employed.

And,—A Statement shewing Imports during the Fiscal Year 1874—1875 into the North-West Territories through Ports on the Hudson Bay and James Bay, together with Exports from the same; names of, and remuneration paid to persons employed by the Government at the said Ports, together with instructions furnished them by the Government, and reports made by them to the Customs Department.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## ERRATA.

In the Votes of yesterday, (page 235) the entry referring to the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, should have been inserted, as follows:—

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to which was referred the following Resolution:—(and so forth)

And on page 238, Mr. *Roscoe's* name was omitted from the Yeas in the division list taken on Mr. *DeCosmos's* amendment to Mr. *Cartwright's* motion for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

The correct list of the Yeas is, as follows:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Bunster,  
DeCosmos,  
Jones (*Leeds*),

Roscoe,  
Thompson (*Cariboo*),

Wallace (*Norfolk*), and  
Wright (*Pontiac*).—7.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Tremaine*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send a Geologist to Cape Breton to report upon the Mineral resources of the Island?

Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*)—On Friday next—Will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to consider the evidence taken before the Dominion Arbitrators on the claim of *George Rochester* against the Government, and to report thereon to The House.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—That when The House adjourns it shall stand adjourned to Saturday April 1st, at two o'clock in the afternoon, and that Government Measures shall have precedence on that day.

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## PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

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The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce* on or after the days, respectively named :—

*On Friday, 31st March, instant.*

No. 88. From the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Banque Saint Jean-Baptiste*."

*On Wednesday, 5th April, instant.*

No. 78. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Trust Company (Limited)."

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No. 34.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 29TH MARCH, 1876.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee desire to report a Resolution, adopted by them, on Tuesday last, in reference to the withdrawal of the Bill (No. 52) to empower the Canada Southern Railway Company to issue preference stock.

*Resolved*, That it is inexpedient to proceed with the consideration of the present Bill, until the British and Foreign Mortgage Bondholders shall have had an opportunity of considering the effect of its provisions, on the securities they hold.

On motion of Mr. *Holton* it was *Resolved*, That until the end of this Session, the time for posting Private Bills, be reduced from eight days, to four days.

On motion of Mr. *Trow*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting that they will give leave to the Hon. Mr. *Sutherland*, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Standing Committee of this House, on Immigration and Colonization.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Eighth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 70) to change the name of "The Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catherines," to that of "The Security Loan and Savings Company," with amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Orton*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting that they will give leave to the Hon. Mr. *Christie*, their Speaker, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Saturday next, to consider the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*, That as the duties formerly discharged by the Trinity House of Quebec, whose Warden was a salaried Officer, now devolved on the Quebec Harbor Commissioners, it is expedient to provide that the said Harbor Commissioners may from time to time appropriate, out of the Harbor Revenues, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, to the payment of an annual indemnity to the President of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

The Bill (No. 89) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend " *The Trade Mark and Design Act of 1868,*" was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 85) to extend the provisions of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 33, respecting the retiring allowance of Judges, to the Chief Justice and Justices of the Court of Error and Appeal for the Province of Ontario, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 74) respecting the attendance of witnesses on Criminal trials, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 30) to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians, was again considered in Committee of the Whole; and further progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, giving leave to the Hon. Messrs. *Macfarlane, Leonard* and *Archibald*, three of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee of this House, to enquire into the causes of the present depression of the Manufacturing, Mining, Commercial, Shipping, Lumber and Fishing interests, if they think fit.

Also,—agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz* :—

No. 32. Respecting the Capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities.

No. 64. Respecting Roads and Road allowances in Manitoba.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Colby* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That it is expedient in the public interest, that the Customs duty upon refined Petroleum be reduced from 15 cents per gallon, to a rate which shall not exceed 7½ cents per gallon; which was negatived on the following division:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Appleby,	Cuthbert,	Langevin,	Plumb,
Aylmer,	Daoust,	Lanthier,	Robinson,
Baby,	Desjardins,	Little,	Robitaille,
Béchar, d,	Domville,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Rochester,
Benoit,	Donahue,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	Rouleau,
Bertram,	Dugas,	McCallum,	Schultz,
Blanchet,	Farrow,	McQuade,	Skinner,
Bourassa,	Ferguson,	Masson,	Stephenson,
Brooks,	Fiset,	Mitchell,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Gaudet,	Monteith,	Tupper,
Caron,	Gill,	Montplaisir,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cimon,	Greenway,	Orton,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Colby,	Harwood,	Ouimet,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Coupal,	Hurteau,	Pettes,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ), and
Currier,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Pinsonneault,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ).—60.

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Archibald,	Cook,	Kerr,	Platt,
Bain,	Cunningham,	Kirk,	Pouliot,
Bannatyne,	Davies,	Kirkpatrick,	Power,
Barthe,	DeCosmos,	Laflamme,	Pozer,
Bernier,	Delorme,	Laird,	Ray,
Biggar,	De St. Georges,	Lajoie,	Richard,
Blackburn,	DeVeber,	Langlois,	Roseco,
Blain,	Dewdney,	Laurier,	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Blake,	Dymond,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Borden,	Ferris,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Borron,	Fleming,	MacDonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Ryan,
Bowell,	Flesher,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Rymal,
Bowman,	Flynn,	MacDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Scatoherd,

Boyer,	Forbes,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Sinclair,
Brown,	Fraser,	Mackenzie,	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Buell,	Fréchette,	Macmillan,	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Burk,	Galbraith,	McCraney,	Snider,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Gibson,	McGregor,	Stirton,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Gillies,	McIntyre,	St. Jean,
Cameron ( <i>Ontario</i> ),	Gillmor,	McIsaac,	Taschereau,
Carmichael,	Gordon,	McLeod,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Goudge,	McNab,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Casey,	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Tremaine,
Casgrain,	Hall,	Mills,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Higinbotham,	Norris,	Vail,
Cheval,	Holton,	Oliver,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Christie,	Horton,	Paterson,	Wood,
Church,	Irving,	Pelletier,	Workman,
Cockburn,	Jetté,	Perry,	Yeo and
Coffin,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Pickard,	Young.—120.

The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Friday, 31st March, 1876;

The main motion was then agreed to, and The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution were adopted :—

80	Intercolonial Railway extension into Halifax.....	\$ 175,000 00
81	do to deep water at St. John, N.B.....	200,000 00
82	Prince Edward Island Railway.....	200,000 00

For Works of Construction of Canals, viz :—

85	Lachine Canal.....	1,200,000 00
86	St. Lawrence Canals.....	60,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, at the next meeting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 25 minutes before 3 o'clock A.M.

**TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,**  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Are negotiations now pending or do the Government intend to open negotiations with the United States with the object of extending the Treaty of Washington to British Columbia, in order that the Fish and Fish Oils of that Province may be admitted into the United States, duty free?

Mr. *Flynn*—On Saturday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Copies of correspondence in answer to a "Circular" of the date of March 1st, 1875, issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries on the subject of the use of Trawls or Bultows in prosecuting the Deep Sea Fishery.

No. 35.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 31st MARCH, 1876.

Eighteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *J. W. Burke* and others; of *Joseph Wheelock* and others; of *P. R. Foster* and others; of *James R. Hart* and others; of the Reverend *John Clark* and others; and of the Reverend *C. Lockhart* and others, of the Province of *Nova Scotia*; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of the West Presbyterian Church, Toronto, in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada; of the Members of the congregation of St. Philip's Church, Toronto; of the College Street Presbyterian Church, Toronto; of the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society, Toronto; of the Members and adherents of Cooke's Church, Toronto; of the Officers and Members of the Toronto Society of the New Jerusalem Church; of the Richmond Street Methodist Church, Toronto; of the British Methodist Episcopal Church, Toronto; of the Young Women's Christian Association, Toronto; of the Queen Street Methodist Church, Toronto; of the Charles Street Presbyterian Church, Toronto; and of the Pastor and Members of Elm Street Methodist Congregation, Toronto; severally praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of the County Council of Gaspé; praying for the establishment of a system of Marine Telegraphs on the shores and principal Islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the same be extended to the shores of the Maritime Provinces.

Of *John McCulloch* and others, of the City of Halifax; praying for such changes in the Tariff as will afford protection to the Domestic Industries of the Dominion.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Ninth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 61) to amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 108, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Loan and Agency Company (Limited)," without amendment.

And the Bill (No. 65) to amend the Charter of "The St. Lawrence Bank," and to change the name of the said Bank, to that of "The Standard Bank of Canada," *with amendments.*

The Committee also report, that the Bill (No. 37) to amend the Act incorporating "*Le Credit Foncier du Bas Canada*," has been withdrawn.—They therefore recommend that the fee be refunded.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the fee (less the charges for printing) on the last mentioned Bill, was ordered to be refunded, in accordance with the recommendation of the said Committee.

Mr. *Mills*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 71) to incorporate "The Synod of the Church of England, Diocese of Rupert's Land," *with amendments.*

The Committee also beg leave to recommend, that the fee, and charges for printing, etc., in the said Bill be refunded, as it is not liable to the fee and charges levied on Private Bills, under Rule 58.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, the fee, and charges for printing, on the said Bill (No. 71) were ordered to be refunded, in accordance with the recommendation of the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That when The House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow, at 2 P.M.; and that Government Measures shall have precedence on that day.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Bowell* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That the purchase by the Government of Fifty thousand Tons of Steel Rails, without the previous sanction of Parliament, was an unconstitutional exercise of the Executive power, and that such purchase was premature, unwise, and has caused great pecuniary loss to the Country.

And a Debate arising thereon;—

At 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock P. M.

7:30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19).

The Bill (No. 56) to enable *Ozro Morrill* to obtain a Patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttles, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 70) to authorize the Shareholders of "The Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catharines," to change the name of the said Society, to that of "Security Loan and Savings Company," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read third time, and passed.

The House resumed the Debate on Mr. *Bowell's* proposed amendment, to the motion of Mr. *Cartwright* That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

And the question being put,—it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,  
Benoit,  
Blanchet,  
Bowell,  
Brooks,  
Cameron (*Victoria*),  
Caron,  
Cimon,  
Colby,  
Costigan,  
Coupal,  
Currier,  
Cuthbert,  
Daoust,

Désjardins,  
Domville,  
Dugas,  
Farrow,  
Ferguson,  
Flesher,  
Fraser,  
Gandet,  
Gill,  
Haggart,  
Harwood,  
Hurteau,  
Jones (*Leeds*),  
Langevin,

Lanthier,  
Little,  
Macdonald (*Kingston*),  
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),  
Macmillan,  
McCallum,  
McQuade,  
Masson,  
Monteith,  
Montplaisir,  
Orton,  
Palmer,  
Pinsonneault,

Platt,  
Plumb,  
Pope,  
Robinson,  
Robitaille,  
Rochester,  
Rouleau,  
Thompson (*Cariboo*),  
Tupper,  
Wallace (*Norfolk*),  
White (*Hastings*),  
White (*Renfrew*), and  
Wright (*Pontiac*).—54.

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Appleby,	Cheval,	Huntington,	Pouliot,
Archibald,	Christie,	Irving,	Power,
Aylmer,	Church,	Jetté,	Pozer,
Bain,	Cockburn,	Jones ( <i>Halifax</i> ),	Ray,
Bannatyne,	Coffin,	Kerr,	Richard,
Barthe,	Cook,	Killam,	Roscoe,
Béchar,	Cunningham,	Kirk,	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Bernier,	Davies,	Laflamme,	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Bertram,	DeCosmos,	Laird,	Ryan,
Biggar,	Delorme,	Lajoie,	Scatcherd,
Blackburn,	De St. Georges,	Langlois,	Schultz,
Blain,	DeVeber,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Scriver,
Blake,	Dewlin,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Shibley,
Borden,	Dewdney,	MacDonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Sinclair,
Borron,	Dymond,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Skinner,
Bourassa,	Ferris,	McDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Bowman,	Fiset,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Boyer,	Fleming,	Mackenzie,	Snider,
Brouse,	Flynn,	McCraney,	Stirton,
Brown,	Forbes,	McGregor,	St. Jean,
Buell,	Galbraith,	McIntyre,	Taschereau,
Bunster,	Gibson,	McIsaac,	Thibaudeau,
Burk,	Gillies,	McNab,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Gillmor,	Metcalfe,	Tremaine,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Gordon,	Mills,	Trow,
Carmichael,	Goudge,	Norris,	Vail,
Cartwright,	Hagar,	Oliver,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Casey,	Hall,	Paterson,	Wood,
Casgrain,	Higinbotham,	Pelletier,	Workman,
Cauchon,	Holton,	Pettes,	Yeo and
Charlton,	Horton,	Pickard,	Young.—124.

The main motion was then agreed to, and The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was proposed :—

## RAILWAYS.

83 Pacific Railway..... \$2,810,000 00

And a Debate arising thereon,—and the Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, mid night;

*Saturday, 1st April, 1876;*

And after some further Debate thereon,—the consideration of the said Resolution, was postponed.

The following Resolution was adopted :—

## CANALS.

*For works of construction, viz :—*

87 Welland Canal .....\$2,000,000 00

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.  
The House then adjourned at 10 minutes to 3 o'clock A. M., until 2 o'clock, P. M., this day.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Béchar*d—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause to be printed in French and published in a separate volume, all the Criminal Laws relating to the Dominion; as was done in English last year? Also, whether these two volumes, English and French, will be distributed like the ordinary Statutes?

Mr. *Laird*—On Monday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

“That it is expedient to make special provision respecting Dominion Lands withdrawn from the general provisions of the Dominion Lands Acts, as to Sale and Settlement, for purposes connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway, and to provide that two-thirds of all cash received for such Lands shall be carried to a special fund for such purposes as aforesaid, to be dealt with in such manner as may be deemed expedient by the Governor in Council.”

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 1876.

No. 36.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 1876.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 1ST APRIL, 1876.

2 o'clock, P. M.

Three Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 13th ultimo; for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government, also between the Local Governments of the Maritime Provinces, and the Dominion Government, relating to Certificates of Service, granted by the Dominion to Captains in the Merchant Service, before 1871.

Return to Address of the 8th ultimo; for a Return shewing the respective sums paid in 1875-76 for transporting freight and passengers, in British Columbia, belonging to the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey—the said Return shewing the rate per pound for freight, whether packed or waggoned, the distance carried and where carried; also the fare for each passenger, the distance carried and where carried; and also shewing the persons other than Indians, to whom the same may have been paid; also copies of any tenders and calls for tenders for transporting the said freight and passengers; also copies of any Departmental instructions issued to the Paymaster or Chief Engineer in charge of the Western Division of the C P R R, or any correspondence respecting the giving of the said freight and passengers to any one or more persons.

Return in obedience to The Order of The House of the 8th ultimo; for a copy of all correspondence or Reports in the possession of the Government, respecting the loss of the Steamship "*Pacific*."

And,—Return in obedience to The Order of The House, of the 23rd February last; for a copy of the Engineer's Report of Surveys of the St. Lawrence; and estimates for improvements; so as to give 14 feet of water.

A Message was received from the Senate, giving leave to the Hon. Mr. *Sutherland*, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Standing Committee of this House, on Immigration and Colonization, if he thinks fit.

Also,—giving leave to the Hon. Mr. *Christie*, their Speaker, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee of this House, to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion, if he thinks fit.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Tenth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.:*—

No. 48. To incorporate the National Loan and Life Assurance Company of Canada.

No. 34. To incorporate the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada.

No. 45. To incorporate "The Chartered Bank of London and North America."

No. 80. Respecting Loans by "The British American Land Company.

Mr. *Bowell*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

The Committee carefully examined the following documents, and recommend that they be printed:—

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence with the Local Government of Nova Scotia respecting the contemplated transfer of the branch line of Railway between Truro and Pictou.

*Return to Order*,—Statement of Licenses issued for Fishing Weirs or traps in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia for 1874 and 1875, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Contractors of the Georgian Bay Branch Railway and the Government since date of contract.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government and the "Direct Cable Company," "The Anglo-American Company," and all other Atlantic Cable Companies since 1st October, 1873.

*Return to Order of The House*,—Statement of amount paid or agreed to be paid under each contract for the execution of any portion of the work on the Pacific Railway or Line of Telegraph, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Statement showing approximately the Expenditure made on account of the Pacific Railway and its branches and the Telegraph Line in each of the following divisions, *viz.*: East of Georgian Bay,—between Thunder Bay and Fort Garry, between Fort Garry and Pembina,—West of Fort Garry and East of the Rocky Mountains, and in British Columbia.

*Return to Order of The House*,—Statement of all Duties levied on Locomotives, or parts thereof, since 1st July, 1867, with names of Importers, and showing what remissions or refunds of Duties have been made, &c.

*Return to Order of the House*,—Names and ages of all Employees of the Montreal Custom House who have been superannuated within the last two years, &c., and of all appointments during the same period, &c.

*Return to Address*, of 14th March 1874,—Correspondence in reference to a site for the construction of a Graving Dock in the Port of Quebec. (*Condensed and in Sessional Papers only.*)

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be *not printed*:—

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence in relation to violations of the Deck Load Law, and also in relation to violations of the Port Warden's Act.

*Return to Address*,—Reports of *Frederic Baillairgé*, Assistant Engineer Public Works Department, on his Surveys in the Parish of St. Fidèle and St. Siméon in 1875.

*Return to Order of The House*,—Instructions regarding the Survey of Toronto Harbour, and of all reports on the present state of the Harbour, &c.

*Return to Order of The House*,—Correspondence between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and *L. J. Loranger*, Esquire, Fishery Overseer, in relation to Licenses granted or refused to parties wishing to fish in the Lakes in the Counties of Terrebonne, Montcalm, Joliette and Berthier, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Orders in Council and correspondence in connection with the attempt of the Government to compel the occupants of Fisheries in the Maritime Provinces to an enforced attornment to the Government, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Report of *Henry R. Symmes*, Esquire, in reference to his Surveys in the Parish of St. Irénée, in the Electoral District of Charlevoix in 1874-5, &c.

*Return to Order of The House*,—Shewing the tenders received in 1875 for the conveyance of the Mails between Victoria and San Francisco, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Statement of remissions or refunds of duties on Tea at the Ports of Montreal and Halifax during the past year, &c.

*Statement of the Bonds or Securities registered in the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada.*

*Return to Order of The House for Tenders for building a lighthouse at Guyon Island.*

*Return to Order of The House,—Statement shewing imports in 1874-5, into the North-West Territories through Ports on the Hudson Bay and James' Bay, together with reports from the same.*

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the Bill (No. 82) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned respecting the Corporation of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners," was read the first time.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Laird* introduced a Bill (No. 93) respecting Dominion Lands reserved for Railway purposes.—Second reading on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 76) to amend the Insolvent Act, 1875, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday next.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution, to provide for the payment of an annual indemnity to the President of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That as the duties formerly discharged by the Trinity House of Quebec, whose Warden was a salaried officer, now devolve on the Quebec Harbor Commissioners, it is expedient to provide that the said Harbor Commissioners may from time to time appropriate, out of the Harbor Revenues a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars to the payment of an annual indemnity to the President of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

The Bill (No. 83) to amend the Dominion Lands Act, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendment concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

#### CANALS.

For Works of Construction, viz:—

88	St. Anne's Lock .....	\$ 160,000 00
89	Carillon and Chute à Blondeau.....	330,000 00
90	Grenville Canal.....	200,000 00
91	Rideau Canal.....	6,000 00
92	Culbute Canal.....	35,000 00
93	Chambly Canal.....	10,000 00
94	St. Peter's Canal.....	50,000 00
95	Miscellaneous work on Canals.....	10,000 00

#### PUBLIC BUILDINGS, OTTAWA.

96	{	Tower.....	9,000 00
		Grounds.....	18,900 00
		Retaining walls, gates, footpaths, painting, &c.....	8,000 00
		Extension, West Block.....	296,000 00

MILITIA.

Ordinary.

63 Allowances for Drill Instruction.....	\$ 40,000 00
64 Ammunition .....	40,000 00
65 Clothing.....	40,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Mills, the time for receiving Reports from Committees on Private Bills, was extended to Saturday, the 8th instant.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

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## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Tuesday next—That for the remainder of the Session Government Measures shall have precedence of all other business after Routine Proceedings.

Mr. Blake gives notice that in Committee of the Whole he will move the following amendments to the Act to amend the Insolvent Act:—

The fourth section of the said Act is hereby amended by adding after the word "original" in the third line from the end the word "affidavit."

The thirty-fifth section of the Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "as" between the words "Assignee" and "Inspector" in the fourth line from the end, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or."

The thirty-sixth section of the said Act is hereby amended by adding the following words, "subject to the proviso as to sale *en bloc* contained in the thirty-eighth section of this Act."

The thirty-eighth section of the said Act is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sub-section:—

"(2.) It shall not be necessary to advertise under the provisions of the seventy-fifth section of this Act any proposed sale of the estate *en bloc* under the section, although the estate may comprise real estate."

The forty-first section of the said Act is hereby amended by inserting the following at the end thereof:—

"And every Register of or coming into the possession of an Official Assignee, and every other record required to be kept by an Official Assignee in connection with the performance of his duties, shall be held to be the property of Her Majesty; and upon the death of an Official Assignee on his ceasing to hold office, the Judge shall be entitled to and shall assume possession and control of such Register or other record, which shall thereafter be kept among the records of the Court open to inspection as aforesaid."

The forty-third section of the said Act is hereby amended by inserting after the words "removal of property" the following words "the creditors may in case in their opinion the remuneration of the Assignee under the preceding part of this section is inadequate, at any meeting called for the purpose, fix such additional remuneration to be paid out of the estate to the Assignee as they shall think reasonable."

The said forty-third section is further amended by adding after the word "Creditors" in the third line from the end the following words "and the remuneration of the Assignee whether he be the Official or the Creditors' Assignee in cases in which the estate is settled by composition."

The forty-fourth section of the said Act is hereby amended by adding after the words "five creditors" the following words, "if there are five or more, and by all the creditors if there are less than five."

The sixty-sixth section of the said Act is hereby amended by adding the words "or Judge."

The fourth sub-section of the one hundred and forty-seventh section of the said Act is hereby amended by inserting after the word "present" on the sixth line thereof the words "in person or by proxy."

Amend Sec. 9.—Insolvent Amendment Bill as follows in Committee of the Whole:—

9. Every Assignee shall before the end of October in each year, fill up and transmit to the Minister of Agriculture, or in case this branch of the subject of statistics and the registration thereof be by the Governor in Council transferred to any other Minister, then to such other Minister a schedule showing the particulars contained in the register to be kept by him under the forty-first section of the said Act, and such other schedules for the year ending the thirtieth day of September next preceding, relative to the insolvency matters transacted by him, as shall be, from time to time, prescribed by the Governor in Council, according to forms published in the *Canada Gazette*; and it shall be the duty of every Assignee, to make from day to day and keep entries and records of the particulars to be comprised in such schedules.

Mr. Cheval—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to continue in force the unjust law regulating the amount which each Steamboat has to pay in order to pass through the St. Ours Lock, under which two Steamboats of the same size pay, the one 32 cents and the other \$1.95?

Mr. Ross (Middlesex)—On Monday next—Adoption of that part of the Fourth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on Parliamentary Printing, which refers to the publication of the Votes and Proceedings.

Mr. Burpee (Sunbury)—On Monday next—That the House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to take into consideration the Majority and Minority Reports of the Commissioners appointed by the Government to report upon the Commercial advantages of the proposed Baie Verte Canal.



No. 38.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1876.

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Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the Districts of Joliette and Bedford, for the year 1875,—and Supplementary Statement for the latter District, for the year 1874.

One Petition was brought up and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Reverend *Charles Naismith* and others of the Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others of the District of Richelieu, in the Province of Quebec; setting forth certain charges of gross neglect of duty, injustice, extortion, partiality, &c., against Mr. Justice *Loranger*, and praying for a remedy.

Motion being made, that the Petitions of *John Robinson* and others of Frelighsburg, *John Macdonald* and others of Stornaway, the Reverend *W. A. Allen* and others of Cowansville, *William Galbraith* and others of Stanstead, the Reverend *John Borland* and others of St. Johns, *David Lamb* and others of Huntingdon, *Thomas Hickson* and others of Lachute, *Homer Canfield* and others of Phillipsburg, *Edward Alfred Ward* and others of Danville, *Murdo Beaton* and others of Lake Megantic, *Henry N. Walsh* and others of Ormstown, the Reverend *John Stewart* and others of Knowlton, *E. D. Worthington*, M.D. and others of Sherbrooke, the Reverend *Richard Lonsdell*, Archdeacon and Rector of Christ Church, and others of St. Andrews, *John Ross* and others, *R. G. Sunholme* and others of Coaticook, *Thomas Patrick* and others of South Durham, and of *William Timberlake* and others of Magog, all of the Province of Quebec; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act respecting the North-West Territories establishing a Sectarian School system, and for the removal of other alleged causes of complaint.

And the Petition of the Reverend *D. M. Maclise*, D.D. and others, of Saint John, New Brunswick; praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That in accordance with Rule 86, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners in the sheet containing the prayer of the Petition, and the sheets of the prayers on these Petitions not having any signature at all, they cannot be received.”

Mr. Mackenzie presented,—in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 2nd ult.; a Return for copies of advertisements asking for tenders for the erection of an Examining Warehouse in Montreal; of all tenders submitted to the Department of Public Works in answer to such advertisements; of all correspondence with any party tendering in respect of such contract; a statement of all alterations, if any, made in any of the tenders after their submission to the Department, and correspondence, if any, relating to such changes; and copy of the contract entered into for the erection of the said Examining Warehouse.

Return to the Order of The House, of the 22nd ult.; for a copy of the Report and Plan made by Mr. Perley in the summer of 1873, for the enlargement of St. Peter's Canal; with all subsequent Reports, Orders in Council, advertisements, tenders and contracts appertaining to that work.

Return to Address of the 23rd February, last; for a statement of the tenders received for the construction of a Line of Telegraph in connection with the Pacific Railway, shewing the names of the parties tendering, the amount asked by each such party and the names of the sureties; also copies of the contract between the Government and F. Barnard, Esquire, in relation to the construction of the said Line of Telegraph; copies of all correspondence which may have been had with the Government on the occasion and since the passing of the said contract with a statement of all claims which may have been made in virtue of the said contract shewing the amount promised or paid in connection therewith, including all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders in relation to the cancelling or suspension of the said Contract or to the indemnity to be paid in respect thereof.

And,—Return to Address of the 14th February, last, for:—1st. Copies of all accounts and pay-lists presented to the Government and also of all accounts and pay-lists paid by the Government for the construction or repair in 1875 of the wharves at Malbaie, Les Eboulements and Bay St. Paul; 2nd. A list of the foremen and clerks employed in connection with such construction or repairs; 3rd. A statement in detail of the travelling expenses and salary paid to each of the said foremen and clerks; 4th. A list of the schooners and barges employed for the said work or in connection with the said work, shewing their tonnage and the amount paid for each trip, and the system of calculation of such payments; 5th. A separate statement of the cost of the work done on each of the said wharves and an estimate of the cost of what remains to be done on each of them; 6th. A statement shewing the total cost of the timber purchased for each of the said works, shewing the price of such timber per foot, the name of the person from whom it was purchased, and what quantity was purchased for the purpose; 7th. A statement shewing the total amount paid by the Government for the said works; 8th. A statement shewing the amount claimed and remaining to be paid for the said works; 9th. The Report or Reports of Henry R. Symmes, Esq., and also the Report or Reports of Frederic Baillargé, Esq., Assistant Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, on the subject of the said works in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876.

Mr. Caron moved, that the Bill (No. 47) to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, be read the second time, on Thursday next.

Mr. Blake moved in amendment thereto, that the said Bill be read the second time, this day three months.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion of amendment was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The main motion was then agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a second reading, on Thursday next.

The Bill (No. 56) to enable Ozro Morrill to obtain a Patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttles, was read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 65. To amend the Charter of “The St. Lawrence Bank,” and to change the name of the said Bank to that of “The Standard Bank of Canada.”

No. 48. To incorporate “The Union Assurance Company of Canada.”

No. 34. To incorporate the Canada Assurance Corporation.

No. 45. To incorporate “The Chartered Bank of London and North America.”

No. 80. Respecting loans by “The British American Land Company.”

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 71) to incorporate the Synod of the Church of England, Diocese of Rupert's Land, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz:—*

No. 21. To amend the Acts respecting the "Citizen's Insurance and Investment Company," and to change the name of the said Company to that of the "Citizen's Insurance Company of Canada."

No. 40. To amend the Act, intituled: "An Act to Incorporate the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company."

No. 29. To make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Banks.

No. 11. To amend the Act to make better provision extending to the Whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain Staple Articles of Canadian Produce.

No. 31. To make provision for the crossing of navigable waters by Railway, or other Road Companies, incorporated under Provincial Acts.

Also,—that they have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 77) of their own, intituled: "An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the City Bank and the Royal Canadian Bank, and to incorporate the Consolidated Bank of Canada," *without amendment*.

Mr. *Oliver* moved that The House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved* That whenever the tolls on any Railway in Canada, now or to be hereafter constructed, and subject to the jurisdiction of Canada as respects the matters hereinafter mentioned, are reduced or raised by by-law in accordance with the provisions of any Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, or of the Parliament of Canada, such reduction or raising of the tolls shall in no case be made to apply to any particular section of the Railway, but shall apply *pro rata*, to the entire length thereof,

2. *Resolved*, That every Railway Company shall, according to their respective powers, afford all reasonable facilities to all corporations and individuals for the receiving and forwarding and delivery of traffic upon and from their Railway; and no Company shall give or continue any preference or advantage to any particular corporation or individual in any respect whatsoever, nor shall any Railway Company subject any particular corporation or individual to any prejudice or disadvantage in any respect whatever; and any agreement made between any Railway Company and any corporation or individual contrary to the foregoing provisions, shall be unlawful, null and void.

3. *Resolved*, That if any Railway Company, or any officer, servant or agent of any Railway Company in any way contravenes the provisions of the next preceding sections, such Railway Company, or such officer, servant or agent, personally, shall, for each such contravention, incur a penalty not exceeding *fifty dollars* over and above the actual damages incurred, which penalty may be recovered with costs, in a summary manner, before any Justice of the Peace, by the party aggrieved by such contravention, to and for the use of such party aggrieved.

4. *Resolved*, That every Railway Company heretofore or which may be hereafter incorporated, or whether their Railway has been heretofore constructed or is hereafter to be constructed, having granted any facilities to any Express Company, shall grant equal facilities on equal terms and conditions to any other Express Company now incorporated or hereafter to be incorporated in Canada, demanding the same.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The following votes for Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—and Orders of The House to the proper Officers were severally moved, and agreed to, and they are as follows:—

By Mr. *Desjardins*,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for the production of all correspondence, Petitions and Memorials, relating to the Sugar refining interests since 1872.

By Mr. *Bertram*,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for a statement of the condition of the Wallace Accounts; said Accounts being part of the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey expenditure.

By Mr. *Cook*,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of documents relating to the forcible seizure and detention of nets and fish belonging to British fishermen by Indians residing on the shore and Islands of Georgian Bay and all correspondence resulting therefrom.

By Mr. *Caron*,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of the contract for the Iron Roof of the Station House to be erected at Halifax; together with Tenders for the same.

By Mr. *Mousscau*,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for a statement shewing the number of employés in the Montreal Post Office, with the salary paid to each employé, on the 7th November, 1873;

Also a statement shewing the number of employés in the Montreal Post Office with the salary of each employé, on the 31st December, 1875;

Also a statement shewing the number of employés in the Montreal Post Office dismissed or placed on the retired list from 7th November, 1873, to 31st December, 1875.

By Mr. *Stephenson*,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of all Reports of Engineers, plans and correspondence, in possession of the Government, relating to the construction of a Harbor at some point on Lake Erie, between Rond Eau Point and the Village of Clearville, in the County of Kent.

By Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk)—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for all correspondence with the Postmaster General or with the Department in reference to charges preferred against the Postmaster at Bloomsburg, in the County of Norfolk; also for the evidence taken by the Inspector, who investigated the charges; together with his Report thereon.

By Mr. *Bunster*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for a Return of the Revenue and Expenditure on account of Consolidated Fund for each year since Confederation in the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and in the Provinces of Manitoba and British Columbia for each year since they became Provinces of the Dominion; also the amount of expenses in each of the said Provinces yearly during the same period on Capital Account.

On motion of Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, it was Ordered, That the Clerk do lay on the Table a statement showing the ages, names, present salaries and length of service of each officer and permanent Clerk in his Department.

Also, the ages, names and salaries or daily pay, with date when pay commenced of the Sessional or Extra Clerks at present employed in the service of the House of Commons.

Also a statement by the Sergeant at Arms shewing the ages, names, salaries or daily pay and length of service of Messengers and others in his Department, whether employed permanently or otherwise.

By Mr. *Jones* (Halifax).—Address for copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion, and the Government of the United States, respecting the alleged violation of the Treaty of Washington.

By Mr. *Bunster*—Address for all correspondence between the Government of British Columbia and the Dominion Government respecting the construction of a Telegraph Line from Esquimalt to Nanaimo; also all Orders in Council or correspondence with any other officer or person respecting the same.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain Resolutions, for the purpose of amending the Weights and Measures Act of 1873.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. Resolved, That a barrel of apples or other fruit shall, from and after the first day of July 1876 be held to mean a barrel of the following inside dimensions, that is to say: Diameter at each head seventeen inches, Diameter at midlength of the stave twenty inches, length between the heads twenty-six inches, or of such other dimensions as will give a capacity of not less than twenty-five gallons.

2. Resolved, That every bargain for the sale and purchase of apples or other fruit by the barrel shall be for barrels of the above dimensions.

3. Resolved, That any person who shall use for packing apples or other fruit, for sale, barrels of less dimensions of capacity than are herein stated, shall be guilty of an offence and shall for the first offence incur a penalty of five dollars for every barrel so used and a penalty of double the amount for every subsequent offence.

4. Resolved, That all such forfeitures and penalties shall be imposed and appropriated in the same manner as forfeitures and penalties are recoverable and appropriated under the Weights and Measures Act of 1873.

Resolutions to be reported.

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The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Oliver* then introduced a Bill (No. 94) to amend the Weights and Measures Act of 1873.—Second reading to-morrow.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill (No. 8) to amend the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 51, intituled: "An Act to authorize the incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion," were taken into consideration, concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

By Mr. Wallace (New York)—Order of the House for all correspondence with the Postmaster-General with the Department in reference to charges preferred against the Postmaster at Bloomsburg, in the County of Norfolk; also for the evidence taken by the Inspector who investigated the charges; together with his Report thereon.

### NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

**Mr. Goudge**—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether the Montreal Telegraph Company have the privilege of constructing a line of Telegraph, for general purposes, upon the Intercolonial Railway from the Province of Quebec to Nova Scotia?

If so, whether the privilege is confined to the Montreal Telegraph Company? Have the above named Company built, and are they operating a line upon, said Railway? What were the conditions upon which (if granted) the privilege was given, and if they have fulfilled these conditions?

**Mr. Béchard**—On Wednesday next—That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to make enquiry into the administration of Justice in the District of Richelieu, in the Province of Quebec:—And that the Petition of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others, of the said District of Richelieu,—complaining of the conduct of the Honorable *Thomas Jean Jacques Loranger*, Judge of the Superior Court of the said Province of Quebec, be referred to the said Committee, with power to the said Committee to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time.

**Mr. Béchard**—On Wednesday next—That the Petition of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others, of the District of Richelieu, complaining of the conduct of the Honorable Judge *Loranger*, be printed.

**Mr. Delorme** gives Notice that in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 76) to amend the Insolvent Act, 1875, he will move the following amendment:—

“That all the words of the 29th Clause of the said Act be struck out, up to the words ‘No Creditors shall’ and the following substituted instead thereof:—‘The Official Assignee appointed for a District shall be the Assignee of the Estate in all cases of Insolvency in the said District, and such Assignee, after proof of negligence or dereliction duty may, on the application of a Creditor, be removed by the Court or Judge and another appointed in his stead by the said Court or Judge.’”

**Mr. Stephenson**—On Wednesday next—**ORDER OF THE HOUSE**—Return of all expenditure in detail incurred in dredging a channel at the entrance of the Chenal Ecarté, into Lake St. Clair; also, the dredging at Johnson's Bend, as well as in the River Sydenham, together with the Engineer's Reports connected therewith.

TIMOTHY WARRER ANGLIN

Speaker

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1876.

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Two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 88) from the Senate, intitled: "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the '*Banque Saint Jean Baptiste*,'" without amendment.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, reporting that they had considered the Bill (No. 42) to incorporate "The Royal Albert Bridge Company,"—and the Bill (No. 62) respecting the Canada Southern Bridge Company, and that the promoters of each had requested permission to withdraw their Bills.

The Committee would recommend that the fee paid on each, be refunded.

On motion of Mr. *Jetté*, the fee on the first Bill (No. 42),—and on motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, the fee on the latter Bill (No. 62), were ordered to be refunded, in accordance with the recommendation of the said Committee.

Mr. *Farrow*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Salt Interests of this Country, with power to send for persons, papers and records, presented a Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined three witnesses,—Professor *Gibson* of the Ottawa Normal School, *Samuel Platt*, of Goderich, who has had an extensive experience in the Manufacture of Salt in Canada, from its first discovery in the County of Huron, in 1866, to the present time, and who is still connected with it, and Mr. *Grey* of Seaforth, who is also engaged in the Salt interests.

The Committee would beg leave to draw the attention of The House to the Scientific testimony of Prof. *Gibson*, as to the great extent of our Salt beds in Huron and Bruce,—Also to the very pleasing testimony that the Canadian Salt is the purest found on this continent, much more so than are the Salts manufactured in New York State or Michigan. They would specially call the attention of The House to this fact.

The Committee, after examining Messrs. *Platt* and *Grey*, the parties who are practically engaged in the manufacture and sale of Salt, beg leave to state to The House that, the statements of those witnesses would make it appear that the Salt interests of the country are in a depressed state. The evidence hereunto annexed, shows that a very great amount of Salt comes into Canada from Liverpool by way of Quebec. It is brought over as ballast chiefly at a low freight, and sold in our Lower St. Lawrence Ports, in some instan-

ces cheaper than it is sold in Liverpool. That this salt pays no duty. Also, the evidence shows that the English Salt exporter has an advantage over the Canadians, because the bags which contain the English Salt (and it is chiefly shipped in bags) pay no duty, whereas the Canadian Manufacturer in importing these bags, or the cloth of which they are made, has to pay a duty of  $17\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. This gives the English exporter an advantage over the Canadian Manufacturer of something like 3 per cent. on coarse Salt and 4 per cent. on the fine Salt. The evidence shows that the United States send a large quantity of Salt into our Lake Ontario and Upper St. Lawrence Ports every year and sell it to Canadians at a smaller cost than it is sold for in the United States.

Also, that they have a great advantage in some parts of Canada over the Canadian producer, as Oswego the Shipping Port for Syracuse Salt, is so near to our Lake Ontario Ports, that the freight on Salt is only about 5 cents per barrel, while our Salt producers have to pay a freight of about 40 cents per barrel to reach the same Canadian Ports. The evidence is replete with information, and the witnesses examined state:—

“That in order to develop those vast treasures of Salt in the West, a small Revenue duty is required.”

(For the evidence to this Report, see Appendix to the Journals.)

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow, viz.:—

By Mr. Mackenzie,—No. 95. To remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Harbor Commissioners of Montreal, and to amend the same.

Also,—No. 96. To amend an Act intituled: “An Act to make further provision as to Duties of Customs in Manitoba and the North-West Territories; and further to restrain the importation or manufacture of Intoxicating Liquors into, or in the North-West Territories.”

By Mr. Blake,—No. 97. Respecting the Desjardins Canal.

By Mr. Mackenzie,—No. 98. To amend the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 23, respecting the Northern Railway of Canada.

Also,—No. 99. To amend the Railway Statistics Act.

Mr. Mackenzie presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 23rd February, last; a Return 1st. Of the names of persons who have ceased to belong to the Culler's Office since 1st January, 1875, through death, superannuation, or otherwise, distinguishing the cause and employment in each instance; with allowance in each case of superannuation.

2nd. Of the names of those who have been added to the Staff in either a temporary or permanent capacity during the same time.

And,—Return to the Order of The House, of the 2nd ult.; for copies of instructions given to the officer in charge of the steam dredge employed clearing the bar at the entrance of Miramichi River with all Reports from the officer in charge or parties under him as to the amount of work done in that locality; stating the number of yards removed and the character of the material; the depth to which the channel has been deepened and the width thereof; the length of the cutting or dredging yet to be done; also stating the contemplated depth and width to which the Government propose to improve said channel; the number of days during which such vessel has been actually at work; also copies of the Report or Reports of the Engineers or other officers on which such improvements are based and the depth of water which it is proposed to obtain; also the amount already expended on such work with an estimate of the amount required to complete it.

Mr. Blake presented, Return to Address of the 29th ult; for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and British Columbia Governments, with reference to the appointment of a County Court Judge for New Westminster, British Columbia.

Mr. Cartwright presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult.; for a copy of statement showing the debt, etc., of Canada, issued in London, on the 19th October, 1875, by the Hon. the Finance Minister on the occasion of placing the last loan in the English market.

On motion of Mr. Laird, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to make special provision respecting Dominion Lands withdrawn from the general provisions of the Dominion Lands Acts, as to Sale and Settlement, for purposes connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway; and to provide that two-thirds of all cash received for such Lands shall be carried to a special fund for such purposes as aforesaid, to be dealt with in such manner as may be deemed expedient by the Governor in Council.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie it was Resolved, That for the remainder of the Session, Government Measures shall have precedence of all other business after Routine proceedings, excepting the first hour after half-past seven o'clock P.M., each day, which shall be devoted to Private Bills and other business not in charge of Members of the Government.

The Bill (No. 30) to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading, *to-morrow*.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz*:—

No. 43. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 93, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company."

No. 49. To amend the Act to incorporate "The Commercial Traveller's Association of Canada."

No. 26. To enable the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company to obtain an extension of a Patent known as "*Rodden's Improved Capped Ferrule or Socket*."

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 7) respecting the North-West Territories, and to create a separate Territory out of part thereof, *with amendments*. (On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in).

The following Bills were severally read the second time, referred to Committees of the Whole, considered, read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 90. To amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, as respects the Public Accounts.

No. 91. To amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, respecting the Indemnity to Members of both Houses of Parliament.

The Bill (No. 82) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Corporation of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners," was read the second time, referred to a Committee of the Whole (and the Resolution adopted in the 1st instant, in relation thereto, referred to the said Committee), considered, amended, reported, the amendment concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

#### XI.—MILITIA.

##### *Ordinary.*

66 Military Stores.....	\$40,000 00
67 Public Armouries and care of arms, including the pay of Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rents, fuel and light of Public Armouries.....	52,000 00
69 Contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations and Bands of Efficient Corps.....	50,000 00
70 Targets (Revote).....	2,000 00
71 Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges.....	10,000 00

##### *Special.*

75 Military College.....	26,000 00
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Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, *to-morrow*.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on the 17th ult, were reported, and are as follow:—

206 To defray appropriation for the relief of distressed settlers in the Province of Manitoba..	25,000 00
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#### VIII.—ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

53 To meet Expenses in connection with the organization of the Patent Record.....	6,500 00
54 do do do preparation of Criminal Statistics.....	5,000 00

## X.—PENSIONS.

57	{	Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly.....	400 00
		L. Gagné, Messenger, do .....	72 00
		John Bright, do do .....	80 00
		Mrs. Antrobus.....	800 00

## NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.

58	{	Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children .....	265 00
		Jane Lakey.....	146 00
		Rhoda Smith.....	110 00
		Janet Anderson .....	110 00
		Margaret Mackenzie.....	80 00
		Mary Ann Richey and two children.....	336 00
		Mary Morrison.....	80 00
		Louise Prud'homme and two children.....	110 00
		Virginie Charron and four children.....	150 00
		Paul M. Robins.....	146 40
		Charles T. Bell.....	73 20
		Alex. Oliphant.....	109 80
		Charles Lugsden.....	91 50
		Thomas Charters.....	91 50
		Charles T. Robertson.....	110 00
		Percy G. Routh .....	400 00
		Richard S. King.....	400 00
		George A. Mackenzie.....	73 20
		Edward Hilder.....	146 40
		Fergus Schofield.....	73 20
		John Bradley.....	910 80
		Richard Penticost.....	91 50
		James Bryan.....	109 80
		Jacob Stubbs.....	73 20
		Mary Connor.....	110 00
		Mary Hodgins and three children.....	191 00
		John Martin.....	110 00
		A. W. Stevenson.....	110 00
		Mrs. J. Thorburn.....	150 00
		Mrs. P. T. Worthington and children.....	378 00
		Mrs. J. H. Elliot and children.....	130 00
		Ellen Kirkpatrick and three children.....	266 00
		Mrs. George Prentice and children.....	400 00
Mary Hannah Temple and child.....	298 00		
59	To meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812.....	50,000 00	
60	Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land.....	8,000 00	

## XI.—MILITIA.

## EXTRAORDINARY.

72	Care and Maintenance of Properties transferred from the Ordnance and the Imperial Governments, including Rents.....	7,000 00
73	Ordnance and Equipment of Field Batteries Artillery.....	10,000 00

## SPECIAL.

74	Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and School of Gunnery, Kingston and Quebec.....	110,000 00
76	Military Schools, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.....	10,000 00
77	Pay and Maintenance of Dominion Force in Manitoba.....	30,000 00
78	Mounted Police, North-West Territories .....	292,651 50

Resolutions 206, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 60 and 72, being severally read a second time, were agreed to.

The consideration of Resolution 73, was postponed.

Resolutions 74, 76, 77 and 78, being severally read a second time, were agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on the 22nd ult., were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follow:—

## XIII.—OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

## DOMINION STEAMERS.

119 Maintenance and repairs of Steamers <i>Napoleon III, Newfield, Druid, Lady Head</i> and <i>Sir James Douglas</i> .....	80,000 00
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## MAIL SUBSIDIES.

120 Moiety payable to Allan Line between Halifax and Cork.....	\$ 39,541 67
121 Steam Communication between Halifax and St. John, <i>via</i> Yarmouth.....	10,000 00
122 do on Lakes Huron and Superior.....	12,500 00
123 Steam Service between San Francisco and Victoria, British Columbia.....	54,000 00
124 Steam Communication with the Magdalen Islands.....	4,200 00
125 Winter Service by Steamer between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.....	15,000 00
126 Steam Communication between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.....	5,000 00
127 do do Grand Manan Island, N.B., and the Mainland.....	1,500 00
128 To provide for the examination of Masters and Mates.....	4,250 00
129 For purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers and Rewards for Saving Life.....	7,000 00
130 To provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and Collection of information relating to disasters to Shipping.....	1,000 00
131 Expenses in connection with Canadian Register and Classification of Shipping.....	6,000 00
132 Montreal Water Police.....	14,000 00
133 River Police, Quebec.....	21,700 00
134 Removal of obstructions in navigable rivers.....	500 00

## XIV.—LIGHTHOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

135 Salaries and Allowance of Lighthouse Keepers.....	142,917 50
136 Maintenance and Repairs.....	213,000 00
137 For construction of Lighthouses, and completion of Lighthouses in course of construction.	30,000 00

The Bill (No. 61) to amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 108, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Loan and Agency Company, (Limited)," was read a third time, and passed.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

## ERRATUM.

In the *English version* of the Votes of yesterday, page 266, the following entry was omitted:—

The Bill (No. 61) to amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 108, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Loan and Agency Company, (Limited)," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, *to-morrow*.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

**Mr. Farrow**—On Friday next—Adoption of the Report presented to the House by the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Salt interests of this country, and that the evidence with the Report be printed.

**Mr. Ross (Middlesex)**—On Thursday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE—For copies of all the evidence taken by the Post Office Inspector in regard to charges brought against the Postmaster at Glencoe, together with all reports made to the Post Office Department in connection therewith.

**Mr. DeCosmos**—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any Despatches or Telegrams have been received from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies respecting the Address to Her Majesty the Queen, from the Legislative Assembly and Government of British Columbia, forwarded February last, urging Her Majesty's Imperial Government to move the Dominion Government to carry out the Carnarvon Settlement in reference to the Pacific Railway? If so, what is the nature of said Telegrams, Despatches, etc.; and will they be laid before The House this Session?

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1876.]

Seven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The Petition of *D. McCallum*, and others, of the Township of Lochaber, was read and received; representing that the Lands bordering on the River Ottawa, between the Chaudière Falls and the Long Sault Rapids, are annually submerged to a great depth, and praying for an enquiry into the cause, with a view to the discovery of a means of abating the evil.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult.; for a statement shewing the names of the rivers for which fishing leases have been renewed, or granted, since the 1st December, 1873; when, in favor of whom, for what period, and for what yearly sum each of these leases has been thus renewed, or granted.

And,—Return to the Order of The House, of the 27th ult.; for copies of any communication, Report of Engineers, or other parties, relating to the construction of a Branch Railway from St. Charles, County of Bellechasse, to St. Joseph de Lévis.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Twelfth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.:*—

No. 79 Further to amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank," and to amend the Act amending the same.

No. 66. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

He also presented the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have considered the Bill (No. 81) to amend and consolidate certain Acts respecting Insurance, and have adopted, with certain amendments in some of them, all the Clauses thereof, except *Numbers seven and twenty-one*, which, without passing upon these Clauses in Committee, they have reserved for the consideration of The House.

On motion of Mr. *Holton* it was *Ordered*, That the Bills reported this day from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce be placed on the Orders of the Day, for consideration *this day*.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Sixth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.

The Bill (No. 30) to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians, was read a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply; and after some time spent therein; at 6 o'clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, to adjourn The House until half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7:30 P. M.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz:—*

No. 33. To extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway; and for other purposes.

No. 23. To amend the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 111, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The *Mail Printing and Publishing Company.*"

No. 74. Respecting the attendance of Witnesses on Criminal trials.

No. 85. To extend the provisions of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 33, intituled: "An Act respecting the retiring allowances of Judges to the Chief Justice and Justices of the Court of Error and Appeal, for the Province of Ontario."

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.*)

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz:—*

No. 88. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the '*Banque Sain Jean Baptiste.*'"

No. 79. Further to amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank;" and to amend the Act, amending the same.

No. 66. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

Mr. Cauchon presented, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult.; a Return for copies of all documents, correspondence and copies of the instructions given to Clovis Caron, Fishery Overseer, having connection with the fishing rights of *Eugène Dumas*, *Joseph Levesque* and *Zephirin Duval*, in the Parish of *St. Jean Port Joli*, County of *L'Islet*; and also copies of the *enquête* held by one *Grondin*, or a person called *Damase Guay*, formerly Fishery Overseer.

(*The Committee of Supply resumed.*)

The following Resolution was proposed:—

83. Pacific Railway..... \$2,810,000 00

After some Debate thereon,—and

The Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

*Thursday, 6th April, 1876.*

After some further Debate,—the said Resolution was adopted.

The following Resolution was adopted:—

84. Pacific Railway Survey and Engineering ..... \$500,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 2 o'clock, A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

*Speaker.*

# NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. Béchard—On the motion that the Speaker do leave the Chair, for House in Committee of Ways and Means, the following amendment:—

That the Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*:—1st. That the entry in the Votes and Proceedings of this House, under date the 3rd day of April, 1876, concerning the Petition of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others, of the District of Richelieu, in the Province of Quebec, be now read, together with the said Petition;

2nd. That the said Petition received by this House, on the said 3rd April, 1876, bears the signatures of *F. X. A. Biron*, notary; *Louis Vadnait*; *William Kelly*, merchant; *Noë Fortier*, Esquire, M.P., for Yamaska; *P. Letendre*, merchant; *James Duquay*, Esquire, M.P., and *M. Beaupré*, merchant, Yamaska, all of the said district of Richelieu; and alleges misdemeanors, crimes, abuse of authority and offences, which, charged as they are, on the responsibility of these seven citizens, deserve the high consideration of Parliament and of the Government of Canada, and which, if a *prima facie* case be made out, should not, for the dignity of the Crown, the honor of the country, the morality and the protection of society (and more particularly of the population, amounting to more than 50,000 souls, of the district of Richelieu), remain in oblivion;

3rd. That, in consequence, an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency, by such means and in such manner as he may deem advisable, to provide in the first place for an enquiry, and then if there be grounds for so doing, for a prosecution in relation to the misdemeanors, crimes, abuse of authority and offences, so complained of.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1876.

Eleven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The Petition of *A. Campbell*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Locharber, was read and received; praying that the lands bordering on the River Ottawa, between the Chaudiere Falls and the Long Sault Rapids, are annually submerged to a great depth, and praying for an enquiry into the cause, and with a view to the discovery of a means abating the evil.

Motion being made, that the Petition of Messrs. *Haskett & Brown*, and others; praying that the Bill to amend the Weights and Measures Act of 1873, having for its object the establishment of the one hundred quart barrel, as the standard for packing Apples, or other fruit, may not become Law, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That in accordance with Rule 86, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners in the sheet containing the prayer of the Petition, and the sheet of the prayer of this Petition not having any signature at all, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented a Return, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 9th ult; for copies of documents relating to the construction by Messrs. *Piton & Co.*, of certain buildings at *Grosse Isle*.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult.; for copies of the evidence taken before the Dominion Arbitrators on the claim of *George Rochester* against the Government.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, of the 23rd of February last; for a copy of the contract between the Government and Mr. *Charles E. Forgues*, of Malbaie, for the construction of a Light-house upon *Isle aux Coudres*; also copies of the correspondence which took place upon the subject, and a statement showing the amount claimed as compensation or damages, by virtue of the said contract, and the amount paid to the said *Charles E. Forgues*, or to any other person in this matter.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult.; for Returns of the Capital, Traffic and working expenditure of the Railways of the Dominion, in accordance with the requirements and provisions of the Law in that behalf.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, of the 2nd ult.; for copies of all correspondence, and advertisements inviting tenders for the supply of *Steel Rails*, for the Canadian Pacific Railway, etc. etc.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult.; for a Return of all Licenses issued by the Inspector of Fisheries for fishing in Burlington Bay and the Dundas Marsh during the years 1872, '73, '74, '75; the names of the parties to whom such Licenses were granted; for what periods; and in what way the proceeds from said Licenses have been applied; of the manner of catching, taking or spearing fish. Also for a copy of all instructions issued to *John W. Kerr*, Inspector of Fisheries, as to the rights, rules and regulations for taking fish in said waters during such period.

And,—Return to an Address of the 22nd ult.; for copies of all correspondence or papers with the Colonial Office, or with the Government of the United States, in regard to the action of that Government in denying the free navigation of the United States Canals, in accordance with the Washington Treaty.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.:*—

No. 69. To incorporate "The Maritime Savings and Loan Society."

No. 75. To incorporate "The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company."

No. 78. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Trust Company (*Limited.*)"

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the said three Bills were ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day, for consideration *this day*.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Select Committee appointed to assume the direction, under the Orders of The House, of the reporting and printing of the Debates of The House, submitted as the Fourth Report of the said Committee, a series of "Rules and Regulations for the reporting and publishing the Debates of the next Session, to which they respectfully ask the concurrence of The House.

*Regulations as to the Reporting of the Debates House of Commons.*

The Reporting shall be conducted by a staff of Five Reporters under the direction and control of the Committee appointed for that purpose, one of whom shall be called the Chief Reporter, and the other four, Assistants.

The Chief shall be appointed by the Committee, whose duty it shall be:—

1st. To select four persons as his assistants for whose qualifications and fitness as Parliamentary Reporters, he can vouch and be responsible, subject to the approval of the Committee.

2nd. To give such personal attendance at the sittings of The House during Debate as may be necessary not only for supervision over the Reporters on duty, but also to become so conversant with the subject matter under discussion that he may in superintending, revising and condensing the speeches preserve the sense, tone and spirit throughout.

3rd. To furnish any member on his application therefor with a copy of his speech in manuscript, for revision, and to make such alterations as he may require, provided they be in accord with that spoken in The House, should they be otherwise, the same to be reported to the Committee before being sent to the Printer.

4th. That the Copy shall not be furnished the Printer until properly revised and corrected, so that no charge for alterations can be made.

5th. To correct the proofs and revise the same and be responsible for their correctness.

6th. To prepare the Indexes in the same style and form as the English Hansard, and to revise the proofs of the same and generally to do all things that pertain to the Editing and publishing a faithful, condensed record of the Debates which have taken place in the House of Commons of Canada.

7th. The manuscript Report of the Debates shall be made in duplicate,—one copy of which shall be filed with the Clerk of the Committee before noon of the day following the Debate so reported.

8th. The Chief Reporter must have no connection with any newspaper whatever, nor shall he or any of his assistants undertake any other work during the Session either by furnishing newspapers with reports, or by attending Committees of either House requiring reporters, but devote their whole time and energy to the service for which they are engaged.

9th. For the above services, the following salaries per Session shall be paid:—

To the Chief Reporter .....	\$ 1,500
" 1st Assistant } .....	1,000
" 2nd Assistant } .....	
" 3rd Assistant } .....	
" 4th Assistant } .....	

Payment to be made weekly if required in sums not exceeding \$50 per week, till the whole work is satisfactorily completed.

10th. It is clearly and distinctly understood and ordered that the above salaries are to cover the whole cost of Reporting and the several duties in connection therewith. Therefore should the Chief Reporter, or any of the assistants be unable—from any cause, to fulfil the above obligations, the Committee reserve the right to provide such assistance as may be necessary for the proper performance of the work, deducting the cost thereof from the salary of the party or parties unable to perform the same.

Mr. *Fréchette*, from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the possibility of navigating the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence during the Winter Season, so as to yield profitable results, presented a Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee, for the purpose of collecting authentic and reliable information on the foregoing subject, summoned a certain number of witnesses whom they believed from their experience and practical knowledge, most competent to advise them in the premises. Unfortunately, some of the most important of those witnesses were prevented from appearing before the Committee, on account of their residing at too great a distance from the Capital, and of the exceptionally severe weather which has lately interrupted all communication between the latter point and the Parishes of the Lower St. Lawrence. However, the evidence adduced has been sufficient to enable the Committee to make such a Report as to fully meet the object in view.

The witnesses examined *viva voce* by the Committee, are :—

*Edward A. Sewell*, of Lévis, Naval Architect;  
*Cyrille Fortier*, of the City of Quebec, Sea Captain;  
*Marmaduke Graburn*, of Ottawa, “ “  
*J. W. Carmichael*, M. P., of Pictou, Shipbuilder.

In order to complete the information sought, the Committee have also taken communication of an enquiry made by a similar Committee, appointed in 1875, for the same object, by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Quebec; and they have thought proper to add the Report of the said enquiry to the aforesaid evidence. Thus, the Committee have secured the testimony of the following important witnesses :—

*Michel Lecours*, of Lévis, Steamboat Captain;  
 Hon. *M. Savage*, of Gaspé, Member of the Legislative Council, P. Q. ;  
*Michel Guenard*, of Lévis, Pilot;  
*Joseph Brown*, of Quebec, “ “  
*Charles Brown*, “ “  
*Thomas Connell* “ “ and Sea Captain;  
*Francois Desgrosseilles*, of Quebec, Sea Captain;  
*Honoré Sherrer*, of St. Joseph, of Lévis, “ “  
 Col. *F. C. Farijana*, of New Carlisle, Hydrographic Engineer.

The Committee have also taken communication of the following declaration supported by forty-three signatures :—

“ We, the undersigned, branch pilots of the River St. Lawrence do hereby certify, that the floe ice on the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence would not offer any material resistance to powerful screw steamers. The absence of fog and sea during the winter months are material advantages in favor of Winter Navigation. Everything considered, we are of opinion that the Winter Navigation of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence is not only possible, but practicable.”

Such has been the evidence collected by the Committee, who after giving their most careful attention to the matter are unanimous in their belief that the following facts advanced in favor of Winter Navigation are accurate and reliable:

1st. The floe ice of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence, is composed chiefly of ice, the weight or resistance of which does not justify our looking upon it as a serious obstacle to Winter Navigation.

2nd. The floe ice never covers the River from shore to shore.

3rd. The floe ice lies for the greater part of the season on the South shore from the fact of the prevailing winds coming more or less from the North.

4th. From this position of the floes, steamers navigating up and down the St. Lawrence would seldom or never come in contact with the ice to such an extent, as would seriously impede their progress.

5th. Throughout the ice regions, the surface of the water is perfectly smooth, a great advantage to a screw steamer.

6th. Fogs are of very rare occurrence during the winter months, and the whole season is sometimes entirely free from them.

7th. Snow storms are not so numerous as to justify our attaching any great importance to them; and a vessel in such a storm, is not by any means, in so critical a position, as a vessel enveloped in a fog, the former having the floe ice under her lee, acting as a shield between her and the shore, while the latter has no such protection.

All these facts, in the opinion of the Committee, are peremptory answers to the principal objections set forth by those who have no faith in the scheme, and their endorsement by the almost unanimous evidence adduced, virtually solves the problem of Winter Navigation in the affirmative; and the tone of the evidence given by the most important witnesses examined as aforesaid, is so positive and so strong, that the Committee cannot but warmly recommend this projected mode of navigation to the most serious consideration of the Government and the Country.

As to the commercial results likely to be derived from the successful operations of the enterprise, very little doubt can be entertained. It is true that under the present state of affairs such a mode of navigation having been hitherto considered as very dangerous, if not utterly impossible, it cannot be expected that shipowners will risk their property, nor Insurance Companies take risks on vessels and goods passing through that route; but as soon as the practicability of the route is thoroughly demonstrated by practical experience, Your Committee do not see why the navigation of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence in winter would not yield as good results as during the summer season.

There could be no difference of opinion as to that point. In consequence, Your Committee have given most of their attention to the physical side of the question, that is to the material possibility of opening the River and Gulf St. Lawrence to regular traffic during the winter season. Can a line of steamers, properly built, navigate those waters during the whole year with security and without interruption? Such is the principal point which Your Committee have tried chiefly to investigate; and the result of the investigation has been of such a nature as to convince the Committee that the scheme is altogether feasible and ought to be tried at once.

In consequence, the Committee take the liberty of suggesting that steps be taken towards a practical demonstration of this important theory, as soon as the financial position of the country will admit.

(For the Evidence to this Report, see Appendix to the Journal.)

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, were taken into consideration.

The first amendment being read a second time, as follows:—

Page 1, line 15.—Leave out “such.”

Mr. Blake moved, that this House doth disagree to the said amendment, for the following reason:—“Because the word proposed to be struck out, seems necessary to the proper reading of the Clause,” which was agreed to.

The second amendment being read a second time, as follows:—

Page 1, line 15.—After “Schedules” insert “containing the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics.”

Mr. Blake moved, that this House doth disagree to the said amendment, because the words proposed to be inserted seem unnecessary, since the Clause without them sufficiently describes the character of the Schedules; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate, to inform their Honors, that this House doth disagree to their amendments made to the said Bill for the reasons above set forth.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 95. To remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Harbor Commissioners of Montreal, and to amend the same.

No. 98. To amend the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 23, respecting the Northern Railway of Canada (amended).

No. 99. To amend the Railway Statistics Act.

No. 97. Respecting the Desjardins Canal (amended).

The Bill (No. 76) to amend the Insolvent Act, 1875, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was proposed:—

#### XI.—MILITIA.

##### Ordinary.

61. Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff.....\$29,400.00

And a Debate arising thereon,—at 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, to adjourn The House until half-past seven o'clock P. M.

7:30 P. M.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 18) to incorporate “The Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company,” with amendments. (On motion of Mr. Wood, the said amendments were read the first time. Further consideration, to-morrow).

Also,—with the following Bill (No. 100) of their own, intituled: “An Act to provide for the examination of witnesses on oath by Committees of the Senate and House of Commons, in certain cases,” to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 61. To incorporate “The Maritime Savings and Loan Society.”

No. 75. To incorporate “The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company.”

No. 78. To incorporate “The United Empire Trust Company (Limited).”

The Bill (No. 86) to detach a certain portion of the County of Lotbinière, and to annex it to the County of Beauce, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole on a Resolution, to authorize the levying of rates and dues by the proprietors of wharves, not within the limits assigned to any corporation of Harbor Commissioners, was discharged.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the following Bills, were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, *viz.* :

No. 17. To provide means of escape for persons falling into the water, in the vicinity of Wharves and Docks.

No. 87. To amend the Criminal Law.

The Committee of Supply resumed the Debate on the proposed Resolution, *viz.* :—

61. Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff..... \$29,400 00

After some further Debate,—the said Resolution was adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

62. Salaries of Brigade Majors..... \$ 28,500 00  
68. Drill pay and other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia. 125,000 00

The following Resolution was proposed :—

#### IX.—IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

55	Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés.....	\$26,950 00
	Salaries of Immigration Travelling Agents.....	12,000 00
	Medical Inspection of the Port of Quebec.....	2,600 00
	Quarantine, Grosse Isle.....	12,000 00
	do St. John, N.B.....	3,000 00
	do Miramichi, N.B.; Pietou, N.S.....	1,000 00
	do Halifax, N.S.....	3,600 00
	do Charlottetown, P.E.I.....	1,000 00
	To meet expenses of further precautionary measures for the Public Health and for the prevention of disease among animals.....	20,000 00
	Contingencies of Canadian and other regular Agencies.....	24,000 00
Travelling Expenses of Travelling Agents.....	14,000 00	

And a Debate arising on the proposed Resolution,—and the Committee having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Friday, 7th April, 1876.

After some further Debate thereon,—the said Resolution was adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

56 Towards assisting Immigration and meeting Immigration expenses, including estimated expense of transport of Mennonites..... \$170,000 00

#### MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS (Caption XXIX.)

197. Intercolonial and other Government Railways in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick,.... } 1,600,000 00  
198. Intercolonial Railway, Quebec,..... }

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, *this day*.

The House then adjourned at 10 minutes to 2 o'clock A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Do the Government intend to surrender to British Columbia the belt of land reserved for Railway purposes on Vancouver Island, or do they intend to perfect their title and offer the same for sale in conformity with the Dominion Lands Acts?

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Do the Government intend to carry out the agreement made in 1873, by and between the Province of British Columbia and the Dominion of Canada, respecting the advance by the latter to the former of the difference between the actual and allowed debt of the said Province at the date of Union? And why did the Government refuse to carry out the said agreement in 1875?

No. 41.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 1876.

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Eight Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Presbytery of Truro in connection with the Presbyterian Church of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of *S. Martineau*, M. D., and others, suitors of the District of Richelieu; representing that they have had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct on the bench of the Hon. Mr. Justice *Loranger*, and praying that any petitions presented preferring charges against the said Judge may be rejected and declared unfounded.

Of the Toledo Produce Exchange; of the Board of Trade of Detroit; of the Board of Trade of Chicago; of the Chamber of Commerce of Milwaukee; and of the Board of Trade of Cleveland, all of the United States; severally praying that the attention and action of the House may be directed to the subject of keeping the Canals of the Dominion open on the Sabbath Day.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented a Return, in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 3rd instant; for the production of all correspondence, Petitions and Memorials relating to the Sugar refining interests, since 1872.

And,—a Return in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult.; for copies of all correspondence, etc., in relation to a violation of "An Act respecting Deck Loads," by the Barque "*N. Churchill*," etc., etc.

Mr. Speaker informed The House,—That the Clerk of The House, in obedience to the Order of The House of Monday, the 3rd instant, had laid upon the Table; a statement showing the ages, names, present salary and length of service of each Officer and permanent Clerk in his Department.

Also, the ages, names and salaries or daily pay, with date of employment, and date when pay commenced of the Sessional or Extra Clerks at present employed in the service of The House.

Also, a statement by the Sergeant at Arms, shewing the ages, names, salaries or daily pay and length of service of Messengers, and others, in his Department, whether employed permanently, or otherwise.

Mr. *Brouse*, from the Select Committee appointed, to enquire into the expediency of legislating in the matter of Sanitary reform, presented a Report, which is as follows :—

1. That the Committee, in order to obtain information on the subject of reference, have invited suggestions from *W. Marsden*, M.D., of Quebec, *E. Playter*, M.D., editor of the *Sanitary Journal*, Toronto, and *Geo. A. Baynes*, M.D., editor of the *Public Health Magazine*, of Montreal,—all of whom have given much attention and study to the question of sanitary legislation,—and their Report to the Committee is submitted herewith.

2. That in the opinion of the Committee no such legislation could be effective that did not contemplate the establishment of a complete system for the collection of Sanitary Statistics.

3. That at the present time no such information appears to be at the command of the Canadian Government, although it is obvious that, to the Federal authority alone, the country must look for the collection and compilation of statistics relating to the whole Dominion.

4. That the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia have severally legislated with the view of obtaining returns of Vital Statistics.

5. That the Canadian Medical Association and the Ontario Medical Association have respectively urged upon the attention of the public the vast importance of such Statistics.

6. That in Great Britain, France, the United States, and other countries, the most satisfactory results have ensued upon the enforcement of Sanitary Reforms founded upon accurate statistical information.

7. That a very large reduction in the death-rate has been directly traceable to energetic sanitary measures in Calcutta, London and other great centres of population, the decrease having been nearly 50 per cent. in the case of the two Cities above-mentioned.

8. That high authorities give a percentage of one-third as the proportion of deaths preventible by due regard for sanitary considerations.

9. That, having regard to the necessity of preserving and increasing the population of a new and largely unoccupied country, any measures tending to that end, should be regarded as a first necessity.

10. That the benefits derivable from immigration have been at times greatly curtailed by the deadly ravages of epidemic diseases amongst passengers on the voyage or recently landed on our shores, and by them communicated to the population generally.

11. That it is the imperative duty of the Government to secure such information as will enable them on all occasions to grapple most readily and promptly with the importation of such diseases.

12. That as the duty of enacting local sanitary legislation properly devolves upon the Provincial Legislatures, and as the Provincial Governments, in certain instances before mentioned, specially charged with the duty of collecting Vital Statistics, it is desirable that the Dominion Government should secure for tabulation and arrangement all the information of such nature obtained by the local authorities.

13. That in any Province where no system of registration is in force, the officers of the Federal Government should be directed to make Report from time to time of such matters, as may bear upon the sanitary condition of the people.

14. That it would also be desirable to obtain from competent sources information as to the influence on the public health in all sections of the Dominion, of climate, soil and meteorological changes.

15. That by the sanitary statistics of other countries being carefully compiled and tabulated for the purposes of comparison with those of the Dominion, the Federal or Provincial Legislatures would in the opinion of the Committee be encouraged to take such steps from time to time as would conduce to the public health and place the whole or certain parts of the Dominion in a favorable light in that respect before the world.

(For the Report of Doctors Marsden, Playter and Baynes, accompanying this Report, see Appendix to the Journals.)

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille*, all Petitions presented to this House, relating to the establishment of a Telegraphic system between the Islands of the Lower River and Gulf of the St. Lawrence, and the waters forming the approaches to the same,—were referred to the Select Committee appointed, to enquire into the possibility of establishing a Submarine Telegraphic system; and into the advantage and necessity of such a system of Telegraphy in the waters of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence, and the waters forming the approaches to the Gulf.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the fee on the Bill (No. 66) to incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)," was ordered to be refunded, the said Bill having been withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was Resolved, That when The House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until 1.30 P.M., to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill (No. 76) to amend the Insolvent Act, 1875, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, considered again, amended, reported, and the amendment concurred in.

Mr. *Blake* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Caron* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to insert therein the following amendments :—

"That in the statement of liabilities and assets which the Insolvent is required, under the seventeenth section of the Act hereinbefore cited, to furnish to the Assignee, the Insolvent shall discriminate between his liabilities to traders and to non-traders. At any time after the making of the assignment, or the issue of the writ of attachment and previous to the first meeting of creditors, any creditor who is a non-trader may

notify the Assignee in writing that such is the case, and that he purposes to avail himself of the provisions of this Act; and no non-trader who shall have so notified the Assignee shall be bound to accept the composition, or sign the discharge of the Insolvent, but the claim of such non-trader shall nevertheless be ranked by the Assignee upon the dividend sheet for a dividend or dividends in like manner as the claims of other creditors; and the receipt signed by the non-trader for such dividend shall be a receipt *pro tanto* in respect of such claim as aforesaid.

That a non-trader, that is to say:—Any farmer, grazier, common laborer, workman for hire, or other person, who cannot be declared an Insolvent under the Act herein above cited who has availed himself of the provisions of this Act may attend at meetings of the creditors of the Insolvent and may vote thereat in the same manner as other creditors, except that such non-trader shall not vote upon any question touching the acceptance of any offer of composition, or the granting of the discharge of the Insolvent; and in calculating the number of creditors and the amount of the claims against the Insolvent upon which the acceptance of a deed of composition and discharge, or the consent to the discharge of the Insolvent is based, non-traders who have availed themselves of the provisions of this Act and the amount of their claims shall not be computed; and no deed of composition and discharge, nor any discharge from the Court or Judge shall in any way impair the right of a non-trader who has availed himself of the provisions of this Act, to recover from the Insolvent any balance that may remain unpaid upon the claim of such non-trader, but the said balance may be recovered in like manner as if no proceedings in Insolvency had been entered into, notwithstanding the acceptance by the non-trader of any dividend from the Assignee as hereinbefore provided.—Provided always that no non-trader shall avail himself of the provisions of this and the preceding Clause, in the case of an Insolvent whom such non-trader has required or forced to go into Insolvency;”—which was negatived on the following division:—

## YEAS:

## Messieurs

Baby,	Cuthbert,	Harwood,	Pinsonneault,
Barthe,	Daoust,	Hurteau,	Pope,
Bécharde,	Desjardins,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Pouliot,
Benoit,	Dewdney,	Langevin,	Robitaille,
Bernier,	Dugas,	Lanthier,	Rochester,
Blanchet,	Farrow,	Little,	Roscoe,
Bourassa,	Ferguson,	Macmillan,	Rouleau,
Bowell,	Ferris,	McCallum,	Short,
Boyer,	Fiset,	McQuade,	Stephenson,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Flesher,	Mitchell,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Caron,	Gaudet,	Monteith,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cheval,	Gibson,	Montplaisir,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Christie,	Gill,	Mousseau,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),
Cimon,	Gillies,	Orton,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ), and
Costigan,	Greenway,	Ouimet,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ).—62.
Coupal,	Haggart,		

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

Archibald,	Cockburn,	Kerr,	Pettes,
Aylmer,	Coffin,	Killam,	Pickard,
Bannatyne,	Colby,	Kirk,	Power,
Bertram,	Currier,	Laflamme,	Robillard,
Biggar,	Davies,	Lajoie,	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Blackburn,	DeCosmos,	Laurier,	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Blain,	Delorme,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Sriver,
Blake,	De St. Georges,	McDonald ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Sinclair,
Borden,	Dymond,	MacDonnell ( <i>Inverness</i> ),	Skinner,
Bowman,	Fleming,	McDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Brooks,	Flynn,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Snider,
Brown,	Fraser,	McKay ( <i>Colchester</i> ),	St. Jean,
Buell,	Fréchette,	Mackenzie,	Taschereau,
Burk,	Gillmor,	McIsaac,	Thibaudeau,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Goudge,	McLeod,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Cameron ( <i>Cardwell</i> ),	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Trow,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Hall,	Mills,	Vail,
Cartwright,	Holton,	Oliver,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Casey,	Horton,	Paterson,	Wood,
Casgrain,	Huntington,	Pelletier,	Workman, and
Charlton,	Irving,	Perry,	Young.—86.
Church,	Jetté,		

The main motion was then agreed to, and the Bill read a third time, on a division, and passed.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on the 21st ult., were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

IMPROVEMENTS OF NAVIGABLE RIVERS.

97	{	Improvements of Navigable Rivers.....	\$10,000 00
		St. Lawrence, removal of chains and anchors.....	15,000 00
		Neebish Rapids .....	10,000 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

98		Lake Superior and Red River Route.....	25,000 00
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PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Ontario.

99	{	Examining Warehouse, Toronto.....	39,000 00
		Guelph Custom House, Excise and Post Office.....	25,000 00
		Kingston Military School and Repairing Fortifications.....	40,000 00

Quebec.

100	{	Repairing Fortifications.....	5,000 00
		Examining Warehouse, Montréal.....	60,000 00

Nova Scotia.

102		Sydney Marine Hospital .....	3,000 00
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Prince Edward Island.

103		Souris Marine Hospital.....	500 00
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North-West Territories.

104		Public Buildings, &c.....	25,000 00
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British Columbia.

105		Public Buildings.....	5,000 00
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PENITENTIARIES.

106	{	General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces.....	30,000 00
		St. Vincent de Paul.....	20,000 00
		Manitoba Penitentiary.....	52,400 00
		British Columbia Penitentiary.....	66,000 00
		Penitentiaries generally, additions and repairs.....	5,000 00

RENTS, REPAIRS, &C.

107	{	Rents, repairs, furniture and heating, &c.....	182,000 00
		Heating Public Buildings.....	40,000 00
		Removal of Snow, Public Buildings, Ottawa .....	2,500 00
		Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa.....	12,000 00
		Allowance for Fuel and Light, Rideau Hall.....	5,000 00
		Repairs and Miscellaneous Expenses, Rideau Hall.....	10,000 00

HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

Ontario.

108	{	Cobourg Harbour, Lake Ontario.....	15,000 00
		Bayfield do Lake Huron.....	5,600 00
		Kincardine do do .....	3,100 00
		Goderich do do .....	32,500 00
		Thunder Bay.....	6,000 00

*New Brunswick.*

110	{	Richibucto Harbour.....	\$10,000 00
		Shippegan Breakwater.....	11,000 00
		St. John Harbour.....	65,000 00

*Nova Scotia.*

111	{	Musquodoboit Halifax Co.....	1,000 00
		Cow Bay, C.B.....	10,000 00
		Ingonish South, C.B.....	15,000 00
		Breakwater between Michaud and Mark Points, Richmond Co.....	5,000 00
		Chipman's Brook, Kings Co.....	2,750 00
		Lingan Beach, C.B.....	2,000 00
		Tracadie, Antigonish Co.....	750 00

*Prince Edward Island.*

112	{	Tignish.....	4,750 00
		Colville Bay (Souris).....	20,000 00
113		Slides and Booms.....	10,000 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

114	Dredge Vessels.....	11,000 00
115	Dredging.....	102,000 00
116	Miscellaneous Works not otherwise provided for.....	10,000 00
117	Surveys and Inspections.....	45,000 00
118	Arbitrations and Awards.....	15,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on the 23rd ult., were reported, read a second time with the exception of Resolutions 138, 139, and 140, the consideration of which, was postponed, and the remaining Resolutions were agreed to, and are as follow:—

## XV.—FISHERIES.

## Salaries and Disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens:—

138	{	Ontario.....	\$8,860 00
		Quebec.....	10,000 00
		Nova Scotia, including Inspector and Clerk.....	14,375 00
		New Brunswick, do do.....	10,085 00
		Prince Edward Island and Manitoba.....	1,500 00
		British Columbia.....	1,000 00
139		Maintenance and repairs of Steamer for protection of Fisheries.....	17,000 00
140		Fish-breeding, Fishways and Oyster Beds.....	16,000 00

## XVI.—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

## OBSERVATORIES.

141	Observatory, Quebec.....	2,400 00
142	do Toronto.....	4,800 00
143	do Kingston.....	500 00
144	do Montreal.....	500 00
145	do New Brunswick.....	850 00
146	Grant for Meteorological Observations, including Instruments and cost of Telegraphing Weather Warnings.....	37,000 00
147	Additional for Geological Survey.....	5,000 00

## XVII.—MARINE HOSPITALS AND SICK AND DISTRESSED SEAMEN.

## MARINE HOSPITALS.

148	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec.....	20,000 00	
149	{	Montreal General Hospital.....	\$ 3,000 00
		Other ports in Quebec.....	2,000 00
			<u>5,000 00</u>

150	{ St. Catherines, Hospital, Ontario.....	\$500 00	
	{ Kingston Hospital.....	500 00	
			\$1,000 00
151	{ Halifax General Hospital.....	3,500 00	
	{ Other ports in Nova Scotia.....	10,000 00	
			13,500 00
152	{ Hospital of St. John.....	4,000 00	
	{ Other ports in New Brunswick.....	8,000 00	
			12,000 00
153	Ports in British Columbia.....		3,000 00
154	Ports in Prince Edward Island.....		2,000 00

EXPENSE OF SHIPWRECKED AND DISABLED SEAMEN.

	{ Province of Quebec.....		1,000 00
	{ do Nova Scotia.....		2,000 00
155	{ do New Brunswick.....		1,000 00
	{ do British Columbia.....		1,000 00
	{ do Prince Edward Island.....		500 00
156	To reimburse Board of Trade, London, for expenses incurred in connection with shipwrecked and distressed seamen of the Dominion.....		3,000 00

XVIII.—STEAMBOAT INSPECTIONS.

SALARIES.

	Chairman.....		1,800 00
	Deputy Chairman.....		1,400 00
	Inspector, Toronto District.....		1,200 00
	do Three Rivers District.....		1,000 00
	do Quebec District.....		1,000 00
	do East Ontario District.....		1,000 00
	do Montreal.....		1,200 00
	do British Columbia.....		750 00
	Travelling expenses of Chairman, and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection		1,100 00
157	Clerk to Inspection.....		300 00
	Travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and contingencies of Office.....		865 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector of Toronto District, and contingencies of Office.....		600 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector, Three Rivers.....		200 00
	do do Quebec.....		250 00
	do do East Ontario.....		330 00
	do do Montreal.....		405 00
	To provide for expenses, inspecting Prince Edward Island steamers.....		500 00
	For purchase of instruments and steam gauges.....		550 00
	To provide travelling expenses of Inspector, British Columbia.....		200 00

XIX.—INSPECTION OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

158	To meet expenses in connection with the Inspection of Insurance Companies.....		6,000 00
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The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on the 24th ult., were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follow:—

XXI.—INDIANS.

159	For Indians, Quebec.....		2,200 00
160	Purchase of blankets for aged and infirm Indians of Ontario and Quebec.....		1,600 00
161	Indians of Nova Scotia, relief, &c., &c.....		4,500 00
162	Indians of New Brunswick, relief, &c., &c.....		4,500 00
163	Indians of Prince Edward Island, relief, &c., &c.....		2,000 00
164	Indians of British Columbia:—		
	Victoria Superintendency.....	\$15,000 00	} 25,000 00
	Fraser do.....	10,000 00	

Manitoba and the North-West, for the following purposes:—

	<i>Manitoba Superintendency.</i>			
165	For Annuities under Treaties Nos. 1 and 2.....			22,926 00
166	do do 3.....			17,440 00
167	do do 5.....			14,660 00
168	Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools to be furnished under the above-mentioned Treaties Nos. 1 and 2.....			4,000 00
169	do do 3.....			8,000 00
170	do do 5.....			3,000 00
171	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under the above-mentioned Treaties.....			10,000 00
172	Salaries and Office Expenses.....			18,660 00

*North-West Superintendency.*

173	For Annuities under Treaty No. 4.....			27,610 00
174	Agricultural Implements, &c., under Treaty No. 4.....			8,000 00
175	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities.....			12,000 00
176	Ammunition and twine under this Treaty.....			1,500 00
177	Salaries and Office Expenses.....			19,000 00
178	Probable expense in connection with New Treaties.....			80,000 00

*Miscellaneous.*

179	To aid Indians' Schools where most required.....			2,000 00
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XXII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

181	Canada Gazette.....			4,000 00
182	Miscellaneous Printing.....			8,000 00
183	Unforeseen Expenses: Expenditure thereof under Order in Council, and a detailed statement to be laid before Parliament during the first fifteen days of the next Session...			50,000 00
184	Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy.....			12,000 00
185	For the organization of Government in the North-West Territories.....			12,000 00

XXIII.—CUSTOMS.

SALARIES AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SEVERAL PORTS.

186	}	In Province of Ontario.....		219,054 00
		do Quebec.....		199,510 00
		do New Brunswick.....		92,329 00
		do Nova Scotia.....		103,250 00
		do Manitoba and North-West Territories.....		10,250 00
		do British Columbia.....		20,208 00
		do Prince Edward Island.....		21,990 00
		Salaries and travelling expenses of Inspectors of Ports, and travelling expenses of other Officers on Inspection.....		16,000 00
		Contingencies of Head Office, covering printing, stationery, advertising, telegraphing, &c., for the several Ports of Entry.....		15,000 00

XXIV.—EXCISE.

187	}	Salaries of Officers and Inspectors of Excise.....		177,800 00
		Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, &c.....		45,000 00
		Preventive Service.....		3,000 00
		To provide for payment of additional salary to special class of Excisemen.....		3,000 00
		To provide for additions to outside service.....		5,000 00
		To pay Collectors of Customs allowance on duties collected by them.....		2,000 00

## XXV.—CULLING TIMBER.

## QUEBEC OFFICE.

188	Supervisor.....	\$2,000 00
	Deputy Supervisor and Book-keeper.....	1,600 00
	Cashier.....	1,200 00
	Specification Clerks.....	1,900 00
	Messenger.....	400 00
	Specification Clerks, viz: 4 at \$600, 2 at \$700, 1 at \$500, 2 at \$1,000 (8 months).....	6,300 00
	Pay of Cullers.....	57,000 00
	Contingencies.....	5,000 00

## MONTREAL AND SOREL OFFICES.

	Deputy Supervisor.....	800 00
	Book-keeper and Specification Clerks.....	1,000 00
	Pay of Cullers.....	4,000 00
	Contingencies.....	300 00

## XXX.—POST OFFICE.

203	For Ontario and Quebec.....	1,229,000 00
	New Brunswick.....	155,000 00
	Nova Scotia.....	188,500 00
	Manitoba.....	28,000 00
	British Columbia.....	80,000 00
	Prince Edward Island.....	52,000 00

## XXVI.—WEIGHTS AND MEASURES (EQUIPMENT AND INSPECTION),

189	For Standards ordered in England, but not yet delivered.....	20,000 00
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## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES (INSPECTION OF).

190	Salaries and expenses of 92 Inspectors of Weights and Measures. (Will be recouped by fees.).....	72,000 00
191	Salaries and expenses of 32 Gas Inspectors.....	18,600 00

## XXVII.—INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

192	For the purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other Expenditure under the Act.....	3,000 00
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## XXVIII.—ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

193	To meet Expenses under the Act 36 Vic., chap. 49. (Will be mainly recouped by fees.).....	10,000 00
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## XXIX.—PUBLIC WORKS.

*Maintenance and Repairs.*

194	Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers.....	35,170 00
195	Collection of Slide and Boom Dues.....	18,475 00
196	Repairs and Working Expenses of above.....	438,500 00
199	Prince Edward Island Railway.....	200,000 00
200	Telegraph Lines, British Columbia (including Subsidy).....	32,200 00
201	do between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.....	1,946 66
202	Agent and Contingencies, British Columbia.....	4,000 00

## XXXI.—DOMINION LANDS.

204	Surveys of Land, North-West (including Commissions and Staff).....	60,000 00
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## XXXII.—MINOR REVENUES.

205	Estimate of amount for which a vote is required.....	10,000 00
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At 6 o'clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7:30 P.M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 18) to incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company, were taken into consideration, and concurred in.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz.:*—

No. 50. To extend the provisions of the Act relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.

No. 35. To continue for a limited time therein mentioned the Canada and Detroit River Bridge Company as a Corporation.

No. 67. To amend the Act incorporating "The Ottawa Gas Company," to confirm a Resolution of their Shareholders, placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing, and to confirm, amend, and extend their corporate powers.

No. 70. To authorize the Shareholders of "The Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catharines, to change the name of the said Society, to that of "The Security Loan and Savings Company."

No. 28. Respecting "The Mechanic's Bank."

No. 91. To amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, respecting the indemnity to Members of both Houses of Parliament.

The following votes for Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—and Orders of The House to the proper Officers were severally moved, and agreed to, and they are as follows:—

By Mr. *Quimet*—ADDRESS for a statement of all salaries, fees and indemnity paid by the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal to any member or employé of the said Harbour Commission since 1872.

By Mr. *Cook*—ADDRESS for copies of all correspondence with the Quebec Board of Trade; Mr. *Risley*, the Chairman of the Board of Steamboat Inspection, and the Government, in reference to the passage of an Act for the Licensing of Engineers elsewhere than on Steamboats.

By Mr. *Norris*—ADDRESS for all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the United States, in reference to the Regulations imposed compelling Foreign Vessels to call and report at Duncan City in the Straits of Mackinaw, before being allowed to enter Lake Michigan; also in reference to the payment of Tonnage dues on all Foreign Vessels in American Ports.

By Mr. *Roscoe*—ADDRESS for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the United States, regarding the settlement of the Boundary Line between [Alaska and British Columbia.

By Mr. *Barthe*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of any Petition, correspondence or other documents in the hands of the Government, in favor of the building of a Custom House in the Town of Sorel, District of Richelieu.

By Mr. *Quimet*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of all official correspondence and of all instructions issued in relation to the completion or finishing of the buildings and out-buildings of the Penitentiary of St. Vincent de Paul (Quebec), and in relation to the building of a house for the Keepers and employés of the said Penitentiary; also a statement shewing the amount expended for repairs on the residence of the Warden of the said Penitentiary—the whole from the establishment of the said Penitentiary to 1st January, 1876.

By Mr. *Higinbotham*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of all tenders received for the construction of Contract No. 15 Canadian Pacific Railway; also all correspondence with reference thereto, together with copies of instructions, if any, issued by the Department of Public Works to the Engineer in charge, having reference to said contract.

By Mr. *Fiset*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for the correspondence between the Government or the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, and the interested parties of the Parish of Bic, with reference to the change of site of the Railway Station at the said place:—also for the correspondence between the interested parties of the Parish of St. Octave de Métis, and neighboring Parishes, and the Government asking that the Station at St. Octave, be placed in a more convenient situation.

Also,—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of all correspondence between the workmen on section 8 of the Intercolonial Railway and the Government, in relation to the non-payment of their wages for work done under the direction of *John O'Donnell*, agent of *Duncan McDonald*, contractor for the said section; copies

of their sworn accounts transmitted to the Department of Public Works by divers persons: also copies of all correspondence which may have passed between the Government and the Superintendent of Dominion Railways for the Government, or between the Government and the parties interested.

By Mr. *Cimon*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for all correspondence with the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in the course of last autumn, in the matter of the distress among the fishermen of the North Shore of the St. Lawrence, and the replies of the Department to such correspondence.

By Mr. *Barthe*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for copies of all correspondence of whatsoever nature, telegrams, &c., between the Government and the Reverend *M. Dupré*, priest, Curé of Sorel, President of the Board of the Directors of the Classical and Commercial College, Sorel, *Robert Sewell*, *S. Hayden*, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, and any other person; of any report by the said *Hayden* or any other person, respecting offer to purchase a piece of land belonging to the Government, situated in the town of Sorel, by the Corporation of the said College of Sorel, together with copies of all communications from any person whomsoever, of whatsoever nature, in relation to this matter, between Colonel *Coffin*, an employé of the Government, or any other employé of the Government and any other person whomsoever, residing in the town of Sorel or elsewhere, in relation to the said offer to purchase the said piece of land.

By Mr. *Stephenson*—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for a Return of all expenditure in detail incurred in dredging a channel at the entrance of the Chenal Ecarté, into Lake St. Clair; also, the dredging at Johnson's Bend, as well as in the River Sydenham, together with the Engineer's Reports connected therewith.

By Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex)—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for copies of all the evidence taken by the Post Office Inspector in regard to charges brought against the Post Master at Glencoe, together with all reports made to the Post Office Department in connection therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Farrow*, the Report and evidence accompanying the same, of the Select Committee appointed, to enquire into the Salt interests of this Country, and laid before The House on the 4th instant, were referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

The Order of the Day, for the reading of the Bill (No. 86), to detach a certain portion of the County of Lotbinière, and to annex it to the County of Beauce, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to Committee of the Whole for the purpose of amending the Preamble of the said Bill;

The Bill was accordingly re-committed, considered again, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 53) to amend "The Dominion Elections Act, 1874," and to declare ineligible for election to the House of Commons, all persons disqualified for Election to the Local Legislatures, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 92) to prevent persons from breaking up the ice-bridge between Quebec and Lévis, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on the 28th, the 30th, and 31st ult., respectively, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follow:—

79	Intercolonial Railway Completion.....	\$ 500,000 00
80	Intercolonial Railway extension into Halifax.....	175,000 00
81	do to deep water at St. John, N.B.....	200,000 00
82	Prince Edward Island Railway.....	200,000 00

For Works of Construction of Canals, viz:—

85	Lachine Canal.....	1,200,000 00
86	St. Lawrence Canals.....	60,000 00
87	Welland Canal.....	2,000,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on the 1st and on the 4th instant, respectively, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

#### CANALS.

For Works of Construction, viz:—

88	St. Anne's Lock.....	\$ 160,000 00
89	Carillon and Chute à Blondeau.....	330,000 00
90	Grenville Canal.....	200,000 00
91	Rideau Canal.....	6,000 00
92	Culbute Canal.....	35,000 00
93	Chambly Canal.....	10,000 00
94	St. Peter's Canal.....	50,000 00
95	Miscellaneous work on Canals.....	10,000 00

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS, OTTAWA.

96	Tower.....	\$ 9,000 00
	Grounds.....	18,900 00
	Retaining walls, gates, footpaths, painting, &c.....	8,000 00
	Extension, West Block.....	296,000 00

## XI.—MILITIA.

*Ordinary.*

63	Allowances for Drill Instruction.....	40,000 00
64	Ammunition.....	40,000 00
65	Clothing.....	40,000 00
66	Military Stores.....	\$40,000 00
67	Public Armouries and care of arms, including the pay of Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rents, fuel and light of Public Armouries.....	52,000 00
69	Contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations and Bands of Efficient Corps.....	50,000 00
70	Targets (Revote).....	2,000 00
71	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges.....	10,000 00

*Special.*

75	Military College.....	26,000 00
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The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on the 5th instant, were reported, and are as follow :—

## XII.—PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

## RAILWAYS.

83	Pacific Railway.....	2,810,000 00
84	Pacific Railway Survey and Engineering.....	500,000 00

Resolution 83 being read a second time ;

Mr. Ross (Middlesex) moved, that the following words be added thereto:—"and while granting this sum, this House desires to record its view, that the arrangements for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway should be such as the resources of the Country will permit, without increasing the existing rates of taxation;" which was agreed to on the following division:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Archibald,  
Aylmer,  
Baby,  
Bain,  
Bannatyne,  
Barthe,  
Béchar, d,  
Benoit,  
Biggar,  
Blackburn,  
Blake,  
Blanchet,  
Borden,  
Bourassa,  
Bowell,  
Bowman,  
Boyer,  
Brown,  
Buell,  
Burk,  
Burpee (*St. John*),  
Burpee (*Sunbury*),  
Cameron (*Victoria*),

Davies,  
Delorme,  
Desjardins,  
De St. Georges,  
DeVeber,  
Dymond,  
Ferris,  
Fiset,  
Fleming,  
Flesher,  
Flynn,  
Forbes,  
Fréchette,  
Galbraith,  
Gaudet,  
Gibson,  
Gill,  
Gillies,  
Gillmor,  
Gordon,  
Goudge,  
Greenway,  
Hagar,

Lajoie,  
Landerkin,  
Langevin,  
Langlois,  
Lanthier,  
Laurier,  
Little,  
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),  
Macdonald (*Toronto*),  
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),  
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),  
MacDougall (*Elgin*),  
MacDougall (*Three Rivers*),  
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),  
McKay (*Colchester*),  
Mackenzie,  
Macmillan,  
McCallum,  
McCraney,  
McGregor,  
McIntyre,  
McIsaac,  
McLeod,

Perry,  
Pettes  
Pickard,  
Pinsonneault,  
Plumb,  
Power,  
Pozer,  
Ray,  
Richard,  
Robillard,  
Robinson,  
Robitaille,  
Rochester,  
Ross (*Durham*),  
Ross (*Middlesex*),  
Rouleau,  
Ryan,  
Rymal,  
Scriver,  
Shibley,  
Short,  
Sinclair,  
Skinner,

Caron,	Haggart,	McNab,	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Cartwright,	Harwood,	McQuade,	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Casey,	Higinbotham,	Masson,	Snider,
Casgrain,	Holton,	Metcalf,	Stirton,
Cauchon,	Horton,	Mills,	Taschereau,
Charlton,	Hurteau,	Monteith,	Thibaudeau,
Cheval,	Irving,	Montplaisir,	Tremaine,
Christie,	Jetté,	Mousseau,	Trow,
Church,	Kerr,	Norris,	Vail,
Cimon,	Killam,	Oliver,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Coffin,	Kirk,	Orton,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Costigan,	Kirkpatrick,	Ouimet,	Wood,
Coupal,	Laflamme,	Paterson,	Workman, and
Cuthbert,	Laird,	Pelletier,	Young.—149.
Daoust,			

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Carrier,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Pope,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ) and
DeCosmos,	Mitchell,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ).—10.
Farrow,	Platt,		

The said Resolution, as amended, was then agreed to.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

Saturday, 8th April, 1876.

Resolution 84 being read a second time ;

Mr. *Plumb* moved, that the following words be added to the said Resolution :—" That while concurring in this vote, this House desires to record its opinion that the Country is pledged to the construction of the Pacific Railway in its agreement with British Columbia, and that it is in accordance with that agreement, and with the public interest that its construction should be proceeded with as speedily as the resources of the Country will permit, without adding to the burthens of taxation."

Objection being taken to this amendment, on the ground that it was not relevant to the subject matter of the particular Resolution under consideration ;

Mr. Speaker decided, that the objection was well taken, and that this amendment could not be put.

Mr. *Plumb* then moved, that the following words be added to the said Resolution :—" That while concurring in this vote, this House desires to record its opinion, that the Country is pledged to the construction of the Pacific Railway in its agreement with British Columbia, and that it is in accordance with that agreement and with the public interest that the surveys be energetically proceeded with, in order that the construction of the Road should be prosecuted as rapidly as the resources of the Country will permit without adding to the burthens of taxation ;" which was negatived on the following division :—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

Benoit,	Farrow,	Little,	Mousseau,
Bowell,	Ferguson,	McDougall ( <i>Three Rivers</i> ),	Orton,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Flesher,	Macmillan,	Ouimet,
Caron,	Gaudet,	McCallum,	Plumb,
Cimon,	Haggart,	McQuade,	Robitaille,
Costigan,	Hurteau,	Masson,	Rochester,
Currier,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Mitchell,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Cuthbert,	Kirkpatrick,	Monteith,	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ), and
Desjardins,	Langevin,	Montplaisir,	Wright ( <i>Ottawa</i> ).—36.

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

Archibald,	Coupal,	Kirk,	Pozer,
Aylmer,	DeCosmos,	Laird,	Ray,
Bain,	Delorme,	Lajoie,	Richard,
Bannatyne,	De St. Georges,	Landerkin,	Robillard,
Barthe,	DeVeber,	Laurier,	Ross ( <i>Durham</i> ),
Bertram,	Dymond,	Macdonald ( <i>Cornwall</i> ),	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Biggar,	Ferris,	Macdonald ( <i>Toronto</i> ),	Ryan,
Blake,	Fiset,	Macdougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Rymal,
Borden,	Fleming,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Scriver,
Bowman,	Flynn,	Mackenzie,	Skinner,
Boyer,	Forbes,	McCraney,	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Brown,	Fréchette,	McGregor,	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Buell,	Gibson,	McIsaac,	Snider,
Burk,	Gillmor,	McLeod,	Stirton,

Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Gordon,	McNab,	Taschereau,
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Goudge,	Mills,	Thompson ( <i>Cariboo</i> ),
Cartwright,	Hagar,	Norris,	Tremaine,
Casey,	Higinbotham,	Oliver,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Irving,	Paterson,	Vail,
Charlton,	Jetté,	Pelletier,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Christie,	Kerr,	Perry,	Wood, and
Church,	Killam,	Pickard,	Workman,—89.
Coffin,			

The said Resolution was then agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on the 6th instant, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follow:—

XI.—MILITIA.

Ordinary.

61 Salaries of Military Branch and Distract Staff .....	\$29,400 00
62 Salaries of Brigade Majors .....	28,500 00
68 Drill pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia .....	125,000 00

IX.—IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

55	{	Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés.....	26,950 00
		Salaries of Immigration Travelling Agents.....	12,000 00
		Medical Inspection of the Port of Quebec.....	2,600 00
		Quarantine, Grosse Isle .....	12,000 00
		do St. John, N.B.....	3,000 00
		do Miramichi, N.B.; Pictou, N.S.....	1,000 00
		do Halifax, N.S.....	3,600 00
		do Charlottetown, P.E.I.....	1,000 00
		To meet expenses of further precautionary measures for the Public Health and for the prevention of disease among animals.....	20,000 00
		Contingencies of Canadian and other regular Agencies.....	24,000 00
Travelling Expenses of Travelling Agents.....	14,000 00		
56 Towards assisting Immigration and meeting Immigration expenses, including estimated expense of transport of Mennonites.....	170,000 00		

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS (*Caption XXIX.*)

197. Intercolonial and other Government Railways in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick,....	} 1,600,000 00
198. Intercolonial Railway, Quebec,.....	

Resolutions 73 (Ordnance and Equipment of Field Batteries Artillery) reported on the 4th instant, was read a second time, and agreed to.

Resolutions 138, 139 and 140, reported this day, were read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. Cartwright delivered the following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, which were read by Mr. Speaker, and are as follow:—

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1876; and in accordance with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 7th April, 1876.

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending, 30th June, 1877; and in accordance with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OTTAWA, 7th April, 1876.

On motion of Mr. Cartwright, the said Messages and Supplementary Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 10 minutes to 2 o'clock A.M., until 1:30 P.M., this day.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Orton—On Saturday next—That the Quorum of the Committee appointed by this House to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion be reduced to five.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Saturday next--That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

That it is expedient to authorize the Government to make a temporary disposition of the Iron rails as they are removed from the Government Railways by loaning them to companies constructing Railways which may be regarded as feeders to the Government Lines, such rails to be returned weight for weight to the Government stores at the junction of such lines when taken up.

Mr. Brouse—That the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Sanitary Legislation including the Evidence be printed.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1876.

3rd Session, 3rd Parliament, 39 Victoria, 1876.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1876.

1:30 P.M.

Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *David Crawford* and others, Wholesale and Retail Grocers of Montreal; praying that such changes may be made in the Tariff as will enable the Sugar Refiners to continue their business and supply as heretofore the trade with all grades of Sugar as wanted.

Of *M. Mathieu*, Mayor of the Town of Sorel, Advocate and others; of the Reverend *Joseph St. Aubin*, Curé and others; and of the Reverend *C. A. Loranger*, Curé and others, Suitors of the District of Richelieu; severally representing that they have had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct on the Bench and elsewhere of the Honorable Mr. Justice *Loranger*, and praying that any Petitions presented preferring charges against the said Judge may be rejected and declared unfounded.

Of *Thomas Savage* and others, and of *J. G. Harper*, Mayor of Percé and others; severally praying for the establishment of a system of Marine Telegraphs on the shores and principal Islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the same be extended to the shores of the Maritime Provinces.

Of *Thomas B. Chisholm* and others of the Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of *Gilbert Forteau* and others, of the Township of North Plantagenet; representing that the Lands bordering on the River Ottawa between the Chaudière Falls and the Long Sault Rapids, are annually submerged to a great depth, and praying for an enquiry into the cause and with a view to the discovery of a means of abating the evil.

Motion being made, that the Petitions of the Rev. *J. B. Champeau*, Curé, of *Berthier*, and others,—Of the Rev. *André Brien*, Curé, and others,—and of the Rev. *Joseph Plessis Belair*, Curé of *St. Gabriel de Brandon* and others, all Suitors of the District of Richelieu; severally representing that they have had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct on the Bench, and elsewhere, of the Hon. Mr. Justice *Loranger*; and praying that any Petitions presented, presenting charges against the said Judge, may be rejected, and declared unfounded, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That in accordance with Rule 86, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners in the sheet containing the prayer of the Petition, and the sheets of the prayer of these Petitions not having any signature at all, they cannot be received.”

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Fifteenth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 54) to incorporate the Atlantic and Pacific Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company, *with amendments*.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the said Bill was ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day, for consideration *this day*.

Mr. *Langlois*, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the following Resolution :—

“Resolved, That the Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin* the Member representing the Electoral District of Charlevoix in this House, having stated from his place in this House that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish by satisfactory evidence that the Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* the Member representing in this House the Electoral District of Quebec Centre and the President of the Privy Council of Canada, was instrumental in hiring, or causing to be hired a number of men who are employed in summer as members of the River Police at Quebec, and in sending them or causing them to be sent to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the recent Election of a Member to represent that District in the House of Commons; and that the said men were headed or accompanied by one *Edmond Trudelle*, an officer or employé of the Customs Department at Quebec, and that the whole or a large portion of said body of men were conveyed to said District in vehicles, the cost of such hire being charged to the said Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* who has promised to pay, or directed or caused the same to be paid, the said men so headed or accompanied being sent to said Electoral District to interfere illegally in said Election to disturb said Election and thus to deprive the Electors or a portion of the Electors of said District of their freedom as such Electors; and the said Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon* having denied these charges; a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by The House, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the above charges, with power to send for persons, papers and records and with instructions to report in full the evidence taken before them and the proceedings of said Committee on this subject;” presented a Report; which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined thirty-two witnesses, to wit: twenty-seven summoned at the request of the Hon. Mr. *Langevin* and five at the request of the Hon. Mr. *Cauchon*, including Hon. Mr. *Cauchon* himself as witness, which whole evidence is herewith reported as accompanying the Report of the Committee to The House.

The Committee are of opinion :—

1st. That Mr. *Langevin* has established that Mr. *Cauchon* was instrumental in causing a number of men who are employed in summer as members of the River Police at Quebec, to wit: 16 men to be hired and sent in vehicles to the Electoral District of Charlevoix during the recent Election of a Member to represent that District in The House of Commons; and that the said men were headed by one *Edmund Trudelle*, an employé of the Customs Department at Quebec.

2nd. That Mr. *Langevin* has failed to establish that the cost of such hire was charged to Mr. *Cauchon* or that Mr. *Cauchon* ever promised or directed or caused the same to be paid, but, that on the contrary it was established before the Committee that the said hire and expenses incident thereto, were paid by Mr. *Joseph Archer*, jun., of Quebec.

3rd. That Mr. *Langevin* has also failed to establish that the said men were sent to the said Electoral District to interfere illegally in the said Election, to disturb the said Election, and thus to deprive the electors or a portion of the electors of said District of their freedom as such electors, but that on the contrary, the Committee are satisfied by the annexed evidence adduced, that the said men were sent at the urgent request of the candidate, Mr. *Tremblay*, or his friends, in order to preserve the peace in the said Electoral District during the said Election, and protect the electors in the free exercise of their franchise, it being found difficult to have the services of the Provincial Police or Militia force at such a distance;—that at the previous Election in 1874, disturbances of a serious nature had taken place at one of the polls at Baie St. Paul where Mr. *Tremblay*, one of the Candidates, had been cruelly beaten by an organized band;—that it was feared that the same band would repeat the same outrageous acts in the last Election, since they had already committed other acts of violence in said last Election, which led people to believe, and to fear, that the voting would not be free and deeds of violence would be committed again during polling day;—that the instructions given to the said *Edmund Trudelle* and by the said *Edmund Trudelle* to the said men were to the effect that they were not to interfere in any way in the said Election, but that they would be sworn as special Constables in case of riot or violence, and assist in restoring peace and order—that the said body of men when at Baie St. Paul and during polling day, behaved in the most peaceable manner and kept away from the polls, having agreed with the Provincial Police who had been sent for by Mr. *Langevin's* agent, that both bodies would unite in crushing any attempt at violence.

4th. That in the opinion of the Committee the main charge which is the subject of reference to the Committee has been wholly disproved, and that the Committee cannot but regret that an investigation should have been taken at such an enormous cost to the Country to prove such unimportant facts.

(For the evidence to this Report, see Appendix to the Journals.)

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell), the Bill (No. 100) from the Senate, intituled: “An Act to provide for the examination of witnesses on oath by Committees of the Senate and House of Commons, in certain cases,” was read the first time—Second reading on Monday next.

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

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Government to make a temporary disposition of the *Iron Rails*, as they are removed from the Government Railways, by loaning them to Companies constructing Railways, which may be regarded as feeders to the Government Lines; such *Rails* to be returned weight for weight to the Government stores, at the Junction of such Lines, when taken up.

The Bill (No. 54) to incorporate the Atlantic and Pacific Fire and Marine Insurance Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Orton*, from the Select Committee appointed, to consider the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion; with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report from time to time, presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

That the Committee have taken oral evidence, and obtained other evidence in answers to Circulars, issued by the Committee, submitted herewith.

(For the said evidence, and answers to Circulars, see Appendix to the Journals.)

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House,—Supplement No. 4, to the Eighth Annual Report of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, for the year 1875.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved in amendment, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be

*Resolved*, That it appears from papers laid before this House, that the Executive Government, by an Order in Council passed on the 18th February, 1875, while this House was in Session,—recommended the passage of an Imperial Act, removing all doubt as to the right of the Parliament of the Dominion to possess the power to pass an Act, providing for the examination of witnesses on oath by Committees of the Senate and the House of Commons.

That in pursuance of that recommendation, the Imperial Parliament passed the Act, chaptered 38—*Victoria* 38 and 39, whereby Section 18 of the “British North America Act, 1867,” was repealed, and another Section substituted for the one, so repealed.

That this House on the 27th March, 1871, on the motion of Hon. *L. H. Holton*, seconded by the Hon. *A. Mackenzie*, resolved as follows:—“And this House is of opinion that no change in the provisions of the “‘The British North America Act, 1867,’ should be sought for by the Executive Government, without the “previous assent of the Parliament of the Dominion.”

That the previous assent of the Parliament of Canada to the change in the provisions of the “British North America Act, 1867,” sought for by the Order in Council aforesaid, was not obtained.

That this House regrets that any Imperial Legislation affecting the “British North America Act, 1867,” should have been sought for by the Executive Government without the assent of the Parliament of Canada, expressed in the usual manner by an Address from both Houses of Parliament to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion of amendment was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The main motion was then agreed to, and The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

#### CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

207 To provide for further expenses in connection with the Seigniorial Commission ..... \$ 1,500 00

#### ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

208 Miscellaneous Justice ..... 10,000 00

#### SUPREME COURT OF CANADA AND EXCHEQUER COURT OF CANADA.

209 Salaries of Precis Writer, Clerk and Messenger ..... 1,170 00

210 Printing, stationery and contingencies ..... 1,000 00

#### NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

211 Travelling expenses of two Stipendiary Magistrates ..... 1,500 00

#### POLICE.

##### NORTH-WEST MOUNTED POLICE.

212 To provide for further expenses for current fiscal year (\$50,000 advanced under Special Warrant of His Excellency the Governor General) ..... 119,435 32

213 To meet arrears of fiscal years 1873-74 and 1874-75..... 41,184 47

## LEGISLATION.

214 To provide for increased cost of Parliamentary printing .....	\$20,000 00
215 To provide for law books for Library of Parliament.....	6,000 00
216 To provide for cost of increased staff, &c., for Parliamentary Library, in accordance with the report of the Committee.....	4,000 00

## IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

17 Part of unexpended balance of 1874-5 .....	25,000 00
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## MILITIA.

218 Drill pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the drill and training of the Militia .....	20,000 00
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## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

219 Workshops, Public Buildings, Ottawa, from 1874-75.....	3,000 00
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## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

220 To provide for the cost of lock boxes for the new Post Office Building, Montreal.....	4,100 00
221 To provide for additional cost, New Custom House, Pictou, N.S., \$1,750, and \$4,800 from 1874-75 .....	6,550 00
222 To provide for Barracks, Battle River, North-West Territories.....	8,000 00
223 To pay cost of buildings, Fort Pelly.....	33,966 94
224 Toronto Custom House, from 1874-75.....	7,000 00
225 Toronto Examining Warehouse, from 1874-75.....	8,000 00
226 Ottawa Post Office and Custom House, from 1874-75.....	7,000 00
227 Grosse Isle Quarantine Station, from 1874-75.....	4,000 00
228 Montreal Examining Warehouse, from 1874-75.....	49,796 59
229 Sydney Quarantine Station, from 1874-75.....	2,000 00
230 Sydney Marine Hospital, from 1874-75.....	5,000 00

## OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM SERVICE.

231 To provide for additional cost for maintenance of Dominion steamers.....	18,000 00
232 To provide for the cost of building and equipping steam boat to maintain communication between Prince Edward Island and the main-land during winter months, in accordance with the terms of Union.....	30,000 00

## Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 96) to amend an Act, intituled: "An Act to make further provision as to Duties of Customs in Manitoba and the North-West Territories; and further to restrain the importation or manufacture of Intoxicating Liquors into, or in the North West Territories," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Monday next, at 1:30 P. M.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 90) to amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, as respects the Public Accounts, *without amendment*.

The House then adjourned until Monday next, at 1.30 P.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

LEGISLATION.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

214 To provide for increased cost of Parliamentary printing ..... \$20,000 00  
215 To provide for law books ..... 8,000 00  
218 To provide for cost of increased staff for Parliamentary Library, in accordance with the report of the Committee ..... 4,000 00

Mr. Pouliot—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to effect during the recess a readjustment of the Civil Service in the Departments at Ottawa and in the whole Dominion, in such manner as to do justice to the population of French origin, by giving to that origin, in the Departments and everywhere else, a number of employees proportioned to its population with Ontario, as high as those given to employees of other origins in like offices?

Mr. Béchard—On his motion (of which notice has been given) for the appointment of a Select Committee, to enquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of Richelieu, that after the words "from time to time," in the said motion, the following be added:—"And, if need be, to sit after the prorogation of Parliament."

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS

CHARGEABLE TO INCOME

230 To provide for the cost of lock boxes for the new Post Office Building, Montreal ..... 4,100 00  
231 To provide for additional cost, New Custom House, Pictou, N.S., \$1,750, and \$4,800 from 1874-75 ..... 6,550 00  
232 To provide for barracks, Battle River, North-West Territories ..... 8,000 00  
233 To pay cost of building, Fort Polley ..... 38,900 24  
234 Toronto Custom House from 1874-75 ..... 7,000 00  
235 Toronto Examining Warehouse from 1874-75 ..... 8,000 00  
236 Ottawa Post Office and Custom House from 1874-75 ..... 7,000 00  
237 Grosses Isle Quarantine Station from 1874-75 ..... 4,000 00  
238 Montreal Examining Warehouse from 1874-75 ..... 49,192 23  
239 Sydney Quarantine Station from 1874-75 ..... 2,000 00  
240 Sydney Marine Hospital from 1874-75 ..... 6,000 00

COAST AND RIVER STEAM SERVICE

241 To provide for additional cost for maintenance of Dominion steamers ..... 18,000 00  
242 To provide for the cost of building and equipping steam boat to maintain communication between Prince Edward and the mainland during winter months, in accordance with the terms of a contract ..... 30,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received—and Committee to sit again, on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 92) to amend an Act, entitled: "An Act to make further provision as to Duties of Customs in Manitoba and the North-West Territories; and further to restrain the importation or manufacture of intoxicating liquors into or in the North-West Territories," was read the second time, considered by the Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, it was resolved that when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Monday next, at 1:30 P. M.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 92) to amend the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 5, as respects the Public Accounts, without amendment.

The House then adjourned until Monday next, at 1:30 P. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN

Speaker.

No. 43.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1876.

1.30 P. M.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—a Statement of the Receipts and Payments of the Mutual Life Association of Canada, for the year ended, 31st December, 1875.

And,—a General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the District of *Kamouraska*, for the year, 1875.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Reverend *Joseph Hurtubise* and others, of Templeton; and of *Henry Erratt* and others, of North Plantagenet; severally representing that the lands bordering on the River Ottawa between the Chaudière Falls and the Long Sault Rapids are annually submerged to a great depth, and praying for an enquiry into the cause and with a view to the discovery of a means of abating the evil.

Of the Reverend *H. Moreau*, Canon, Vicar General and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act for the better observance of the Sabbath on Railways and other Public Works in the Dominion.

Of *J. F. Pratt* and others, of the City of Montreal; of *E. P. Aitkman* and others; and of *John Syoret* and others, of Roxton Pond; severally praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act respecting the North-West Territories establishing a Sectarian School system, and for the removal of other alleged causes of complaint.

Of the Honorable *Thomas Jean Jacques Loranger*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec; praying to be heard in vindication of his judicial conduct, &c., in opposition to the Petition presented by *F. X. A. Biron* and others.

Of the Reverend *Urgel Archambault*, Curé, and others; and of the Reverend *V. Plinquet*, Curé, and others, Suitors of the District of Richelieu; severally representing that they have had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct on the Bench and elsewhere of the Honorable Mr. Justice *Loranger*; and praying that any Petitions presented preferring charges against the said Judge, may be rejected and declared unfounded.

Of *Adam McLean* and others, of Saint John, New Brunswick; praying for the repeal of the Eleventh section of the Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories; and that the subject of Education in the said Territories may be left to the Local Legislatures of the Provinces.

Of Messrs. *T. Rankine* and Sons and others, of Saint John, New Brunswick; praying that the General Inspection Act 1874 may be made compulsory on all Flour and Meal imported for sale or consumption, so far as the City and County of Saint John is concerned.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Reverend *Isidore Forget*, Curé of *St. Damien de Brandon*, and others, Suitors of the District of *Richelieu*, representing that they have had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct on the Bench, and elsewhere, of the Hon. Mr. Justice *Loranger*; and praying that any Petitions presented preferring charges against the said Judge, may be rejected and declared unfounded, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That in accordance with Rule 86, which requires the signatures of at least “three Petitioners in the sheet containing the prayer of the Petition, and the sheet of the prayer of this “Petition not having any signature at all, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, presented a Report from the said Committee; which (on motion of Mr. *Trow*) was referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return in obedience to The Order of The House of the 29th ult; for the correspondence between the Government and the Censitaires of the Seigniory *Nicolas Rioux*, in the County of Rimouski, in the matter of the tax which they pay to the Seigniors, instead of Statute days' labor (les journées de Corvée.)

Also,—Return to the Order of The House of the 29th ult; for a copy of all correspondence between the Government and the Vine Growers' Association of Canada, in relation to any infraction by said Company of the Revenue Laws of the Dominion since 1870; also a Return of the quantity of wine and brandy manufactured by said Association since that period, and the amount of excise or any other duties paid thereon.

Also,—Return to Address of the 2nd March, last; for copies of all correspondence with the Colonial Secretary, on the subject of the exercise of the power of disallowance of the Provincial Statutes.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House of the 29th ult.; for all correspondence between the Honorable Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the Agent of that Department in Victoria, or any other parties, in reference to a complaint made from the Canadian Pacific Railway Office, Victoria, shewing the inconvenience occasioned by the Government Steamer “*Sir James Douglas*,” being allowed to carry passengers when engaged in Government service transporting survey parties.

And,—Return to the Order of The House of the 29th ult.; for 1st. Copies of the instructions given to *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière*, Esquire, Physician, of Malbaie, to go and vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the St. Lawrence, in the County of Saguenay, during the year 1875;

2nd. Reports and accounts produced by the said *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière*, Esquire, in this matter, and all correspondence between him and the Government respecting these accounts;

3rd. A statement of the sums of money paid by the Government to the said *François Xavier De Sales Laterrière* as such vaccinating Physician.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have carefully examined the following documents, and recommend that they be printed, viz:—

*Return to Order* of advertisements asking for tenders for the erection of an Examining Warehouse in Montreal and of the tenders submitted, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Detailed statement of amounts expended on the grounds and fences in front of the Parliament Buildings from the 1st January 1870 to 1st January 1876, also on the New Library.

*Return to Order*,—Statement of the Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure of the Railways of the Dominion.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence with the Colonial Office, or with the Government of the United States, with respect to the denying the free navigation of the United States Canals.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence and advertisements inviting tenders for the supplying of Steel Rails for the Canadian Pacific Railway.

*Return to Order*,—Statement shewing the debt &c. of Canada issued in London on the 19th October, 1875, by the Honorable the Finance Minister.

*Report of the Select Committee on the Salt Interests of the Country.*

*Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into alleged irregularities at the last election for the Electoral District of Charlevoix.*

*Report of Select Committee appointed to enquire into the possibility of navigating the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence during the winter season.*

*Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of legislating on the matter of sanitary reform.*

*Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Agricultural interests of the Dominion. (The Report and oral evidence only to be printed.)*

The Committee also recommended that the following documents *be not printed, viz:—*

*Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Dominion Government and that of Nova Scotia, relating to Eastern Railway Extension in the Province.*

*Contracts and other papers relating to construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway.*

*Return to Order, of all Gypsum or Plaster of Paris imported from the United States into Canada, giving the Ports or Places, &c.*

*Return to Order,—Correspondence respecting the loss of the Steamship "Pacific."*

*Return to Order,—Engineers Report of Surveys of the St. Lawrence and Estimates for improvements, &c.*

*Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Dominion and Imperial Governments and between the Local Governments relating to Certificates of Service granted by the Dominion to Captains in the Merchant Service.*

*Return to Address,—Shewing the respective sums paid in 1875-76 for transporting freight and passengers in British Columbia belonging to the Canadian Pacific Railway, &c.*

*Return to Order,—Report and Plans made by Mr. Perley in 1873 from the enlargement of St. Peter's Canal.*

*Return to Address,—Copies of accounts and pay lists for construction or repairs in 1875 of the Wharves at Malbaie, Les Eboulements and Bay St. Paul, &c.*

*Return to Order, of the names of the persons who have ceased to belong to the Culler's Office since 1st July, 1875, through death, superannuation, or otherwise.*

*Return to Order,—Instructions given to the Officer in charge of the Steam Dredge employed clearing the bar at the entrance of Miramichi River, with all Reports of amount of work done in that locality, &c.*

*Return to Order,—Names of Rivers for which fishing leases have been renewed or granted since the 1st December, 1873.*

*Return to Order,—Relating to the construction of a Branch Railway from St. Charles, County of Bellechasse, to St. Joseph de Lévis.*

*Return to Address,—Statement shewing the work performed by Steam Dredge "Canadian" during the past year, with cost of said work, &c.*

*Return to Order,—Correspondence respecting the fishing rights of Eugene Dumas, Joseph Levesque and Zéphirin Duval, in the Parish of St. Jean Port Joli, &c.*

*Return to Order,—Documents relating to the construction by Messrs. Piton & Co., of certain buildings at Grosse Isle.*

*Return to Order,—Evidence taken before the Dominion Arbitrators on the claim of George Rochester against the Government.*

*Return to Order,—Contract between the Government and Mr. Charles E. Forgues, of Malbaie, for the construction of a Lighthouse upon Isle aux Coudres.*

*Return to Order,—Of all Licenses issued by the Inspector of Fisheries for fishing in Burlington Bay and the Dundas Mash, during the years 1872, '73, '74 and '75, &c.*

*Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Dominion and British Columbia Government, relative to the appointment of a County Court Judge for New Westminster, British Columbia.*

*Return to Order,—Of all Licenses to fish with hoop and trap nets, issued during 1875, for the Province of Ontario, &c.*

*Return to Order,—Relating to the dismissal of Mr. McDougall, Postmaster at Christmas Island, Cape Breton.*

*Return to Order,—Correspondence, &c., relating to the Sugar refining interests since 1872.*

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 93) respecting Dominion Lands reserved for Railway purposes, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for The House to go into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolution: That it is expedient to make special provision respecting Dominion Lands withdrawn from the general provisions of the Dominion Lands Acts, as to Sale and Settlement, for purposes connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway; and to provide that two-thirds of all cash received for such Lands shall be carried to a special fund for such purposes as aforesaid, to be dealt with in such manner as may be deemed expedient by the Governor in Council, was discharged.

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution, respecting the temporary disposition of *Iron Rails* belonging to the Government.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Government to make a temporary disposition of the *Iron Rails*, as they are removed from the Government Railways, by loaning them to Companies constructing Railways, which may be regarded as feeders to the Government Lines; such *Rails* to be returned weight for weight to the Government stores, at the Junction of such Lines, when taken up.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and read the first time.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that the said Resolution be now read a second time.

Mr. *Bowell* moved in amendment thereto, that the said Resolution be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending the same, so as to provide, that the *Iron Rails* removed from the Government Railways, shall be sold to the highest bidder; after due notice shall have been given of such intention to sell the same; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Gaudet,	McCallum,	Pope,
Benoit,	Haggart,	McQuade,	Robinson,
Blanchet,	Harwood,	Masson,	Robitaille,
Bowell,	Jones ( <i>Leeds</i> ),	Monteith,	Rouleau,
Cameron ( <i>Victoria</i> ),	Langevin,	Montplaisir,	Short,
Caron,	Little,	Orton,	Wallace ( <i>Norfolk</i> ),
Daoust,	Macdonald ( <i>Kingston</i> ),	Pettes	White ( <i>Hastings</i> ),
Desjardins,	McDougall ( <i>Renfrew</i> ),	Platt,	White ( <i>Renfrew</i> ), and
Farrow,	Macmillan,	Plumb,	Wright ( <i>Pontiac</i> ).—37.
Flesher,			

NAYS :

Messieurs

Archibald,	Coffin,	Killam,	Robillard,
Aylmer,	Delorme,	Lafflamme,	Rochester,
Bain,	De St. Georges,	Laird,	Ross ( <i>Middlesex</i> ),
Barthe,	DeVeber,	Lajoie,	Ross ( <i>Prince Edward</i> ),
Bertram,	Dymond,	Langlois,	Rymal,
Biggar,	Ferris,	Laurier,	Skinner,
Blackburn,	Fiset,	MacDougall ( <i>Elgin</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Peel</i> ),
Blain,	Fleming,	MacKay ( <i>Cape Breton</i> ),	Smith ( <i>Selkirk</i> ),
Borron,	Fréchette,	Mackenzie,	Smith ( <i>Westmoreland</i> ),
Bowman,	Galbraith,	McGregor,	Snider,
Brouse,	Gillies,	McLeod,	Stirton,
Buell,	Gillmor,	Metcalf,	St. Jean,
Burk,	Gordon,	Mills,	Taschereau,
Burpee ( <i>St. John</i> ),	Goudge,	Mitchell,	Thompson ( <i>Haldimand</i> ),
Burpee ( <i>Sunbury</i> ),	Hagar,	Moffatt,	Thomson ( <i>Welland</i> ),
Cartwright,	Hall,	Norris,	Tremaine,
Casey,	Higinbotham,	Oliver,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Holton,	Paterson,	Vail,
Cheval,	Horton,	Pickard,	Wallace ( <i>Albert</i> ),
Christie,	Huntington,	Pouliot,	Wood, and
Church,	Irving,	Power,	Workman.—87.
Cockburn,	Kerr,	Pozer,	

The said Resolution was then read a second time, and concurred in, on a division.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted.

#### FISHERIES.

233 To provide for the following additional expenditure:—	
Ontario, Fishery Overseers' Salaries and Disbursements.....	\$1,900 00
Quebec do do do .....	3,500 00
234 Maintenance of steamer for protection of Fisheries.....	2,500 00
235 Fish-breeding, &c.....	11,500 00

#### INDIANS.

236 To bring up the annuities payable under the Robinson Treaty to the Chippewas of Lakes Huron and Superior from 96 cents to \$4 per head.....	11,000 00
237 To purchase presents for the Indians in the neighborhood of Fort Carleton on the River Saskatchewan .....	5,000 00
238 To complete the payment of annuities under Treaty No. 4, and the purchase of provisions for Indians assembled to receive those annuities for which a Special Warrant from His Excellency the Governor General has been issued.....	34,000 00
239 To aid in the publication of a Grammar and Dictionary in Saulteux or Chippewa and English.....	500 00

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

240 To provide for expenditure under the Fishery Commission.....	3,200 00
241 Miscellaneous Printing.....	4,200 00
242 To provide for the relief of settlers in Manitoba, rendered destitute by grasshopper ravages, for which a special warrant has been issued by His Excellency the Governor General.....	60,000 00
243 To meet probable claims of the Hon. Ambrose Shea.....	11,866 80

#### BOUNDARY SURVEYS.

244 Unexpended balance of 1874-75 for survey of boundary between Canada and the United States.....	147,457 14
245 Unexpended balance of 1874-75 for survey of boundary between Ontario and the North-West.....	21,692 40

#### PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

##### RAILWAYS.

246 To provide for additional rolling stock, &c., Prince Edward Island Railway.....	44,000 00
247 To pay for balance of cost of change of guage Railway lines, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick (\$38,758.12 from 1874-75).....	168,758 12

#### CHARGES ON REVENUE.

##### WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

248 To meet the salaries of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, Gas and Gas Metres.....	21,284 00
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#### UNPROVIDED ITEMS OF 1874-75.

249 <i>Vide</i> Public Accounts 1874-75, part 2, page 398.....	124,777 00
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#### CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

250 To provide for the salaries of two Clerks in the Indian Branch, Department of the Interior, inadvertently omitted in first estimate.....	1,250 00
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#### ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

##### PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

251 For the salary of one Stipendiary Magistrate, or County Court Judge, to provide, if necessary, for the vacancy created by the death of the late A. T. Bushby, Esq .....	2,425 00
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On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex) the following resolution was adopted:—  
 253 Travelling expenses of one Stipendiary Magistrate..... \$1,500 00

## LEGISLATION.

254 To provide for salaries of Draughtsmen, and other expenses in connection with the preparation of Maps for Railway Committee, to be expended under the supervision of the Clerk of the House of Commons..... 2,900 00

## ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

255 Salaries and contingent expenses of Statistical Office, Halifax..... 4,100 00  
 256 Salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia, and allowances for getting marriage returns..... 1,880 00

## PENSIONS.

## NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.

257 To provide for a pension to Ensign Fahey, in accordance with a report of the Medical Board..... 200 00

## MILITIA.

## NORTH-WEST MOUNTED POLICE.

258 Forage and contingencies..... 10,000 00

## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

259 Cornwall Canal..... 200,000 00

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, to adjourn The House until half-past seven o'clock P.M.

7:30 P.M.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills *without amendment*, viz:—

No. 56. To enable *Ozro Morrill* to obtain a Patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttles.

No. 24. To make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court, and the Exchequer Court of Canada.

No. 83. To amend the Dominion Land Act.

No. 95. To remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Harbor Commissioners of Montreal, and to amend the same.

No. 97. Respecting the Desjardins Canal.

No. 99. To amend the Railway Statistics Act.

No. 98. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 23, respecting the Northern Railway of Canada.

Also,—that they do not insist on their amendments made to the Bill (No. 3) to make provision for the collection and registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada, to which this House hath disagreed.

Mr. *Robitaille*, from the Select Committee to enquire into the possibility of establishing a Sub-marine Telegraphic System, and into the advantages and necessity of such a system of Telegraphy in the waters of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence, and the waters forming the approaches to the Gulf, presented a Report of the said Committee; which was (on motion of Mr. *Robitaille*) referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 20th ult; for copies of all Acts passed by the Council of the North-West Territories, and all correspondence.

On motion of Mr. *Pouliot* it was Resolved, That an Order of The House do issue to the proper Officer, for a statement of the fishing licenses granted since confederation for setting up fisheries on the beach of the St. Lawrence in front of the parishes of Notre Dame du Portage, River du Loup and Cacouna shewing 1st. The names of the persons to whom licenses were granted, together with the amount paid for each such license. 2nd. The amount of fines and penalties paid for infractions of the law in setting up such fisheries, with the names of the persons who paid such penalties and the amount paid by each of them.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Lieutenant Governors of the different Provinces regarding the relative jurisdiction of the Dominion and Provincial Parliament over the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors; together with all decisions of the Courts in the different Provinces, bearing upon this matter.

Mr. McDougall (Renfrew) moved, that a Select Committee be appointed to consider the evidence taken by the Official Arbitrators on the claim of *George Rochester*, and report upon that evidence; said Committee to consist of Messrs. *Galbraith*, *White* (Renfrew), *Wright* (Pontiac), *Archibald*, and the Mover.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

(The Committee of Supply resumed.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

#### PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

##### CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

260 Montreal Examining Warehouse.....	\$50,000 00
261 Mounted Police Buildings and River Crossings, North-West Territories.....	30,000 00
262 Manitoba Penitentiary (Furniture).....	2,000 00
263 Breakwaters, Lower St. Lawrence.....	5,000 00

#### OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

264 To provide for the cost of building and equipping steam boat to maintain communication between Prince Edward Island and the mainland during winter months, in accordance with the Terms of Union.....	25,000 00
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#### LIGHT HOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

265 Salary of Keeper, Time Ball, Halifax (15 months).....	125 00
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#### INDIANS.

266 To meet anticipated expenses in connection with the Sioux.....	2,000 00
267 To bring up the annuities payable under the Robinson Treaty to the Chippewas of Lakes Huron and Superior, from 96 cents to \$4 per head.....	11,000 00
52 To meet expenses in connection with the care of Archives (under Caption VIII.).....	3,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on the 8th instant, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

#### CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

207 To provide for further expenses in connection with the Seigniorial Commission.....	\$ 1,500 00
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#### ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

208 Miscellaneous Justice.....	10,000 00
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#### SUPREME COURT OF CANADA AND EXCHEQUER COURT OF CANADA.

209 Salaries of Precis Writer, Clerk and Messenger.....	1,170 00
210 Printing, stationery and contingencies.....	1,000 00

#### NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

211 Travelling expenses of two Stipendiary Magistrates.....	1,500 00
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#### POLICE.

##### NORTH-WEST MOUNTED POLICE.

212 To provide for further expenses for current fiscal year (\$50,000 advanced under Special Warrant of His Excellency the Governor General).....	119,435 32
213 To meet arrears of fiscal years 1873-74 and 1874-75.....	41,184 47

## LEGISLATION.

214	To provide for increased cost of Parliamentary printing .....	\$20,000 00
215	To provide for law books for Library of Parliament.....	6,000 00
216	To provide for cost of increased staff, &c., for Parliamentary Library, in accordance with the report of the Committee.....	4,000 00

## IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

217	Part of unexpanded balance of 1874-5 .....	25,000 00
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## MILITIA.

218	Drill pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the drill and training of the Militia .....	20,000 00
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## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

219	Workshops, Public Buildings, Ottawa, from 1874-75.....	3,000 00
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## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

220	To provide for the cost of lock boxes for the new Post Office Building, Montreal.....	4,100 00
221	To provide for additional cost, New Custom House, Pictou, N.S., \$1,750, and \$4,800 from 1874-75 .....	6,550 00
222	To provide for Barracks, Battle River, North-West Territories.....	8,000 00
223	To pay cost of buildings, Fort Pelly.....	33,966 94
224	Toronto Custom House, from 1874-75.....	7,000 00
225	Toronto Examining Warehouse, from 1874-75.....	8,000 00
226	Ottawa Post Office and Custom House, from 1874-75.....	7,000 00
227	Grosse Isle Quarantine Station, from 1874-75.....	4,000 00
228	Montreal Examining Warehouse, from 1874-75.....	49,796 59
229	Sydney Quarantine Station, from 1874-75.....	2,000 00
230	Sydney Marine Hospital, from 1874-75.....	5,000 00

## OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM SERVICE.

231	To provide for additional cost for maintenance of Dominion steamers.....	18,000 00
232	To provide for the cost of building and equipping steam boat to maintain communication between Prince Edward Island and the main-land during winter months, in accordance with the terms of Union.....	30,000 00

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until 2 P. M., to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*



No. 44.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 1876.

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## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 1876.

2 P. M.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, it was *Resolved*, That under the special circumstances of the case, Mr. Speaker be authorized to cause the full Sessional allowance of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) to be paid (having been prevented by severe illness from attending this House during the first part of the Session), as if he had been in attendance from the beginning.

Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mills*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the causes of the present depression of the Manufacturing, Mining, Commercial, Shipping, Lumber, and Fishing interests; with power to send for persons, papers and records, presented a Report of the said Committee.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents and recommend that they be printed, viz:—

*Return to Address*,—Tenders for construction of a line of Telegraph in connection with the Pacific Railway, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence with the Colonial Secretary on the subject of the exercise of the power of disallowance of the Provincial Statutes.

*Report of the Select Committee* of the House of Commons appointed to enquire into the possibility of establishing a Sub-Marine Telegraph System.

*Report of the Select Committee* on Immigration and Colonization. (5,000) five thousand copies.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz:—

*Statement*, receipts and payments Mutual Life Association of Canada.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence between the Government and the Censitaires of the Seigniorie Nicolas Rioux, in the County of Kamouraska, in the matter of the tax they pay the Seigniors.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence between the Government and the Vine Growers' Association of Canada, in relation to any infraction of the Revenue Laws.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence by the Department of Marine and Fisheries relative to inconvenience occasioned by the Government Steamer "Sir James Douglas" being allowed to carry passengers when engaged in the Government service.

*Return to Order*,—Instructions given to *F. X. De Sales Laterrière*, Esq., Physician, of Malbaie, to vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the St. Lawrence.

*Return to Address*,—Acts passed by the Council of the North-West Territories, &c.

On motion of *Mr. Ross* (Middlesex), the Seventh and Eighth Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.

On motion of *Mr. Blain*, the fee paid on the Bill (No. 78), to incorporate "The United Empire Trust Company," was ordered to be refunded, the said Bill having been withdrawn.

On motion of *Mr. Workman*, the fee paid on the Bill (No. 39) to incorporate "The Investment Company of Canada," was ordered to be refunded, the said Bill having been withdrawn.

On motion of *Mr. Mackenzie*, it was *Resolved*, That the Government be authorized to enter into contracts during the Recess with parties sending in the lowest available tenders for the works of construction of the following portions of the Canada Pacific Railway, viz: From Fort William westward towards Lac de Mille Lac and the crossing of Steel River; from Rat Portage to Cross Lake.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, *yesterday*, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follow:—

#### FISHERIES.

233 To provide for the following additional expenditure:—	
Ontario, Fishery Overseers' Salaries and Disbursements.....	\$1,900 00
Quebec do do do .....	3,500 00
234 Maintenance of steamer for protection of Fisheries.....	2,500 00
235 Fish-breeding, &c.....	11,500 00

#### INDIANS.

236 To bring up the annuities payable under the Robinson Treaty to the Chippewas of Lakes Huron and Superior from 96 cents to \$4 per head.....	11,000 00
237 To purchase presents for the Indians in the neighborhood of Fort Carleton on the River Saskatchewan .....	5,000 00
238 To complete the payment of annuities under Treaty No. 4, and the purchase of provisions for Indians assembled to receive those annuities for which a Special Warrant from His Excellency the Governor General has been issued.....	34,000 00
239 To aid in the publication of a Grammar and Dictionary in Saulteux or Chippewa and English.....	500 00

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

240 To provide for expenditure under the Fishery Commission.....	3,200 00
241 Miscellaneous Printing.....	4,200 00
242 To provide for the relief of settlers in Manitoba, rendered destitute by grasshopper ravages, for which a special warrant has been issued by His Excellency the Governor General.....	60,000 00
243 To meet probable claims of the Hon. Ambrose Shea.....	11,866 30

#### BOUNDARY SURVEYS.

244 Unexpended balance of 1874-75 for survey of boundary between Canada and the United States.....	147,457 14
245 Unexpended balance of 1874-75 for survey of boundary between Ontario and the North-West.....	21,692 40

## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## RAILWAYS.

246	To provide for additional rolling stock, &c., Prince Edward Island Railway.....	\$44,000 00
247	To pay for balance of cost of change of gauge Railway lines, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick (\$38,758.12 from 1874-75).....	168,758 12

## CHARGES ON REVENUE.

## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

248	To meet the salaries of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, Gas and Gas Metres.....	21,284 00
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## UNPROVIDED ITEMS OF 1874-75.

249	<i>Vide</i> Public Accounts 1874-75, part 2, page 398.....	124,777 00
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## CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

250	To provide for the salaries of two Clerks in the Indian Branch, Department of the Interior, inadvertently omitted in first estimate.....	1,250 00
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## ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

251	For the salary of one Stipendiary Magistrate, or County Court Judge, to provide, if necessary, for the vacancy created by the death of the late A. T. Bushby, Esq .....	2,425 00
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## NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

253	Travelling expenses of one Stipendiary Magistrate .....	1,500 00
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## LEGISLATION.

254	To provide for salaries of Draughtsmen, and other expenses in connection with the preparation of Maps for Railway Committee, to be expended under the supervision of the Clerk of the House of Commons .....	2,900 00
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## ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

255	Salaries and contingent expenses of Statistical Office, Halifax.....	4,100 00
256	Salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia, and allowances for getting marriage returns.....	1,880 00

## PENSIONS.

## NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.

257	To provide for a pension to Ensign Fahey, in accordance with a report of the Medical Board .....	300 00
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## MILITIA.

## NORTH-WEST MOUNTED POLICE.

258	Forage and contingencies.....	10,000 00
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## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

259	Cornwall Canal.....	200,000 00
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## CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

260	Montreal Examining Warehouse.....	50,000 00
261	Mounted Police Buildings and River Crossings, North-West Territories.....	30,000 00
262	Manitoba Penitentiary (Furniture).....	2,000 00
263	Breakwaters, Lower St. Lawrence.....	5,000 00

## OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

264 To provide for the cost of building and equipping steam boat to maintain communication between Prince Edward Island and the mainland during winter months, in accordance with the Terms of Union.....	\$25,000 00
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## LIGHTHOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

265 Salary of Keeper, Time Ball, Halifax (15 months).....	125 00
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## INDIANS.

266 To meet anticipated expenses in connection with the Sioux.....	2,000 00
267 To bring up the annuities payable under the Robinson Treaty to the Chippewas of Lakes Huron and Superior, from 96 cents to \$4 per head.....	11,000 00
52 To meet expenses in connection with the care of Archives (under Caption VIII.).....	3,000 00

The House then went into Committee on Ways and Means.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending 30th June, 1876, the sum of \$1,139,338.28 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

2. *Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the financial year ending 30th June, 1877, the sum of \$19,486,616.02 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to,—and Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. *Cartwright* then introduced a Bill (No. 101); for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the public service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1876, and the 30th June, 1877, and for other purposes relating to the public service; which was read the first, second, and a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Burpee* presented, a Return in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 29th ult; for a Return of all expenses connected with the collection of Customs at Montreal during the Fiscal Years 1873, '74 and '75 respectively; and also a statement of the revenue collected at that Port for the same years respectively.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, a Return in obedience to the Order of The House, of the 7th instant; for copies of all correspondence of whatsoever nature, telegrams, &c., between the Government and the Reverend *M. Dupré*, Priest, Curé of Sorel, President of the Board of the Directors of the Classical and Commercial College, Sorel, *Robert Sewell*, *S. Hayden*, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, and any other person; of any report by the said *Hayden* or any other person, respecting offer to purchase a piece of land belonging to the Government, situated in the town of Sorel, by the Corporation of the said College of Sorel, together with copies of all communications from any person whomsoever, of whatsoever nature, in relation to this matter, between Colonel *Coffin*, an employé of the Government, or any other employé of the Government and any other person whomsoever, residing in the town of Sorel or elsewhere, in relation to the said offer to purchase the said piece of land.

Also,—a Return to Address of the 3rd instant; for all correspondence between the Government of British Columbia and the Dominion Government respecting the construction of a Telegraph Line from Esquimalt to Nanaimo; also all Orders in Council or correspondence with any other officer or person respecting the same.

And,—a Return to Address of the 9th ult.; for 1st. A list of all the employés, whether permanent or temporary, of the following Public Departments at Ottawa:—Public Works, Receiver General, Finance, Post Office, Militia, Customs, Inland Revenue, Secretary of State, Marine and Fisheries, Justice, Interior, Agriculture and Statistics,—shewing the salary of each of such employés;

2nd. A statement shewing the *bonus* granted to each of the employés above named, for the fiscal year, ending 30th June, 1875, and what portion of the sum voted for that purpose, during the last Session of this Parliament, has been thus distributed among such employés;

3rd. Copies of all Orders in Council, Reports or Documents granting such *bonus* to each of the said employés; and shewing upon what basis such *bonus* was distributed among them.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz* :—

No. 76. To amend "The Insolvent Act of 1875." (On motion of Mr. *Blake*, the said amendments were concurred in).

No. 30. To amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians. (On motion of Mr. *Laird*, the said amendments were concurred in).

No. 34. To incorporate the Canada Assurance Corporation. (On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Victoria, Ont.), the said amendments were concurred in).

No. 48. To incorporate the Union Assurance Company of Canada. (On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Victoria, Ont.), the said amendments were concurred in).

No. 65. To amend the Charter of "The St. Lawrence Bank," and to change the name of the said Bank, to that of "The Standard Bank of Canada." (On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell), the said amendments were concurred in).

Also,—agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz* :—

No. 61. To amend the Act 35 *Victoria*, Chapter 108, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act, incorporating the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company (Limited)."

No. 79. To further amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank," and to amend the Act amending the same.

No. 96. To amend the Acts therein mentioned, as respects the importation and manufacture of intoxicants in the North-West Territories.

No. 8. To amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 51, intituled: "An Act to authorize the incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion."

No. 80. Respecting loans by the "British American Land Company."

No. 45. To incorporate the Chartered Bank of London and North America.

No. 86. To detach a certain portion of the County of Lotbinière, and to attach it to the County of Beauce.

No. 101. For granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1876, and the 30th June, 1877, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

Also,—agreeing to the amendment made by this House, to the Bill (No. 82) of their own, intituled: "An Act to remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Corporation of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners," *without amendment*.

Also,—agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz* :—

No. 63. To incorporate "The National Trust and Investment Company of Canada (Limited)." (On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell), the said amendments were read the first time.—Further consideration, to-morrow.)

No. 4. To incorporate "The National Exchange Company." (On motion of Mr. *Workman*, the said amendments were read the first time.—Further consideration, to-morrow.)

No. 46. To incorporate "The London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)." (On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell), the said amendments were read the first time.—Further consideration, to-morrow.)

No. 27. To incorporate "The Scottish Canadian Loan Company." (On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell), the said amendments were read the first time.—Further consideration, to-morrow.)

No. 75. To incorporate "The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company." (The said amendments were read the first time.—Further consideration, to-morrow.)

The Bill (No. 100) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to provide for the examination of witnesses on oath by Committees of the Senate and House of Commons, in certain cases," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That when The House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 o'clock, Noon.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
*Speaker.*

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1876.

12 O'CLOCK, NOON.

The Petition of *W. K. Littleton*, and others, of Hudson, was read and received; praying for the repeal of the Eleventh Section of the Act respecting the North-West Territories establishing a Sectarian School system, and for the removal of other alleged causes of complaint.

Mr. Speaker communicated to The House the following letter, which he had received:—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
OTTAWA, 11th April, 1876.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber to prorogue the Session of the Dominion Parliament, on Wednesday, the 12th instant, at 3 o'clock, P.M.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient humble servant,

E. G. P. LITTLETON,  
*Governor General's Secretary.*

The Honorable,  
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz:—*

No. 66. To incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited.)" (On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the said amendments were concurred in.)

No. 69. To incorporate "The Maritime Savings and Loan Society." (On motion of Mr. *Plumb*, the said amendments were concurred in.)

No. 54. To incorporate "The Atlantic and Pacific Fire and Marine Insurance Company." (On motion of Mr. *Workman*, the said amendments were concurred in.)

The amendments made by the Senate to the following Bills, were severally taken into consideration, and agreed to, viz:—

No. 4. To incorporate "The National Exchange Company."

No. 46. To incorporate "The London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)."

No. 27. To incorporate "The Scottish Canadian Loan Company."

No. 63. To incorporate "The National Trust and Investment Company of Canada (Limited);" and

No. 75. To incorporate "The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company."

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented, a Return in obedience to The Order of The House, of the 7th instant; for all correspondence with the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in the course of last autumn, in the matter of the distress among the fishermen of the North Shore of the St. Lawrence, and the replies of the Department to such correspondence.

Also,—a Return of the 29th ult.; for copies of all tenders for No. 3 Contract on the Lachine Canal, and all correspondence connected therewith; also a copy of the contract entered into for that work and the amount of money paid thereon for that service.

Also,—a Return of the 3rd instant; for a statement of the condition of the *Wallace Accounts*; said Accounts being part of the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey expenditure.

Also,—a Return of the 3rd instant; for copies of all Reports of Engineers, plans and correspondence, in possession of the Government, relating to the construction of a Harbor at some point on Lake Erie, between Rond Eau Point and the Village of Clearville, in the County of Kent.

Also,—A Return to Address of the 7th instant; for copies of all correspondence with the Quebec Board of Trade; Mr. *Risley*, the Chairman of the Board of Steamboat Inspection, and the Government, in reference to the passage of an Act for the Licensing of Engineers elsewhere than on Steamboats.

And also,—A Return to the Address of the 7th instant; for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of the United States, regarding the settlement of the Boundary Line, between Alaska and British Columbia.

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, desiring the immediate attendance of The House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with The House, went to the Senate Chamber;—when His Excellency was pleased to give in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Bills, viz:—

An Act to provide for the appointment of Assistant Inspectors of Penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia.

An Act to provide for the Salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Criminal Laws relating to Violence, Threats and Molestation.

An Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway.

An Act to make more effectual Provision for the Administration of the Law relating to Corrupt Practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

An Act to authorize the Shareholders of "The Union Permanent Building and Savings Society" to change the name of the said Society to that of "The Union Loan and Savings Company."

An Act to authorize the Shareholders of "The Provincial Permanent Building and Savings Society" to change the name of the said Society to that of "The Provincial Loan and Savings Company."

An Act to extend the Acts respecting Dominion Notes to the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Manitoba.

An Act to amend the Railway Act, 1868.

An Act to provide for the payment of a Temporary Grant to the Province of Manitoba.

An Act to extend the Acts therein mentioned, respecting Weights and Measures, and the Inspection of Gas and Gas Meters to Prince Edward Island.

An Act to supply an omission in the Act 37 Victoria, chapter 42, extending certain Criminal Laws of Canada to British Columbia.

An Act to amend the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Militia and the Defence of the Dominion of Canada.

An Act to provide for the more effectual inquiry into the existence of Corrupt Practices at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

An Act further to amend the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Act.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Inland Revenue.

An Act to make further provision for the institution of suits against the Crown by petition of right.

An Act respecting Roads and Road Allowances in Manitoba.

An Act respecting the Capital of the Great Western Railway Company, and for the capitalization of certain charges and liabilities.

- An Act to amend "The Trade Mark and Design Act of 1868.
- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate "The Commercial Travellers Association of Canada."
- An Act to amend the Act thirty-eighth Victoria, chapter ninety-three, intituled: "An Act to incorporate "The Canadian Gas Lighting Company."
- An Act to enable the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company to obtain an extension of a Patent known as "Bodden's Improved Capped Ferrule or Socket."
- An Act to amend the Acts respecting "The Citizens Insurance and Investment Company," and to change the name of the said Company to that of "The Citizens Insurance Company of Canada."
- An Act to amend the Act intituled: An Act to incorporate "The Clifton Suspension Bridge Company."
- An Act to make provisions for the crossing of navigable waters by Railway or other Road Companies incorporated under Provincial Acts.
- An Act to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Banks.
- An Act to amend the Act to make better provision, extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain Staple Articles of Canadian Produce.
- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate "The Canada Shipping Company."
- An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the City Bank and the Royal Canadian Bank, and to incorporate "The Consolidated Bank of Canada."
- An Act respecting the attendance of Witnesses on Criminal trials.
- An Act to amend the Act thirty-fifth Victoria, chapter one hundred and eleven, intituled: An Act to incorporate The *Mail* Printing and Publishing Company (Limited).
- An Act to extend the provisions of the Act thirty-first Victoria, chapter thirty-three, respecting the retiring allowance of Judges, to the Chief Justice and Justices of the Court of Error and Appeal for the Province of Ontario.
- An Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Great Western and Lake Ontario Shore Junction Railway; and for other purposes.
- An Act respecting the North-West Territories, and to create a separate territory out of part thereof.
- An Act to authorize the Shareholders of "The Security Permanent Building and Savings Society of St. Catharines," to change the name of the said Society to that of "The Security Loan and Savings Company."
- An Act to extend the provisions of an Act relating to "The Upper Ottawa Improvement Company."
- An Act to amend the Act incorporating "The Ottawa Gas Company," to confirm a resolution of their Shareholders placing preferential and ordinary stock on the same footing, and to confirm, amend, and extend their corporate powers.
- An Act to continue for a limited time therein mentioned the Canada and Detroit River Bridge Company as a Corporation.
- An Act respecting the Mechanics' Bank.
- An Act to amend the Act thirty-first Victoria, Chapter three, respecting the indemnity to Members of both Houses of Parliament.
- An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the Banque Saint Jean-Baptiste.
- An Act to amend the Act thirty-first Victoria, Chapter five, as respects the Public Accounts.
- An Act to make provision for the Collection and Registration of the Criminal Statistics of Canada.
- An Act to amend the Railway Statistics Act.
- An Act to remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned, respecting the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal, and to amend the same.
- An Act to amend the Act thirty-eighth Victoria, chapter twenty-three, respecting the Northern Railway of Canada.
- An Act respecting the Desjardins Canal.
- An Act to amend the Act thirty-fifth Victoria, chapter one hundred and eight, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company. (Limited.)"
- An Act to further amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank" and to amend the Act amending the same.
- An Act to amend the Acts therein mentioned as respects the importation or manufacture of intoxicants in the North-West Territories.
- An Act to provide for the examination of witnesses on oath by Committees of the Senate and House of Commons in certain cases.
- An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting Indians.
- An Act to incorporate the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of Canada.
- An Act to incorporate the Empire Fire and Marine Assurance Corporation.
- An Act to amend the charter of "The St. Lawrence Bank," and to change the name of the said Bank to that of The Standard Bank of Canada.
- An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875.
- An Act to detach a certain portion of the County of Lotbinière and to attach it to the County of Beauce.
- An Act respecting Loans by the British American Land Company.
- An Act to remove doubts under the Acts therein mentioned respecting the Corporation of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners.
- An Act to incorporate the Canada Fire and Marine Insurance Company.
- An Act to amend the Dominion Lands Acts.
- An Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme Court and the Exchequer Court of Canada.
- An Act to enable Ozro Morrill to obtain a patent for certain inventions and improvements in Sewing Machine Shuttles.
- An Act to incorporate "The Chartered Bank of London and North America."

An Act to amend the Act thirty-seventh Victoria, chapter fifty-one, intituled: "An Act to authorize the incorporation of Boards of Trade in the Dominion."

An Act to incorporate "The Scottish Canadian Loan Company."

An Act to incorporate "The London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)."

An Act to incorporate "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

An Act to incorporate "The Atlantic and Pacific Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

An Act to incorporate "The Maritime Savings and Loan Society."

An Act to incorporate "The England and Canada Mortgage Security Company."

An Act to incorporate "The National Investment Company of Canada (Limited)."

An Act to incorporate "The National Exchange Company."

The Speaker of the House of Commons then said :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,---

The Commons of Canada have voted the Supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service.

In the name of the Commons, I present to Your Excellency a Bill intituled: "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1876, and 30th of June, 1877, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service," to which I humbly request Your Excellency's assent.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :---

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

His Excellency the Governor General was then pleased to address the two Houses in the following speech :---

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

I thank you for the care and deliberation with which you have discharged the duties that have devolved upon you during the Session.

The Bill you have passed relative to the management of Indian affairs and the gradual enfranchisement of Indians will not only be useful as a consolidation of existing Statutes, but will afford further evidence of the interest taken by the people of Canada in the welfare of their Indian fellow-countrymen. It is interesting to know that many of its provisions were suggested by the Indian Councils of the older Provinces.

It is my intention during the recess to make treaty arrangements with the Indian Tribes in the Western Saskatchewan country for the extinguishment of their title, and thereby open another large tract of fertile territory for settlement and cultivation.

The formation of the new District of Keewatin, in the Eastern part of the North-West country, and the progress made in opening up railway and telegraphic communication to the interior will, with the improvements effected in our land system, further prepare the way for the rapid settlement of those vast regions, and will, at no distant day, materially contribute to the trade, and extend the prestige of the Dominion. I am glad to be able to say that we have now over 700 miles of telegraph in operation west of the Red River.

The amendments made to the laws relating to Elections for the House of Commons will, I trust, have the result of obtaining an unbiassed expression of the opinion of the electors in selecting their representatives.

The measures you have passed for the purpose of securing a careful return of Criminal, Insolvency, and Railway Statistics will, I doubt not, be of essential service in promoting important objects, as well as in providing much needed information on each of these subjects.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

I thank you for the supplies you have voted for the Public Service. I shall not fail to consider the clause you have attached to the vote for the works of construction on the Pacific Railway.

I am glad that a wise economy obviated the necessity of imposing any fresh taxation on the people ; and I trust that increased commercial prosperity will justify your confidence in the future.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate ;

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I regret I am unable to announce that any further progress has been made with the arrangements for the settlement of the compensation to be paid for our Fisheries, in accordance with the provisions of the Treaty of Washington.

I trust that on your return to your respective homes you may find the promise awaiting you of a prosperous season, and that your labours out of Session may be as useful and beneficial as they have been during your attendance in Parliament.

The Parliament of the Dominion of Canada was then prorogued to Monday, the 22nd May, next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,  
Speaker.

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