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IN THE FORTIETH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF OUR  
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BEING THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

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## PROCLAMATIONS.

*DUFFERIN.*

[L. S.]

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, on the Twenty-second day of May instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—**GREETING:**

A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the Twelfth day of the month of April last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the Twenty-second day of the month of **MAY** instant, at which time, at Our City of Ottawa, you were held and constrained to appear; Now **KNOW YE**, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on **SATURDAY**, the **FIRST** day of the month of **JULY** next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at Our City of **OTTAWA**, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. **WITNESS**, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor 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 Our Most Illustrious Order of **Saint Patrick**, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the **Bath**, Governor-General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same:

At Our Government House, in Our City of **OTTAWA**, this **NINETEENTH** day of **MAY**, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and in the Thirty-Ninth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

**FIGIARD POPE**,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Canada.

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*DUFFERIN.*

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[L. S.]

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,*  
 QUEEN, *Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, on the First day of July next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING:

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the NINETEENTH day of the month of MAY last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the FIRST day of the month of JULY next, at which time, at Our City of Ottawa, you were held and constrained to appear; NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on WEDNESDAY, the NINTH day of the month of AUGUST next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at Our City of OTTAWA, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. **WITNESS,** Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor the Right Honorable Sir FRÉDERIC 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 Our Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick, and Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same:

At Our Government House, in Our CITY OF OTTAWA, this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and in the Fortieth year of Our Reigu.

By Command.

RICHARD POPE,  
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
 Canada.

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*DUFFERIN.*

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, on the Ninth day of August next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

## A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of the month of JUNE last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the NINTH day of the month of AUGUST next, at which time, at Our City of Ottawa, you were held and constrained to appear; Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on MONDAY, the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at Our City of OTTAWA, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor, 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 Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same :

At Our Government House, in our CITY OF OTTAWA this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of JULY, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand, eight hundred and seventy-six, and in the Fortieth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD POPE,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Canada.

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WM. B. RICHARDS,

*Deputy Governor.*

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,*  
 QUEEN, *Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, on the Eighteenth day of September instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of the month of JULY last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER instant, at which time, at Our City of Ottawa, you were held and constrained to appear; Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the TWENTY-SEVENTH day of the month of OCTOBER next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at Our City of OTTAWA, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. **WITNESS,** The HONORABLE WILLIAM BUELL RICHARDS, Deputy of Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor 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 Our Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick, and Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same :

At Our Government House, in Our CITY OF OTTAWA, this FIFTEENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and in the Fortieth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD POPE,  
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
 Canada.

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*DUFFERIN.*

[L. S.]

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,  
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

**IT** Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, summoned and called to a meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, on the Twenty-seventh day of October instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—**GREETING :**

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, on the FIFTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the TWENTY-SEVENTH day of the month of OCTOBER instant, at which time, at Our City of Ottawa, you were held and constrained to appear; Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on WEDNESDAY, the SIXTH day of the month of DECEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at Our City of OTTAWA, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. **WITNESS,** Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor 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 Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same :

At Our Government House, in Our CITY OF OTTAWA, this TWENTY FOURTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and in the Fortieth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD POPE,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Canada.

Proclamations.

*DUFFERIN.*

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, on the Sixth day of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the TWENTY-FOURTH day of the month of OCTOBER last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the SIXTH day of the month of DECEMBER instant, at which time, at Our City of Ottawa, you were held and constrained to appear ; Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on MONDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of the month of JANUARY next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at Our City of OTTAWA, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor 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 Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same:

At Our Government House, in Our CITY OF OTTAWA, this FIRST day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and in the Fortieth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD POPE,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
Canada.

*DUFFERIN.*

[L. S.]

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,  
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, on the Fifteenth day of January next, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, the Meeting of Our Parliament of Canada stands Prorogued to the FIFTEENTH day of the month of JANUARY next, NEVERTHELESS for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to THURSDAY, the EIGHTH day of the month of FEBRUARY next, so that neither of you nor any of you on the said FIFTEENTH day of JANUARY next, at Our City of OTTAWA, to appear are to be held and constrained ; for WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on THURSDAY, the EIGHTH day of the month of FEBRUARY next, at Our City of OTTAWA aforesaid personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH of BUSINESS to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in our said Parliament of Canada, by the Common Council of Our said Dominion, may by the favour of God be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor 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 Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same :

At Our Government House, in Our CITY OF OTTAWA, this TWENTY-SECOND day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and in the Fortieth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD POPE,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
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FOURTH SESSION, THIRD PARLIAMENT, 1877.

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Thursday, 8th February, 1877.

A Message was brought by *R. E. Kimber*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :—

Mr. SPEAKER :—

His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to the Senate Chamber :—And having returned ;

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That he had received from the Honorable Mr. Justice *Wilson*, 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 the County of *Glengarry*.

And the same were read as follow :—

GLENGARRY CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

*Toronto*, 8th July, 1876.

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

SIR,—In pursuance of the Statute in that behalf, I have the honor to certify to you that, on the twenty-fifth day of January last, the Petition of *Ronald McDonald* against the Election and Return of *Archibald McNab*, as a Member for the County

of Glengarry in the House of Commons came on to be heard before me in the Village of *Alexandria* in due form of law and was adjourned from time to time until the twenty-sixth day of June last when judgment was delivered, and I have determined that the said Election was void, and that the said *Archibald McNab* was not duly elected and I now certify such determination to you.

And further there was not proved before me that any corrupt practice was committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the Candidates at said Election.

That *Allan Ban McDonald* and *John Angus McDonald* have been proved to have been guilty of corrupt practices at the said Election.

That corrupt practices have not nor is there any reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

ADAM WILSON,  
J.

And the said Certificate and Report 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 Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ of Election for the said Electoral District of *Glengarry*.

Mr. Speaker further informed the House, That he had received the following notifications of vacancies which had occurred in the representation of the Electoral Districts of *Middlesex* (North Riding), *Wellington* (South Riding), *Ontario* (North Riding), *Ontario* (South Riding), *Victoria* (N.S.), *Beauce*, *Bothwell*, *Queens*, (P.E.I.), *Jacques Cartier*, *Cardwell* and *Kamouraska*; and that he had issued his Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out new writs of Election for the said Electoral Districts:—

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons:

We, the undersigned being Members of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice under our hands and seals (in accordance with Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 11), that a vacancy in the House of Commons has been created by the death of *Thomas Scatcherd*, Esquire, late Member for the Electoral Division of the North Riding of *Middlesex*.

Dated at *Ottawa*, this 28th day of April, 1876,

DAVID LAIRD, [L. S.]  
Member for the Electoral Division of *Queens County*, P.E.I.

JOSEPH CAUCHON, [L. S.]  
Member for the Electoral Division of *Quebec Centre*.

To the Honorable Timothy Warren Anglin,  
Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada :

SIR,—I, the undersigned, *David Stirton*, of *Guelph*, in the Province of *Ontario*, do hereby resign my seat as Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Wellington*, in the House of Commons of the Dominion of *Canada*, of which all parties interested are requested to take due notice.

Signed and Sealed at the Town of *Guelph*, this 24th day of May, 1876.

DAVID STIRTON [L. S.]

Signed and Sealed in the presence of : }  
JAS. S. SPEIRS,  
F. J. CHUBB, }

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons :

We, the undersigned being Members of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice under our hands and seals (in accordance with Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 11), that a vacancy has been caused in the House of Commons, for the Electoral Division of the North Riding of the County of *Ontario*, by the death of *Adam Gordon*, Esquire, late Member for the said Electoral Division.

Dated at *Ottawa*, this 12th day of June, 1876.

R. J. CARTWRIGHT, [L. S.]  
Member for the Electoral Division of *Lennox*.

A. J. SMITH, [L. S.]  
Member for the Electoral Division of *Westmoreland*.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons :

We, the undersigned being Members of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice, under our hands and seals (in accordance with Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 11,) that a vacancy has been caused in the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the South Riding of the County of *Ontario*, by the death of the Honorable *Malcolm Cameron*, late Member for the said Electoral Division.

Dated at *Ottawa*, this 12th day of June, 1876.

R. J. CARTWRIGHT, [L. S.]  
Member for the Electoral Division of *Lennox*.

A. J. SMITH, [L. S.]  
Member for the Electoral Division of *Westmoreland*.

To the Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons :

SIR,—We, the undersigned Members of the House of Commons, hereby beg to inform you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the House of Commons for the Electoral District of *Victoria*, in the Province of *Nova Scotia*, by

the appointment of *Barclay Edmund Tremaine*, late Member for the said District, to an office of emolument under the Crown as that of County Judge in *Cape Breton*, and request that you will be pleased to issue your warrant forthwith to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for the issue of a new Writ of Election to fill the said vacancy.

Ottawa, 22nd August, 1876.

A. MACKENZIE,  
L. S. HUNTINGTON,

[L. S.]  
[L. S.]

*St. Joseph, Beauce*, 9th September, 1876.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons :

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that it is my intention to resign, and I do hereby resign my seat as Member for the Electoral District of *Beauce*, in the House of Commons for the Dominion of *Canada*.

CHRISTIAN HENRY POZER.

Signed and Sealed in the presence of: }  
LOUIS JACQUES,  
JOHN ARMSTRONG. }

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons :

We, the undersigned being Members of the House of Commons of *Canada*, do hereby give notice, under our hands and seals, (in accordance with Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 11.) that a vacancy has been caused in the said House for the representation of the Electoral Division of the County of *Bothwell*, by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown, by the Honorable *David Mills*, to wit: the office of Minister of the Interior.

Given at *Ottawa*, this 24th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, 1876.

ISAAC BURPEE, [L. S.]  
Member for the City and County of *St. John, N. B.*

JOSEPH CAUCHON, [L. S.]  
Member for *Quebec Centre*.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons:

We, the undersigned being Members of the House of Commons of *Canada*, do hereby give notice under our hands and seals (in accordance with Act 31 *Victoria*, cap. 25, Sec. 11), that a vacancy exists in the said House for the representation of the Electoral District of *Queen's, Prince Edward Island*, by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown, by the Honorable *D. Laird*, to wit:—Lieutenant Governor of the *North-West Territories*.

Given under our hands and seals at *Ottawa*, this 25th day of October, 1876.

ISAAC BURPEE, [L. S.]  
Member for the City and County of *St. John, N. B.*

JOSEPH CAUCHON, [L. S.]  
Member for *Quebec Centre*.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons :

We, the undersigned being Members of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice under our hands and seals (in accordance with Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 11), that a vacancy has been caused in the said House for the representation of the Electoral District of the County of *Jacques Cartier*, by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown by the Honorable *Rodolphe Laflamme*.

Given at *Ottawa*, this 9th day of November, in the year of Our Lord 1876.

A. MACKENZIE, [L. S.]  
Member for *Lambton*.

L. S. HUNTINGTON, [L. S.]  
Member for *Shefford*.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons :

We, the undersigned being Members of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice under our hands and seals (in accordance with Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 11), that a vacancy has been caused in the said House for the Electoral District of the County of *Cardwell*, by the decease of the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron*, late Member for the said District.

Given at *Ottawa*, this 22nd day of November, A.D., 1876.

EDWARD BLAKE, [L. S.]  
Member for *South Bruce*.

JOSEPH CAUCHON, [L. S.]  
Member for *Quebec Centre*.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons :

We, the undersigned, being Members of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice under our hands and seals (in accordance with Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 11), that a vacancy exists in the said House for the Electoral District of the County of *Kamouraska*, caused by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown by the Honorable *C. A. P. Pelletier*, late Member for the said District, to wit: the office of Minister of Agriculture.

Given at *Ottawa*, this 26th day of January, 1877.

ISAAC BURPEE, [L. S.]  
Member for the City and County of *St. John (N.B.)*

EDWARD BLAKE, [L. S.]  
Member for *South Bruce*.

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, the following Certificates :—

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twelfth day of May last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the County of *Middlesex*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, in the Province of *Ontario*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *Thomas Scatcherd*, Esquire, deceased; *Robert Colin Scatcherd*, of the Town of *Strathroy*, Attorney-at-Law, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twelfth day of June last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the County of *Ontario*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Ontario*, in the Province of *Ontario*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Malcolm Cameron*, deceased; the Honorable *Thomas Nicholson Gibbs*, of the Village of *Oshawa*, Produce Merchant, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

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Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twelfth day of June last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the County of *Ontario*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Ontario*, in the Province of *Ontario*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *Adam Gordon*, Esquire, deceased; *William Henry Gibbs*, of the Village of *Oshawa*, Esquire, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-sixth day of May last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the County of *Wellington*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Wellington*, in the Province of *Ontario*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *David Stirton*, Esquire, resigned; *Donald Guthrie*, of the Town of *Guelph*, Barrister-at-law, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

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

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the tenth day of July last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the County of *Glenarry*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the County of *Glenarry*, in the Province of *Ontario*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *Archibald McNab*, Esquire, whose election was declared to be void; *Archibald McNab*, of the Township of *Lochiel*, Yeoman, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

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

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-fifth day of August last, issued by The Honorable *W. B. Richards*, Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the County of *Victoria*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Victoria*, in the Province of *Nova Scotia*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *Barclay Edmund Tremaine*, Esquire, who accepted an office of emolument under the Crown; *Charles J. Campbell* of *Baddeck*, in the County of *Victoria*, Esquire, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

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

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the nineteenth day of September last, issued by The Honorable *W. B. Richards*, Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the District of *Beauce*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Beauce*, in the Province of *Quebec*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of The Honorable *Christian Henry Pozer*, resigned; *Joseph Bolduc, de St. Victor de Tring*, Notary and Farmer, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

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

Ottawa, 11th January; 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-fourth day of October last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the County of *Kent*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the County of *Bothwell*, in the Province of *Ontario*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District, in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *David Mills*, Esquire, who accepted an office of emolument under the Crown; The Honorable *David Mills*, Minister of the Interior, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-sixth day of October last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of *Queen's County*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Queen's County* District, in the Province of *Prince Edward Island*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *David Laird*, who accepted an office of emolument under the Crown; *James Colledge Pope*, of *Charlottetown*, Merchant, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the ninth day of November last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the City of *Montreal*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Jacques Cartier*, in the Province of *Quebec*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *Rodolphe Laflamme*, Esquire, who accepted an office of emolument under the Crown; the Honorable *Rodolphe Laflamme*, Minister of Inland Revenue, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire,Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

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

Ottawa, 11th January, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-second day of November last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Registrar of the County of *Simcoe*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the County of *Cardwell*, in the Province of *Ontario*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *John Hilbyard Cameron*, deceased; *Dalton McCarthy*, of the Town of *Barrie*, in the County of *Simcoe*, Barrister-at-law, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, [L. S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.To *Alfred Patrick*, Esquire.Clerk of the House of Commons of *Canada*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mackenzie* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the administration of Oaths of Office.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time.

*Robert Colin Scatcherd*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Middlesex*; the Honorable *Thomas Nicholson Gibbs*, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Ontario*; *William Henry Gibbs*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Ontario*; *Donald Guthrie*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Wellington*; *Archibald McNab*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Glengarry*; *Charles J. Campbell*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Victoria*, (N.S.); *Joseph Bolduc*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Beauce*; the Honorable *David Mills*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Bothwell*; the Honorable

*James Colledge Pope*, Member for the Electoral District of *Queens County (P.E.I.)*; and the Honorable *Rodolphe Laflamme*, Member for the Electoral District of *Jacques Cartier*, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took their seats in the House.

Mr. Speaker reported, That when the House did attend His Excellency the Governor General this day, in the Senate Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, as followeth :—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate ;*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

I am glad to be again enabled to summon you to meet for the despatch of business, at the time which has been considered best suited to the convenience of Members.

During the recess I visited the Province of *British Columbia*, and had much satisfaction in becoming acquainted with the people of that interesting part of the Dominion, and with the climate and resources of their Province.

The surveys of the *Pacific Railway* have been prosecuted with the utmost vigour and at a larger cost during the past than in any previous year, but it has not been found possible, as yet, to complete the location of the line, and I have consequently been obliged to postpone the inviting of tenders for its construction on the terms indicated by the Act of 1874.

A further correspondence on the subjects at issue between my Government and *British Columbia* will be laid before you.

During the recent suspension of the Extradition arrangements with the *United States*, I took care that the importance to *Canada* of a speedy resumption of these arrangements should be represented to Her Majesty's Government, whose attention has been further invited to the expediency of largely extending the provisions of the existing Treaty.

I am glad to be able to state that while the operation of the Treaty has been resumed, negotiations are in progress for a convention more liberal and better suited to the circumstances of the two countries.

The attention of my Government having been directed to some anomalies in the Royal Commission and Royal Instructions to the Governor-General, particularly with regard to the exercise of the Prerogative of Pardon, steps have been taken towards the amendment of these instruments.

Papers on this subject, as well as on that of the Extradition question, will be laid before you.

The great public works connected with the *St. Lawrence* navigation, and the canals required to complete the system, have been prosecuted with success during the past year.

Nearly all the works on the *Welland* and *Lachine* Canals have been placed under contract on terms favourable to the country.

The active prosecution of these works during the last three years has necessarily increased the public debt, and, though expectations are entertained that the outlay may ultimately be repaid to the country, it may be considered advisable not to press all the works, contemplated in the earlier years of Confederation, to completion at present.

I am happy to state that the Intercolonial Railway was opened for traffic, throughout its entire length, early in the summer, with as favourable results as could have been expected.

One of the immediate advantages of the completion of the Railway was the delivery and reception of the British Mails at *Halifax* after the closing of the *St.*

*Lawrence*; and I am happy to say that up to the present time mails and passengers have been successfully carried over the line without any interruption.

The exhibition of Canadian products, manufactures, and works of art at the *United States National Exposition at Philadelphia*, was eminently successful, and proclaimed to the world that *Canada* has already taken a high place as a farming, manufacturing and mining country.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the expenditure was kept well within the estimate.

It is but just that I should acknowledge that the success achieved by the enterprise of our people was largely aided by the energy and wisdom of the Commissioners who had charge of the arrangements.

I have considered it advisable in the interest of the country to make arrangements for exhibiting Canadian products at the Exhibition to be held at *Sydney, New South Wales*, for which you will be asked to make provision.

Notwithstanding the loss of revenue, consequent chiefly on the diminution of our importations, the reductions effected during the current year have gone far to restore the equilibrium between income and expenditure, though great economy will be still needful to attain this object.

I regret that I am still unable to announce any progress in obtaining a settlement of the Fishery claims under the *Washington Treaty*, though my Government has made every effort to secure that result.

My Commissioners have made further Treaty arrangements with certain of the Indian tribes of the *North-West Territories*, by which their title is extinguished to a very large portion of the territories west of Treaty No. 4; and although some of the provisions of this Treaty are of a somewhat onerous and exceptional character, I have thought it, nevertheless, advisable, on the whole, to ratify it. This Treaty will be placed before you. I have made an engagement to negotiate a Treaty with the remaining tribes east of the *Rocky Mountains*.

The expenditure incurred by the Indian Treaties is undoubtedly large, but the Canadian policy is, nevertheless, the cheapest, ultimately, if we compare the results with those of other countries; and it is above all a humane, just, and Christian policy.

Notwithstanding the deplorable war waged between the Indian tribes in the *United States* territories, and the Government of that country, during the last year, no difficulty has arisen with the Canadian tribes living in the immediate vicinity of the scene of hostilities.

You will be asked to consider the expediency of making such changes in the *Joint Stock Companies' Act* as may obviate for the future the passage of special Acts of Parliament for the incorporation of various classes of Companies, including such corporations as seek to engage in the borrowing and lending of money, by providing for their organization by Letters Patent.

The desirability of affording additional security to policy-holders of Life Assurance Companies has engaged the attention of my Government, and I trust that the measure which will be submitted will accomplish the desired object.

A measure will be submitted to you for the purpose of extending to the navigation of the great inland waters, rights and remedies at present confined to waters within the jurisdiction of the Courts of Vice-Admiralty.

You will be asked to amend and consolidate the laws relating to Customs.

I have considered it advisable to provide for the permanent prosecution of the Geological Survey which has heretofore been carried on under temporary enactments, and to make this a distinct branch of the Civil Service; your attention will be invited to a Bill for that purpose.

Measures will be submitted also for the amendment of the *Weights and Measures Act*, the *Excise laws*, and other Acts, and also a Bill relating to Shipping.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:*

The Accounts of the past year will be laid before you.

The Estimates of the next financial year will also be submitted, and will, I trust, be found to be framed with a view to meet the existing circumstances of the country, while, at the same time, providing for carrying on the administration of affairs with efficiency.

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate:*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:*

I place full reliance on your prudence and ability, and your devotion to the work of legislation, which, I trust, may be carried on and completed in such a way as to minister to the prosperity of the country, and the unity of the people.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Ordered* That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Parliament of the Dominion of *Canada*, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof; but that no person but such as he shall appoint do 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.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the Report of the Librarian upon the state of the Library of Parliament. (*Sessional Papers* No. 16.)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General—General Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1876. (*Sessional Papers* No. 6.)

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Friday, 9th February, 1877.

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

By Mr. *Barthe*,—The Petition of the Honorable *Thomas Jean Jacques Loranger*, of the Town of *Sorel*, in the District of *Richelieu*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court.

By Mr. *Macdonald* (*Toronto*),—The Petition of the *London and Ontario Investment Company, Limited*.

By Mr. *Domville*,—The Petition of the *Springhill and Parrsborough Coal and Railway Company, Limited*.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Minister

of Justice as to Penitentiaries in *Canada*, for the year ending 31st December, 1876. (*Sessional Papers* No. 15.)

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the *Queen's* Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Ninth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, being for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 5.)

And also, Supplement (No. 1.) to the Ninth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1876, being a List of Lights on the Coasts, Rivers and Lakes of the Dominion of *Canada*, on the 31st December, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 5.)

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the *Queen's* Privy Council, 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, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 1.)

The Order of the Day being read, for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of Parliament;

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Speech into consideration.

Mr. *Guthrie* moved to resolve, seconded by Mr. *Béchar*d, and the Question being proposed, 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,—

That we are grateful to His Excellency for having again summoned us to meet for the despatch of business, at the time which is best suited to the convenience of members.

That we have learned with pleasure that during the recess His Excellency visited the Province of *British Columbia*, and had much satisfaction in becoming acquainted with the people of that interesting part of the Dominion, and with the climate and resources of their Province.

That while we thank His Excellency for the information that the surveys of the Pacific Railway have been prosecuted with the utmost vigor and at a larger cost during the past than in any previous year, and that it has not been found possible, as yet, to complete the location of the line, and that His Excellency has consequently been obliged to postpone the inviting of tenders for its construction on the terms indicated by the Act of 1874, and that a further correspondence on the subjects at issue between His Excellency's Government and *British Columbia* will be laid before us.

That we are glad to learn that during the recent suspension of the Extradition arrangements with the United States, His Excellency took care that the importance to *Canada* of a speedy resumption of these arrangements should be represented to Her Majesty's Government, whose attention has been further invited to the expediency of largely extending the provisions of the existing Treaty: and to be informed that while the operation of the Treaty has been resumed, negotiations are in progress for a convention, more liberal, and better suited to the circumstances of the two countries.

That we receive with satisfaction the intelligence that the attention of His Excellency's Government having been directed to some anomalies in the Royal Commission, and Royal Instructions to the Governor General, particularly with regard to the exercise of the Prerogative of Pardon, steps have been taken towards the amendment of these instruments, and that papers on this subject, as well as on that of the Extradition question will be laid before us.

That we receive with pleasure His Excellency's assurance, that the great public works connected with the *St. Lawrence* navigation, and the canals required to complete the system, have been prosecuted with success during the past year, and that nearly all the works on the *Welland* and *Lachine* Canals have been placed under contract on terms favourable to the country: we recognize the fact that the

active prosecution of these works during the last three years has necessarily increased the public debt; and we will give our best consideration to the suggestion of His Excellency, that though expectations are entertained that the outlay may ultimately be repaid to the country, it may be advisable not to press all the works, contemplated in the earlier years of Confederation, to completion at present.

That we are happy to know that the Intercolonial Railway was opened for traffic, throughout its entire length, early in the summer, with as favourable results as could have been expected; and that one of the immediate advantages of the completion of the Railway was the delivery and reception of the British Mails at *Halifax* after the closing of the *St. Lawrence*; and that up to the present time mails and passengers have been successfully carried over the line without any interruption.

That we feel with His Excellency that the Exhibition of Canadian products, manufactures, and works of art at the *United States National Exposition at Philadelphia*, was eminently successful, and proclaimed to the world that *Canada* has already taken a high place as a farming, manufacturing and mining country: that it is gratifying to us to learn that the expenditure was kept well within the estimate; and that we rejoice to know that in His Excellency's view, the success achieved by the enterprise of our people was largely aided by the energy and wisdom of the Commissioners who had charge of the arrangements.

That we agree with His Excellency that it was advisable in the interest of the country to make arrangements for exhibiting Canadian products at the Exhibition to be held at *Sydney, New South Wales*, and that we shall not fail to give our best consideration to any proposal for a provision for this purpose which may be recommended to us.

That we are glad to receive His Excellency's assurance that, notwithstanding the loss of revenue, consequent chiefly on the diminution of our importations, the reductions effected during the current year have gone far to restore the equilibrium between income and expenditure; though we are aware that great economy will be still needful to attain this object.

That we share His Excellency's regret that he is still unable to announce any progress in obtaining a settlement of the Fishery claims under the *Washington Treaty*, notwithstanding the efforts made by His Excellency's Government to secure that result.

That we learn with satisfaction that His Excellency's Commissioners have made further Treaty arrangements with certain of the Indian tribes of the *North-West Territories*, by which their title is extinguished to a very large portion of the Territories west of Treaty No. 4; we thank His Excellency for informing us that, although some of the provisions of this Treaty are of a somewhat onerous and exceptional character, His Excellency has thought it nevertheless advisable on the whole, to ratify it, and that this Treaty will be placed before us; and that His Excellency has made an engagement to negotiate a Treaty with the remaining tribes east of the *Rocky Mountains*.

That we feel with His Excellency that although the expenditure incurred by the Indian Treaties is undoubtedly large, yet that the Canadian policy is nevertheless the cheapest ultimately, if we compare the results with those of other countries; and that it is above all, a humane, just and Christian policy.

That we rejoice to know that notwithstanding the deplorable war waged between the Indian tribes in the *United States* territories, and the Government of that country, during the last year, no difficulty has arisen with the Canadian tribes living in the immediate vicinity of the scene of hostilities.

That we shall not fail to consider the expediency of making such changes in the Joint Stock Companies Act as may obviate for the future the passage of special Acts of Parliament for the incorporation of various classes of Companies, including such corporations as seek to engage in the borrowing and lending of money, by providing for their organization by Letters Patent.

That we are well pleased to learn that the desirability of affording additional

security to policy holders of Life Assurance Companies has engaged the attention of His Excellency's Government, and that we trust that the measure which will be submitted to us will accomplish the desired object.

That we shall give our attentive consideration to any measure submitted to us for the purpose of extending to the navigation of the great inland waters, rights and remedies at present confined to waters within the jurisdiction of the Courts of Vice-Admiralty, as well as to any measure for amending and consolidating the laws relating to Customs.

That we think, with His Excellency, that it is advisable to provide for the permanent prosecution of the Geological Survey, which has heretofore been carried on under temporary enactments, and to make this a distinct branch of the Civil Service; and that we shall give our best attention to any Bill laid before us for that purpose.

That we shall fully consider any measures submitted to us for the amendment of the Weights and Measures Act, the Excise Laws, and other Acts, and also any Bill relating to Shipping.

That we thank His Excellency for the assurance that the accounts of the past year will be laid before us, and that the Estimates of the next financial year which will also be submitted, will, as His Excellency trusts, be found to be framed with a view to meet the existing circumstances of the country, while at the same time, providing for carrying on the administration of affairs with efficiency.

That His Excellency may rest assured that we shall earnestly endeavour to justify his reliance on our prudence and ability, and our devotion to the work of legislation, which, we trust, may be carried on and completed in such a way as to minister to the prosperity of the country and the unity of the people.

And the first and subsequent paragraphs of the said Resolution being again read, were agreed to, and it was resolved accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Mackenzie, Blake, Smith (Westmoreland), Cauchon, Vail, Guthrie and Béchard*, to prepare and report the draft of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of Parliament in conformity to the said Resolution.

Mr. *Mackenzie* reported from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

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 *Saint Patrick*, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of *Saint Michael* and *Saint George*, and Knight Commander of the Most Honourable 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.

We are grateful to Your Excellency for having again summoned us to meet for the despatch of business, at the time which is best suited to the convenience of members.

We have learned with pleasure that during the recess Your Excellency visited the Province of *British Columbia*, and had much satisfaction in becoming acquainted

with the people of that interesting part of the Dominion, and with the climate and resources of their Province.

We thank Your Excellency for the information that the surveys of the *Pacific Railway* have been prosecuted with the utmost vigor and at a larger cost during the past than in any previous year, and that it has not been found possible, as yet, to complete the location of the line, and that Your Excellency has consequently been obliged to postpone the inviting of tenders for its construction on the terms indicated by the Act of 1874, and that a further correspondence on the subjects at issue between Your Excellency's Government and *British Columbia* will be laid before us.

We are glad to learn that during the recent suspension of the Extradition arrangements with the *United States*, Your Excellency took care that the importance to *Canada* of a speedy resumption of these arrangements should be represented to Her Majesty's Government, whose attention has been further invited to the expediency of largely extending the provisions of the existing Treaty; and to be informed that while the operation of the Treaty has been resumed, negotiations are in progress for a convention, more liberal, and better suited to the circumstances of the two countries.

We receive with satisfaction the intelligence that the attention of Your Excellency's Government having been directed to some anomalies in the Royal Commission, and Royal Instructions to the Governor General, particularly with regard to the exercise of the Prerogative of Pardon, steps have been taken towards the amendment of these instruments, and that papers on this subject, as well as on that of the Extradition question, will be laid before us.

We receive with pleasure Your Excellency's assurance, that the great public works connected with the *St. Lawrence* navigation, and the Canals required to complete the system, have been prosecuted with success during the past year; and that nearly all the works on the *Welland* and *Lachine* Canals have been placed under contract on terms favourable to the country. We recognize the fact that the active prosecution of these works during the last three years has necessarily increased the public debt; and we will give our best consideration to the suggestion of Your Excellency, that though expectations are entertained that the outlay may ultimately be repaid to the country, it may be advisable not to press all the works, contemplated in the earlier years of Confederation, to completion at present.

We are happy to know that the Intercolonial Railway was opened for traffic, throughout its entire length, early in the summer, with as favourable results as could have been expected; and that one of the immediate advantages of the completion of the Railway was the delivery and reception of the British Mails at *Halifax* after the closing of the *St. Lawrence*; and that up to the present time mails and passengers have been successfully carried over the line without any interruption.

We feel with Your Excellency that the Exhibition of Canadian products, manufactures, and works of art at the *United States* National Exposition at *Philadelphia*, was eminently successful, and proclaimed to the world that *Canada* has already taken a high place as a farming, manufacturing and mining country; that it is gratifying to us to learn that the expenditure was kept well within the estimate; and we rejoice to know that in Your Excellency's view, the success achieved by the enterprise of our people was largely aided by the energy and wisdom of the Commissioners who had charge of the arrangements.

We agree with Your Excellency that it was advisable in the interest of the country to make arrangements for exhibiting Canadian products at the Exhibition to be held at *Sydney, New South Wales*, and that we shall not fail to give our best consideration to any proposal for a provision for this purpose which may be recommended to us.

We are glad to receive Your Excellency's assurance that notwithstanding the loss of revenue, consequent chiefly on the diminution of our importations, the reductions effected during the current year have gone far to restore the equilibrium.

between income and expenditure; though we are aware that great economy will be still needful to attain this object.

We share Your Excellency's regret that Your Excellency is still unable to announce any progress in obtaining a settlement of the Fishery claims under the *Washington Treaty*, notwithstanding the efforts made by Your Excellency's Government to secure that result.

We learn with satisfaction that Your Excellency's Commissioners have made further Treaty arrangements with certain of the Indian tribes of the *North-West Territories*, by which their title is extinguished to a very large portion of the Territories west of Treaty No. 4. We thank Your Excellency for informing us that although some of the provisions of this Treaty are of a somewhat onerous and exceptional character, Your Excellency has thought it nevertheless advisable, on the whole, to ratify it, and that this Treaty will be placed before us; and that Your Excellency has made an engagement to negotiate a Treaty with the remaining tribes east of the *Rocky Mountains*.

We feel with Your Excellency that although the expenditure incurred by the Indian Treaties is undoubtedly large, yet that the Canadian policy is nevertheless the cheapest ultimately, if we compare the results with those of other countries; and that it is, above all, a humane, just and Christian policy.

We rejoice to know that notwithstanding the deplorable war waged between the Indian tribes in the *United States* territories, and the Government of that country, during the last year, no difficulty has arisen with the Canadian tribes living in the immediate vicinity of the scene of hostilities.

We shall not fail to consider the expediency of making such changes in the Joint Stock Companies Act as may obviate for the future the passage of Special Acts of Parliament for the incorporation of various classes of Companies, including such corporations as seek to engage in the borrowing and lending of money, by providing for their organization by Letters Patent.

We are well pleased to learn that the desirability of affording additional security to policy holders of Life Assurance Companies has engaged the attention of your Excellency's Government, and that that we trust that the measure which will be submitted to us will accomplish the desired object.

We shall give our attentive consideration to any measure submitted to us for the purpose of extending to the navigation of the great inland waters, rights and remedies at present confined to waters within the jurisdiction of the Courts of Vice-Admiralty, as well as to any measure for amending and consolidating the laws relating to Customs.

We think, with Your Excellency, that it is advisable to provide for the permanent prosecution of the Geological Survey, which has heretofore been carried on under temporary enactments, and to make this a distinct branch of the Civil Service; and that we shall give our best attention to any Bill laid before us for that purpose.

We shall fully consider any measures submitted to us for the amendment of the Weights and Measures Act, the Excise Laws, and other Acts, and also any Bill relating to Shipping.

We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the accounts of the past year will be laid before us, and that the Estimates of the next financial year which will also be submitted, will, as Your Excellency trusts, be found to be framed with a view to meet the existing circumstances of the country, while at the same time, providing for carrying on the administration of affairs with efficiency.

Your Excellency may rest assured that we shall earnestly endeavor to justify Your Excellency's reliance on our prudence and ability, and our devotion to the work of Legislation, which, we trust, may be carried on and completed in such a way, as to minister to the prosperity of the country, and the unity of the people.

The said Address, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

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*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*,

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

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

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Monday, 12th February, 1877.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Account Current of the Accountant of the House of Commons, of the amount received and disbursed by him for Contingencies, from the 1st July, 1875, to the 1st July, 1876 ; with the Auditor's Report.



FINANCE DEPARTMENT.  
4th October, 1876.

SIR,—I have the honor to report that I have audited the books of your Accountant's Office for the year ended 30th June, 1876, and having compared the same with the accompanying Account Current, I find all correct; the system of payment by cheque introduced by Mr. *Hartney*, and the careful arrangement of Mr. *Stansfeld's* vouchers, having greatly facilitated the work of the Audit.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. W. BAXTER.

The Honorable

*Timothy Warren Anglin, M.P.,*  
Speaker of the Commons of *Canada,*  
&c., &c., &c.

Mr. *Speaker* laid before the House,—List of Stockholders of the *Quebec Bank*, on the 31st December, 1876, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vic*: Cap. 5, Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

And also, General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *St. Hyacinthe* and *Rimouski*, and in the County of *Bonaventure* and District of *Gaspé*, for the year 1875. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 19.)

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

By Mr. *Casey*,—The Petition of the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*.

By Mr. *Schultz*,—The Petition of *R. M. Rolph*, and others, Ex-Staff Sergeants of the Provisional Battalion of Infantry at *Fort Osborne, Manitoba*.

By Mr. *Metcalf*,—The Petition of the National Investment Company of *Canada, Limited*.

By Mr. *Burk*,—The Petition of *J. M. Grover* and others, Provisional Directors of the *London and Canada Bank*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read and received:—  
Of the *London and Ontario Investment Company, Limited*; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Honorable *Thomas Jean Jacques Loranger*, of the Town of *Sorel*, in the District of *Richelieu*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court; denying the charges contained in the Petition of *François X. A. Biron*, and others, presented against him in the course of last Session; expressing his desire to undergo an investigation, and his intention of demanding one if the Petition is repeated, and requesting beforehand that he may be heard before The House, in the event of further proceedings being had.

Of the *Springhill and Parrsborough Coal and Railway Company, Limited*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize and confirm any Acts done by the said Company, under the authority of certain Acts of the Legislature of *Nova Scotia*; and for other purposes. ●

*Dalton McCarthy*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Cardwell*, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

Mr. *Laflamme*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Reports, Returns and Statistics of the Inland Revenues of the Dominion of *Canada*, for the year ending 30th June, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 4.)

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Barthe* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Insolvency Laws now in force in the Dominion of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Public Accounts of *Canada*, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 2.)

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Wood*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the general nature and value of all Manufactured Goods imported into *Canada* from the *United States* in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876, and stating the dates from which such Returns are begun and ended of said years respectively.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee of seven Members be appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Thursday the 8th instant, and that Mr. *Mackenzie*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Messieurs *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), *Blake*, *Holton*, *Tupper* and *Masson* do compose the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Currier*, seconded by Mr. *Haggart*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence, between the Dominion, *United States* and Imperial Governments respecting the navigation of American canals and rivers; also, any correspondence between the Government and business firms, or individuals, respecting the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Macdonald* (*Toronto*) moved, seconded by Mr. *Wood*, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Order of this House, that each day and immediately after the Speaker shall have taken the Chair at Three o'clock in the afternoon, the prayers now read daily in the Senate, be read in this Chamber, by such Chaplain, as the Speaker may appoint for that purpose, and in his absence by the Clerk of the House,

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Casey*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council and all instructions or orders from the Department of Public Works relating to the destruction by force, last July, of the Dam called the Dominion Dam, on *Devil Lake*, in the County of *Addington*, and for copies of all Reports made by Engineers or any Engineer or Employé of the Government, and of all correspondence relating to the said Dam, its destruction or reconstruction.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario North*),

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence in relation to the settlement of the Fishery clauses of the *Washington Treaty*, between the Government of *Canada* and that of *Great Britain* and between

the Government of *Great Britain* and the Government of the *United States* in relation to the aforesaid subject.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and the Imperial Government or any Steamship Company or private individual, touching the qualifications of Surgeons on British Steamers, or other passenger ships sailing to, or from British Ports.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the number of candidates that have come forward for admission to the Military College at *Kingston*; how many from each Province, distinguishing those of French origin from the others; how many have been so admitted, how many from each Province, distinguishing those of French origin from the others; also, a copy of the present regulations and a statement of the qualifications required of candidates for such admission.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald (Cape Breton)*, seconded by Mr. *Campbell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all money expended in building a Marine Hospital at *Sydney, Cape Breton*; the amount of the different tenders for the construction of the said building, with the names of the parties tendering; also, the names of all persons to whom the Government paid directly for work performed on this building, or improvements connected with it; also, the amount paid for superintending the work, and to whom paid; also, the total amount of expenditure to December 31st, 1876; also, correspondence, if any, which led to the transfer of the contract for this building from the gentleman to whom it was awarded, in the first instance, to another gentleman.

On motion of Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*, seconded by Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*,

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Ross (Middlesex)*, *Oliver*, *Dymond*, *Béchar*, *Charlton*, *Tupper*, *Bowell*, *Desjardins* and *Colby*, be appointed to consider what arrangements can be made for securing an Official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session,

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Tuesday, 13th February, 1877.

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

By Mr. *Jetté*,—The Petition of *J. B. Rottot*, President, and others, Directors of the *St. Jacques Building Society*.

By Mr. *Goudge*,—The Petition of *Charles Cox* and others.

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *Henry Mitchell* and others, Coal owners, and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Postmaster General, for the year ending 30th June, 1876. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

On motion of Mr. Ross (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. Oliver.

*Ordered*, That the Select Committee appointed to consider what arrangements can be made for securing an Official Report of the Debates of this House, during the present Session, have leave to report from time to time.

Mr. Ross (*Middlesex*), from the Select Committee appointed to consider what arrangements can be made for securing an Official Report of the Debates of this House, during the present Session, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

The Select Committee appointed to consider what arrangements can be made for securing an Official Report of the Debates of the House, submit as their First Report a series of Rules and Regulations for the reporting and publishing the Debates, to which they respectfully ask the concurrence of the House :—

*Regulations as to the Reporting and Publishing 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, at a cost not to exceed \$5,500.

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 Chief Reporter must have no connection with any newspaper whatever, nor shall he nor 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, except by consent of the Committee.

8th. It is clearly and distinctly understood and ordered that the above sum of \$5,500 is to cover the whole cost of Reporting and the several duties in connection therewith. Therefore should the Chief Reporter, or any of his 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 party or parties unable to perform the same.

9th. The speeches shall be reported in the language in which they are spoken and translated by the official translators of the House, according to the edition for which they are required, at a cost not to exceed \$1.25 per page.

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Mr. Mackenzie, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report

Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House reported, that they had prepared Lists of Members accordingly, and the same were read, as follow :—

1. ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—Messieurs *Appleby, Blake, Brooks, Cameron, Cauchon, Colby, Desjardins, Devlin, Guthrie, Holton, Irving, Kirkpatrick, Laflamme, Langlois, Macdonald, Sir J. A. MacKay (Cape Breton), Mackenzie, McCarthy, McDougall (Three Rivers), McIntyre, McIsaac, Mills, Oliver and Palmer.*—24.

2. ON EXPIRING LAWS.—Messieurs *Bain, Blackburn, Borron, Brooks, Brown, Buell, Burk, Campbell, Casey, Cheval, Cimon, Daoust, Dawson, Dewdney, Donahue, Ferguson, Ferris, Gill, Hall, Jetté, Kirk, Lajoie, Lanthier, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), McQuade, Monteith, Ouimet, Pettes, Ray, Robillard, Ryan, Scatcherd, Shibley and Smith (Peel).*—35. And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

3. ON RAILWAYS, CANALS AND TELEGRAPH LINES.—Messieurs *Aylmer, Baby, Béchard, Bertram, Blake, Blanchet, Borden, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brouse, Buell, Burk, Burpee (St. John), Burpee (Sunbury), Carmichael, Caron, Cartwright, Casey, Casgrain, Cauchon, Church, Colby, Cook, Costigan, Coupal, Cunningham, Currier, Davies, DeCosmos, Delorme, Dewdney, Domville, Donahue, Ferris, Fiset, Flesher, Geoffrion, Gibbs (Ontario North), Gill, Gillies, Hagar, Haggart, Harwood, Higinbotham, Holton, Huntington, Hurteau, Irving, Jones (Halifax), Jones (Leeds), Kerr, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Laflamme, Langevin, Langlois, Lanthier, Laurier, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A., Macdougall (Elgin), Mackenzie, Masson, McCathum, McDougall (Renfrew), McGreevy, Metcalfe, Mitchell, Mousseau, Norris, Oliver, Pickard, Platt, Plumb, Pope (Queen's, P. E. I.), Ray, Robinson, Robitaille, Ross (Prince Edward), Rymal, Schultz, Shibley, Sinclair, Smith (Selkirk), Smith (Westmoreland), Snider, Stephenson, Thibaudeau, Thomson (Welland), Trow, Tupper, Vail, Wallace (Albert), White (Hastings); White (Renfrew), Workman, Wright (Ottawa), and Wright (Pontiac).*—99.

4. ON MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS.—Messieurs *Baby, Barthe, Blain, Blanchet, Bolduc, Bourassa, Bowman, Brooks, Burpee (Sunbury), Cameron, Campbell, Casey, Cheval, Church, Cimon, Coffin, Cuthbert, Daoust, Devlin, Dymond, Fiset, Fleming, Flynn, Forbes, Fraser, Fréchette, Galbraith, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gillmor, Higinbotham, Jetté, Kerr, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lajoie, MacDonnell (Inverness), Macdougall (Elgin), MacKay (Cape Breton), Macmillan, McCarthy, McCraney, McIntyre, McIsaac, Mills, Moffat, Mousseau, Oliver, Ouimet, Platt, Ray, Rochester, Roscoe, Scriver, Skinner, Taschereau, Wallace (Albert), Wallace (Norfolk), and White (Hastings).*—60. And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

5. ON STANDING ORDERS.—Messieurs *Appleby, Baby, Bertram, Blanchet, Bunster, Casgrain, Charlton, Christie, Cook, Costigan, De St. Georges, Ferris, Flesher, Forbes, Fréchette, Galbraith, Gaudet, Gibson, Guthrie, Hall, MacDonnell (Inverness), Macmillan, McCarthy, McDonald (Cape Breton), McKay (Colchester), Orton, Paterson, Perry, Pouliot, Ross (Durham), Rymal, Scatcherd, Schultz, Scriver, Shibley, Short, Smith (Peel), and Wright (Pontiac).*—38. And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

6. ON PRINTING.—Messieurs *Bourassa, Bowell, Charlton, Church, Delorme, Desjardins, De Veber, Goudge, Lanthier, Ross (Middlesex), Ross (Prince Edward), Stephenson, Thompson (Haldimand), Trow 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, Fréchette, Galbraith, Gibbs (Ontario South), Gibson, Goudge, Harwood, Holton, Jetté, Jones (Halifax), Kirkpatrick, Landerkin, Langevin, Laurier, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A., Macdonald (Toronto), Macdougall (Elgin), Mackenzie, Masson, McCraney, McGreevy, McGregor, McLeod, McNab, Metcalfe, Mills, Mitchell, Mousseau, Ouimet, Pettes, Plumb, Pope (Queen's, P. E. I.), Power, Richard, Robitaille, Ross (Prince Edward), Rouleau, Rymal, Scriver, Smith (Selkirk), Snider, Taschereau, Thibaudeau, Thompson (Haldimand), Thomson (Welland), Tupper, Vail, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa), Wright (Pontiac), and Young.*—74. And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

8. ON BANKING AND COMMERCE.—Messieurs *Archibald, Béchard, Biggar, Blain, Blake, Boyer, Brouse, Brown, Burpee (St. John), Cameron, Carmichael, Caron, Cartwright, Cauchon, Charlton, Cockburn, Currier, DeCosmos, De St. Georges, De Veber, Devlin, Domville, Dugas, Dymond, Fiset, Fleming, Forbes, Gibbs (Ontario North), Gibbs (Ontario South), Greenway, Haggart, Holton, Horton, Irving, Jetté, Jones (Halifax), Kirkpatrick, Killam, Laflamme, Landerkin, Langlois, Laurier, Macdonald, Sir J. A., Macdonald (Toronto), Mackenzie, McDonald (Cape Breton), McGreevy, McLeod, Mitchell, Monteith, Mousseau, Oliver, Paterson, Pickard, Plumb, Power, Robillard, Robinson, Robitaille, Rochester, Ross (Durham), Ross (Middlesex), Rouleau, Rymal, Smith (Selkirk), Smith (Westmoreland), Taschereau, Thibaudeau, Thompson (Haldimand), Thomson (Welland), Tupper, Wood, Workman, Yeo and Young.*—75. And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

9. ON IMMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION.—Messieurs *Aylmer, Bain, Bannatyne, Barthe, Béchard, Benoit, Bernier, Biggar, Bolduc, Borron, Christie, Cockburn, Coupal, Cunningham, Dugas, Farrow, Ferris, Flynn, Forbes, Fraser, Gaudet, Greenway, Hagar, Horton, Huntington, Jones (Leeds), Lajoie, Little, MacKay (Cape Breton), McNab, Moffat, Montplaisir, Orton, Palmer, Paterson, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope (Compton), Pouliot, Richard, Rochester, Ryan, Smith (Peel), Stephenson, St. Jean, Thompson (Cariboo), Trow, White (Hastings), White (Renfrew), Wright (Ottawa), and Yeo.*—51. And that the Quorum of the said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees, in so far as relates to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Baby, Blanchet, Brouse, Cartwright, Cauchon, Delorme, Fréchette, Higinbotham, Holton, Laurier, Sir John A. Macdonald, Masson, Mills, Tupper, Wright (Ottawa), and Young*, be 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.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate communicating to their Honors the foregoing Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned till Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others, presented last Session, concerning the administration of Justice in the District of *Richelieu*; and the Petition of the Honorable *Thomas Jean Jacques Loranger*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court, presented on Friday last, relating thereto, be printed in the Votes and Proceedings.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by Mr. *Robitaille*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Copy of Mr. *Kingsford's* Report on the Piers at Bay *St. Paul, Eboulements* and *Malbaie*, in the summer of 1876.

Mr. *Colby* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scrivner*, and the Question being proposed, That in the opinion of this House the interests of the country would be promoted by a reduction of the duties on Refined Petroleum; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House,—**Official Return** of the distribution of the Dominion Statutes of *Canada*, being 39 *Vic*: 3rd Session, 3rd Parliament, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 20.)

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was yesterday, proposed, That it be an Order of this House, that each day and immediately after the Speaker shall have taken the Chair at Three o'clock in the afternoon, the prayers now read daily in the Senate, be read in this Chamber by such Chaplain as the Speaker may appoint for that purpose, and in his absence, by the Clerk of this House;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Macdonald* (*Toronto*), *McCraney*, *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*), *Wood*, *Blackburn*, *Goudge*, *Casgrain*, *Desjardins*, *McDonald* (*Cape Breton*), *Ryan*, *Carmichael*, *Platt* and *Wright* (*Ottawa*), be appointed to consider and report upon the desirability of using a Form of Prayer in this Chamber.

And then The House adjourned till Thursday next.

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### Thursday, 15th February, 1877.

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

By Mr. *Macdonald* (*Toronto*),—The Petition of the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Wood*,—The Petition of *William Patton* and others,

By Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*),—The Petition of *Joseph Harris McClellan*, of the Township of *Pickering*, County of *Ontario*, and Province of *Ontario*, Merchant.

By Mr. *Workman*,—The Petition of the Metropolitan Bank.

By Mr. *Baby*,—The Petition of the *Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Jetté*,—The Petition of *J. Barsalou* and others.

By Mr. *Robinson*,—The Petition of *Edward M. Hodder*, F. R. C. S. and others of *Toronto*, interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*.

By Mr. *Brouse*,—The Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Detroit*; the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Chicago*; the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Oswego*; the Petition of the Produce Exchange of the City of *Toledo*; the Petition of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of *Milwaukee*; the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Cleveland*; the Petition of *J. H. Berow* and others; the Petition of *C. N. Cramer* and others; the Petition of *Charles W. Johnston* and others; and the Petition of *N. S. Whippal* and others, Captains of Steamers and Vessels employed in navigating the Dominion Canals.

By Mr. *Rymal*,—The Petition of *Squire W. Hill*, Master of Dominion Grange, and others.

By Mr. *Brooks*,—The Petition of the *Saint Francis and Megantic International Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Bowell*,—The Petition of the *Beaver and Toronto Mutual Insurance Company*.

By Mr. *Colby*,—The Petition of *A. H. Moore* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time limited for the completion of certain works authorized by their Act

of Incorporation, for the continuance of all their corporate powers, and for other purposes.

Of the National Investment Company of *Canada* (Limited), and of *J. M. Grover* and others, Provisional Directors of the *London and Canada Bank*; severally praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *J. B. Rottot*, President, and others, Directors of the *St. Jacques Building Society*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend their corporate powers.

Of *Charles Cox* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Maitland Marine Insurance Company*.

The Petition of *R. M. Rolph* and others, Ex-Staff Sergeants of the Provisional Battalion of Infantry at *Fort Osborne, Manitoba*, presented on Monday last, setting forth certain grievances and praying for six months pay and other compensation, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled "That as the granting of the prayer of this Petition would "involve the expenditure of Public money, it cannot be received."

The Petition of *Henry Mitchell* and others, Coal Owners, and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion, presented on Tuesday last, praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian Coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all Coal sent to the *United States*, or that a duty of 50 cents per ton be imposed on all coal imported into the Dominion, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled, "That as the prayer of this Petition involved a public charge "it cannot be received."

*Mr. Ross (Middlesex)*, from the Select Committee appointed to consider what arrangements can be made for securing an Official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

The Committee beg leave to submit as their Second Report the Report of their Sub-Committee (herewith annexed) to whom was delegated the power to confer with and receive tenders from parties who might desire to undertake the Official Reporting of the Debates of the House, which they respectfully recommend for the concurrence of the House.

#### REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, 13th February, 1877.

The Sub-Committee appointed to confer with and receive tenders from parties, who might desire to undertake the Official Reporting of the Debates of the Houses beg leave to Report that they have received tenders from Messrs. *Phelan, Richardson* and *Watson*, and considering the tender of *Mr. Richardson* as the most satisfactory, they beg leave to recommend its acceptance, under the regulations as contained in the First Report of the Committee, and on the terms therein set forth, that the cost is not to exceed \$5,500.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,  
M. BOWELL,  
A. H. DYMOND,  
ALPH. DESJARDINS.

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

*Mr. Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Report of the Chief Engineer of Public Works on the progress of Canal enlargement between Lake *Erie* and *Montreal*. (*Sessional Papers No 6.*)

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Statement of all allowances and gratuities granted under the Act 33 *Vict.*, cap. 4, intituled : “ An Act for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases.” (*Sessional Papers*, No. 21.)

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Irving* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Procedure and Evidence in Criminal cases.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blain* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act 37th *Victoria*, Chapter 49, intituled : “ An Act to authorize Corporations and institutions “ incorporated without the limits of *Canada* to lend and invest moneys therein.”

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dymond* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act relating to Criminal Procedure by allowing persons charged with crime to give evidence as witnesses for the defence.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by 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.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate requesting that their Honors 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 Standing Committee on Printing, viz :—Messieurs *Bourassa*, *Bowell*, *Charlton*, *Church*, *Delorme*, *Desjardins*, *De Veber*, *Goudge*, *Lanthier*, *Ross* (*Middlesex*), *Ross* (*Prince Edward*), *Stephenson*, *Thompson* (*Haldimand*), *Trow* and *Wallace* (*Norfolk*), will act as members of the said Committee on Printing.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 20th March, 1876, for a statement of all Steam Fire Engines imported into the Dominion of *Canada*, shewing the class of such Engines, by whom entered, the Country whence imported, the value at which entered, and the amount of duty thereon, from 1st July, 1867, to 22nd March, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 22.)

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House,—Statement of payments charged to Unforeseen Expenses under Orders in Council, from 1st July, 1876, to 13th February, 1877, in accordance with Act 39 *Vic.*, Cap. 1, Schedule B. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 23.)

And also, Statement of Expenditure to 13th February, 1877, on account of *New South Wales* Exhibition, under authority of special Warrant of His Excellency the Governor General, dated 21st December, 1876, for \$25,000. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 24.)

On motion of Mr. *Flynn*, seconded by Mr. *Ryan*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of instructions from the Department of Inland Revenue to Inspectors, in connection with the Weights and Measures Act; together with the names and salaries of such Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors.

Mr. *Browse* moved, seconded by Mr. *Ross* (*Prince Edward*), and the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution declaring that some substantial recognition should be given those loyal Volunteers who defended the British Flag during the troubles of 1837 and '38 in this country; and therefore it is the opinion of this House that an area of the Wild Lands of the Dominion should be granted them, not less equal in extent, to that offered to the Immigrant Settler; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and Her Majesty's Government in relation to Legislation affecting Merchant Shipping; also, copies of instructions given to Mr. *William Smith*, Deputy of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, on his recent mission to England in connection with the above subject, together with all correspondence relating thereto, had between the said Deputy and Her Majesty's Government or any of the officials thereof; also, all correspondence had in relation to such mission between the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the said Deputy, with the report of the said Deputy in relation to such mission.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a statement shewing the following particulars in regard to a Main Brick Sewer constructed through the Station yard of the Intercolonial Railway at *Moncton* during the past year:—

1. The Parliamentary Authority under which the expenditure was made.
2. Plan shewing the locality, size and extent of the work, and the buildings served thereby.
3. The cubic yards each, of earth and rock excavation; the days' labour and amount expended in making such excavations; the quantity each of stone, bricks, lime and cement used and the amount paid therefor at the place whence received; the amount paid or allowed and charged for transportation; the number of days labour and amount expended in laying the bricks and stone work; the quantity of material used in covering and the days' labour and amount expended in covering the sewer.
4. The particulars of all other amounts charged as for such Main Sewer.
5. The total cost of the Sewer.
6. The names of the persons from whom, and the places whence, each lot of material was procured, and the amount paid to each person therefor, with the date of payment.
7. The statement to shew how the charges in connection with the sewer have been classified and entered in the Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a statement shewing:—

1. The original size and cost, exclusive of heating apparatus, of the brick building at *Moncton* known as the General Offices of the Intercolonial Railway.
2. The size and cost of the additions to such building.

3. The original cost of the heating apparatus and of any additions made during the year of 1876.

4. A plan of each of the four floors of said building as at present arranged, showing the purpose to which each of the rooms is appropriated.

5. The Parliamentary authority for the various expenditures.

6. The names of all persons who may have been employed as Inspectors, Firemen or Supervisors of such work, the time allowed to each, and the wages paid them. In case any part of the work was done under contract, the statement to show the fact, the date and amount of the contract and the name of the contractor.

The statement to show the items or particulars of cost, as well as the total amount expended in each case, and the manner in which the expenditures have been classified.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the expenditure incurred during the last two years ending January 31st, 1877, for carpets, curtains, dining and bed room furniture, fixings, fittings and utensils, linen, crockery, china, cutlery, and silver ware; also for desks, tables, chairs, sofas, lounges, pictures and fittings for the General Offices of the Intercolonial Railway at *Moncton*. The statement to give the name and cost of each item and to include all articles furnished by any department or branch of the Railway Service.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement from the proper Intercolonial Railway official shewing the quantities, kinds and cost of rails, fish-plates, bolts and nuts, spikes and sleepers, as follows:—

On hand but not in use on 30th June, 1875—received during the year ending 30th June, 1876—used and otherwise disposed of during the same period—the balance on hand but not in use at that date—received during the six months ending 31st December, 1876—used and otherwise disposed of during the same period—and the balance on hand but not in use on the 31st December last.

The statement to shew the date when each lot was received, the quantity, the place whence received, parties from whom purchased, name of the vessel freighting rails, fish-plates, &c., amount of freight paid, and also the names of all persons to whom any such material was sold, the quantities so disposed of and the prices received therefor.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the authority under which two dwelling-houses with stables and outbuildings were erected during the past summer, at *Moncton*. for the use of the resident Engineer and Traffic Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway; the amount authorized to be expended and the amount actually expended, the statement to be accompanied by statements shewing in detail all charges made for such works, and the accounts to which such charges have been entered in the books of the railway; such statement to be so made up as to shew the following particulars:—

1. The quantity, kind and cost of stone used in the cellars and foundations.
2. Labor and cost of procuring the same.
3. Cost of erecting foundations and cellars.
4. Cost of foundations not used and its subsequent removal.
5. Cost of labour and material, used in constructing drains and of connecting same with main sewer.

6. Amount paid for waterpipes and for laying the same, giving the size and length of such pipes, the cost of tanks, baths, pumps, sinks, closets and fixtures in connection therewith.

7. Cost each of chimnies, grates, stoves, woodwork, plastering, earth embankment and fencing.

8. Cost of Inspection.

The statement shall give the names of places from which the stones were procured, the number of days the trackmen were employed in procuring such stone and the amount charged to the buildings therefor, and the amount allowed or charged for freight on the same.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the quantity of work done in enlarging the Railway Water-Works at *Moncton* during the year 1876, with the particulars of all expenditures in connection therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving full particulars of all expenditure made in constructing restaurant, enlarging the store-house, erecting freight-house, altering and improving the station house, constructing sidings, erecting coal sheds and trestle works, constructing platforms, ballasting, tracks and grading the yard, and other such work done in the Railway Station Yard at *Moncton* during the year 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving a full account of all accidents which have occurred on the Intercolonial Railway since 1st July last, giving the locality and cause of each, the damage done, the cost of repairs to stock, indemnification to persons for goods damaged or injuries sustained, and the action taken in regard to any dereliction of duty which may have caused such accident.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any Orders in Council and of all correspondence which has taken place between the officer in charge of the Government Railways or his Traffic Superintendent and the Minister of Customs, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the Minister of Public Works, in regard to the appointment of Mr. *James McAlister* to the position of Cashier of the Intercolonial Railway, the creation of the office of Dominion Auditor at *Moncton*, the transfer of Mr. *McAlister* thereto, the appointment of Mr. *Charles D. Thompson* to the position of Cashier, the subsequent removal of Mr. *Thompson*, the abolition of the office of Dominion Auditor and the reappointment of Mr. *James McAlister* to the office of Cashier; also in regard to the subsequent provision made for Mr. *Thompson*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement made up so as to shew for each month of the two years ending 31st December, 1876, the following particulars in relation to the working and management of the Intercolonial Railway:—

1. The number of miles run by the engines in each service, as follows:— Ordinary passenger trains; special passenger trains; freight trains; mixed trains; construction trains; with the mileage made by each description of cars used in each service.

2. The gross working expenses, without deductions, made up in accordance with the general classification of the Railway Accounts.

3. The particulars of all charges made for the use of engines and cars as well as for railway freight, debited to the various services and deducted from the working expenses of the Railway; this statement to shew the deductions as made from each subdivision of the expenses and to what service such deductions were charged.

4. The average in detail before and after such deductions have been made.

5. A statement giving full and detailed information in relation to the special trains for the conveyance of passengers or officers of the Railway, which were run from the 1st July, 1875, to the 31st December, 1876; the statement to shew whence and where to each such train was run, and the date; the distance; the names of the conductors and engine driver in charge, the reason for running it, the amount received for each service and the expenses incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving copies of all correspondence which has taken place between the officer in charge of the Government Railways or any official in charge of a department of the Intercolonial Railway and the *Phoenixville* Iron Company, or any other person, from a Company in the State of *Pennsylvania*, in relation to any offers for bridge superstructure, iron roofs, turn-tables, engines, cars, work, supplies or other matter or thing since 31st December, 1875, whether such correspondence has been in the form of tender or otherwise, stating upon the face of any offer if the same has been accepted.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving a full account of all charges made and expenses incurred for changing the gauge of the Intercolonial Railway, and shewing how the expenditure is classified in the Railway Accounts.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the names, ages, denomination, date of appointment, occupation and salary of all persons, except ordinary mechanics and labourers, who were in the service of the Intercolonial Railway on the 31st March, 1876; also a separate statement giving similar information in regard to persons who were in the service of the Railway on the 31st December last.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving a full epitome of all offers or tenders made from the 30th June, 1875, to 31st December, 1876, to any authorized officer of the Intercolonial Railway, for each of the following: Wheels, Axles, Springs, Tubes, Tools, Stoves, Iron, Iron-work, Iron Roofs, Bridge Superstructure, Cars, Ploughs, Oil, Tallow, Waste, Fuel, Rails, Frogs, Spikes, and other principal supplies, and also for Buildings, Snow Sheds, or any description of work usually done by contract; the statement to include the names of the parties who made such offers, and the names of those whose offers were accepted, as well as the names of those who in any case were invited to submit offers, and the names of those, if any, whose contracts were cancelled, and giving the cause thereof.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the names and address of all persons, firms or Companies, who supplied material or stores of any kind, during the two years ending 31st December, 1876, for the use of the Intercolonial Railway; such statement to show opposite each name, the date, general character of the goods supplied, the amount of the purchase and the reference number of the receipt taken when the goods were paid for.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving a general description and cost of each of the works of the Intercolonial Railway, not chargeable to ordinary maintenances, which have been constructed during the two years ending 31st December, 1876; by days' labor or private arrangement, giving the name of the Engineer and Inspector under whose immediate supervision the work was done.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving copies of any agreement, arrangement or correspondence in pursuance of which the officers of the Intercolonial Railway are insured with the Guarantee Company of *Canada*; such statement to be accompanied by a statement shewing who of the officers of such Railway have been so insured, the amount of such insurance, the premiums paid in each case, and the amount of insurance paid by the said Guarantee Company on any policy.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement showing (1st) the arrangement made for insuring the Employees of the Intercolonial Railway against accidents; (2nd) the monthly deductions made from the wages or salaries of such Employees, on account of said insurance from the time the Government undertook the risks up to 31st December last; and (3rd) the particulars of all amounts paid out of the Railway on account of such insurance.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement approximately shewing the following particulars in regard to the traffic of the Intercolonial Railway for each of the six months preceding the 1st January last:

1. The number of tons of through freight forwarded to each Station of the Intercolonial from any Station on the Grand Trunk Railway; shewing in each case the total freight charges thereon, the amount of such charges apportioned to each Railway, the whole number of tons carried per mile on each line, the average receipts per ton per mile by each line, and the amount paid to the Grand Trunk Railway Company for the mileage of their cars used on the Intercolonial.

2. The like particulars respecting through freight forwarded to each Station on the Grand Trunk Railway from any Station on the Intercolonial.

3. The number of tons of local freight forwarded to each Station on the Intercolonial from each other Station, shewing the freight charges thereon, the whole number of tons carried per mile and the average receipts per ton per mile.

4. The number of local and through passengers carried, shewing the Intercolonial Railway proportion of the sums received therefor, the whole number carried per mile, and the average receipts per passenger per mile.

5. The Revenue arising from each other source.

6. The total Revenue.

7. The number of tons of freight received at Halifax from any European steamer or vessel and transported over the Intercolonial, on through Bills of Lading or otherwise, to points beyond *Rivière du Loup*, and shewing the Intercolonial Railway's proportion of the freight charges thereon and the average receipts per ton per mile.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing (1st) the names, occupation and salary of all persons appointed to any office or place except that of labourer in connection with the construction and management of the Intercolonial Railway during the year ending 31st December, 1876; (2nd) the amount of

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any increase made in the salary of any General Officer, Superintendent, Engineer Clerk, Inspector or other Officer of the Intercolonial Railway during the same period; the statement to show also the names, occupation and remuneration of all persons who have served in the capacity of Clerk in any office during the year, but who have not been regularly or permanently appointed to positions in the Railway service.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the several amounts paid to each of the Newspaper Proprietors in *Canada* for advertising done in connection with the Intercolonial Railway during the year ending 31st December, 1876; also, shewing the particulars of the several amounts paid to any person, firm or Company for Placards, Posters, Show-bills, Illuminated Cards, Railroad Maps, Show-frames, Time-tables or other means of advertising; also, the several amounts paid to Newspaper Proprietors, during the year, for Printing of all kinds, and stating whether done under contract or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the monthly sales of Season, also of commutation tickets, at each Station of the Intercolonial Railway for a period of eighteen months preceding the 31st December last.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving full information in relation to the arrangement made between the Government or their representative and the *Pullman* Palace Car Company, in pursuance of which their cars are run on the Intercolonial Railway; such statement to be accompanied by copy of the agreement, and a statement giving an account of all expenses incurred by the Government for transporting the cars, and for cleaning, painting, repairing, and lighting them since they were put upon the line, to the 31st December last, as far as practicable.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement giving copies of any arrangement made between the Government Railways and the Grand Trunk Railway Company, for the interchange of cars and transportation of passengers and freight.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the various tariffs for the carriage of freight on the Intercolonial Railway, which have been in operation since 1st January, 1875, together with the changes made therein; the return to be accompanied by a statement shewing all special rates granted from time to time since 1st January, 1876, to persons and companies or particular stations, and also shewing the Parliamentary authority under which these several tariffs have been issued.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the particulars of all amounts in addition to salary paid to any General or Departmental officer of the Intercolonial Railway during the year 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing which of the Bridges and Culverts of the Intercolonial Railway between *Pictou* and *Halifax* received extensive repairs and alterations or were renewed in part or in whole during the seasons of 1875 and 1876; also a statement giving the quantity and cost of each kind of material procured therefor, the persons from whom, and the place whence it

was obtained, the cost of transportation, the amount and cost of labour expended, and generally full particulars in regard to the work in each case.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing all claims made against the Intercolonial Railway for damages or loss of any kind sustained by private individuals resulting from working the railway during the year 1876; also shewing what was paid thereon, and how disposed of.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all papers, correspondence and telegrams relating to the property on the Marsh Road, in the County of *St. John, New Brunswick*, alleged to have been damaged by Fire from Locomotives on the Intercolonial Railway.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of Mr. *Langmuir's* Report on the Marine Hospital at *Quebec*.

On motion of Mr. *Schultz*, seconded by Mr. *Ryan*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of correspondence between the Minister of the Interior, or the Surveyor-General, and the Dominion Lands Agent at *Winnipeg*, relative to the Railway Reserves within the Province of *Manitoba*.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of accidents which have occurred on the Intercolonial Railway in the County of *Northumberland*; the number of cattle which have been killed by locomotives on said Railway; with a statement of the causes of such accidents and whether the same has arisen from want of fencing along the line of said Road or otherwise; with a list of claims made by proprietors of cattle killed or injured; amounts paid on such claims; with a statement of claims rejected and the reason of such rejection; also a statement as to whether it is the intention of Government to erect a fence on the said line of Railway where none now exist in the vicinity of the Town of *Newcastle*.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario North)*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the quantity of iron rails removed from the Government Railways; Railway Companies to which they have been loaned; the date of such loans; the counties and districts through which said Railways run; the quantity loaned to each Railway Company; the terms upon which such loans have been made; the nature of the security given by each Railway Company to secure the return of the said iron rails; the names of the directors of the Companies respectively to which iron rails have been loaned, together with all correspondence between the Government and any Company or individual making application for such loans.

On motion of Mr. *Laurier*, seconded by Mr. *Dymond*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments not already laid before this House, concerning the mode of exercising the power of disallowance of Provincial Acts.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Federal and any of the Provincial Governments since the

establishment of Confederation, concerning the disallowance of Provincial Acts or the action on Provincial Bills reserved.

*Ordered*, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*, seconded by Mr. *Holton*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a classified Return of imports and exports of live stock, showing place from whence it comes and its destination; for each quarter, from March 1st, 1875, to January 1st, 1877, and for the month of January, 1877.

On motion of Mr. *Desjardins*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario South)*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return from the 1st January, 1875, to the 1st January, 1877, shewing the quantities of different grades of sugar imported from *Europe*, British and Foreign *West Indies* and the *United States*; also the value of each such importations, and the duties paid thereon.

Mr. *Caron* moved, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, and the Question being proposed, That a Statement be laid before this House, shewing the names of all persons superannuated or placed on the retired list from 1st January, 1876, to this date; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, seconded by Mr. *Delorme*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of all correspondence that has passed between the Postal Department at *Ottawa* and the Post Office Inspector of *British Columbia* in 1876 and 1877, respecting the Ocean Mail Service between *Victoria* and *San Francisco*; also a copy of all correspondence between the contractors for said service and the Postal Department within the said period.

On motion of Mr. *Béchar*d, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*,

*Ordered*, That the Entry in the Journals of this House of the 3rd April, 1876, relating to the Petition of *F. X. A. Biron*, Notary, and others, of the District of *Richelieu*, complaining of the conduct of Mr. Justice *Loranger*, be now read.

And the same being read;

On motion of Mr. *Béchar*d, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*,

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee, composed of Messieurs. *Béchar*d, *Holton*, *MacDon*ell, *Appleby*, *Kirkpatrick*, *Irving*, *Masson*, *Desjardins*, *Brooks*, *Baby*, *Jetté*, *Taschereau* and *Lawrie*r, be appointed to enquire 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*; and the Petition of the Honorable Mr. Justice *Loranger*, be referred to the said Committee, and that the said Committee have power to send for person, papers and records, and to report from time to time.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the said Committee, be examined upon oath.

On motion of Mr. *Barthe*, seconded by Mr. *Mousseau*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of the Petitions of *T. D. Latour* and others, dated the 5th June, 1874, and the 2nd November, 1875, presented to the Government, concerning the Hon. Mr. Justice *Loranger*, and all correspondence relating thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency,

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as followeth :—

*Dufferin* :

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, the Report of a Commission appointed by Order in Council of 22nd July, 1876, to enquire into the affairs of the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 10.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Ottawa, 15th February, 1877.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 16th February, 1877.

Mr. Speaker said :—“ In respect to the Petition of *Henry Mitchell*, and others, interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion, which was not received yesterday, I have to state to The House that I have since considered the question carefully. The objection to the asking of bounties will, I think, only apply to cases where an individual or individuals personally interested, ask for such bounty as will be profitable to themselves. Where the Petition is of a general character, and is signed by persons other than those immediately interested, and, in fact, asks for a modification or change of the financial or fiscal policy of the Dominion, on the ground that such change will be beneficial to the country at large, then such a Petition stands precisely in the same position as one asking for an imposition of taxes for general purposes. On examination of this Petition I may state, that I see no reason to conclude that it is signed exclusively by persons immediately and directly interested, and I am therefore of opinion that it can be properly received.”

The said Petition, praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian Coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all Coal sent to the *United States*; or that a duty of 50 cents per ton be imposed on all Coal imported into the Dominion, was then received.

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

By Mr. *Thomson (Welland)*,—The Petition of the Provisional Directors of the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*.

By Mr. *Pope (Queen's, P.E.I.)*,—The Petition of Messrs. *James Duncan & Co.*, and others, of *Charlottetown*; the Petition of *Patrick Trainor*, and others, of *Souris*; and the Petition of *Donald Montgomery*, and others, of *Georgetown, Prince Edward Island*, interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of the Bank of *British North America*.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz :—Of the *London and Ontario Investment Company, Limited*, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation,—Of the *Springhill and Parrs-*

*borough* Coal and Railway Company, Limited, for the passing of an Act to legalize and confirm any Acts done by the said Company, under the authority of certain Acts of the Legislature of *Nova Scotia*, and for other purposes,—Of the *Canada* Southern Bridge Company, for the passing of an Act to extend the time limited for the completion of certain works authorized by their Act of incorporation for the continuance of all their corporate powers, and for other purposes,—Of *Charles Cox*, and others, for an Act of incorporation under the name of the *Maitland* Marine Insurance Company.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated, 29th March, 1876; for 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*; shewing the claims which have been settled, the amount of each such claim, and the amount awarded; also the claims which have not been settled, the amount of each such claim, and why the same has not been settled. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876; for Returns shewing the names of the valuers 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Mr. *Vail*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 27th March, 1876; 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 26.*)

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 8th March, 1876; for a Return of the number of suits instituted before the Supreme Court; and of the number of Judgments rendered by the said Court. (*Sessional Papers, No. 27.*)

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, seconded by Mr. *Laurier*,

*Resolved*, That the propriety of extending the time for the reception of Petitions for Private Bills be referred to the Select Standing Committees on Miscellaneous Private Bills, and Standing Orders.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Goudge* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Maitland* Marine Insurance Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to the expediency of amending and consolidating, as amended, the several Acts respecting Life Insurance.

(*In the Committee.*)

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend and consolidate, as amended, the several Acts respecting Life Insurance; repealing for that purpose the unrepealed portions

of the Acts of *Canada* 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 48—34 *Victoria*, Chapter 9—37 *Victoria*, Chapter 48—38 *Victoria*, Chapter 21—part of the 23rd Section of 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 20—and Chapter 52 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Insolvency Laws now in force in the Dominion of *Canada* ;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the second reading of the said Bill be the First Order of the Day on Monday, the 26th February instant.

On motion of Mr. *Perry*, seconded by Mr. *Sinclair*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of contract with Mr. *Sewell*, for building the Steamer "Northern Light"; the Report of the Inspector and Government Agent, Telegrams and all other documents connected with the building of said Steamer; also correspondence between the Department at *Ottawa*, and the Agent at *Charlottetown*, *Prince Edward Island*, and the number of trips made up to date.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by Mr. *Pope* (*Queen's, P.E.I.*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all Tenders and Contracts for the construction of a Harbour at *Ingonish, Nova Scotia*, the names of the parties to whom the contract was awarded; shewing if it was awarded to the lowest tender; the names of the parties to whom the contract was subsequently transferred and of their securities since the commencement of the work; the dates of such transfers; the amount of the original contract; and if the contract has been completed in accordance with the original plans and specification, if not, the reason why; also if the contract has been taken off the hand of the contractors, and if so, when; also what portion of the original plans and specifications have not been finished or completed and what further sums are to be paid to the contractors for what work they have performed, and if it is the intention to finish the works in accordance with the original plans and specifications; also the amount paid for superintendence of contract and to whom paid; also copies of correspondence between the Government and the contractor relative to relieving him of the contract in order that he might contest the County of *Victoria* for the vacant seat.

Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by Mr. *Pope* (*Queen's, P.E.I.*), and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return of correspondence with *John Baine*, *Angus Morrison*, and *Charles L. Campbell*, regarding their dismissal from office as seizing and landing officers at *Great Bras d'Or*, and the reasons for said dismissals;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Rouleau*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered), and is as followeth :—

*Dufferin.*

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, Estimates of sums required for the Service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1878; and in accordance with the provisions of the "*British North America Act, 1867*," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons. (*Sessional Papers, No. 2.*)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Ottawa, 16th February, 1877.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 19th February, 1877.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—List of Stockholders of *La Banque du Peuple*, on the 31st January, 1877, under the provisions of the Act 34 Vic., Cap. 5, Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers, No. 18.*)

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

By Mr. Thomson (*Welland*),—The Petition of the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*.

By Mr. Ross (*Middlesex*),—The Petition of the Municipal Corporation of the County of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. Archibald, —The Petition of the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company, Limited.

By Mr. Blain, —The Petition of the "*Globe*" Printing Company.

By Mr. Cameron, —The Petition of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Holiwell*, of the City of *Toronto*, in the County of *York*, Province of *Ontario*, wife of *Charles Edwin Holiwell*, of the City of *Quebec*, in the Province of *Quebec*, Army Stationer.

By Mr. Forbes, —The Petition of *M. J. Drew* and others, Coal owners and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion.

By Mr. Rochester, —The Petition of the *Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company*.

By Mr. McCarthy, —The Petition of *Walter Scott*, of the Village of *Nottawa*, in the Township of *Nottawasaga*, and County of *Simcoe*, Province of *Ontario*, Esquire.

By Mr. Trow, —The Petition of *Mary Jane Bates*, of the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Ontario*, married woman.

By Mr. Domville, —The Petition of *George McKean* and others.

By Mr. Campbell, —The Petition of *J. R. Noonan* and others; and the Petition of *Angus McIver* and others, Coal owners and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act to amend the Act known as "*The Northern Railway Act, 1875*," and to authorise the said Company to raise by way of Preference Capital or otherwise, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the financial engagements of the said Company, and for other purposes.

Of *William Patton* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*Dominion of Canada Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association*;"

Of *Joseph Harris McClellan*, of the Township of *Pickering*, County of *Ontario*, and Province of *Ontario*, Merchant; praying for the passing of an Act to vest in him the property and powers of the *Pickering Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company*.

Of the Metropolitan Bank; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to wind up its affairs by collecting and realizing its assets, providing for its liabilities, and for other purposes.

Of the *Montreal, Portland and Boston* Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the completion of their Railway, and for further amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *J. Barsalou* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *St. Lawrence and Pacific* Railway Ferry Company.

Of *Edward M. Hodder*, F.R.C.S., and others, of *Toronto*; of Messrs. *James Duncan* and Company and others, of *Charlottetown*; of *Patrick Trainor* and others, of *Souris*; and of *Donald Montgomery* and others, of *Georgetown, Prince Edward Island*, interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*; severally praying for further improvements to facilitate the navigation of the River *St. Lawrence*.

Of *J. H. Berow* and others; of *C. N. Cramer* and others; of *Charles W. Johnston* and others; and of *N. S. Whippal* and others, Captains of Steamers and Vessels employed in navigating the Dominion Canals; praying that the navigation upon the Canals during Sundays, especially in the night time, may not be suspended.

Of *Squire W. Hill*, Master of Dominion Grange and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry."

Of the *Saint Francis and Megantic* International Railway Company; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, and for power to change the name of the Company to that of the International Railway Company.

O the *Beaver and Toronto* Mutual Insurance Company; praying that the Act relating to Insurance Companies may be declared not to have applied or to apply to the said Company; or that they may be authorized to wind up its affairs.

Of *A. H. Moore* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Canada Beef and Butter* Company (Limited.)

Of the Provisional Directors of the *Canada Atlantic* Cable Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the works of the Company, and for further amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Bank of *British North America*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend and apply the provisions of section 56 of chapter 5, 34 *Victoria*, intituled: "An Act relating to Banks and Banking," to the said Bank.

The Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Detroit*; the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Chicago*; the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Oswego*; the Petition of the Produce Exchange of the City of *Toledo*; the Petition of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of *Milwaukee*; and the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Cleveland, United States*; severally praying for some mitigation of the evils attendant upon the detention of Steamers and Vessels with passengers, crews and cargoes upon the canals from Saturday nights until Monday mornings, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petitions be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That these Petitions could not be received, on the ground that Aliens, not resident in this Country, had no right to petition this Parliament, and that this House could not receive any Petitions from such persons."

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the Petition of *J. M. Grover*, and others, Provisional Directors of the *London and Canada* Bank, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation, and find them sufficient.

The time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire *to-day*, and Your Committee recommend that the same may be extended for ten days, and the time for receiving Private Bills, and Reports thereon, for a like period.

Mr. *Macdonald* (*Toronto*), from the Select Committee appointed to consider and report upon the desirability of using a Form of Prayer in this Chamber, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee are of the opinion that it is desirable that the business of the House should be opened, each day, by prayer to Almighty God to invoke His blessing upon its deliberations, and they submit to the consideration of your Honorable House, the following Form of Prayer as one suitable to be used on that occasion, viz:—

“O Lord our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth; Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favor to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lady Queen *Victoria*; and so replenish her with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that she may alway incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: Endue her plenteously with Heavenly gifts; grant her in health and wealth long to live; strengthen her that she may vanquish and overcome all her enemies; and finally, after this life, she may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ Our Lord.—*Amen.*”

“Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless *Albert Edward* Prince of *Wales*, the Princess of *Wales*, and all the Royal Family: Endue them with thy Holy spirit: enrich them with thy heavenly grace: prosper them with all happiness; and bring them to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ Our Lord.—*Amen.*”

“Most Gracious God, we humbly beseech Thee, as for the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, and Her Majesty's other Dominions in general, so especially for this Dominion, and herein more particularly for the Governor General, the Senate, and the House of Commons, in their legislative capacity at this time assembled; that Thou wouldst be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of thy glory, the safety, honor, and welfare of our Sovereign and Her Dominions; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavors, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations. These, and all other necessaries, for them, and for us, we humbly beg in the name, and through the mediation of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour.—*Amen.*”

“Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in Earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.—*Amen.*”

And Your Committee further recommend that the aforesaid Form of Prayer be read by Mr. Speaker, in the language most familiar to him.

Mr. *MacDonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee beg to recommend that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills (which will expire *to-day*) be extended for ten days,—and the time for receiving Private Bills and Reports thereon, for a like period.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Supplementary Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 27th March, 1876, for 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 Memorandums, and, Orders in Council, relating to the same. (*Sessional Papers, No. 26.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 29th March, 1876, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 32.*)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 7th April, 1876, for a statement of all salaries, fees and indemnity paid by the Harbor Commissioners of *Montreal*, to any member or employé of the said Harbor Commission, since 1872. (*Sessional Papers, No. 33.*)

Mr. *Vail*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th February, 1877, for a statement of the number of candidates that have come forward for admission to the Military College at *Kingston*; how many from each Province, distinguishing those of French origin from the others; how many have been so admitted, how many from each Province, distinguishing those of French origin from the others; also, a copy of the present regulations and a statement of the qualifications required of candidates for such admission. (*Sessional Papers, No. 34.*)

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, 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 such deposits. (*Sessional Papers, No. 35.*)

Ordered, That Mr. *Casey* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Burk* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *London and Canada Bank*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Landerkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, with reference to liabilities between Traders and non-Traders.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Domville*, have leave to bring in a Bill to grant additional powers to the *Springhill and Parrsborough Coal and Railway Company (Limited)*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald (Toronto)*, seconded by Mr. *Desjardins*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee

appointed to consider and report upon the desirability of using a Form of Prayer in this Chamber.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*,

*Ordered*, That the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, delivered to Mr. Speaker on Friday last, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, second by Mr. *Mills*,

*Ordered*, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended ten days; for receiving Private Bills and Reports thereon, for a like period.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bolduc* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brooks* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the *Saint Francis* and *Megantic* International Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of the Governor General's Secretary's Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Oliver* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Maitland* Marine Insurance Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as followeth:—

*Dufferin.*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:—*

I thank you for your loyal Address, and for the assurance it conveys, that the measures to be submitted to you will receive your earnest attention.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Ottawa, 17th February, 1877.

Mr. *Blain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Metcalf*, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Order of this House, that if at the hour of 11 o'clock, P.M., the business of the day be not concluded, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair, and The House shall stand adjourned until its next regular meeting, unless a majority of the Members present are in favor of making further progress with the public business, when a question with that object in view, shall be put by Mr. Speaker, without Debate; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Fleming*, seconded by Mr. *Paterson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return shewing the number of accidents to persons caught in "*Railway Frogs*"; the points where the accidents occurred, and the particulars connected therewith; for the five years ending 31st December, last.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario North)*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion, and of the late Province of *Canada*, and the Imperial Government, and all Orders in Council, and other papers, touching the extension of the Jurisdiction of the Court of Vice-Admiralty, to the Inland Waters of *Canada*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by Mr. *Baby*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which may have passed between the Government of *Canada* or any of its officers and *F. J. Bernard*, Esquire, Contractor for the Telegraph Lines in *British Columbia*, since the 26th May, 1875; also all Departmental Orders, or Orders in Council since the same date in relation to the construction or maintenance of the said Telegraph Lines; or in relation to the claims made by the said *F. J. Bernard*, in consequence of the orders given him on the 9th April, 1875, to stop work on the said Telegraph Line in *British Columbia*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, seconded by Mr. *Baby*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing each sum of money paid to *F. J. Bernard*, Esquire, Contractor for the Telegraph Line in *British Columbia*, since the 10th February, 1875; also stating why each sum of money was so paid and giving the estimates, vouchers, Reports and Orders in virtue of which each such sum was so paid.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all papers, correspondence or telegrams relating to, or in connection with Coal alleged to be detained, forfeited or misappropriated; and showing by whose authority such Coal, if any, was detained, forfeited or misappropriated; and whether such action has been ratified and approved by the Inspector of Government Railways, or by the Government.

On motion of Mr. *Archibald*, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return, setting forth, as nearly

as the officers of the Government can do so, the amount of the revenue, paid by each Province of the Dominion, and the expenditures made therein on Dominion account during the past five years—namely 1872, '73, '74, '75 and '76 respectively; the return to show, further, the contributions and receipts *per capita* in each Province to and from the Public Exchequer.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence or papers in the possession of the Government relating to the improvement of the Harbour at the mouth of *Partridge Island River*; also, all papers or correspondence, relating to the repair and protection of the Pier at *Partridge Island*.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Prospectus issued by the Honorable Minister of Finance in *London* for the last Loan; a Statement of the time allowed for the reception of Tenders and the period when the reception of Tenders was closed, with the several amounts offered by parties tendering, and the amounts allotted to them respectively.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of the correspondence regarding the Postmaster at *Great Bras d'Or*, and the reason why *McLeod* did not get the office after he was appointed, and had given sufficient bonds to the Department; also the name of the present Postmaster, and the names of the securities.

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, seconded by Mr. *Brouse*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all convictions for capital offences between the first of July, 1877, and the 31st December, 1876; shewing the name of the convicts, the nature of the crime, the action of the Executive, and the date of such action.

On motion of Mr. *Ryan*, seconded by Mr. *Schultz*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all papers and correspondence, relating to the distribution of Half-breed Lands in the Province of *Manitoba*.

On motion of Mr. *Pope* (*Queen's, P.E.I.*), seconded by Mr. *Bowell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all Reports in possession of the Department of Public Works, in connection with the *Victoria Breakwater*, *Wood Islands*, *Prince Edward Island*; also all correspondence relating to the same, received from the Government of *Prince Edward Island*, or any members of the Local Legislature there.

On motion of Mr. *McCarthy*, seconded by Mr. *Robinson*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of the advertisement or notice issued calling for tenders for the performance of the Mail Service for the Season of 1876, on Lakes *Huron* and *Superior* between the ports on *Lake Huron* and the *Georgian Bay* and *Prince Arthur's Landing, Duluth, &c.*; the tender or tenders received in response; any correspondence in relation thereto; the Order or Orders in Council (if any) passed as to the matter; and the contract entered into for such service.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Pope* (*Queens, P.E.I.*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return giving a Statement of all amounts paid to this date in connection with the purchase of 50,000 tons of Steel Rails, fastenings, &c., for the *Pacific Railway*, with the dates of such payments, and to

whom paid, including all charges and commissions upon the same prior to their delivery in *Canada*; and all sums still remaining unpaid on account of such purchase.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Pope*, (*Queens, P.E.I.*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the amounts paid for printing and stationery for the Post Office Department during the year 1875 and 1876 respectively, other than to the Parliamentary Printer and Contractor at *Ottawa*; said Return to specify the Province in which said work was done; the nature of the work done; the name or names of the person or persons who performed such work, whether by contract or otherwise; and the name or names of the party or parties who received payment and gave receipts therefor.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Pope* (*Queens, P.E.I.*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a detailed statement of the expenses during the years 1874, 1875 and 1876, in advertising on behalf of the Government or any public service in the public journals of the Dominion, the amount paid each journal respectively, and the purpose for which such money was paid; also the amount paid in subscriptions, for what papers paid and whether such papers were ordered for the use of the Public Departments for circulation in Europe, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. *Béchar*d, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a clear and complete statement of the property and business (assets, liabilities), of a Company bearing the name of "*Le Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*," incorporated under Chapter 102 of the Statutes of *Canada*, 36 *Victoria*, (1873), and in particular,—

1. The amount of the subscribed Capital.
2. The amount of this Capital paid in.
3. The amount of Bonds in circulation.
4. The amount invested and secured by hypothecs.
5. The value of the real property hypothecated.
6. The amount of capital held as deposits from the time when the Company commenced business up to the 1st January last (1877.)

The said statement not to include the assets, debts, rights, actions, privileges, and hypothecs which the said "*Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*," may have acquired from any Building Society or Societies, established under Chapter 69 of the Consolidated Statutes of Lower *Canada*, or resulting from any union or amalgamation between the said "*Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*," and any Company or Companies established under the last cited Act.

A separate and distinct, clear and complete statement of the property and business (assets and liabilities), of any such Company or Companies, so acquired and possessed by the said *Crédit Foncier*, to be made in like manner, in the form and manner first above mentioned up to the 1st January last (1877.)

Further, copies of the various statements duly made and certified by the said "*Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*" since it commenced business, up to the 1st January last.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Orton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wallace* (*Norfolk*), That the evidence obtained by the Agricultural Committee, and reported to this House last Session, oral as well as written, be printed in blue book form, in the same manner as the Report of the Committee on Depression of Trade;—The said Motion was, as per a Rule of the House, submitted to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Rouleau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Blanchet*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of all letters, correspondence, telegrams, etc., asking, or having reference to the appointment of *Thomas Jacques Taschereau*, Esq., as Returning Officer for the Electoral Division of *Dorchester*, at the Election held in the month of December, 1875; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Costigan*, seconded by Mr. *Farrow*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the names, offices, salaries, present residences, dates of appointments, and national origin of all officers appointed to the Civil Service of the Dominion, since the date of the last Return on the same subject.

Mr. *Ryan* moved, seconded by Mr. *Schultz*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return of cases disposed of, under the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in *Manitoba*; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Forbes*, seconded by Mr. *Goudge*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the number of Commissioners for Indian Grants in *Nova Scotia*; the Counties over which each presides; the amount annually placed in the hands of each District Commissioner in the Province of *Nova Scotia*; the amount distributed in each County; also, the names of the Commissioners who have made returns to the Government.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Tuesday, 20th February, 1877.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—  
 By Mr. *Gillies*,—The Petition of the Corporation of the Town of *Kincardine*, County of *Bruce*.  
 By Mr. *Jones* (*Halifax*),—The Petition of the Union Marine Insurance Company of *Nova Scotia*; and the Petition of the Honorable *T. D. Archibald*, Senator, and others, interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion.  
 By Mr. *Jetté*,—The Petition of *La Banque Jacques Cartier*.  
 By Mr. *Hagar*,—The Petition of the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal Railway Company*.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th April, 1876, for a Statement, 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. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 36.)

And also,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 22nd March, 1876, 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 John, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions and find them sufficient, *viz* :—Of the Northern Railway Company, for the passing of an Act to amend the Act known as the Northern Railway Act of 1875, and to authorize the said Company to raise by way of Preference Capital, and authorize such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the financial engagements of the said Company, and for other purposes ;—Of Squire *W. Hill*, Master of Dominion Grange, and others, for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry ;—Of *William Patton*, and others, for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the “ Dominion of Canada Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association ” ; and of the *Montreal, Boston and Portland* Railway Company, for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the completion of their Railway, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation.

Your Committee recommend that the Notice be considered sufficient on the following Petitions, *viz* :—Of the Provisional Directors of the *Canada Atlantic Cable* Company, for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the works of the Company, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation ;—Of the Beaver and *Toronto* Mutual Insurance Company, that the Act relating to Insurance Companies may be declared not to have applied, or to apply, to the said Company, or that they may be authorized to wind up its affairs ;—Of *Joseph Harris McClellan*, of the Township of *Pickering*, County of *Ontario*, and Province of *Ontario*, Merchant, for the passing of an Act to vest in him the property and power of the *Pickering* Harbor and Road Joint Stock Company ; and of the Bank of *British North America*, for the passing of an Act to extend and apply the provisions of Section 56 of Chapter 5, 34 *Victoria*, intituled : “ An Act relating to Banks and Banking,” to the said Bank.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, for 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 amounts previously paid for the same service. (*Sessional Papers, No. 38.*)

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wood* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the “ Dominion of *Canada* Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association.”

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Baby* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the several Acts incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston* Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Ordered*, That Messieurs *Ouimet* and *Sinclair* be added to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *White (Rensfrew)* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the

Insolvent Act of 1875, and to make the said Act operative within the Temporary Judicial District of *Nipissing*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bowell* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Beaver and *Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. *Brooks*, seconded by Mr. *Wallace (Albert)*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of this House, of yesterday, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the *Saint Francis and Mégantic International Railway Company*, be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for the Prospectus issued by the Honorable Minister of Finance in *London* for the last Loan; a Statement of the time allowed for the reception of tenders, and the period when the reception of tenders was closed, with the several amounts offered by parties tendering, and the amounts allotted to them respectively. (*Sessional Papers, No. 39.*)

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fraser* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of Section fifty-six of the Act thirty-fourth *Victoria*, Chapter five, intituled: "An Act relating to Banks and Banking," to the Bank of *British North America*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mills* have leave to bring in a Bill to make better provision respecting the Geological and Natural History Survey of *Canada*, and for the maintenance of the Museum in connection therewith.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th February, 1877, for a Statement shewing the general nature and value of all Manufactured Goods imported into *Canada* from the *United States* in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876, and stating the dates from which such Returns are begun and ended of said years respectively. (*Sessional Papers, No. 40.*)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 6th March, 1876, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 41.*)

Mr. *Vail*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, 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 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 8.*)

And also, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report on the state of the Militia of the Dominion of *Canada*, for the year 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 7.*)

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 3rd April, 1876, 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*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 14.)

Mr. *Oliver* reported from the Committee of Supply; a Resolution, which was read as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of the Governor General's Secretary's Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House,—Statement of Receipts and Payments on account of the Consolidated Fund, from 1st July, 1876, to 10th February, 1877, as followeth:—

## RECEIPTS :

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Customs.....       | \$7,082,227 78  |
| Excise.....        | 3,072,705 87    |
| Post Office.....   | 567,272 67      |
| Public Works.....  | 1,120,360 97    |
| Miscellaneous..... | 651,712 00      |
|                    | <hr/>           |
|                    | \$12,494,279 29 |

## PAYMENTS:

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Consolidated Fund..... | \$13,445,688 57 |
|------------------------|-----------------|

N.B.—The sum of \$1,007,297.19 has been paid more this year than as the corresponding period of last year, on account of Interest on Public Debt, and \$243,038.89 on account of Sinking Fund.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee of Ways and Means;

And the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 21st February, 1877.

And the Question being put,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*,—That in lieu and stead of the duties of Excise imposed on the articles herein mentioned by the Act respecting the Inland Revenue (31 *Victoria*, Cap. 8) it is expedient that the following duties of Excise be imposed and collected:—

1. On every pound of Malt, two cents.

2. On every gallon of any fermented beverage made in imitation of beer or malt liquor and brewed in whole or in part from any other substance than malt, eight cents.

3. Provided that Brewers using sugar in the manufacture of beer, and paying the above mentioned duty on the beer made therewith, may receive a drawback equal to the duty paid by them on the malt used with such sugar in making such beer.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Cap. 44, and other Acts amending the same and the Tariff of Duties of Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Acts:—

3. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, of the said Act, 31 *Victoria*, Cap. 44, as imposes any Specific Duty of Customs on any of the goods or articles hereafter mentioned, and to substitute therefor the following Duties of Customs, viz:—

- On Cigars, including Cigarettes.... 50 cents per lb., and 20 per centum *ad valorem*.
- On Tea—Green or Japan.....per lb., 6 cents.
- On Tea—Black..... “ 5 cents.
- On Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits when in flasks or bottles not weighing more than 4 oz.....25 per centum *ad valorem*.
- On Malt.....per lb. 2½ cents.
- On Oils, viz.:—Coal and Kerosene, distilled, purified and refined, Naphtha, Benzole and refined Petroleum, Products of Petroleum, Coal, Shale and Lignite, not otherwise specified, and Crude Petroleum, per wine gallon.....6 cents.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that so much of Schedule B of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Cap. 44, or any Act amending it, as imposes any Duties of Customs upon Ale, Beer and Porter, be repealed, and that the following specific duties be imposed and collected thereon, viz:—

- On Ale, Beer and Porter, when imported in bottle (6 quart and 12 pint bottles to be held to contain an Imperial Gallon) per Imperial gallon.....18 cents.
- On Ale, Beer and Porter, when imported otherwise than in bottle, per Imperial gallon.....12 cents.

5. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that so much of the Act 37 *Victoria*, Cap. 6, or any Act amending it as imposes a duty of ten per centum upon the following goods, viz:—

- Cotton Thread, in hanks, colored and unfinished, Nos. 3 and 4 ply—White—not under No. 20 yarn ;
- Cotton Warp, not coarser than No. 40 ;
- Cotton Thread on spools ;
- Machine Twist and Silk Twist ;
- Linen Machine Thread ;

be repealed, and the said goods be held to be and dealt with as non-enumerated articles, subject to a duty of Customs of 17½ per centum *ad valorem*.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient, that so much of Schedule C. of the said Act 31 *Victoria*, c. 44, or any Act amending it, or any Order in Council as admits the following goods for entry free of duty, viz:—

Tubes and Piping, of brass, copper or iron, drawn.

Cotton Thread, in hanks, colored and unfinished, No. 6 ply—White, not under No. 20 yarn, be repealed; and that the following duties of Customs be imposed and collected on the same, viz:—

On Tubes and Piping, of brass, copper or iron, drawn, 17½ per centum *ad valorem*.

On Cotton Thread, in hanks, colored and unfinished, No. 6 ply—White—not under No. 20 yarn. 10 per centum *ad valorem*.

7. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that so much of the Act 37 *Victoria*, cap. 6, as imposes a specific duty of Customs on wines be amended by adding thereto the following provision: In computing the worth of all wines there shall be included the cost of bottling, corking, wiring, labelling, and of the materials used therein, and all other expenses incurred prior to actual shipment, except the cost of bottles and packages which shall remain subject to the duty of 17½ per centum *ad valorem*, provided by the next following Resolution.

8. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient so much of any Act or Schedule as aforesaid, as imposes any duty of Customs on non-enumerated goods and packages be repealed, and the following provisions substituted therefor, that is to say:—

The value of all Bottles, Flasks, Jars, Demijohns, Carboys, Casks, Hogsheads, Pipes, Barrels, and all other vessels or packages manufactured of Tin, Iron, Lead,

Zinc, Glass or any other material, and capable of holding liquids; Crates containing Glass, China, Crockery or Earthenware, and all packages in which goods are commonly placed for Home Consumption, including cases in which bottled Spirits, Wines or Malt Liquors are contained, and every package, being the first receptacle or covering enclosing goods for purposes of sale, shall, in all cases in which they contain goods subject to an *ad valorem* duty be taken and held to be a part of the fair market value of such goods for duty, and when they contain goods subject to specific duty, only such packages shall be charged with a duty of Customs of 17½ per cent *ad valorem* to be computed upon their original cost or value; and all goods not enumerated in this said Act or any other Act as charged with any duty of Customs, and not declared free of duty by some unrepealed Act or provision, shall be charged with a duty of Customs of seventeen and one half per cent *ad valorem*, when imported into *Canada* or taken out of Warehouse for consumption therein; but all packages not herein before specified, and not specially charged with duty by any unrepealed Act, and being the usual and ordinary packages in which goods are packed for exportation, according to the general usage and custom of trade shall be free of duty.

9. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal the Act of 31st *Vic.*, cap 50, intituled: “An Act to impose certain duties on Spirits and Petroleum.”

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House this day.

Mr. *Oliver* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again,

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:

The Senate acquaint this House, That they have appointed the Honorable Messieurs *Aikins, Bellerose, Bureau, Carrall, Cochrane, Fabre, Ferrier, Haythorne, McLelan (Londonderry), Macfarlane, Penny, Reesor, Scott, Simpson and Wark*, a Committee to superintend the printing of their House during the present Session, and they are instructed to act on behalf of their House with the Committee of this House as a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of Parliament.

And also, the Senate acquaint this House, That they have appointed the Honorable Messieurs *Alexander, Allan, Baillargeon, Bourinot, Chapais, Cornwall, Fabre, Ferguson, Haythorne, Miller, Montgomery, Reesor, Ryan, Trudel, Wilmot and Stevens*, a Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of their House are concerned, and to act on behalf of their House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

And then The House, having continued to sit till One of the Clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Wednesday, 21st February, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of *T. J. Lamontagne* and others; the Petition of *R. E. Tremaine* and others of *Baddeck*; the Petition of *W. J. Foster* and others; and

the Petition of Messrs. *Le Boutillier & Co.*, Merchants, and others, of the County of *Bonaventure*.

By Mr. *Boyer*,—The Petition of *Moise Houde*, M.P.P., and others, of *Rivière du Loup*, County of *Maskinongé*.

By Mr. *Jetté*,—The Petition of *Edward A. Prentice* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Workman*,—The Petition of the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company; and the Petition of *Andrew Robertson* and others, interested in the carrying trade of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Brouse*,—The Petition of *John Stewart*.

By Mr. *Devlin*,—The Petition of the *Montreal* Loan and Mortgage Company.

By Mr. *Robinson*,—The Petition of *E. J. Hicks* and others, of the Province of *Ontario*.

By Mr. *MacKay* (*Cape Breton*),—The Petition of *A. Belloni* and others; and the Petition of *B. Archibald* and others, Coal owners and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion.

By Mr. *Currier*,—The Petition of the Union Forwarding and Railway Company.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :

Of the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of certain works authorized by their Act of Incorporation.

Of the *British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)*; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the *Globe Printing Company*; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation; and also for power to increase their capital stock.

Of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Holiwell*, of the City of *Toronto*, in the County of *York*, Province of *Ontario*, wife of *Charles Edwin Holiwell*, of the City of *Quebec*, in the Province of *Quebec*, Army Stationer; praying for the passing of an Act to declare her marriage with *Charles Edwin Holiwell* to be dissolved, and that she be divorced from him.

Of *M. J. Drew* and others; of *J. R. Noonan* and others; and of *Angus McIver* and others, Coal owners, and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion; severally praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian Coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all Coal sent to the *United States*; or that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all Coal imported into the Dominion.

Of the *Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company*; praying for the passing of an Act declaring the interpretation of certain words in their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Walter Scott*, of the Village of *Nottawa*, in the Township of *Nottawasaga*, and County of *Simcoe*, Province of *Ontario*, Esquire; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Mary Jane Rowed* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Of *Mary Jane Bates*, of the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Ontario*, married woman; praying for the passing of an Act to declare her marriage with *Norman Adna Bates* to be dissolved, and that she be divorced from him.

Of *George McKean* and others; praying for certain Amendments to the Act incorporating the *Canada Mutual Marine Insurance Company*.

The Petition of the Municipal Corporation of the County of *Middlesex*, presented on Monday last, praying for an appropriation of money for improving communication with the Indian Reserves in the said County, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That as the granting of the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Mills*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Department of the Interior, for the year ending 30th June, 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 11.)

Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Committee recommend that their Quorum be reduced to seven members.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 3rd April, 1876, for copies of the Contract for the Iron Roof of the Station House, to be erected at *Halifax*; together with tenders for the same. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, for copies of all tenders received for the erection of a 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. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 29th March, 1876, 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 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. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 42.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Macdonald* (*Toronto*) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of Incorporation of the *London and Ontario Investment Company* (Limited.)

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hall* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Cap. 50, respecting Permanent Building Societies in *Ontario*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Rymal* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the "Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend to the Province of *Prince Edward Island*, certain Criminal Laws now in force in other Provinces of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Farrow*, seconded by Mr. *Macmillan*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council passed having reference to the *Goderich Harbour Works* in 1874, together with a copy of the notice or advertisement calling for tenders for such work;

the tenders received in response, and all correspondence and Reports in relation thereto, with the contract entered into for the performance of such work.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario North*),

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council authorizing or relating to the construction of the *Fort Francis* Locks or Canal; all papers, correspondence, instructions to Engineers and reports of Engineers and others pointing out the advantage to be gained from this Public Work, and giving an estimate of its cost and of the cost of the entire works, necessary to attain the object for which it is proposed to build the Canal.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Casey*, seconded by Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of both the inside and outside Divisions of the Civil Service by Departments shewing:—

A.—1st. Number of Employés in each division and in the whole service, arranged according to classes in both divisions where practicable or according to grades of Office in outside service where no other classification has been established, giving the number in each class, or grade.

2nd. Total salary paid in each division and in the whole service during financial year, shewing also,

(a)—Total paid in each class or grade during current year.

(b)—Maximum, minimum and average salaries payable in each class or grade, with statement of annual increments or bonuses allowed, and hours of work.

3rd. Maximum, minimum and average age of Employés in each class or grade of both divisions; shewing also,

(a)—Number of Employés in each class or grade,

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| Over 18 and under 20 years of age. |   |    |   |
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(b)—Average age of Employés at time of appointment in each class or grade of both divisions, and in whole service.

(c)—Average age of retirement from service since Confederation.

B.—1st. Number in each class or grade and total who entered service before the establishment of Civil Service examinations.

2nd. Number appointed to each class or grade in both divisions in each year since Confederation, and totals for the whole period by classes and Departments, and in whole service.

(a)—As possessing special qualifications, but who were submitted to no general or special examination to test such qualifications.

(b)—Not on the ground of special qualifications but who were submitted to no general or special examination.

(c)—After undergoing a general or special examination noting which class of examination has been submitted to, and distinguishing the number who passed from the number who failed to pass but were nevertheless appointed or continued in appointments, and also the number examined and rejected.

(d)—Number of Cases in which examination preceded appointment and *vice versa*.

C.—1st. Regulations respecting ordinary and special examinations and appointments made under the system of examinations.

2nd. Such other regulations for the management of the service as are not established by Statute.

3rd. Copies of questions used at last general and special examinations, prior to 1st January, 1877; with Statement of what degree of proficiency was required of candidates.

4th. List of successful candidates, shewing percentage of marks obtained.

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, seconded by Mr. *Haggart*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns, in detail, of all expenses incurred and moneys expended in the payment of Engineers, Surveyors and others, for services rendered, as well as for horse hire, etc., in connection with the surveys of the North Branch of the River *Sydenham*, from the forks at *Wallaceourgh* to the Village of *Wilkesport*, in the year 1876.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Brouse*, *Holton*, *Tupper*, *Blanchet*, *Pope* (*Compton*), *Dymond*, *Landerkin*, *Forbes*, *Christie* and *Kerr*, be appointed to examine and report upon the subject of Vital Statistics and public health; with power to send for persons and papers.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 22nd February 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Lists of Stockholders of the Bank of *Montreal*, on the 8th February, 1877; of the Bank of *Ottawa*, on the 31st December, 1876; of the Federal Bank of *Canada*, on the 20th February, 1877; of the *Stadacona* Bank, on the 8th February, 1877; and of the Merchants Bank of *Canada*, on the 31st December, 1876, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vic.*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

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

By Mr. *Wallace* (*Albert*),—The Petition of the *Albert* Railway Company of *Albert* County, Province of *New Brunswick*, heretofore incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the Province of *New Brunswick*.

By Mr. *MacDonnell* (*Inverness*),—The Petition of *Elias Tower*, and others interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*.

By Mr. *Tupper*,—The Petition of *C. J. Stewart*, and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion.

By Mr. *Currier*,—The Petition of *Hugh Mathewson*, President and others, Directors and Stockholders of the *Coteau* and Province *Lire* Railway and Bridge Company and others, interested in the construction and completion of the same.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Corporation of the Town of *Kincardine*, County of *Bruce*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to collect dues at the Harbor in the said Town of *Kincardine*.

Of the Union Marine Insurance Company, of *Nova Scotia*, heretofore incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the Province of *Nova Scotia*; praying that they may be incorporated by Act of the Parliament of *Canada*.

Of the Honorable *T. D. Archibald*, Senator, and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion; praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all coal sent to the *United States*, or that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all coal imported into the Dominion.

Of *La Banque Jacques Cartier*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to reduce their Capital Stock, to amalgamate with another or other Banks, and for other purposes.

Of the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal Railway Company*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of that portion of their Railway lying between *West Hawkesbury* and the City of *Ottawa*.

*Mr. Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for a Statement of all convictions for capital offences between the 1st July, 1867, and the 31st December, 1876; showing the name of the convicts, the nature of the crime, the action of the Executive, and the date of such action. (*Sessional Papers, No. 43.*)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 15th February, 1877, for Copies of the Petitions of *T. D. Latour* and others, dated the 5th June, 1874, and the 2nd November, 1875, presented to the Government, concerning the Hon. Mr. Justice *Loranger*, and of all correspondence relating thereto. (*Sessional Papers, No. 44.*)

*Mr. Ross (Middlesex)*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Committee carefully considered the following documents, and recommend that they be printed, *viz* :—

*Statement* of payments charged to unforeseen expenses under Orders in Council from 1st July, 1876, to date. (*For distribution only.*)

*Statement* of allowances and gratuities under the Act 33 *Vict.*, cap. 4, "For the better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases." (*For Members only, and Sessional Papers.*)

*Return and Supplementary Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of *Quebec*, relating to the Jesuits Barracks in the City of *Quebec*, &c. (*Sessional Papers only.*)

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of *Quebec*, relating to the 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. (*Sessional Papers only.*)

*Return to an Order of the House of Commons*,—Return showing the general nature and value of all Manufactured goods imported into *Canada* from the *United States* in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876, &c.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, *viz* :—

*Baptisms, Marriages and Burials* in certain Districts, &c.

*Official Return* of the Distribution of the Dominion Statutes of *Canada*.

*Statement* of Expenditure to date on account of *New South Wales Exhibition*, under authority of Special Warrant of His Excellency the Governor General, dated 21st December, 1876, for \$25,000.

*Return to Address*,—Number of suits instituted before Supreme Court, and the number of Judgments rendered.

*Statement of Bonds and Securities* registered in the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada, dated 16th February, 1877.

*Return of the number of Candidates*, that have come forward for admission to the Military College at Kingston, how many from each Province, &c.

*Return to an Order of The House of Commons*,—Statement of all moneys lying at the credit of the Dominion in any Bank, or in the hands of any Financial Agent, &c., &c.

*Return to an Order of the House of Commons*, of all expenditure incurred in dredging a Channel at the entrance to the *Chenal Ecarté*, into Lake *St. Clair*, &c.

*Return to an Order of The House of Commons*,—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 *St. John, New Brunswick*, &c.

*Return to an Order of The House of Commons*, for Copy of Contract recently made for the Conveyance of the Mail between *Wallace and Malagash*, in the County of *Cumberland*, with the tenders received therefor, &c., &c.

*Mr. Smith (Westmoreland)*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented, — Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th February, 1877, for all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government or any Steamship Company or private individual, touching the qualifications of Surgeons on British Steamers, or other passenger ships sailing to, or from British Ports. (*Sessional Papers, No. 45.*)

On motion of *Mr. Holton*, seconded by *Mr. Béchard*,

*Ordered*, That the Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 15th February instant, and laid before the House this Day, for copies of the Petition of *T. D. Latour* and others, dated the 5th June, 1874, and the 2nd November, 1875, presented to the Government, concerning the *Hon. Mr. Justice Loranger*, and all correspondence relating thereto, be referred to the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the administration of Justice in the District of *Richelieu*, in the Province of *Quebec*.

On motion of *Mr. Young*, seconded by *Mr. Workman*,

*Ordered*, That the Public Accounts of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1876; as also the Supplementary statement of Income and Expenditure during the current year, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Thomson (Welland)* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Gibbs (Ontario South)* have leave to bring in a Bill to vest the property and powers of the *Pickering Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company* in *Joseph Harris McClellan*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of *Mr. Ross (Middlesex)*, seconded by *Mr. Oliver*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the First and Second Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Offences against the Person.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Procedure and Evidence in Criminal cases;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Irving*, *Mousseau*, *Laurier*, *Cameron*, *Appleby*, *Guthrie*, *Brooks*, *McIsaac* and *McCarthy*, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Friday last, proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the correspondence with *John Baine*, *Angus Morrison*, and *Charles L. Campbell*, regarding their dismissals from office as Seizing and Landing Officers at *Great Bras d'Or*, and the reasons for said dismissals;

And the Question being again proposed;

Mr. *Plumb* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Caron*, That the words "together with any Reports or Letters of the Inspector of Customs, relating to the said dismissals; or any other correspondence on this subject;" be added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the correspondence with *John Baine*, *Angus Morrison* and *Charles L. Campbell*, regarding their dismissals from office as Seizing and Landing Officers at *Great Bras d'Or*, and the reasons for said dismissals; together with any Reports or Letters of the Inspector of Customs relating to said dismissals, or any other correspondence on this subject.

And then The House-adjourned till To-morrow.

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Friday, 23rd February, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Power*,—The Petition of *Francis Munro* and others, of *Portuguese Cove*, County of *Halifax*.

By Mr. *Kirkpatrick*,—The Petition of *John Fiske* and others, Stockholders of the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Macmillan*,—The Petition of the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of *Canada*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received: Of *T. J. Lamontagne*, and others; of *R. E. Tremaine*, and others; and of *W. J. Foster* and others, interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*; severally praying for further improvements to facilitate the navigation of the River *St. Lawrence*.

Of Messrs. *LeBoutillier* and Company, Merchants, and others, of the County of *Bonaventure*; praying for the construction of a Telegraph line from *Point au Esquimaux*, in the Seigniorship of *Mingan*, to *Quebec*, connecting the same by cable with the Island of *Anticosti*.

Of *Moise Houde*, M.P.P., and others, of *Rivière du Loup*, County of *Maskinongé*; praying for an Amendment to their Act of Incorporation, so as to permit the reconstruction of the bridge, without draw or swing, over *Rivière du Loup*.

Of *Edward A. Prentice* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Union Cable Company, for the purpose of establishing Telegraphic communication between the Dominion of *Canada* and the *United Kingdom*.

Of the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to reduce their capital stock, and for other purposes.

Of *Andrew Roberston* and others, interested in the carrying trade of *Canada*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Canada Traffic Company*.

Of *John Stewart*; praying that enquiry may be made as to the refusal of the Court of Queen's Bench to send a Judge to *Kingston* to try his Petition against the return of the Right Honourable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, K.C.B., on the 22nd July, 1875, and in the event of a reason being assigned in accordance with the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874, for such refusal, that the said Act may be amended.

Of the *Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company*; praying for the passing of an Act granting them an extension of powers.

Of *E. J. Hicks* and others, of the Province of *Ontario*; praying that the Temperance Act of 1864, known as the *Dunkin Act*, may be so amended as to enable the Ratepayers to vote by ballot.

Of *A. Belloni* and others; and of *B. Archibald* and others, coal owners and others, interested in the coal trade and shipping interests of the Dominion; severally praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all coal sent to the *United States*; or that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all coal imported into the Dominion.

Of the *Union Forwarding and Railway Company*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to reduce their capital stock.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th February, 1877, for copies of all Orders in Council and all instructions or orders from the Department of Public Works, relating to the destruction by force, last July, of the Dam called the Dominion Dam, on *Devil Lake*, in the County of *Addington*, and for copies of all Reports made by Engineers or any Engineer or Employé of the Government, and of all correspondence relating to the said Dam, its destruction or reconstruction. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 46.)

Also,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for copies of all Reports in possession of the Department of Public Works, in connection with the *Victoria Breakwater*, *Wood Islands*, *Prince Edward Island*; also all correspondence relating to the same, received from the Government of *Prince Edward Island*, or any members of the Local Legislature there. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 47.)

Also,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd March, 1876, 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. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 48.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, 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 person on the subject of special rates since the 1st day of January, 1872, to the 1st day of January, 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 49.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, for Copies of all papers and correspondence in connection with payments made to *J. E. B. McCready* and others, in *King's County*, for damage sustained from the Intercolonial Railroad, from fire and other causes. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, for a statement of the quantity of old Rails now on hand and in 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 50.*)

*Mr. Mills*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for a Return of the number of Commissioners for Indian Grants in *Nova Scotia*; the Counties over which each presides; the amount annually placed in the hands of each District Commissioner in the Province of *Nova Scotia*; the amount distributed in each County; also, the names of the Commissioners who have made Returns to the Government. (*Sessional Papers, No. 51.*)

*Mr. Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, *viz.*:—Of the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*, for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of certain works authorized by their Act of incorporation;—Of the *British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)*, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation;—Of the *Globe Printing Company*, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation, and also for power to increase their Capital Stock;—Of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Holwell*, of the City of *Toronto*, in the County of *York*, Province of *Ontario*, wife of *Charles Edwin Holwell*, of the City of *Quebec*, in the Province of *Quebec*, Army Stationer, for an Act to declare her marriage with the said *Charles Edwin Holwell* to be dissolved, and that she be divorced from him;—Of *Walter Scott*, of the Village of *Nottawa*, in the Township of *Nottawasaga*, and County of *Simcoe*, in the Province of *Ontario*, Esquire, for an Act to declare his marriage with *Mary Jane Rowed* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her;—Of *Mary Jane Bates*, of the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Perth*, in the Province of *Ontario*, married woman, for an Act to declare her marriage with *Norman Adna Bates* to be dissolved, and that she be divorced from him;—Of *George McKean* and others, for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the *Canada Mutual Marine Insurance Company*;—Of *La Banque Jacques Cartier*, for an Act to empower them to reduce their Capital Stock, to amalgamate with another or other Banks; and for other purposes;—Of the *Union Marine Insurance Company of Nova Scotia*, heretofore incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the Province of *Nova Scotia*, praying that they may be incorporated by an Act of the Parliament of *Canada*;—Of *J. B. Rivtot*, President, and others, Directors of the *St. Jacques Building Society*, for the passing of an Act to extend their corporate powers;—Of the *National Investment Company of Canada (Limited)*, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation;—Of the *Saint Francis and Megantic International Railway Company*, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation, and for power to change the name of the Company to that of the *International Railway Company*;

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—Of the Metropolitan Bank, for an Act empowering them to wind up its affairs, by collecting and realizing its assets, providing for its liabilities, and for other purposes ;  
—Of the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal* Railway Company, for an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of that portion of their Railway lying between *West Hawkesbury* and the City of *Ottawa* ; and of the *Ottawa* Agricultural Insurance Company, for the passing of an Act declaring the interpretation of certain words in their Act of incorporation.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thomson (Welland)* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Young* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act passed in the 39th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the " British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jones (Halifax)* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Union Marine Insurance Company of *Halifax, Nova Scotia*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Workman* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize and provide for the winding up of the Metropolitan Bank.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jetté* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting "*La Banque Jacques Cartier*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jetté* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "*La Société de Construction St. Jacques*" as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brooks* have leave to bring in a Bill to change the name of the *St. Francis and Megantic* International Railway Company to the International Railway Company, and for other purposes."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rochester* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate " The *Ottawa* Agricultural Insurance Company."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hagar* have leave to bring in a Bill concerning the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal* Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, seconded by Mr. *Vail*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to amend the "Act respecting the Inland Revenue" and to provide for the imposition of a license duty of fifty dollars on each importer or manufacturer (not a manufacturer of beer, wash or spirits, or a rectifier of spirits) of stills, worms, fermenting tuns or other apparatus suitable for the manufacture of beer, wash or spirits.

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, seconded by Mr. *Vail*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to amend the "Act to impose License dues on Compounders of Spirits, to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs."

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, seconded by Mr. *Vail*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient further to amend the "Act to provide for the inspection of Gas and Gas Meters."

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to amend the eighth section of the Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign intituled: "*An Act to amend the Act thirty-sixth Victoria, chapter thirty-one, for the re-adjustment of the salaries of Judges, and for other purposes*" by striking out the words "for fifteen years" in the said section contained, and substituting therefor the words "for ten years."

2. That it is expedient to provide that the said amendment shall extend to the application of the amended section to the County Court Judges in *Nova Scotia*, by virtue of the second section of the Act passed in the thirty-ninth year of Her Majesty's reign intituled: "*An Act to provide for the salaries of the County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia and for other purposes.*"

Mr. *Oliver* reported from the Committee of the Whole House to consider a certain proposed Resolution affirming the expediency of amending and consolidating, as amended, the several Acts respecting Life Insurance; a Resolution which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend and consolidate, as amended, the several Acts respecting Life Insurance; repealing for that purpose the unrepealed portions of the Acts of *Canada*, 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 48—34 *Victoria*, Chapter 9—37 *Victoria*, Chapter 48—38 *Victoria*, Chapter 21—part of the 23rd Section of 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 20—and Chapter 52 of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper *Canada*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cartwright* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Queen's Privy Council, for the year ending 30th June, 1878

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Justice, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Justice, Penitentiary Branch, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Militia and Defence, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Secretary of State for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-two thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Minister of the Interior, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Receiver-General, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Finance, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Customs, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Inland Revenue, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand eight hundred and eighty-four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-five thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Post Office Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand two hundred and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Treasury Board Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Departmental Contingencies, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Stationery Office, for Stationery, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the possible amount required for new appointments, by an extension of the Staff, or any other change, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with the Administration of Justice: Miscellaneous Justice, \$10,000; Miscellaneous Justice, North-West Territories, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be

granted to Her Majesty, to defray travelling expenses of Stipendiary Magistrates in North-West Territories, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Circuit Allowances, *British Columbia*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Circuit Allowances, *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expense of Précis Writer of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Clerk of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of Messenger of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Contingencies and Disbursements, including Judges' travelling expenses, and printing and binding reports; also, Salaries of Officers to be appointed in the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salary of Registrar of Vice-Admiralty Court, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-four cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salary of Marshall of Vice-Admiralty Court, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray 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*, Esquire, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair and left it, to resume the same at Half-past Seven O'clock, P.M.

*Half-past Seven O'clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *London and Canada Bank*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Dominion of Canada Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the several Acts incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to extend the provisions of section fifty-six of the Act thirty-fourth *Victoria*, chapter five, intituled : "An Act relating to Banks and Banking" to the Bank of *British North America* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act of Incorporation of the *London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the "Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Committee of Supply was resumed.

(In the Committee.)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Dominion Police, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-seven thousand one hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Kingston Penitentiary*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Rockwood Asylum*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and twenty-four dollars and sixty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Halifax Penitentiary*, balances to be transferred to *Dorchester Penitentiary*, if required, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand four hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. John Penitentiary*, balances to be transferred to *Dorchester Penitentiary*, if required, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-eight thousand one hundred and sixty-four dollars and thirteen cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand three hundred and eighty-nine dollars and seventy-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Manitoba Penitentiary*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *British Columbia Penitentiary*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Young reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Monday next.

Mr. Young also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

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Monday, 26th February, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That the Clerk of the House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following Certificate:—

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

Ottawa, 26th February, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-sixth day of January last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the District of *Kamouraska*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Kamouraska*, in the Province of *Quebec*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of *Charles A. Pantel on Pelletier*, Esquire, who has accepted an office of emolument under the Crown; *Charles Fran ois Roy*, of *Ste. Anne de la Pocati re*, Surveyor, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my office.

R. POPE, [L.S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

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

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Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Lists of Stockholders of the Union Bank of Lower *Canada*, on the 19th February, 1877; of *La Banque St. Jean*, on the 14th February, 1877; and of *La Banque de St. Hyacinthe*, on the 20th February, 1877, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vic.*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

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

By Mr. *Thompson (Haldimand)*,—The Petition of *William Brock* and others; the Petition of *George Richmond* and others; the Petition of *Edward Caldwell* and others; and the Petition of *Robert Kellam* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Pouliot*,—The Petition of *Antoine Dumont* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Rose de D gel *; the Petition of the Reverend *L. H. Boutard*, Cur , and others, of the Parish *De Ha! Ha!*; the Petition of *Paschal LeBel* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Honor *; and the Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Alfred P russe* and others, of *Notre Dame du Lac*, County of *Temiscouata*.

By Mr. *Rymal*,—The Petition of *John Tipp* and others; the Petition of *Mark Munday* and others; the Petition of *Samuel Barpevell* and others; the Petition of *Oliver Ranson* and others; the Petition of *William Haldenby* and others; the Petition of *Walter Brett* and others; the Petition of *John McFadye* and others; and Petition of *George Davidson* and others; the Petition of *William McDevitt* and others; the Petition of *Joseph Goodfellow* and others; the Petition of *Alexander McLaughlin* and others; the Petition of *Robert Hall* and others; the Petition of *John Stickney* and others; the Petition of *William J. Montgomery* and others; the Petition of *William Ryson Gordanier* and others; the Petition of *Francis Heightholm* and others; the Petition of *William Broomfield* and others; the Petition of *William McFarlane* and others; the Petition of *Luke Pearsall* and others; and the Petition of *Mrs. Isaac Fraser* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Burpee (Sunbury)*,—The Petition of *Joseph Wright* and others; the Petition of *Robert Knox* and others; the Petition of *Edward Archer* and others; the Petition of *Timothy Connell* and others; and the Petition of *David Deer* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Charlton*,—The Petition of *Joseph Dodds* and others; the Petition of *Charles E. Porter* and others; and the Petition of *Andrew Shore* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*,—The Petition of *John Wilson* and others; and the Petition of *John A. Spencer* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Plumb*,—The Petition of *Francis Shiel* and others; and the Petition of *James Cuthill* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *McCraney*,—The Petition of *Moss J. Olmsted* and others; the Petition of *William Cole* and others; and the Petition of *William Webster* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of *Thomas Steele* and others; the Petition of *James Morrison* and others; the Petition of *W. J. Massey* and others; the Petition of *Malcolm McTaggart* and others; the Petition of *Robert Laidlaw* and others; and the Petition of *William K. Knowlton* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Dymond*,—The Petition of *John Butchart* and others; the Petition of *Alfred Shell* and others; the Petition of *Silvanus Woodard* and others; the Petition of *John Ramsey* and others; the Petition of *Henry Tufford* and others; the Petition of *J. B. Beynon* and others; the Petition of *William Johnston* and others; and the Petition of *Aaron Austin* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Archibald*,—The Petition of *Peter Stewart* and others; the Petition of *Edward Pepper* and others; the Petition of *James Lang* and others; the Petition of *Calvin Davis* and others; the Petition of *Alice Freeman* and others; and the Petition of *George Twiss* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Macmillan*,—The Petition of *Francis Van de Bogart* and others; and the Petition of *John Shier* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *McGregor*,—Two Petitions of the County Council of the County of *Essex*; the Petition of *Tilton H. Stephens* and others; the Petition of *Samuel Honey* and others; the Petition of *Henry D. Irwin* and others; the Petition of *James Fiddes* and others; the Petition of *Francis Rankin* and others; and the Petition of *William Webster* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *McNab*,—The Petition of *A. McIntosh* and others; the Petition of *F. M. Carpenter* and others; and the Petition of *Adam Shier* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Bain*,—The Petition of *James Gillespie* and others; the Petition of *A. J. Hughes* and others; the Petition of *John Holborn* and others; the Petition of *Richard F. Pollard* and others; the Petition of *L. S. Tiedale* and others; and the Petition of *Robert Gardiner* and others, Agriculturists of Canada.

By Mr. *Baby*,—The Petition of the Dominion Building Society.

By Mr. *Bertram*,—The Petition of *Hiram Kester* and others; the Petition of

*George Book* and others; and the Petition of *Ira Stafford* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Jetté*,—The Petition of *E. C. Monk*, Attorney for the Heirs of the late Honorable *Robert Jones*.

By Mr. *Blake*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*.

By Mr. *Trow*,—The Petition of *William Forrester* and others; the Petition of *Alexander Carrel* and others; the Petition of *Abraham Lee* and others; the Petition of *John Hooper* and others; and the Petition of *John M. Syme* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the *Albert Railway Company*, of *Albert County, New Brunswick*, heretofore incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the Province of *New Brunswick*; praying for the passing of an Act by the Parliament of *Canada*, granting them certain powers.

Of *C. J. Stewart* and others interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion; praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all coal sent to the *United States*, and that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all coal imported into the Dominion.

Of *Hugh Mathewson*, President, and others, Directors and Stockholders of the *Côteau and Province Line Railway and Bridge Company*, and others, interested in the construction and completion of the same; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their Railway and Bridge, and to enable them to change the location of the Eastern terminus of the said Railway.

Of *Francis Munro* and others, of *Portuguese Cove, County of Halifax*; praying that the present Fishery Law may be modified so as not to prevent the catching of salmon in the fall of the year at *Portuguese Cove* and other places similarly situated.

Of *John Fischen* and others, Stockholders of the *Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Company to that of the *Union Assurance Company of Canada*, and also for an extension of powers.

Of the *Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to re-enact the provisions of Chapter fifty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, so far as they are concerned, also to re-enact the provisions of Section twenty, of *Thirty-one Victoria*, Chapter forty-eight, and for power to change their name to that of the *London Mutual Insurance Company*.

The Petition of *Elias Tower* and others, interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*, presented on Thursday last; praying for further improvements to facilitate the navigation of the River *St. Lawrence*, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That in accordance with Rule 85, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners on 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. *Irving* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill respecting Procedure and Evidence in Criminal cases, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jones (Halifax)* have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the protest of Inland Bills in the Province of *Nova Scotia*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Procedure in Criminal cases in *New Brunswick*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Insolvent Act of 1875, and all Acts passed in amendment thereof.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the transfer of *Rockwood* Asylum to the Province of *Ontario*, and to amend the Penitentiary Act of 1875.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction in the Province of *Ontario*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Laflamme*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for copies of instructions from the Department of Inland Revenue to Inspectors, in connection with the Weights and Measures Act, together with the names and salaries of such Inspectors, and Sub-Inspectors. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 53.)

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Insolvency Laws now in force in the Dominion of *Canada*;

Mr. *Barthe* moved, seconded by Mr. *Blanchet*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Wood* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Irving*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day four months" added at the end thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. *Casey*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th February, 1877, for copies of all Correspondence between the Government of the Dominion, and of the late Province of *Canada*, and the Imperial Government; and all Orders in Council, and other papers touching the extension of the Jurisdiction of the Court of Vice Admiralty to the Inland Waters of *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 54.)

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 27th February, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Thompson (Haldimand)*,—The Petition of *Robert M. Mordie* and others; the Petition of *John Herriot* and others; the Petition of *Hector McFarlane* and others; the Petition of *William Murray* and others; the Petition of *James May* and others; the Petition of *William H. Kent* and others; the Petition of *John Williamson* and others; the Petition of *J. H. Turner* and others; the Petition of *Matthew Gold* and others; and the Petition of *Nathaniel Steen* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Galbraith*,—The Petition of *Francis Tilley* and others; the Petition of *John Gillespie* and others; the Petition of *John McClellan* and others; the Petition of *George Copeland* and others; the Petition of *Joseph Hackney* and others; and the Petition of *George Paulvier* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Short*,—The Petition of *O. Olsin* and others, interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*.

By Mr. *Charlton*,—The Petition of *James Dunbar* and others; the Petition of *William H. White* and others; and the Petition of *C. L. Hollingshead* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Norris*,—The Petition of *David Roelsson* and others; the Petition of *John Berdan* and others; the Petition of *James Bonnar* and others; the Petition of *Thomas Frazer* and others; and the Petition of *Alexander Hume* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Farrow*,—The Petition of *Ira Brisbin* and others; the Petition of *Joel Adams* and others; the Petition of *Hugh Laidlaw* and others; the Petition of *George E. Mowbray* and others; the Petition of *D. A. McRae* and others; the Petition of *Thomas Houston* and others; and the Petition of *John Baird* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Wallace (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *D. Patterson* and others; and the Petition of *George J. Dixon* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Orton*,—The Petition of *Robert Philp* and others; the Petition of *William Mesnier* and others; and the Petition of *Dougald Frazer* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Metcalf*,—The Petition of *William Clark* and others; the Petition of *John Dix* and others; the Petition of *William Montgomery* and others; and the Petition of *Richard Penhall* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Brouse*,—The Petition of *Nelson Tibbets* and others; the Petition of *John J. Cassidy* and others; the Petition of *John Lauder* and others; the Petition of *George Jones* and others; the Petition of *Henry Belford* and others; and the Petition of *Philemon Wismer* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Landerkin*,—The Petition of *Carlton McCartney* and others; the Petition of *John Hoey* and others; the Petition of *Thomas Stephenson* and others; and the Petition of *John Cameron* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Gillies*,—The Petition of *James Fyfe* and others; the Petition of *William Coventry* and others; the Petition of *John F. Ferguson* and others; the Petition of *Charles Clarke* and others; and the Petition of *Joseph M. Irwin* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Trow*,—The Petition of *W. Stenitt* and others; the Petition of *George Johnson* and others; the Petition of *Robert Northey* and others; the Petition of *Garrett Terhume* and others; the Petition of *Guy Bell* and others; and the Petition of *Robert Grose* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Burk*,—The Petition of *Thomas Taylor* and others; the Petition of *James Duncan* and others; the Petition of *John Kelly* and others; the Petition of *John Kitchen* and others; and the Petition of *Ira E. Grooms* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Paterson*,—The Petition of *John Brander* and others; the Petition of *James Brown* and others; the Petition of *W. J. Partridge* and others; and the Petition of *James L. Stark* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Higinbotham*,—The Petition of *William Ramsey* and others; the Petition of *Hugh Nelson* and others; the Petition of *S. J. Hall* and others; the Petition of *John Bruce* and others; the Petition of *Henry Smith* and others; and the Petition of *John Hooker* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Bowman*,—The Petition of *James Manning* and others; the Petition of *John Chapman* and others; the Petition of *John Hewitt* and others; the Petition of *H. Leet* and others; the Petition of *W. G. Curry* and others; the Petition of *John McIntyre* and others; the Petition of *John A. McCurdy* and others; the Petition of *Peter Sinclair* and others; and the Petition of *Francis Brooks* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Forbes*,—The Petition of *J. C. Black* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Rymal*,—The Petition of *George Lethbridge* and others; the Petition of *John Triggerson* and others; the Petition of *William Burnett* and others; and the Petition of *Thomas McKerrall* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *De Veber*,—The Petition of *Samuel McAllister* and others; the Petition of *John Key* and others; the Petition of *T. D. W. Learn* and others; the Petition of *Neil A. Malloy* and others; and the Petition of *David Brand* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Smith (Peel)*,—The Petition of *William Scart* and others; the Petition of *John Ireland* and others; the Petition of *David Hill* and others; the Petition of *John Leedlay* and others; and the Petition of *James Eckerett* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Guthrie*,—The Petition of *H. F. Baker* and others; the Petition of *David Robb* and others; the Petition of *Peter O'Sullivan* and others; the Petition of *John Cordingley* and others; and the Petition of *Robert Aitkin* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Blain*,—The Petition of *James Wilson* and others; the Petition of *John McColman* and others; and the Petition of *Walter Hyslop* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario North)*,—The Petition of *John C. Laughton* and others; the Petition of *A. M. Drew* and others; the Petition of *Hiram P. Barns* and others; and the Petition of *Robert Mocar* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Greenway*,—The Petition of *William Woodsworth* and others; and the Petition of *Francis H. Elliott* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Stephenson*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Wallaceburg*.

By Mr. *Jetté*,—The Petition of *Ferdinand Macculloch* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Kerr*,—The Petition of *Robert Brock* and others; the Petition of *Peter McKenzie* and others; the Petition of *Duncan McMillan* and others; and the Petition of *Thomas Tegge* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*,—The Petition of *John Robinson* and others; the Petition of *William S. Strachan* and others; and the Petition of *Abraham Stenson* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz:—Of the Corporation of the Town of *Kincardine*, County of

*Bruce*, for an Act empowering them to collect dues at the Harbor in the said Town of *Kincardine*,—Of the *Albert Railway Company*, of *Albert County, New Brunswick*, heretofore incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the Province of *New Brunswick*, for the passing of an Act by the Parliament of *Canada*, granting them certain powers, —Of *John Fischen* and others, Stockholders of the *Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of Canada*, for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Company to that of the *Union Assurance Company of Canada*; and also for an extension of powers,—of *Hugh Mathewson*, President, and others, Directors and Stockholders, of the *Coteau and Province Line Railway and Bridge Company*, and others, interested in the construction and completion of the same, for an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of their *Railway and Bridge*, and to enable them to change the location of the *Eastern Terminus* of said *Railway*,—Of *J. Barsalou* and others, for an Act of incorporation under the name of the *St. Lawrence and Pacific Railway Ferry Company*,—Of *A. H. Moore*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*, for an Act of incorporation under the name of the *Canada Beef and Butter Company (Limited)*,—Of *Moïse Houde*, M.P.P., and others, of *Rivière du Loup*, County of *Maskinongé*, for an amendment to their Act of incorporation, so as to permit the reconstruction of the *Bridge*, without draw or swing, over *Rivière du Loup*,—Of *Edward A. Prentice* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, for an Act of incorporation under the name of the *Union Cable Company*, for the purpose of establishing telegraphic communication between the *Dominion of Canada* and the *United Kingdom*, —Of the *Canadian Engine and Machinery Company*, for an Act empowering them to reduce their *Capital Stock*; and for other purposes;—and of the *Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company*, for an Act granting them an extension of powers.

Your Committee have also examined the *Petition* of the *Union Forwarding and Railway Company* for an Act empowering them to reduce their *Capital Stock*, and find the *Notice* insufficient in point of time; but as no private rights can be affected by the measure, other than those of the *Petitioners*, your Committee therefore recommend that the *Notice* be considered sufficient.

Ordered, That *Mr. Gillies* have leave to bring in a *Bill* to authorize the *Town of Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect certain *Tolls* at the *Harbour* in the said *Town*.

He accordingly presented the said *Bill* to the *House*, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on *Thursday* next.

Ordered, That *Mr. Currier* have leave to bring in a *Bill* to authorize the *Union Forwarding and Railway Company* to reduce its paid up-*Capital*.

He accordingly presented the said *Bill* to the *House*, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on *Thursday* next.

Ordered, That *Mr. Boyer* have leave to bring in a *Bill* to amend the Act to incorporate the *Bridge Company of Rivière du Loup*, in the County of *Maskinongé*.

He accordingly presented the said *Bill* to the *House*, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on *Thursday* next.

Ordered, That *Mr. Jetté* have leave to bring in a *Bill* to incorporate the *St. Lawrence and Pacific Railway Ferry Company*.

He accordingly presented the said *Bill* to the *House*, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on *Thursday* next.

Ordered, That *Mr. Jetté* have leave to bring in a *Bill* to incorporate the *Union Cable Company*.

He accordingly presented the said *Bill* to the *House*, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on *Thursday* next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Richard* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Dominion Elections Act, 1874.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Domville* have leave to bring in a Bill to grant additional powers to the *Albert Railway Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cook* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to make better provision respecting the Geological and Natural History Survey of *Canada*, and for the maintenance of the Museum in connection therewith;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to extend to the Province of *Prince Edward Island* certain Criminal Laws now in force in other Provinces of *Canada*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Offences against the Person;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to the expediency of amending the eighth section of the Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act, thirty-sixth *Victoria*, Chapter thirty-one, for the re-adjustment of the salaries of Judges, and other purposes," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Forbes* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the eighth section of the Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act, thirty-sixth *Victoria*, Chapter thirty-one, for the re-adjustment of the salaries of

Judges, and other purposes" by striking out the words "for fifteen years" in the said section contained, and substituting therefor the words "for ten years."

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the said amendment shall extend to the application of the amended section to the County Court Judges in *Nova Scotia* by virtue of the second section of the Act passed in the thirty-ninth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to provide for the salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of *Nova Scotia*, and for other purposes."

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, Chapter four.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to the expediency of amending the "Act respecting the Inland Revenue," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Delorme* reported, That the Committee had made some progress and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a copy of Mr. *Langmuir's* Report on the Marine Hospital at *Quebec*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 56.)

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand nine hundred and eighteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the House of Commons, per Clerk's Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Contingencies of the House of Commons, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of Publishing the Debates of the House of Commons, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Contingencies of the House of Commons, per Sergeant-at-Arm's Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Grant to Parliamentary Library, including provision for Law Books, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Printing, Binding and Distributing the Laws, for the year ending 30th of June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to

Her Majesty, to meet the estimated expenses in connection with Consolidation of the Laws, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Printing, Printing-Paper and Bookbinding, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the care of Archives, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the organization of the "Patent Record," for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

*Charles François Roy*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Kamouraska*, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

The Committee of Supply was resumed.

(*In the Committee.*)

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the preparation of Criminal Statistics, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 28th February, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Campbell*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Peter Clark* and others, of *Cape North* and *Bay St. Lawrence*, *Victoria County*; the Petition of *D. J. Kennelly* and others; the Petition of *J. R. Noonan* and others; and the Petition of the Reverend *Charles Bowman*, D.D., and others.

By Mr. *Charlton*,—The Petition of *Frank Somers* and others; the Petition of *Isaac French* and others; the Petition of *John Livingston* and others; the Petition of *William Bristow* and others; the Petition of *John Ross* and others; and the Petition of *John Taylor* and others, *Agriculturists of Canada*.

By Mr. *Ross (Durham)*,—The Petition of *Socrates Curtis* and others; the Petition of *Isaac Moore* and others; the Petition of *Samuel Lane* and others; and the Petition of *Allen Nelson* and others, *Agriculturists of Canada*.

By Mr. *White (Hastings)*,—The Petition of *E. H. Hilborn* and others; and the Petition of *S. F. Wrigley* and others, *Agriculturists of Canada*.

By Mr. *Flynn*,—The Petition of *Charles Boudrot*, M.P.P., and others; and the Petition of *George M. Jean* and others, of the Province of *Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Jetté*,—The Petition of the *Royal Canadian Insurance Company*.

By Mr. *Workman*,—The Petition of the *Montreal Board of Trade*.

By Mr. *Forbes*,—The Petition of *Jonathan Smith* and others, of the County of *Queens*, Province of *Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *McGregor*,—The Petition of *C. R. Horne* and others, of the County of *Essex*, Province of *Ontario*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *William Brock* and others; of *George Richmond* and others; of *Edward Caldwell* and others; of *Robert Kellam* and others; of *John Tipp* and others; of *Mark Munday* and others; of *Samuel Barpell* and others; of *Oliver Ransom* and others; of *William Haldenly* and others; of *Walter Brett* and others; of *John McFadye* and others; of *George Davidson* and others; of *William McDevitt* and others; of *Joseph Goodfellow* and others; of *Alexander McLaughlin* and others; of *Robert Hall* and others; of *John Stickney* and others; of *William J. Montgomery* and others; of *William Rynson Gordanier* and others; of *Francis Heightholm* and others; of *William Broomfield* and others; of *William McFarlane* and others; of *Luke Pearsall* and others; of *Mrs. Isaac Fraser* and others; of *Joseph Wright* and others; of *Robert Knox* and others; of *Edward Archer* and others; of *Timothy Connell* and others; of *David Deer* and others; of *Joseph Dodds* and others; of *Charles E. Porter* and others; of *Andrew Shore* and others; of *John Wilson* and others; of *John A. Spencer* and others; of *Francis Shiel* and others; of *James Cuthill* and others; of *Moss J. Olmsted* and others; of *William Cole* and others; of *William Webster* and others; of *Thomas Steele* and others; of *James Morrison* and others; of *W. J. Massey* and others; of *Malcolm McTaggart* and others; of *Robert Laidlaw* and others; of *William K. Knowlton* and others; of *John Butchart* and others; of *Alfred Shell* and others; of *Silvanus Woodard* and others; of *John Ramsey* and others; of *Henry Tufford* and others; of *J. B. Beynon* and others; of *William Johnston* and others; of *Aaron Austin* and others; of *Peter Stewart* and others; of *Edward Pepper* and others; of *James Lang* and others; of *Calvin Davis* and others; of *Alice Freeman* and others; of *George Twiss* and others; of *Francis VandeBogart* and others; of *John Shier* and others; of *Tilton H. Stephens* and others; of

*Samuel Honey* and others; of *Henry D. Irwin* and others; of *James Fiddes* and others; of *Francis Rankin* and others; of *William Webster* and others; of *A. McIntosh* and others; of *F. M. Carpenter* and others; of *Adam Shier* and others; of *James Gillespie* and others; of *A. J. Hughes* and others; of *John Holborn* and others; of *Richard F. Pollard* and others; of *L. S. Tisdale* and others; of *Robert Gardiner* and others; of *Hiram Kester* and others; of *George Book* and others; of *Ira Stafford* and others; of *William Forrester* and others; of *Alexander Carrei* and others; of *Abraham Lee* and others; of *John Hooper* and others; and of *John M. Syme* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, may become law.

Of the County Council of the County of *Essex*; praying for an alteration of the Canadian Tariff so that it may correspond with the Tariff of the *United States* in respect to Agricultural Products.

Of the Dominion Building Society; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society to that of the City Mortgage Loan Company, to increase their Capital Stock, and to further amend the Charter of the said Society.

Of *E. C. Monk*, Attorney for the heirs of the late Honorable *Robert Jones*; praying for a renewal of privileges in relation to the Toll bridge over the River *Richelieu*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*; praying for the repeal of Sub-section four of Section twelve of the Act respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, passed in the year 1864.

The Petition of *Antoine Dumont* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Rose de Dégelé*; the Petition of the Reverend *L. H. Boutard*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Ha! Ha!*; the Petition of *Paschal LeBel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Honoré*; and the Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Alfred Pérusse* and others, of *Notre Dame du Lac*, County of *Témiscouata*, severally presented on Monday last, praying for repairs to the Bridges and Roadway of the *Témiscouata Road*, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petitions be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That as the granting the prayers of these Petitions would "involve the expenditure of Public Money, they cannot be received."

The Petition of the County Council of the County of *Essex*, presented on Monday last, praying for an appropriation of money for the purpose of dredging the River *Canard*, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That as the granting the prayer of the said Petition would "involve the expenditure of Public Money, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 1.*)

On motion of Mr. *Jetté*, seconded by Mr. *Holton*,

Ordered, That the Petition of the Royal Canadian Insurance Company, presented this day, be now read.

And the said Petition was read and received; praying that the Rule regarding previous notice of the introduction of a Bill by them, may be suspended; and also for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holton* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the powers of the *Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Domville* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Act to incorporate the *Canada Mutual Marine Insurance Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jetté* have leave to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the establishment and management of Building Societies in the Province of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jetté* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of water works by Joint Stock Companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for improvement in prison discipline.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill for the prevention of Gambling Practices in certain Public Conveyances.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered), and is as followeth :—

*Dufferin*.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons further correspondence having reference to the construction of the *Canadian Pacific Railway*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 57.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
*Ottawa*, 16th February, 1877.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Haggart*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all Reports or statements made as to the construction or attempted construction of the *Georgian Bay Branch* of the *Pacific Railway*, under contract by the Honorable *A. B. Foster* ; and all correspondence between the Honorable Mr. *Foster* and the Government as to the said contract or the work done thereunder, or the failure to perform the same, any Departmental Orders or Orders in Council passed as to the matter of the said Public Work, especially the Order as to the cancellation of said contract ; together with a statement of the service or services for which the sum of \$109,000.50 has been paid to the said *A. B. Foster*, on account of said contract ; and also for the advertisement for tenders for the said work ; the evidence showing that the Contractor was worth \$4,000 per mile, as recited in said contract, and the Certificate of the deposit of the \$85,000, also referred to therein ;

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Bowell*, That the words "also, all letters, correspondence and evidence laid before the

Minister of Public Works to satisfy him, in pursuance of the terms of the Order in Council, dated 4th November, 1874, and ratified by Resolution of this House on 13th March, 1875, that the *Canada Central Railway Company* had provided sufficient means, with the Government *bonus*, to secure the completion of the line on or before the 1st January, 1877; also Reports made from time to time, shewing that the Company were making such progress as justified the hope of the completion of the line within the time mentioned; also, a Statement of payments made to said Company on account of the subsidy granted on the conditions mentioned in said Order in Council; and of the quality, kind, and weight per yard of the Rails delivered at any point of the line to be constructed; the value of said Rails, the evidence or certificate of said value, and payments made on account of said Rails,—and the dates of such payments, and the place or places where said Rails are delivered, and if not delivered on the line to be constructed, the distance or distances therefrom, so far as not already laid before the House," be added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative. Then the main Question, so amended, being put,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all Reports or Statements made as to the construction or attempted construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Pacific Railway, under contract by the Honorable A. B. Foster; and all correspondence between the Honorable Mr. Foster and the Government as to the said contract or the work done thereunder, or the failure to perform the same, any Departmental Orders or Orders in Council passed as to the matter of the said Public Work, especially the Order as to the cancellation of said contract; together with a statement of the service or services for which the sum of \$109,000.50 has been paid to the said A. B. Foster, on account of said contract; also for the advertisement for Tenders for the said work; the evidence showing that the Contractor was worth \$1,000 per mile, as recited in said contract, and the Certificate of the deposit of the \$85,000, also referred to therein; also all letters, correspondence and evidence laid before the Minister of Public Works to satisfy him, in pursuance of the terms of the Order in Council, dated 4th November, 1874, and ratified by Resolution of this House on 13th March, 1875, that the *Canada Central Railway Company* had provided sufficient means, with the Government *bonus*, to secure the completion of the line on or before the 1st January, 1877; also Reports made from time to time, showing that the Company were making such progress as justified the hope of the completion of the line within the time mentioned;—also, a Statement of payments made to said Company on account of the subsidy granted on the conditions mentioned in said Order in Council; and of the quality, kind, and weight per yard of the Rails delivered at any point of the line to be constructed; the value of said Rails,—and the dates of such payments, and the place or places where said Rails are delivered, and if not delivered on the line to be constructed, the distance or distances therefrom so far as not already laid before the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

*Half-past Seven O'clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to vest the

property and powers of the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company in  
*Joseph Harris McClellan* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing  
Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting  
the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select  
Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend  
the Act passed in the 39th year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled : " An Act to  
" incorporate the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited) ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select  
Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incor-  
porate the Union Marine Insurance Company of *Halifax, Nova Scotia* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select  
Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize and  
provide for the winding up of the Metropolitan Bank ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing  
Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting  
" *La Banque Jacques Cartier* ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing  
Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to  
incorporate " *La Soci t  de Construction St. Jacques* " as a Permanent Building  
Society, and for other purposes ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing  
Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to change  
the name of the *St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company* ; and for  
other purposes ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing  
Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend  
the Act to incorporate " The *Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company* ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing  
Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill concerning  
the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal Railway Company* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing  
Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Springhill and Parrsborough Coal and Railway Company, (Limited)* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Beaver and *Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House, according to Order, resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Monday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill (to repeal the Insolvency Laws now in force in the Dominion of *Canada*) be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That the word "now" be left out and the words "this day four months" added at the end of the Question.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                              |                               |                             |
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| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Costigan,</i>             | <i>Jetté,</i>                 | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Cunningham,</i>           | <i>Jones (Hulifax),</i>       | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Davies,</i>               | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>         | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De St. Georges,</i>       | <i>Kerr,</i>                  | <i>Robinson,</i>            |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>               | <i>Killam,</i>                | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Farrow,</i>               | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>           | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>               | <i>Lafamme,</i>               | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>                | <i>Lajoie,</i>                | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>              | <i>Landerkin,</i>             | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Flesher,</i>              | <i>Lanthier,</i>              | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>                | <i>Laurier,</i>               | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Forbes,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i>  | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>   | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Fréchette,</i>            | <i>MacDonnell (Inw'ri'ss)</i> | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Galbraith,</i>            | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>   | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McCraney,</i>              | <i>Thibaudeau.</i>          |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gibson,</i>               | <i>McGregor,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Gillmor,</i>              | <i>McIsaac,</i>               | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Jasgrain,</i>          | <i>Greenway,</i>             | <i>McNab,</i>                 | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Guthrie,</i>              | <i>Mills,</i>                 | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>                | <i>Norris,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>                 | <i>Paterson,</i>              | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Higinbotham,</i>          | <i>Perry,</i>                 | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>          | <i>Holton,</i>               | <i>Pettes,</i>                | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Coffin,</i>            | <i>Horton,</i>               | <i>Platt,</i>                 | <i>Yeo.—103.</i>            |
| <i>Cook,</i>              | <i>Irving,</i>               | <i>Pope (Queen s P.E.I.),</i> |                             |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Baby,</i>   | <i>Cheval,</i> | <i>Haggart,</i> | <i>Ouimet,</i>      |
| <i>Barthe,</i> | <i>Cimon,</i>  | <i>Harwood,</i> | <i>Rinsonneault</i> |

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| <i>Béchar,</i>   | <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Hurteau,</i>            | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Coupal,</i>     | <i>Little,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Delorme,</i>    | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i> | <i>Rouleau,</i>              |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>McCallum,</i>           | <i>Rymal,</i>                |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Domville,</i>   | <i>McQuade,</i>            | <i>Stephenson,</i>           |
| <i>Brown,</i>    | <i>Donahue,</i>    | <i>Monteith,</i>           | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>    |
| <i>Bunster,</i>  | <i>Ferguson,</i>   | <i>Montplaisir,</i>        | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Campbell,</i> | <i>Gill,</i>       | <i>Mousseau,</i>           | <i>Wright (Pontiac).-41.</i> |
| <i>Caron,</i>    |                    |                            |                              |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put ;

*Ordered,* That the Bill be read a second time this day four months.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Thursday, 1st March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—A certified copy of the Judgment and decision of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, in the matter of

OSÉE BRASSARD, *et al.* (Petitioners),

*Appellants,*

AND

The Hon. HECTOR LOUIS LANGEVIN (Defendant),

*Respondent,*

which he had received from the Registrar of the Supreme Court of *Canada*.

And the same were read, as follow :

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA.

WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, A. D. 1877.

PRESENT :

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| THE HONORABLE | THE CHIEF JUSTICE,   |
| “             | MR. JUSTICE RITCHIE, |
| “             | “ “ STRONG,          |
| “             | “ “ TASCHEREAU,      |
| “             | “ “ FOURNIER,        |
| “             | “ “ HENRY,           |

OSÉE BRASSARD, *et al.* (Petitioners),

*Appellants,*

and

The Honorable HECTOR LOUIS LANGEVIN (Defendant),

*Respondent.*

The Appeal of the above named Appellants from the Judgment of the Superior Court for the Province of *Quebec*, rendered by the Honorable Mr. Justice *Routhier* on the fifth day of November, A. D. 1876, setting aside the petition of the said Appellants, complaining of the illegality of the Election of the said Respondent as a Member of the House of Commons of *Canada* for the Electoral District of *Charlevoix*, having come on to be heard before this Court on the twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh, twenty-ninth, thirtieth and thirty-first days of the month of January last past, and the first day of the month of February instant, in presence of Counsel as well for the Appellants as the Respondent, and this Court having heard what was alleged by Counsel aforesaid, was pleased to direct that the said Appeal should stand over for Judgment, and it having come on this day for Judgment this Court did *Order and Adjudge* that the said Appeal should be, and the same was allowed and that the said Judgment of the said Superior Court for the Province of *Quebec* be reversed, and this Court did *further adjudge and determine* as follows:—

1. That the said The Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin* was not duly elected a Member to serve in the House of Commons for the Electoral District of *Charlevoix*, in the Province of *Quebec*, at the Election held in the month of January, A.D. 1876, which Election and return were published in the *Canada Gazette* on the fifth day of February, A.D. 1876.

2. That the said Election for the said Electoral District of *Charlevoix* is a void Election.

3. That the said *Hector Louis Langevin* was by his Agents guilty of the offence of undue influence at the said Election.

4. That the said offence of undue influence was committed by the Reverend *Joseph Sirois*, Curé of *Baie St. Paul*, the Reverend *W. Tremblay*, Curé of *St. Fidèle*, the Reverend *Ignace Langlois*, Curé of *St. Hilarion*, the Reverend *François Cinq-Mars*, Curé of *Siméon* and the Reverend *N. Doucet*, Curé of *St. Etienne* of *Malbaie*, the Agents of the said *Hector Louis Langevin*, without his actual knowledge and consent.

5. That the said *Hector Louis Langevin* do pay to the Petitioners the costs of this Appeal except the costs as to the sixty pages of the printed case in Appeal relating to the Subpœnas and to the Bailiff's certificates as to the service thereof.

6. That the Prothonotary of the said Superior Court for the District of *Saguenay* do pay to the said Petitioners the sum of one hundred dollars deposited in his hands on the twenty-eighth day of November last, as security for costs on their Appeal to this Court.

7. That the said *Hector Louis Langevin* do pay to the said Petitioners the costs of the said proceedings in the said Superior Court, except so much of the costs of the evidence and hearing as are incidental to those portions of the case in which the Petitioners have failed, namely:—those relating to the bribery, threats and undue influence charged in the Petition and from which the Respondent remains exonerated. Their Lordships Mr. Justice *Fournier* and Mr. Justice *Henry* dissenting from the deduction of the costs of the Appellants as hereinbefore last mentioned.

Certified.

ROBT. CASSELLS, JR.,  
Registrar, Supreme Court of *Canada*.

And the said Judgment and decision 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 Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ of Election for the said Electoral District of *Charlevoix*.

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

By Mr. *MacKay* (*Cape Breton*),—The Petition of Messrs. *Vooght*, Bros., Merchants and others, of *North Sydney*, County of *Cape Breton*.

By Mr. *Norris*,—The Petition of *Sylvester Neelin* and others, of *St. Catherines* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Forbes*,—The Petition of *Stephen Smith* and others, of *Liverpool*, *Nova Scotia*, and vicinity.

By Mr. *Thomson* (*Welland*),—The Petition of *James R. Hahn* and others, of *Port Colborne* and vicinity.

By Mr. *Macdonald* (*Toronto*),—The Petition of *Daniel Wilson* and others, Managers of the Newsboys' Lodging and Industrial Home of *Toronto*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:

Of *Robert M. Mordie* and others; of *John Herriot* and others; of *Hector McFarlane* and others; of *William Murray* and others; of *James May* and others; of *William H. Kent* and others; of *John Williamson* and others; of *J. H. Turner* and others; of *Matthew Gold* and others; of *Nathaniel Steen* and others; of *Francis Tilley* and others; of *John Gillespie* and others; of *John McNeillan* and others; of *George Copeland* and others; of *Joseph Hackney* and others; of *George Paulvier* and others; of *James Dunbar* and others; of *William H. White* and others; of *C. L. Hollingshead* and others; of *Joseph Roelossen* and others; of *John Berdan* and others; of *James Bonnar* and others; of *Thomas Frazer* and others; of *Alexander Hume* and others; of *Ira Brisbin* and others; of *Joel Adams* and others; of *Hugh Laidlaw* and others; of *George E. Mowbray* and others; of *D. A. McRae* and others; of *Thomas Houston* and others; of *John Baird* and others; of *D. Patterson* and others; of *George J. Dixon* and others; of *Robert Philp* and others; of *William Mesnier* and others; of *Dougald Frazer* and others; of *William Clark* and others; of *John Dix* and others; of *William Montgomery* and others; of *Richard Penhall* and others; of *Nelson Tibbets* and others; of *John J. Cassidy* and others; of *John Lauder* and others; of *George Jones* and others; of *Henry Belford* and others; of *Philemon Wismer* and others; of *Carlton McCartney* and others; of *John Hoey* and others; of *Thomas Stephenson* and others; of *John Cameron* and others; of *James Fyfe* and others; of *William Coventry* and others; of *John F. Ferguson* and others; of *Charles Clarke* and others; of *Joseph M. Irwin* and others; of *W. Stenitt* and others; of *George Johnson* and others; of *Robert Northey* and others; of *Garrett Terhune* and others; of *Guy Bell* and others; of *Robert Grose* and others; of *Thomas Taylor* and others; of *James Duncan* and others; of *John Kelly* and others; of *John Kitchen* and others; of *Ira E. Grooms* and others; of *John Brander* and others; of *James Brown* and others; of *W. J. Partridge* and others; of *James L. Stark* and others; of *William Ramsey* and others; of *Hugh Nelson* and others; of *S. J. Hall* and others; of *John Bruce* and others; of *Henry Smith* and others; of *John Hooker* and others; of *James Manning* and others; of *John Chapman* and others; of *John Hewitt* and others; of *H. Leet* and others; of *W. G. Curry* and others; of *John McIntyre* and others; of *John A. McCurdy* and others; of *Peter Sinclair* and others; of *Francis Brooks* and others; of *J. C. Black* and others; of *George Lethbridge* and others; of *John Triggerson* and others; of *William Burnett* and others; of *Thomas McKerrall* and others; of *Samuel McAllister* and others; of *John Key* and others; of *T. D. W. Learn* and others; of *Neil A. Malloy* and others; of *David Brand* and others; of *William Scart* and others; of *John Ireland* and others; of *David Hill* and others; of *John Leedlay* and others; of *James Eckerett* and others; of *H. F. Baker* and others; of *David Robb* and

others; of *Peter O'Sullivan* and others; of *John Cordingly* and others; of *Robert Aitkin* and others; of *James Wilson* and others; of *John McColman* and others; of *Walter Hyslop* and others; of *John E. Laughton* and others; of *A. M. Drew* and others; of *Hiran P. Barns* and others; of *Robert Mocar* and others; of *William Woodsworth* and others; of *Francis H. Elliott* and others; of *Robert Brock* and others; of *Peter McKenzie* and others; of *Duncan McMillan* and others; of *Thomas Tegge* and others; of *John Robinson* and others; of *William S. Strachan* and others; and of *Abraham Stenson* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, may become law.

Of *O. Ostin* and others interested in the navigation of the *St. Lawrence*; praying for further improvements to facilitate the navigation of the River *St. Lawrence*.

Of *Ferdinand Macculloch* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Canadian Securities Company (Limited).

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 3rd April, 1876, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 58.*)

Also,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for a Statement showing the amounts paid for printing and stationery for the Post Office Department, during the years 1875 and 1876 respectively, other than to the Parliamentary Printer and Contractor at *Ottawa*—said Return to specify the Province in which said work was done; the nature of the work done; the name or names of the person or persons who performed such work, whether by contract or otherwise, and the name or names of the party or parties who received payment and gave receipts therefor. (*Sessional Papers, No. 59.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd March, 1876, for all correspondence and documents relating to the dismissal of Mr. *Collet*, as Postmaster of *St. Henry*, in the County of *Lévis*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 60.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for copies of correspondence regarding the Postmaster at *Great Bras d'Or*, and the reason why *McLeod* did not get the office, after he was appointed, and had given sufficient bonds to the Department; also the name of the present Postmaster, and the names of the securities. (*Sessional Papers, No. 62.*)

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a classified Return of imports and exports of live stock, showing place from whence it comes and destination of stock, for each quarter, from March 1st, 1875, to January 1st, 1877, and for the month of January, 1877. (*Sessional Papers, No. 61.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 22nd February, 1877, for correspondence with *John Baine*, *Angus Morrison*, and *Charles L. Campbell*, regarding their dismissals from office as Seizing and Landing Officers at *Great Bras d'Or*, and the reasons for said dismissals, together with any Reports or Letters of the Inspector of Customs, relating to said dismissals; or any other correspondence on this subject. (*Sessional Papers, No. 63.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd March, 1876, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 64.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement from 1st January, 1875, to 1st January, 1877, shewing the quantities of different grades of sugar imported from *Europe*, British and Foreign *West Indies* and the *United States*; also the value of each such importations, and the duties paid thereon. (*Sessional Papers, No. 65.*)

The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Wallaceburg*, presented on Tuesday last, praying for the adoption of such measures, as will secure the deepening and making navigable the East passage of the *Chenal Ecarté*, being read;

And Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That in accordance with Rule 85, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners on 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. *Ross (Middlesex)*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents and recommend that they be printed, viz :

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government of the Dominion and the Government of the *United States*, respecting the alleged violation of the Treaty of *Washington*.

*Return to Order*,—Copy of the Contract for the Iron Roof of the Station House to be erected at *Halifax*, together with the Tenders for the same.

*Return to Order*,—Prospectus issued by the Honorable the Minister of Finance in *London* for the last loan. &c., &c.

*Return to Order*,—Convictions for capital offences between the 1st July, 1867, and the 31st December, 1876,—shewing name of convicts, nature of crime, and action of the Executive.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and the Imperial Government or any Steamship Company, or private individual, touching the qualifications of Surgeons on British Steamers, etc.

*Return to Order*,—For the quantity of old rails now on hand and in possession of the Government, shewing whether available for the construction of branch lines.

*Return to Order*,—Instructions from Department of Inland Revenue to Inspectors in connection with the Weights and Measures Act, with the names and salaries of such Inspectors.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government of the Dominion, and of the late Province of *Canada*, and the Imperial Government, and other papers, &c., touching the extension of the jurisdiction of the Court of Vice Admiralty to the Inland Waters of *Canada*.

*Correspondence* respecting disturbances on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada*.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz :—

*Return to Order*,—Statement of all claims made by individuals or corporations in relation to the construction of the Intercolonial Railway within the limits of the Province of *Quebec*, &c., &c.

*Return to Order*,—Papers and correspondence in connection with payments made to *J. F. B. McCreedy* and others in *King's County*, for alleged damages sustained from Intercolonial Railway from fire and other causes.

*Return to Order*,—Tenders received for the erection of the Passenger Station at *Halifax*, correspondence, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Shewing the names of the Valutors employed on the Intercolonial Railway, in the Counties of *Temiscouata* and *Rimouski*, for the purchase of lands and valuation of damages, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Authorities of the City of *St. John, N.B.*, and the Dominion Government, in the matter of the *Courtney Bay* extension of the Intercolonial Railway to the Ballast wharf, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Statement of all salaries, fees and indemnity paid by the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* to any member or employé of the said Harbour Commission.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Contract entered into between the Government of the Dominion and *McGill College*, concerning an immoveable, situate in the City of *Montreal*, known as the Crystal Palace, &c., &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence, &c., between the Federal and Local Government of the Province of *Quebec*, respecting distressing condition last Autumn of the resident fishermen on the North Coast, River *St. Lawrence*.

*Return to Address*,—Orders in Council, &c., and letters between the Dominion Government and the Government of *Manitoba*, respecting the relief to be given to settlers, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and any persons in *New Brunswick*, relative to construction of Railways in that Province.

*Return* of the number of Commissioners for Indian Grants in *Nova Scotia*, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Instructions to the Honourable *Alexander Morris*, Lieutenant Governor of the *North-West Territories*, and all reports and correspondence between the Lieutenant Governor and the Dominion Government.

*Return to Order*,—Mr. *Langmuir's* Report on the Marine Hospital, *Quebec*.

*Return to Address*,—Copies of all Accounts and Pay Lists for the construction and repair in 1875 of the wharves at *Malbaie*, &c.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, *viz*:—Of the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of *Canada*, for an Act empowering them to re-enact the provisions of Chapter fifty-two, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, so far as they are concerned; also to re-enact the provisions of Section 20 of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 48, and also for power to change their name to that of the *London Mutual Insurance Company*;—and of the Dominion Building Society, for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society to that of the *City Mortgage Loan Company*, to increase their Capital Stock, and to further amend the Charter of the said Society.

On the Petition of the Royal Canadian Insurance Company, praying that the Rule regarding previous Notice of the introduction of a Bill by them may be suspended; and for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation, your Committee find that no Notice was given, and beg to suggest that provision be made in the Bill that no important amendments affecting the Shareholders shall go into operation without their consent having been first obtained at a general meeting;—they therefore recommend a suspension of the Rule in this case.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for all correspondence or papers in the possession of the Government, relating to the improvement of the Harbour at the mouth of *Partridge Island River*; also, all papers or correspondence relating to the repair and protection of the Pier at *Partridge Island*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 66.)

And also,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 16th February, 1877, for all Tenders and Contracts for the construction of a Harbour at *Ingonish, Nova Scotia*, the names of the parties to whom the contract was awarded; shewing if it was awarded to the lowest tender; the names of the parties to whom the contract was

subsequently awarded, and of their securities since the commencement of the work; the date of such Transfers; the amount of the original contract; and if the contract has been completed in accordance with the original plans and specifications; if not, the reason why; also if the contract has been taken off the hands of the contractors, and if so, when; also, what portion of the original plans and specification have not been finished or completed and what further sums are to be paid to the contractors for what work they have performed, and if it is the intention to finish the works in accordance with the original plans and specifications; also the amount paid for superintendence of contract and to whom paid; also copies of correspondence between the Government and the contractor relative to relieving him of the contract in order that he might contest the County of *Victoria* for the vacant seat. (*Sessional Papers, No. 67.*)

*Ordered*, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards a Bill to authorize "the Royal Canadian Insurance Company" to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes; and that Mr. *Jetté* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to change the name of the Dominion Building Society to the City Mortgage Loan Company, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Kirkpatrick* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada* and to change the name to the "Union Assurance Company of *Canada*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875 with reference to liabilities between Traders and Non-Traders.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill relating to the protest of Inland Bills in the Province of *Nova Scotia*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Tupper* moved, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing all amounts carried over by Orders in Council, at the end of the financial year, under the authority of Chapter 2 of the Act of last Session; with copies of the Orders in Council, and a Statement of the amounts of such lapsed balances remaining unexpended at the end of three months from that date;

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), That the words "together with a Statement of all amounts carried forward by Orders in Council, from 1st July, 1867, shewing the sums actually

expended in each case, and the Parliamentary authority sanctioning the same"; be added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing all amounts carried over by Orders in Council, at the end of the financial year, under the authority of Chapter 2 of the Act of last Session; with copies of the Orders in Council, and a Statement of the amounts of such lapsed balances remaining unexpended at the end of three months from that date; together with a Statement of all amounts carried forward by Orders in Council, from 1st July, 1867, shewing the sums actually expended in each case, and the Parliamentary authority sanctioning the same.

On motion of Mr. *Masson*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all correspondence between the Dominion and the Imperial Governments from the month of October, 1873, to the 31st December, 1874, and relating to the appointment of Senators for the Dominion.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Blanchet* moved, seconded by Mr. *Caron*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a copy of the Report of Engineer's and other documents relating to the proposed Graving Dock at *Quebec*;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Masson*, seconded by Mr. *Pope (Compton)*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald (Cape Breton)*, seconded by Mr. *Fraser*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of Returns from Pilotage Authorities of *Cape Breton* for the year 1876, showing the names of all Pilots, and the amount paid to each; also the amount paid to the secretaries of the different Pilotage Authorities from Pilotage funds in such District.

On motion of Mr. *Pope (P.E.I.)*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the total amount of cost of the steamer "Northern Light;" also, an account of any and all expenditure in connection with the said steamer up to the 31st January last.

Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*, moved seconded by Mr. *Cockburn*, and the Question being proposed, That the Petition of *Henry Mitchell* and others, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *MacKay (Cape Breton)*, *McGregor*, *Flynn*, *Campbell*, *Power*, *Tupper*, *Fraser*, *Workman*, *Macdonald (Toronto)*, and *Goudge*; and that the said Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time;

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, in amendment; seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, That all the words after the words "composed of" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "Messieurs *MacKay (Cape Breton)*, *McGregor*, *Flynn*, *Laurier*, *Fraser*, *Workman*, "*Macdonald (Toronto)*, *Campbell*, *Power*, *Tupper*, *Appleby*, *Sinclair* and *Dymond*, to "enquire into and report upon the allegations as to the state of the Coal Trade contained in the said Petition" inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Wallace*, seconded by Mr. *Rochester*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 2nd March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th February, 1877, for a copy of the advertisement or notice issued calling for tenders for the performance of the Mail Service for the season of 1876, on Lakes *Huron* and *Superior* between the ports on Lake *Huron* and the *Georgian Bay* and *Prince Arthur's Landing, Duluth, &c.*, the tender or tenders received in response; any correspondence in relation thereto; the Order or Orders in Council (if any) passed as to the matter; and the contract entered into for such service. (*Sessional Papers, No. 70.*)

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

By Mr. *Fiset*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Luc Rouleau*, Curé of *Matane*, and others.

By Mr. *Kirkpatrick*,—The Petition of *C. F. Gildersleeve* and others, of *Kingston*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received: Of *D. J. Kennelly* and others; and of *J. R. Noonan* and others, interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion; severally praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian Coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all Coal sent to the *United States*; or that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all Coal imported into the Dominion.

Of *Frank Somers* and others; of *Isaac French* and others; of *John Livingston* and others; of *William Bristow* and others; of *John Ross* and others; of *John Taylor* and others; of *Socrates Curtis* and others; of *Isaac Moore* and others; of *Samuel Lane* and others; of *Allen Nelson* and others; of *E. H. Hilborn* and others; and of *S. F. Wrigley* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, may become law.

Of *Charles Boudrot*, M.P.P., and others; and of *George M. Jean* and others, of the Province of *Nova Scotia*; severally praying that the *St. Peter's Canal* may be so enlarged as to admit the average class of ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet, and the locks lengthened in proportion.

Of the *Montreal Board of Trade*; praying that the existing Insolvency Laws may not be repealed, and that only such amendment thereof may be adopted as shall have received the careful consideration of the House.

Of *Jonathan Smith* and others, of the County of *Queen's*, Province of *Nova Scotia*; praying that Fish traps may not be erected within the Harbour of *Liverpool, Nova Scotia*.

Of *C. R. Horne* and others, of the County of *Essex*, Province of *Ontario*; praying that steps may be taken to remedy the evil resulting from the difference of duty imposed on lime and building stone in *Canada* and the *United States*.

The Petition of the Reverend *Peter Clark*, and others, of *Cape North* and *Bay St. Lawrence*, *Victoria County*, Province of *Nova Scotia*, presented on Wednesday last, praying for an appropriation of money, sufficient to open and improve the Harbour of *Cape North* (or *Aspy Bay*) being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled : "That as the granting the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received."

The Petition of the Reverend *Charles Bowman*, D.D., and others, interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion, presented on Wednesday last; praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian Coal, may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all Coal sent to the *United States*; or that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all Coal imported into the Dominion, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled :—" That in accordance with Rule 85, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners on 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. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same severally amended :—

Bill to incorporate "The Dominion of *Canada* Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association."

Bill to extend the provisions of Section 56 of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, intitled : "An Act relating to Banks and Banking," to the Bank of *British North America*.

This latter Bill, your Committee consider is a mere amendment to the General Act relating to Banks and Banking, and would therefore recommend that the Fees on the said Bill be refunded.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of the Petition of *J. B. Brousseau*, Esquire, of the Town of *Sorel*, dated 26th February, 1876, in relation to Mr. Justice *Loranger*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

Ordered, That Mr. *Roy* be added to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thompson* (*Cariboo*) be added to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Mills* moved, seconded by Mr. *Burpee*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the salaries or remuneration of the Director of the Geological Survey and his assistants.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency the Governor General having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*) reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*) reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read as follow :—

1st. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the salaries or remuneration of the Director of the Geological Survey and his Assistants be determined by the Governor in Council, subject to the approval of Parliament.

2nd. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Director and persons appointed to permanent positions in the Geological Survey Branch of the Department of the Interior, shall be considered as being within the provisions of the Act 33 *Victoria*, Chapter Four, to provide for the superannuation of persons employed in the Civil Service in certain cases.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to ; and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to make better provision respecting the Geological and Natural History Survey of *Canada* and for the maintenance of the Museum in connection therewith.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution : That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to make arrangements for carrying out the transfer of the *Truro* and *Pictou* Branch of the Intercolonial Railway, in pursuance of negotiations entered into with the Government of *Nova Scotia*, and the *Halifax* and *Cape Breton Railway* and Coal Company under the Resolution passed by this House on the 19th May, 1874; and for that purpose to provide—

1. That the said Branch Railway, with sufficient land for the purposes thereof, and the Stations and buildings thereon, but without rolling stock, may be transferred absolutely to the person or Company constructing a line of Railway from *New Glasgow* to the Strait of *Canso*, and providing sufficient rolling stock and appurtenances for the same, and a proper Steam Ferry across the said Strait, the whole to the satisfaction of the Minister of Public Works.

2. That temporary possession of the said Branch Railway may be given to the person or Company with whom the *Nova Scotia* Government shall have contracted for the construction of the said extension to the said Strait, and the establishment of the said Steam Ferry, as soon as such person or Company shall have expended not less than \$400,000 on the work to the satisfaction of the said Minister of Public Works; subject to immediate resumption of the said Branch Railway by the Government of *Canada*, and repayment of the net earnings thereof, in case of failure to fulfil the conditions aforesaid, by such person or Company, who shall give proper security for the fulfilment thereof, and for the payment of all damages resulting from such failure, to the satisfaction of the Minister; such failure also operating the avoidance of any arrangement for the absolute transfer of the said Branch Railway.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency the Governor General having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act in amendment thereof.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House; and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend to the Province of *Prince Edward Island* certain Criminal Laws now in force in other Provinces of *Canada*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross (Prince Edward)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting Offences against the Person, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, chapter four;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to make better provision respecting the Geological and Natural History Survey of *Canada*, and for the maintenance of the Museum in connection therewith, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration on Monday next.

Mr. *Oliver* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions which were read as follow:—

1. *Resolved*,—That in lieu and stead of the duties of Excise imposed on the articles herein mentioned by the Act respecting the Inland Revenue (31 *Victoria*, Cap. 8) it is expedient that the following duties of Excise be imposed and collected:—

1. On every pound of Malt, two cents.

2. On every gallon of any fermented beverage made in imitation of beer or malt liquor and brewed in whole or in part from any other substance than malt, eight cents.

3. Provided that Brewers using sugar in the manufacture of beer, and paying the above mentioned duty on the beer made therewith, may receive a drawback equal to the duty paid by them on the malt used with such sugar in making such beer.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Cap. 44, and other Acts amending the same and the Tariff of Duties of Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Acts:—

3. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, of the said

Act, 31 *Victoria*, Cap. 44, as imposes any Specific Duty of Customs' on any of the goods or articles hereafter mentioned, and to substitute therefor the following Duties of Customs, viz:—

- On Cigars, including Cigarettes.... 50 cents per lb., and 20 per centum *ad valorem*.
- On Tea—Green or Japan.....per lb., 6 cents.
- On Tea—Black..... “ 5 cents.
- On Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits when in flasks or bottles not weighing more than 4 oz.....25 per centum *ad valorem*.
- On Malt.....per lb. 2½ cents.
- On Oils, viz.:—Coal and Kerosene, distilled, purified and refined, Naphtha, Benzole and refined Petroleum, Products of Petroleum, Coal, Shale and Lignite, not otherwise specified, and Crude Petroleum, per wine gallon.....6 cents.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that so much of Schedule B of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Cap. 44, or any Act amending it, as imposes any Duties of Customs upon Ale, Beer and Porter, be repealed, and that the following specific duties be imposed and collected thereon, viz.:—

- On Ale, Beer and Porter, when imported in bottle (6 quart and 12 pint bottles to be held to contain an Imperial Gallon) per Imperial gallon.....18 cents.
- On Ale, Beer and Porter, when imported otherwise than in bottle, per Imperial gallon.....12 cents.

5. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that so much of the Act 37 *Victoria*, Cap. 6, or any Act amending it as imposes a duty of ten per centum upon the following goods, viz.:—

- Cotton Thread, in hanks, colored and unfinished, Nos. 3 and 4 ply—White—not under No. 20 yarn;
- Cotton Warp, not coarser than No. 40;
- Cotton Thread on spools;
- Machine Twist and Silk Twist;
- Linen Machine Thread;

be repealed, and the said goods be held to be and dealt with as non-enumerated articles, subject to a duty of Customs of 17½ *per centum ad valorem*.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient, that so much of Schedule C. of the said Act 31 *Victoria*, c. 44, or any Act amending it, or any Order in Council as admits the following goods for entry free of duty, viz.:—

Tubes and Piping, of brass, copper or iron, drawn.

Cotton Thread, in hanks, colored and unfinished, No. 6 ply—White, not under No. 20 yarn, be repealed; and that the following duties of Customs be imposed and collected on the same, viz.:—

On Tubes and Piping, of brass, copper or iron, drawn, 17½ *per centum ad valorem*.

On Cotton Thread, in hanks, colored and unfinished, No. 6 ply—White—not under No. 20 yarn. 10 *per centum ad valorem*.

7. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that so much of the Act 37 *Victoria*, cap. 6, as imposes a specific duty of Customs on wines be amended by adding thereto the following provision: In computing the worth of all wines there shall be included the cost of bottling, corking, wiring, labelling, and of the materials used therein, and all other expenses incurred prior to actual shipment, except the cost of bottles and packages which shall remain subject to the duty of 17½ *per centum ad valorem*, provided by the next following Resolution.

8. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient so much of any Act or Schedule as aforesaid, as imposes any duty of Customs on non-enumerated goods and packages be repealed, and the following provisions substituted therefor, that is to say:—

The value of all Bottles, Flasks, Jars, Demijohns, Carboys, Casks, Hogshheads, Pipes, Barrels, and all other vessels or packages manufactured of Tin, Iron, Lead, Zinc, Glass or any other material, and capable of holding liquids; Crates containing

Glass, China, Crockery or Earthenware, and all packages in which goods are commonly placed for Home Consumption, including cases in which bottled Spirits, Wines or Malt Liquors are contained, and every package, being the first receptacle or covering enclosing goods for purposes of sale, shall, in all cases in which they contain goods subject to an *ad valorem* duty be taken and held to be a part of the fair market value of such goods for duty, and when they contain goods subject to specific duty, only such packages shall be charged with a duty of Customs of  $17\frac{1}{2}$  per cent *ad valorem* to be computed upon their original cost or value; and all goods not enumerated in this said Act or any other Act as charged with any duty of Customs, and not declared free of duty by some unrepealed Act or provision, shall be charged with a duty of Customs of seventeen and one half per cent *ad valorem*, when imported into *Canada* or taken out of Warehouse for consumption therein; but all packages not herein before specified, and not specially charged with duty by any unrepealed Act, and being the usual and ordinary packages in which goods are packed for exportation, according to the general usage and custom of trade shall be free of duty.

9. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal the Act of 31st *Vic.*, cap 50, intituled: "An Act to impose certain duties on Spirits and Petroleum."

And the Question being proposed, That the First Resolution be now read a second time;

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further, that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff, as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.

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*Half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Town of *Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect Tolls at the Harbour in the said Town;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Union Forwarding and Railway Company to reduce its paid-up capital;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Bridge Company of *Rivière du Loup*, in the County of *Maskinongé*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* and *Pacific* Railway Ferry Company;

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The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Union Cable Company ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Albert* Railway Company ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to extend the powers of the *Montreal* Loan and Mortgage Company ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Royal Canadian Insurance Company to reduce its capital stock and for other purposes ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Act to incorporate the *Canada* Mutual Marine Insurance Company ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada*, and to change the name to the Union Assurance Company of *Canada* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House resumed the Debate on the Amendment which was, this day, proposed to be made to the Question, That the 1st Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time ; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries ; and, further, that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff, as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof ;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning ;

*Saturday, 3rd March, 1877.*

On motion of Mr. *Charlton*, seconded by Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*),  
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

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Monday, 5th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Lists of Stockholders of the Eastern Townships Bank on the 1st February, 1877; of the Imperial Bank of *Canada*, on the 15th February, 1877; of the Merchants Bank of *Halifax*, on the 24th February, 1877; and of *La Banque Nationale*, on the 17th April, 1876, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vict.*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

And also, General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Iberville* and *Saguenay*, for the year 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 19.)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th February, 1877, for a statement of all money expended in building a Marine Hospital at *Sydney, Cape Breton*; the amount of the different tenders for the construction of the said building, with the names of the parties tendering; also, the names of all persons to whom the Government paid directly for work performed on this building, or improvements connected with it; also, the amount paid for superintending the work, and to whom paid; also, the total amount of expenditure to December 31st, 1876; also, correspondence, if any, which led to the transfer of the contract for this building from the gentleman to whom it was awarded in the first instance, to another gentleman. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 71.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement giving copies of any arrangement made between the Government Railways and the Grand Trunk Railway Company, for the interchange of cars and transportation of passengers and freight. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 72.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 21st February, 1877, for a Statement in detail of all expenses incurred and moneys expended in the payment of Engineers, Surveyors and others, for services rendered, as well as for horse hire, etc., in connection with the surveys of the North Branch of the River *Sydenham* from the Forks at *Wallaceburgh* to the Village of *Wilkesport*, in the year 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 73.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th April, 1876, for copies of 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. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

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

By Mr. *Thompson (Haldimand)*,—The Petition of *David Ewing* and others; the Petition of *Lafayette Weller* and others; the Petition of *Salem H. VanEvery* and others; the Petition of *Samuel Beull* and others; and the Petition of *Samuel D. Barnes* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. *Norris*,—The Petition of Messrs. *Alexander Muir* and Brothers and others, of *Port Dalhousie*.

By Mr. *Rymal*,—The Petition of *Joshua Smithson* and others; the Petition of *D. J. Skinner* and others; and the Petition of *Henry Palmer* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*,

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *James McKenzie* and others, of *Sydney*; the Petition of *John McDonald* and others; and the Petition of *Donald Lynk* and others.

By Mr. Cook,—The Petition of *George Midgley* and others; the Petition of *John Shaw* and others; and the Petition of *S. White* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

By Mr. Campbell,—The Petition of *L. G. Campbell* and others, of *Baddeck*, County of *Victoria*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :

Of Messrs. *Vooght* Brothers, Merchants, and others, of *North Sydney*, County of *Cape Breton*; praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St. Peter's* Canal so enlarged as to admit the average class of ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet, and the locks lengthened in proportion.

Of *Sylvester Neelin* and others, of *St. Catherines* and vicinity; of *James R. Hahn* and others of *Port Colborne* and vicinity; and of *C. F. Gildersleeve* and others, of *Kingston*; severally praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the enlargement of the *Welland* Canal completed and in readiness for the fall trade of 1878, and on such a scale as will permit of the passage from *Lake Erie* to *Lake Ontario* of the largest class of vessels.

Of *Stephen Smith* and others, of *Liverpool, Nova Scotia*, and vicinity; setting forth the advantages of Fish traps in the Harbour of *Liverpool, Nova Scotia*, and praying that they may not be removed.

Of *Daniel Wilson* and others, Managers of the Newsboys' Lodging and Industrial Home, of *Toronto*; praying for certain amendments in the Criminal Law with reference to juvenile offenders.

Of the Reverend *Luc Rouleau*, Curé of *Matane*, and others; praying that a survey may be made during the coming summer at the port or harbour of *Matane*, with a view to ascertain what improvements may be made therein, in the interests of trade and navigation.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 2nd March, 1877, for copy of the Petition of *J. B. Brousseau*, Esquire, of the Town of *Sorel*, dated 24th February, 1876, in relation to Mr. Justice *Loranger*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 44.*)

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Ferdinand Macculloch* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, for an Act of incorporation under the name of the Canadian Securities Company (Limited), and find the notices sufficient.

Ordered, That Mr. *Gasgrain* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The Canadian Securities Company (Limited)."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Macdonald (Toronto)* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Northern Railway of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*, Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Third and Fourth Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cook* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Municipalities to pass By-Laws to provide means of escape for persons falling into the water in the vicinity of Wharves and Docks.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Supreme and Exchequer Courts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate "The Dominion of *Canada* Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Irving* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend the provisions of section fifty-six of the Act thirty-fourth *Victoria*, Chapter 5, intituled: "An Act relating to Banks and Banking;" to the Bank of *British North America*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario North*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Delorme*, seconded by Mr. *De St. Georges*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the names of all veterans who have proved their right to partake in the grant of \$50,000 voted last session by Parliament in favour of Militiamen of 1812 and '15, and the action taken in each case during the current financial year.

On motion of Mr. *Schultz*, seconded by Mr. *Ryan*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Lands surrendered by the Dominion Government to the Government of *Manitoba* for road purposes.

Mr. *Masson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Robitaille*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence relating to the seizure in December last, of certain distilling apparatus the property of *François Meloche* and *Ferdinand Lavoie*, of *Ste. Anne*, County of *Jacques Cartier*, including all instructions to and reports from the Revenue Officers relating to the same; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Charlton*, seconded by Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*),

*Ordered*, That the following items of expenditure of Secret Service Funds, *viz*: the item of \$15,086.41 for the year 1868; the item of \$33,103.38 for the year 1869; the item of \$10,208.54 for the year 1870, and the item of \$75,000 for the year 1871, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council, Rules and Regulations made in relation to the Smelt Fisheries in the Harbour of *Bathurst*; together with all Correspondence between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and the Inspector of Fisheries and other officers of the Department; also with all persons interested in said Fisheries.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Desjardins*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all Petitions respecting the establishment of a Post Office at *Notre Dame de Grâce* near *Montreal*, and of another at *Ste. Cunégonde*, part of the territory of the town of *St. Henri*, in the County of *Hochelaga*, recently erected into a separate Municipality; also of all correspondence between the parties interested and the Department at *Ottawa*, including the Reports of the Post Office Inspector at *Montreal*, in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, seconded by Mr. *Trow*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before the House, copies of any Returns which may be in possession of the Government relating to the number of failures, the assets and liabilities of Insolvent Estates, and more particularly of the number and character of the compromises which have taken place throughout *Canada* during the last twelve months.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Palmer*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the resident employes on the Intercolonial Railway within the County of *Northumberland*; the date of their appointment; when they were located or stationed in their present positions; the nationalities of the several individuals, and the number of them which were at the time of their appointment residents of the said County, with the rate of wages which they respectively receive.

On motion of Mr. *McCarthy*, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the names of persons appointed to office between the 1st of January and the 7th of November 1873, the names of the officials whose salaries were increased during the same period; the names of those so appointed whose appointments were cancelled subsequent to the 7th of November; a statement shewing whether the positions which were filled up by those whose appointments were cancelled have remained unfilled or have been since filled up; and if so when and by whom; and whether the salaries of those officials which were increased during the period named have been since reduced or increased, and shewing the reduction or increase in each office respectively.

Mr. *Costigan* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hurteau*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence and Orders in Council, regarding the Orange Incorporation Act of *New Brunswick*, passed in the Legislature of that Province, in 1875;

And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Appleby*, seconded by Mr. *De Veber*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the number of Post Office and Custom House buildings owned by the Dominion, designating those built since 1867; the names of the Cities and Towns where the same are situate, with the population of each at the last census, and the amount of Customs, Post Office and Inland Revenue respectively, collected at each place during the years 1875 and 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Palmer*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return giving the names of all the Deputy Adjutant Generals and Brigade Majors on the Staff of the Volunteer Militia Force of *Canada* on the 1st day of January, 1876; the District in which they were stationed; the date of their appointments respectively; the length of time

they had each served; the names of those who have been removed from the Staff; the date of such removal; and the names of those officers who have been appointed Deputy Adjutant Generals and Brigade Majors since the first of January, 1876; and the length of time they have served in the Volunteer Force of *Canada* before such appointments were made.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all the correspondence having reference to the change of Mail Conductors on the *Kennebec* Railway, since the first of January, 1875; and also the names of those parties from whom contracts were taken away since that date, before the term for which they held such contract, had expired; and also the names of those parties who took their places.

On motion of Mr. *Flynn*, seconded by Mr. *Church*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of Reports and plan of "*Arichat West Breakwater*," in the County of *Richmond, Nova Scotia*.

Mr. *Robinson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of instructions given to the Commission to investigate into the affairs of the Northern Railway;

Mr. *Young* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ross (Prince Edward)*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the allegations in the Report and evidence of the Commission on the Northern Railway Company, as to the application of moneys payable to the Government, deserve the serious consideration of this House, and that a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the said allegations; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being proposed on the said Amendment;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning;

*Tuesday, 6th March, 1877.*

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*, That the words "and also to make a searching enquiry into the accounts of the Northern Railway and Northern Extension Railway so as to complete the enquiry begun and left unfinished by the Commission" be inserted after the word "allegations" where it occurs the second time.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question as amended:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

*Resolved*, That the allegations in the Report and evidence of the Commission on the Northern Railway Company as to the application of moneys payable to the Government, deserve the serious consideration of this House, and that a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed to enquire into and report upon the said allegations; and also to make a searching enquiry into the accounts of the Northern Railway and Northern Extension Railway, so as to complete the enquiry begun and left unfinished by the Commission; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Two of the Clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 6th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Mackenzie, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 13th February, 1877, for a copy of Mr. Kingsford's Report on the Piers at Bay St. Paul, Eboulements and Malbaie, in the summer of 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 74.*)

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

By Mr. McDonald (*Cape Breton*),—The Petition of Patrick Neville and others, of Bridge Port, County of Cape Breton.

By Mr. Macdougall (*Elgin*),—The Petition of Alexander McBridge and others, of Port Burwell.

By Mr. Flynn,—The Petition of D. Shaw and others, of L'Ardoise; the Petition of Joseph Matheson and others, of L'Ardoise; the Petition of Joseph Cash and others, of Irish Cove; and the Petition of John McDonald and others, of Hay Cove, County of Richmond, Nova Scotia.

By Mr. Wallace (*Albert*),—The Petition of Joseph T. Tomkins and others.

On motion of Mr. Burpee (*Saint John*), seconded by Mr. Huntington, Resolved, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—

That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Customs, 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 6, so as to make better provisions for the reporting of vessels inwards and outwards.

The reporting of Railway Trains at frontier ports, &c., inwards and outwards.

To make better provision for the securing of correct statements of Exports by land and water.

To provide greater security to the Revenue in connection with the warehouses and warehousing business of *Canada*; and to consolidate the Act so amended, and the amendments made to it by any other Acts; such amendments not affecting the Tariff of duties.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, Chapter four, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ross (*Middlesex*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the salaries of certain Judges."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to make provision for improvements in Prison discipline;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill for the prevention of Gambling Practices in certain Public conveyances;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made in Committee of the Whole House to the Bill to make better provision respecting the Geological and Natural History Survey of *Canada*, and for the maintenance of the Museum in connection therewith; and the Amendments were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the transfer of *Rockwood Asylum* to the Province of *Ontario*, and to amend the Penitentiary Act of 1875;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to the expediency of amending the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 47, respecting Weights and Measures.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Friday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further, that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff, as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof;

Mr. *Wood* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Irving*, That the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further, that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," be left out, and the words "inasmuch as it has been deemed necessary to raise an additional revenue, it is the opinion of this House that the interests of the country would be better served by imposing additional duties upon such goods and wares as may be produced in *Canada*, thereby affording increased protection while securing the additional revenue required," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being proposed on the Amendment to the said proposed Amendment;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Blain*, seconded by Mr. *Ryan*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Wednesday, 7th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Agreement between the Water Commissioners of the City of *Ottawa* and Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, represented by the Minister of Public Works of *Canada*, to supply water to the Parliament and Departmental Buildings, Workshops, &c., Post Office, &c., *Ottawa* and *Rideau Hall*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 6.)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 21st February, 1877, for copies of all Orders in Council having reference to the *Goderich Harbor Works* in 1874; together with a copy of the notice or advertisement calling for tenders for such work; the tenders received in response and all correspondence and reports in relation thereto, with the contract entered into for the performance of such work. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 75.)

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

By Mr. *Flynn*,—The Petition of *Alexander Urquhart* and others; and the Petition of *Hector Murchison* and others, of *Grand River*, County of *Richmond*.

By Mr. *Kirk*,—The Petition of *P. A. Macdonald*, M.D., and others, of *Port Mulgrave*, County of *Guysborough*.

By Mr. *Irving*,—The Petition of Messrs. *Adam Hope* and Company, and others, of the City of *Hamilton*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *David Ewing* and others; of *Lafayette Weller* and others; of *Salem H. Van Every* and others; of *Samuel Beull* and others; of *Samuel D. Barnes* and others; of *Joshua Smithson* and others; of *D. J. Skinner* and others; of *Henry Palmer* and others; of *George Midgley* and others; of *John Shaw* and others; and of *S. White* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the “Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry,” may become law.

Of *James McKenzie* and others, of *Sydney*, County of *Cape Breton*; and of *L. G. Campbell* and others, of *Baddeck*, County of *Victoria*; severally praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St. Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of Ocean-going ships and steamers; and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet, and the locks lengthened in proportion.

Of *John McDonald* and others; and of *Donald Lynk* and others, interested in the coal trade and shipping interests of the Dominion; severally praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all coal sent to the *United States*; or that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all coal imported into the Dominion.

The Petition of Messrs. *Alexander Muir* and Brothers, and others, of *Port Dalhousie*, presented on Monday last, praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the enlargement of the *Welland Canal* completed and in readiness for the fall trade of 1878, and on such a scale as will permit of the passage from *Lake Erie* to *Lake Ontario* of the largest class of vessels, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: “That in accordance with Rule 58, which requires the “signatures of at least three Petitioners on 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."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the Extradition of Fugitive Criminals.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain laws making breaches of contracts of service criminal, and to provide for the punishment of certain breaches of contract.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same without any amendment:—

Bill to change the name of the *St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company*, to the International Railway Company; and for other purposes,  
Bill concerning the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal Railway Company*.

Your Committee have also considered the following Bills and have agreed to report the same severally amended:—

Bill respecting the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*.

Bill to amend the several Acts incorporating the *Montreal Portland and Boston Railway Company*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cartwright* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies by Letters Patent.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bunster* have leave to bring in a Bill for the better protection of Life and Property in the mines of *British Columbia*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Trow* have leave to bring in a Bill to declare Life Assurance Policies non-forfeitable.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Fraser*, seconded by Mr. *Robinson*,

*Ordered*, That the Fees paid on the Bill to extend the provisions of Section fifty-six of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, intituled: "An Act relating to Banks and Banking," to the Bank of *British North America*, be refunded, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson (Cariboo)*, seconded by Mr. *Dewdney*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the accounts of Dominion Notes of the denominations of one and two dollars (payable in *Victoria*) which have been forwarded by Government to the Assistant Receiver General for the Province of *British Columbia*, during each year, since the admission of that Province into the

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Dominion; together with the amounts of such notes returned for cancellation during each year therein mentioned.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of correspondence between the Minister of Public Works and the officer in charge of the dredging improvements and deepening of the Horse Shoe Bar Channel at the entrance of the *Miramichi* River; with a statement shewing the total amount of dredging originally contemplated,—the quantity of material removed from said Bar in the respective seasons that the dredge has been at work; the length, breadth and depth of the excavations removed, with the length of the work yet to be excavated, and the probable period of its completion, with a statement of the depth of water proposed to be obtained in said channel by such improvement.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House — copies of papers relating to the late strike on the Grand Trunk Railway Company, and of certain official correspondence with the *Ontario* Government and the officials of the Grand Trunk Railway Company on the subject, with a statement shewing the action taken by the Militia Department to aid the Civil power in preventing the stoppage of the Railway Trains. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 55.)

On motion of Mr. *Goudge*, seconded by Mr. *Horton*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the quantities and value of the Coal imported into the Dominion of *Canada* for the six months ending 31st December, 1876; distinguishing the various kinds, as say—Anthracite, Bituminous and Lignite; the Countries and Ports of the same whence brought; the Provinces and Ports of the Dominion where entered.

On motion of Mr. *Masson*, seconded by Mr. *Pope* (*Queen's P.E.I.*),

*Resolved*, That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence with the French Vice-Consul in *Montreal*, or other persons relating to the repatriation of French immigrants during the year 1876, together with a statement shewing the names of said immigrants who may have been so repatriated, the date of their arrival in this country, their age and their occupations previous to their coming here; also, all Departmental rules then and now in force relating to the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by Mr. *McDonald* (*Cape Breton*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of papers and correspondence connected with the seizure of the schooner "*Napier*" in *Ingonish*, in the year 1872, for smuggling, and a statement shewing if the Hon. *William Ross* has redeemed his bonds given for the release of said vessel. If not, why not? The amount realized from the sale of Goods seized on board of said vessel.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by Mr. *McDonald* (*Cape Breton*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of papers and correspondence in connection with the defalcations of the ex-Collector of Customs, *William Kidston*, at the Port of *Baddeck*, and a Return shewing if the amount has been refunded to the Department; and if not, the reason for its not being refunded.

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, seconded by Mr. *Rochester*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns shewing in detail the cost of the erection of the Lighthouse at the Harbour of Refuge at *Rondeau*, under contract

awarded by tender; the tender received and from whom; whether the lowest tender was accepted; the amount paid for extras in constructing breakwater on the lake side opposite the Lighthouse, and whether such extras were done by tender publicly advertised for; also the name of the contractor for oil supplied to said Lighthouse, the cost per gallon supplied, together with loss involved by the fire which occurred last Fall in said Lighthouse; and the correspondence relating thereto, whether from the Lighthouse keeper or Government Inspector.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, seconded by Mr. *Dewdney*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That in the opinion of this House, the interests of *British Columbia* will be promoted by the adoption of a special tariff for the protection of the Farming, Mining and Manufacturing interests of that Province, until the construction of the *Canadian Pacific Railway*; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald (Toronto)*, seconded by Mr. *Platt*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a statement shewing the extent and character of the Works carried on in the improvement of the *Toronto Harbour* during the past year; together with all correspondence and plans having reference to the best method or methods of permanently securing the harbour against damage and deepening it so as to admit vessels of largest tonnage navigating the upper lakes, with any estimates which may have been made of the cost of such improvements.

On motion of Mr. *Cheval*, seconded by Mr. *Bernier*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a statement as exact as possible, shewing the amount paid by each steamboat to the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, during the season 1875-6 for wharfage dues; together with the name and length of such steamboat.

On motion of Mr. *Higinbotham*, seconded by Mr. *Rymal*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing, 1st. The value of live cattle imported into each Province, between the 1st day of January, 1875, and the 1st day of January, 1877; 2nd. The value of live cattle imported into each Province during the same period, and entered in bond for exportation; 3rd. The value of live cattle exported from each Province during the same period, specifying what portion thereof, related to cattle imported in bond; 4th. The value of meats, fresh or cured, the product of cattle imported and killed in bond, and exported during the same period from each Province; 5th. The total value of meats, fresh or cured, the product of horned cattle exported from each Province during the same period.

On motion of Mr. *Casey*, seconded by Mr. *Galbraith*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copy of Engineer's Report of the survey of *Eagle Harbour*, in the County of *Elgin*, to decide on its suitability for a Harbour of Refuge; and Map of said Harbour.

On motion of Mr. *Killam*, seconded by Mr. *Blanchet*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Canada*, the Imperial Government and any other Governments or persons on the subject of the duty imposed on Canadian ships sold in *France*; also copies of such portions of recent Commercial Treaties between the United Kingdom and *France*, as permit the sale in *France* of ships registered in the *United Kingdom* on more favorable terms than ships registered in *Canada*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Jones (*Leeds*), seconded by Mr. Wright (*Pontiac*),

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all papers or correspondence, if any, in regard to placing the Dominion of *Canada* in as favourable a position as any foreign country, under the provisions of the Postal union made at "*Berne*" on the 9th October, 1874.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Oliver, seconded by Mr. Gillies,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Contingencies voted and expended in each Department of the Government, from the 1st of July, 1868, to the close of the last financial year; the Return also to show the amount expended from July 1st, 1873, to 1st November of the same year.

On motion of Mr. Oliver, seconded by Mr. Gillies,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the names and number of officials in each Department of the Government, with the salaries payable on the 1st July, 1873, and on the 6th November of the same year, had the several Orders in Council then existing been carried into effect; also a similar Return for the Civil Service salaries payable on 1st July, 1874-5 and 6; the Return to shew what proportion of the increase (if any) was made under the provisions of the Civil Service Act of 1870.

Mr. Ryan moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the quantity of woodland in the County of *Marquette*, and the number of licenses to cut wood or timber in the said County sold or issued by the Dominion Lands Office in *Manitoba* during the last three years to persons not being actual settlers;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate the "*Dominion of Canada Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association*" was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to extend the provisions of Section fifty-six, of the Act thirty-fourth *Victoria*, Chapter five, intituled: "*An Act relating to Banks and Banking*" to the Bank of *British North America*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to change the name of the Dominion Building Society to the City Mortgage Loan Company, and for other purposes;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Canadian Securities Company (Limited) ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Procedure in Criminal Cases in *New Brunswick* ;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Insolvent Act of 1875, and all Acts passed in amendment thereof ;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be withdrawn.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Thursday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Petition of *Henry Mitchell* and others, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *MacKay* (*Cape Breton*), *McGregor*, *Flynn*, *Campbell*, *Power Tupper*, *Fraser*, *Workman*, *Macdonald* (*Toronto*), and *Goudge* ; and that the said Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time ; and which Amendment was, That all the words after " composed of " to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words " Messieurs *MacKay* (*Cape Breton*), *Laurier*, *McGregor*, *Flynn*, *Fraser*, " *Workman*, *Macdonald* (*Toronto*), *Campbell*, *Power*, *Tupper*, *Appleby*, *Sinclair* and " *Dymond*, to enquire into and report upon the allegations as to the state of the Coal Trade contained in the said Petition " inserted instead thereof ;"

Mr. *Dymond* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*), That the words " and to enquire into the best means of promoting Interprovincial trade ; with power to send for persons, papers and records " be added at the end thereof ;

And the Question being put, That those words be there added :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question, as amended : It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put,

*Resolved*, That the Petition of *Henry Mitchell* and others, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *MacKay* (*Cape Breton*), *Laurier*, *McGregor*, *Flynn*, *Fraser*, *Workman*, *Macdonald* (*Toronto*), *Campbell*, *Power*, *Tupper*, *Appleby*, *Sinclair* and *Dymond*, to enquire into and report upon the allegations as to the state of the Coal Trade contained in the said Petition, and to enquire into the best means of promoting Interprovincial trade ; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and to make the said Act operative within the Temporary Judicial District of *Nipissing* ;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting Procedure and Evidence in Criminal cases, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Kirkpatrick* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto,

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Ordered*, That Government business shall have precedence after To-morrow, on Thursdays during the remainder of the Session.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to make provision for improvement in Prison discipline, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Appleby* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the prevention of Gambling Practices in certain Public conveyances, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker, resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Appleby* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment,

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the transfer of *Rockwood* Asylum to the Province of *Ontario*, and to amend the Penitentiary Act, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Guthrie* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto,

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Thursday, 8th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Sinclair*,—The Petition of *John A. Macdonald* and others, of *Queen's County, Prince Edward Island*.

By Mr. *Kirk*,—The Petition of Messrs. *A. and J. Maguire*, Merchants, and others, of *Steep Creek, County of Guysborough, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Flynn*,—The Petition of *E. Binet*, Merchant, and others, of *Arichat*; and the Petition of *William Crichton* and others, of *West Arichat, County of Richmond, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *W. W. Bown* and others, of *Cow Bay*; and the Petition of *Charles Dickson* and *John Mitchell*, of *Main à Dieu, Cape Breton*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—  
Of *Patrick Neville* and others, of *Bridge Port, County of Cape Breton*; of *D. Shaw* and others, of *I'Ardoise*; of *Joseph Cash* and others, of *Irish Cove*; of *John McDonald* and others, of *Hay Cove, County of Richmond, Nova Scotia*; severally praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of Ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet, and the locks lengthened in proportion.

Of *Joseph T. Tomkins* and others ; praying that a ballast wharf may be ordered to be located and constructed in the Port of *Hillsborough, New Brunswick*, and that no ballast shall be discharged elsewhere by vessels that come to said Port, unless it be upon some shore or suitable wharf above high water.

The Petition of *Joseph Matheson* and others, of *L'Ardoise* and *St. Peters*, County of *Richmond, Nova Scotia*, presented on Tuesday last, praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St. Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of Ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty-feet and the locks lengthened in proportion, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received ;

And Objection being taken to the reception of the said Petition on the ground that it contains several appendices ;

Mr. Speaker ruled : " That the Objection was well taken and that the Petition " cannot be received by the House."

The Petition of *Alexander McBride* and others, of *Port Burwell*, presented on Tuesday last, praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the enlargement of the *Welland Canal* completed and in readiness for the Fall Trade of 1878, and on such a scale as will permit of the passage from *Lake Erie* to *Lake Ontario* of the largest class of vessels, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received ;

Mr. Speaker ruled : " That in accordance with Rule 53, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners on 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. *Ross (Middlesex)*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents and recommend that they be printed, viz :—

*Return to Order*,—Shewing amounts paid for Printing and Stationery for the Post Office Department during the years 1875 and 1876 respectively, other than to the Parliamentary Printer and Contractor at *Ottawa*, specifying the Provinces, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Return of Imports and Exports of live stock for each quarter, from March 1st, 1875, to January 1st, 1877.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence with *John Baine, Angus Morrison* and *Charles L. Campbell*, regarding their dismissals from office as Seizing and Landing Officers at *Great Bras D'Or*, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Shewing the quantities of different grades of Sugar imported from Europe, British and Foreign *West Indies* and the *United States*, from 1st January, 1875, to 1st January, 1877.

*Return to Address (Senate)*,—Correspondence between the Canadian and Imperial Governments since 1873, in reference to the appointment of additional Senators to the Senate.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz :

*Return to Address*,—Petitions of *T. D. Latour* and others, presented to the Government, concerning the Honorable Mr. Justice *Loranger*.

*Return to Address*,—Petition of *J. B. Brousseau, Esq.*, of the Town of *Sorel*, in relation to Mr. Justice *Loranger*.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence with the Postmaster General or with the Department in reference to charges preferred against the Postmaster of *Bloomsburg*, in the County of *Norfolk*.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence relating to the dismissal of Mr. *Collet* as Postmaster of *St. Henry*, County of *Levis*.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence regarding the Postmaster at *Great Bras D'Or*, and the reason why *McLeod* did not get the office after he was appointed.

*Supplementary Return to Order*, of all Gypsum or Plaster of Paris imported from the *United States* into *Canada*, &c.; rate of duty and amount collected.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence in possession of the Government relating to the improvement of the Harbour at the mouth of *Partridge Island River*, &c.

*Return to Order*, of all Tenders and Contracts for the construction of a Harbour at *Ingonish, Nova Scotia*, &c., &c.

*Return to Order*, of all money expended in building a Marine Hospital at *Sydney, Cape Breton*, with the amount of the different tenders, and the names of the parties tendering, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Statement giving arrangement made between the Government Railways and the Grand Trunk Railway Company, for the interchange of cars and transportation of passengers and freight.

*Return to Order*, of all expenses incurred and moneys expended in the payment of Engineers and others, in connection with the Surveys of the North Branch of the River *Sydenham*, from the Forks at *Wallaceburgh* to the Village of *Wilkesport*, in the year 1876.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence between the Government or Intercolonial Railway Commissioners and the interested parties of the Parish of *Bic*, with reference to the change of site of the Railway Station of the said place, &c.; also 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 more conveniently placed.

*Return to Order*,—*Mr. Kingsford's* Report on the Piers at *Bay St. Paul, Eboulements* and *Malbaie* in the year 1876.

The Committee would also recommend that an Index be prepared and printed of all the Journals and Sessional Papers since 1867, and that the Members of the Senate and of the House of Commons be furnished with one copy each, and that six copies be deposited in the Library.

The Committee would also 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. Vail*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for a Return shewing the names of all veterans who have proved their right to participate in the grant of \$50,000 voted last session by Parliament in favor of Militiamen of 1812 and '15, and the action taken in each case during the current financial year. (*Sessional Papers, No. 76.*)

The House resumed the Debate on the Question which was, yesterday, proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the quantity of wood land in the County of *Marquette*, and the number of licenses to cut wood or timber, in the said County, sold or issued by the Dominion Lands Office in *Manitoba*, during the last three years, to persons not being actual settlers; And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Dominion Elections Act, 1874;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

*Mr. Blanchet* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by *Mr. Caron*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said proposed Amendment, and the Original Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, yesterday, proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Reports of Engineers, and other documents relating to the proposed Graving Dock at Quebec ;

And the Question being again proposed ;

Mr. *Rouleau* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*, That the words "together with copies of all plans, specifications and estimates of costs that have been prepared with reference to the said Graving Dock, on either side of the River *St. Lawrence*," be added at the end thereof ;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

Mr. *Desjardins* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rouleau*, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn ; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

The Question on the Amendment being again proposed :—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Original Question was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill respecting Procedure and Evidence in Criminal Cases, as amended by the Committee of the Whole ; and the amendments were twice read and agreed to.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

Mr. *Blake* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommended to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions that they have power to add the following clause to the said Bill :—

"The 64th Section of the said Act is hereby amended by adding the following words :—

"Provided that for the purposes of this Section, a deposition of the witness purporting to have been taken before a Justice or Justices on the investigation of the charge, and to be signed by the witness and the Justice or Justices returned to and produced from the custody of the proper Officer, shall be *prima facie* presumed to have been signed by the witness," inserted instead thereof ;

And the Question being put on the Amendment :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly again resolved into Committee on the said Bill, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had made a further amendment thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act relating to Criminal Procedure by allowing persons charged with crime to give evidence as witnesses for the defence ;

A Motion being made and seconded, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time ;

And a Debate arising thereupon :—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 9th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Supplementary Return to an Order of the House, dated 19th February, 1877, for all correspondence or papers in the possession of the Government relating to the improvement of the Harbour at the mouth of *Partridge Island River*; also all papers or correspondence relating to the repair and protection of the Pier at *Partridge Island*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 66.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 1st March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and the Imperial Governments from the month of October, 1873, to the 31st December, 1874, and relating to the appointment of Senators for the Dominion. (*Sessional Papers, No. 68.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th April, 1876, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Mr. *Vail*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for a Return giving the names of all the Deputy Adjutant Generals and Brigade Majors on the Staff of the Volunteer Militia Force of *Canada* on the 1st day of January, 1876; the District in which they were stationed; the date of their appointments respectively; the length of time they had each served; the names of those who have been removed from the Staff; the date of such removal; and the names of those officers who have been appointed Deputy Adjutant Generals and Brigade Majors since the first of January, 1876; and the length of time they have served in the Volunteer Force of *Canada* before such appointments were made. (*Sessional Papers No. 82.*)

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

By Mr. *Goudge*,—The Petition of *C. B. Bowman* and others, of *Windsor* and vicinity, County of *Hants, Nova Scotia*.

By Sir *John A. Macdonald*,—The Petition of *J. P. Bull* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read and received:—Of *Alexander Urquhart* and others; of *Hector Murchison*, and others, of *Grand River*, County of *Richmond*; and of *P. A. Macdonald, M.D.*, and others, of *Port Mulgrave*, County of *Guyborough, Nova Scotia*; severally praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St. Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of Ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet, and the locks lengthened in proportion.

The Petition of Messrs. *Adam Hope* and Company, and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, presented on Wednesday last, praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the enlargement of the *Welland Canal* completed and in readiness.

for the Fall trade of 1878, and on such a scale, as will permit of the passage from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario of the largest class of vessels, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That in accordance with Rule 85, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners on 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. Laflamme, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill respecting the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*, and have agreed to report the same, without any amendment.

Your Committee have also considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same severally amended:—

Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*.

Bill to grant additional powers to the *Springhill and Parrsborough Coal and Railway Company (Limited)*.

Bill to authorize the Union Forwarding and Railway Company to reduce its paid-up capital.

Mr. Young, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix, No. 2.*)

On motion of Mr. MacKay (*Cape Breton*), seconded by Mr. Dymond,

*Resolved*, That the Committee appointed to consider the allegations contained in the Petition of *Henry Mitchell* and others, and the subject of Interprovincial Trade, have leave to employ a short-hand writer.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Goudge be added to the said Committee.

Mr. Blake moved, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to provide that the Judge of the Maritime Court of *Ontario* shall receive no fees, but shall receive a salary of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, per annum, and *pro rata* for any shorter time than a year, which salary shall be paid out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *Canada*, in like manner as the salaries of other Judges.

2. That it is expedient to provide temporarily that any Surrogate Judge of the Maritime Court of *Ontario* may, if resident elsewhere than in *Toronto*, receive emoluments to be from time to time fixed by the Governor in Council, and to be provided for by suitor's fees, payable under a tariff to be from time to time fixed and altered by the Governor in Council; and that the fees payable by suitors under the tariff shall be paid over, by the officer appointed to collect them, to the Receiver General, and shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund; and thereout shall be paid the emoluments of the Surrogate Judge.

Mr. Blake, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, then acquainted the House That His Excellency the Governor General, having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Smith (*Westmoreland*), seconded by Mr. Cartwright,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to amend the

Acts respecting the Inspection of Steamboats—31 *Victoria*, Chapter 65,—32, 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 39—and 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 30, by diminishing, in certain cases, the number of boats, life-preservers, fire buckets, &c., which steamboats are bound to carry under the said Acts and to relieve them from certain other obligations now imposed on them; and also to substitute for the yearly rate or duty now imposed on them for the Inspection Fund an Inspection fee of eight dollars for each inspection made imperative by the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 65, on passenger steamboats exceeding one hundred tons burthen and of five dollars for each such inspection on all passenger steamboats of one hundred tons or less, and on all other steamboats.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Blake*, and the Question being put, That the House do now name the Special Committee ordered by this House, on the 5th instant, to enquire into the matters connected with the Northern Railway and Northern Extension Railway:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Messieurs *Guthrie*, *Archibald*, *Bertram*, *De Veber*, *Casgrain*, *Killam*, *McCarthy*, *Palmer* and *Bowell*, do compose the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

Resolved, That it is desirable that any Witness to be examined by the said Committee, should be examined on oath.

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, seconded by Mr. *Palmer*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill respecting the transfer of *Rockwood Asylum*, to the Province of *Ontario*, and to amend the Penitentiary Act of 1875, as amended by the Committee of the Whole; and the amendments were twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and the Title be: "An Act respecting the transfer of the *Rockwood Asylum* to the Province of *Ontario*, and to amend the "Penitentiary Act of 1875."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Supreme and Exchequer Courts;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Appleby* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme and Exchequer Courts."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Tuesday last, proposed to be made to the proposed amendment to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the

end of the Question, be left out, and the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof; and which Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, That the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a readjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," be left out, and the words "inasmuch as it has been deemed necessary to raise an additional revenue, it is the opinion of this House that the interests of the country would be better served by imposing additional duties upon such goods and wares as may be produced in Canada, thereby affording increased protection while securing the additional revenue required," inserted instead thereof;

And the Debate having continued till Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.

*Half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to change the name of the *St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company*, to the International Railway Company, and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Jetté* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass and the Title be: "An Act to change the name of the *Saint Francis and Megantic International Railway Company*, to the International Railway Company, and for other purposes respecting the same."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill concerning the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal Railway Company*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Kirkpatrick* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker, resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Galbraith* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the several Acts incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston* Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker, resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ouimet* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act "incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston* Railway Company."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence.

The House then resumed the Debate on the Amendment which was, on Tuesday last, proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means), be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning;

*Saturday, 10th March, 1877.*

On motion of Mr. *Fleming*, seconded by Mr. *Paterson*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned;

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

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Monday, 12th March, 1877.

**PRAYERS.**

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Lists of Stockholders of the *Ontario* Bank, on the 1st February, 1877; and of the Bank of *Yarmouth, Nova Scotia*, on the 27th February, 1877, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vic.*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers, No. 18.*)

And also, General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Beauce, Beauharnois, Kamouraska, Terrebonne* and *Bedford*, for the year 1876; and Supplementary Statement for *Bedford*, for the year 1875. (*Sessional Papers, No. 19.*)

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

By Mr. *Daoust*,—The Petition of *Charles A. M. Globensky*, of the Village of *St. Eustache*, Province of *Quebec*, Esquire.

By Mr. *Béchar*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Iberville*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Dupuy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sébastien*; and the Petition of the Reverend *T. St. Aubin*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of *St. George de Henryville*, County of *Iberville*.

By Mr. *MacDonnell (Inverness)*,—The Petition of *John McMaster* and others; the Petition of *Malcolm McAuley* and others, of *Malagawatch*; the Petition of *William Hamilton* and others, of *Marble Mountain*; the Petition of *Robert McDougall*, Sheriff, and others, of *Port Hood*; and the Petition of *George C. Lawrence* and others, of *Port Hastings*, County of *Inverness, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *Donald McDonald* and others, of *Loch Lomond*, County of *Richmond, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Flynn*,—The Petition of *Patrick White* and others, of *Grandigue*, County of *Richmond, Nova Scotia*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read and received :

Of Messrs. *A. and J. Maguire*, Merchants, and others, of *Steep Creek*, County of *Guysborough*; of *Edward E. Binet*, Merchant, and others, of *Arichat*; of *William Crichton*, Merchant, and others, of *West Arichat*, County of *Richmond*; and of *W. W. Bown*, and others, of *Cow Bay*, County of *Cape Breton, Nova Scotia*; severally praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St. Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet and the locks lengthened in proportion.

Of *J. P. Bull* and others, Agriculturists of *Canada*; praying that the Bill, now before Parliament, to incorporate the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, may become law.

The Petition of *John A. Macdonald* and others, of *Queen's County, Prince Edward Island*, presented on Thursday last, praying for an appropriation of money towards the construction of a Breakwater on the Eastern Bar of the Harbour of *Grand Tracadie*, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That in accordance with Rule 85, which requires the signatures of at least three Petitioners on 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."

The Petition of *Charles Dickson* and *John Martell*, of *Main à Dieu, Cape Breton*, presented on Thursday last, praying for the construction of a Breakwater near the entrance of *Main à Dieu Harbour*, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That as the granting of the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received."

The Petition of *C. B. Bowman* and others, of *Windsor* and vicinity, County of *Hants, Nova Scotia*, presented on Friday last, praying that a sum may be granted for a steamer to ply on the Basin of *Minas*, between the Ports of *Saint John, New Brunswick*, and *Windsor, Nova Scotia*, calling at *Parrsborough*, in the County of *Cumberland*, being read.

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That as the granting of the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same severally amended:—

Bill to incorporate the Union Marine Insurance Company of *Halifax, Nova Scotia*.

Bill to authorize and provide for the winding up of the Metropolitan Bank.

Bill respecting "*La Banque Jacques Cartier*."

Mr. *Mills*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for Returns of lands surrendered by the Dominion Government to the Government of *Manitoba*, for road purposes. (*Sessional Papers, No. 41.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the distribution of half-breed lands in the Province of *Manitoba*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 41.*)

On motion of Mr. *Archibald*, seconded by Mr. *De Veber*,

*Ordered*, That the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the matters connected with the Northern Railway and Northern Extension Railway, have leave to engage the services of a shorthand writer for the purpose of taking down the evidence which may be taken by the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Laurier*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Ordered*, That the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of *Richelieu*, Province of *Quebec*, have leave to employ a shorthand writer; and that in addition to the usual allowance for his services, he be allowed his travelling expenses to and from *Ottawa*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Metcalf* have leave to bring in a Bill to preserve to the Electors of the Village of *Stouffville* the continuance of their representation in Parliament.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jones (Halifax)* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act 36 *Vic.*, Cap. 47, intituled: "An Act respecting Weights and Measures."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Springhill and Parrsborough Coal and Railway Company (Limited)*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Plumb* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.  
The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the Union Forwarding and Railway Company to reduce its paid-up capital, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Casgrain* reported, That the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. *MacDonnell*, seconded by Mr. *Gibson*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all Reports and Plans of *Port Hood* Harbor in the County of *Inverness*, made by Engineers under direction of the Dominion Government.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Government deposits in the different Banks of the Dominion on the first day of each month, from January 1st, 1876, to January 1st, 1877, inclusive; and also at the agencies of such Banks and other Banking Houses in *London*, specifying the amounts drawing interest, and the rate thereof.

On motion of Mr. *Dewdney*, seconded by Mr. *Roscoe*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence, with reference to the appointment of Mr. *J. G. Norris*, as Deputy Collector of Customs, *Kootenay, British Columbia*; with copies of any recommendations on his behalf.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Dewdney*, seconded by Mr. *Roscoe*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and Mr. *C. T. Dupont*, or any other parties, with reference to his inspection of the several Customs Stations between *Victoria* and *Kootenay* in 1876;—also copy of instructions to Mr. *Dupont*, as well as his Report on his return.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Stephenson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rochester*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council, correspondence and documents passed or written subsequent to the 1st October, 1876, relating to the superannuation, retiring allowance, or allowance made to the widow or relatives of *Edwin Larwell*, a late employé of the Dominion Government, deceased; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *White (Renfrew)*, seconded by Mr. *Wallace (Norfolk)*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the Engineer in charge of the *Culbute Canal*, in reference to the Petition of *Elizabeth Sullivan* of the Township of *Pembroke*, in the County of *Renfrew*, praying for compensation for damages alleged to have been sustained by her, through the construction of a Dam at the said *Culbute Canal*, together with a copy of the Engineer's Report on the subject matter of the said Petition.

On motion of Mr. *Shibley*, seconded by Mr. *Cook*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the quantity and price of land purchased for the purposes of the construction and maintenance of the *Kingston* and *Ottawa* Division of the Rideau Canal; also copies of all leases or agreements disposing of any water power in connection with said Canal.

Mr. *Jones (Leeds)* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bowell*, That the Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th February, 1877, for copies of all Orders in Council and all instructions or orders from the Department of Public Works relating to the destruction by force, last July, of the Dam called the Dominion Dam, on Devil Lake in the County of *Addington*; and for copies of all Reports made by Engineers or any Engineer or Employé of the Government, and of all correspondence relating to the said Dam, its destruction or reconstruction be printed; and that an extra number be printed for the use of Members:—The said Motion was, as per a Rule of the House, submitted to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald (Cape Breton)*, seconded by Mr. *Campbell*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of Return of the Harbor Master for the Port of *Little Glace Bay, N.S.*, for the year ending, 31st December, 1876; showing the amounts of fees collected; the names of all vessels from which fees were collected; also any correspondence in relation to the office of Harbor Master for the Port of *Little Glace Bay, N.S.*

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government, and the Council of the County of *Carleton*, respecting a Bridge across the *Rideau River*, at the Village of *Wellington*.

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all instructions issued from the Inland Revenue Department to its Officers throughout the Dominion, both by letter and telegraph, as to what time the additional duty on malt was to take effect.

On motion of Mr. *Flynn*, seconded by Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,  
*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all contracts and Orders in Council during the year 1876, in connection with the enlargement of the *St. Peter's Canal*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by Mr. *McDonald (Cape Breton)*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence with reference to the removal of *Malcolm Matheson*, as Postmaster at *Little Narrows*, County of *Victoria*, in the year 1874; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by Mr. *McDonald* (*Cape Breton*),  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of the Report of the Government Engineer on the practicability of opening *Aspy Bay Harbour, Victoria*, so as to admit vessels of certain tonnage, in the year 1872.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between *Sarah Graham*, Widow, and the Government, in reference to an application for aid in consequence of the reduction of salary and subsequent death of the late *William Graham*, at that time a Messenger of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement in detail shewing the quantities, descriptions and value of Machinery, Locomotives, Roofs, Bridges, Turntables, Nails, Spikes, and other goods, imported into the Dominion of *Canada* for the use of the Intercolonial Railway and *Prince Edward Island* Railway, and admitted free of duty from the 1st of January, 1874, to 1st of January, 1877; giving the names of the parties importing or supplying; where imported from and port of entry.

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Council of the County of *Carleton*, respecting a Bridge over the By-Wash at *Long Island*.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,  
*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Imperial Government and the Dominion Government and between the Dominion Government and the Provincial Government of *Nova Scotia*, relating to the Great Seal of the Province that has been affixed to all documents requiring the same since Confederation.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *White* (*Renfrew*), seconded by Mr. *Wallace* (*Norfolk*),  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing:—1st. The names of the Slide Masters in the employ of the Department of Public Works at each of the Slide Stations on the *Ottawa* River and its tributaries on the 1st day of July, 1876; 2nd. The salary or remuneration paid to each of the said Slide Masters for the year ending 1st July, 1876; 3rd. The number of pieces of Timber and Saw Logs, respectively, passed through each of the said Slide Stations for the year ending 1st July, 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*), seconded by Mr. *Pickard*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all Reports made by the Engineer or Engineers in charge of Public Works on the improvement of the navigation of the *St. John* River, *New Brunswick*, since June, 1871; as well as the amount of dredging done since that date on the *Oromocto* Shoals (so called), and the state of the navigation at that point.

On motion of Mr. *Costigan*, seconded by Mr. *White* (*Hastings*),  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and the *Tobique* Indians, or any person on their behalf, relating to the appointment of a resident Agent at that place.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon*, seconded by Mr. *Blanchet*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all Petitions and correspondence, respecting the grant by the Dominion Government of a sum of money, to assist in the construction of the Railway from *Quebec* to *Lake St. John*.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson (Cariboo)*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of every tender received since November last, by the Postal Department for carrying the Mails in *British Columbia*; with the names of the tenderers and their securities; also a copy of all telegrams and letters received or sent by the Postal Department respecting the same.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 13th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House,—copies of such General Rules and Orders as have been made by the Judges of the Supreme and Exchequer Courts, since the last Session, in compliance with the provisions of section 79 of "The Supreme and Exchequer Court Act," and section 14 of "The Petition of Right Act 1876." (*Sessional Papers, No. 27.*)

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

By Mr. *Workman*,—The Petition of Messrs. *Thomas Robertson* and Company and others.

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *A. J. McEachen* and others, of *Irish Cove, County of Cape Breton*.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence and Pacific Railway Ferry Company*, and have agreed to report the same with several amendments.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement of accidents which have occurred on the *Intercolonial Railway* in the County of *Northumberland*; the number of cattle which have been killed by locomotives on said Railway; with a statement of the causes of such accidents and whether the same has arisen from want of fencing along the line of said Road or otherwise; with a list of claims made by proprietors of cattle killed or injured; amounts paid on such claims; with a statement of claims rejected and the reason of such rejection; also a statement as to whether it is the intention of Government to erect a fence on the said line of Railway where none now exist in the vicinity of the Town of *Newcastle*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement shewing the monthly sales of Season, also of commutation Tickets, at each Station of the *Intercolonial Railway* for a period of eighteen months preceding the 31st December last. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement shewing all claims made against the Intercolonial Railway for damages or loss of any kind sustained by private individuals resulting from working the railway during the year 1876, also shewing what was paid thereon, and how disposed of. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for a Statement shewing each sum of money paid to *F. J. Bernard, Esquire*, Contractor for the Telegraph Line in *British Columbia*, since the 10th February, 1875; also stating why each sum of money was so paid and giving the estimates, vouchers, Reports and Orders in virtue of which each sum was so paid. (*Sessional Papers, No. 83.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for a Statement of all amounts paid to this date in connection with the purchase of 50,000 tons of Steel Rails, fastenings, &c., for the *Pacific Railway*, with the dates of such payments, and to whom paid, including all charges and commissions upon the same, prior to their delivery in *Canada*; and all sums still remaining unpaid on account of such purchase. (*Sessional Papers, No. 77.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th February, 1877, for copies of all correspondence which may have passed between the Government of *Canada* or any of its officers and *F. J. Bernard, Esquire*, Contractor for the Telegraph Lines in *British Columbia*, since the 26th May, 1875; also all Departmental Orders, or Orders in Council, since the same date in relation to the construction or maintenance of the said Telegraph Lines; or in relation to the claims made by the said *F. J. Bernard*, in consequence of the orders given him on the 9th April, 1875, to stop work on the said Telegraph Line in *British Columbia*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 83.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for a copy of the Engineer's Report of the survey of *Eagle Harbour*, in the County of *Elgin*, to decide on its suitability for a Harbour of Refuge; and Map of the said Harbour. (*Sessional Papers, No. 84.*)

On motion of Mr. *Trow*, seconded by Mr. *Bowman*,

Ordered, That the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization have leave to employ a short-hand writer to take evidence before the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Jetté*, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,

Ordered, That the Order of the House of Thursday, the 28th February, referring to the Bill to incorporate "*La Société de construction St. Jacques*" as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes, to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, be discharged.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, 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 person 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*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 85.*)

A Bill for the prevention of Gambling practices in certain Public conveyances, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Court of Maritime jurisdiction in the Province of *Ontario*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act in amendment thereof;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed resolutions relative to the salary of the Judges of the Maritime Court of Ontario.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Judge of the Maritime Court of Ontario shall receive no fees, but shall receive a salary of six hundred dollars per annum, free and clear from all deductions whatsoever, and *pro rata* for any shorter time than a year, which salary shall be paid out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, in like manner as the salaries of other Judges.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide temporarily that any Surrogate Judge of the Maritime Court of Ontario may, if resident elsewhere than Toronto, receive emoluments out of funds provided by suitors' fees payable under a tariff to be from time to time fixed and altered by the Governor in Council; and that the fees payable by suitors under the tariff shall be paid over, by the officer appointed to collect them, to the Receiver-General, and shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund; and thereout shall be paid the emoluments of the Surrogate Judge.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Scriver* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Scriver* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Judge of the Maritime Court of Ontario shall receive no fees, but shall receive a salary of six hundred dollars per annum, free and clear from all deductions whatsoever, and *pro rata* for any shorter time than a year, which salary shall be paid out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, in like manner as the salaries of other Judges.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide temporarily that any Surrogate Judge of the Maritime Court of Ontario may, if resident elsewhere than Toronto, receive emoluments out of funds provided by suitors' fees payable under a tariff to be from time to time fixed and altered by the Governor in Council; and that the fees payable by suitors under the tariff shall be paid over, by the officer appointed to collect them, to the Receiver-General, and shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund; and thereout shall be paid the emoluments of the Surrogate Judge.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to; and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction in the Province of Ontario.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to amending the Act respecting the Customs, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Brouse* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Brouse* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Customs, 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 6, so as to make better provisions for the reporting of vessels inwards and outwards.

The reporting of Railway Trains at frontier ports, &c., inwards and outwards.

To make better provision for the securing of correct statements of Exports by land and water.

To provide greater security to the Revenue in connection with the warehouses and warehousing business of *Canada*; and to consolidate the Act so amended and the amendments made to it by any other Acts; such amendments not affecting the Tariff of duties.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Burpee* (*St. John*) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend, and to consolidate as amended, the Acts respecting the Customs.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Imperial Government and the Dominion Government and between the Dominion Government and the Provincial Government of *Nova Scotia*, relating to the Great Seal of the Province that has been affixed to all documents requiring the same since Confederation. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 86.)

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Tuesday the 6th instant, proposed to be made to the proposed amendment to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof; and which Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, That the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," be left out, and the words "inasmuch as it has been deemed necessary to raise an additional Revenue, it is the opinion of this House that the interests of the Country would be better served by imposing additional duties upon such goods and wares, as may be produced in *Canada*; thereby affording increased protection, while securing the additional Revenue required," inserted instead thereof;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning;

*Wednesday, 14th March, 1877.*

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, seconded by Mr. *Burpee* (*Westmoreland*),

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before One of the Clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 14th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between *Sarah Graham*, Widow, and the Government, in reference to an application for aid in consequence of the reduction of Salary and subsequent death of the late *William Graham*, at that time a Messenger of this House. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 87).

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 21st February, 1877, for copies of all Orders in Council, authorizing or relating to the construction of the *Fort Francis Locks or Canal*; all papers, correspondence, instructions to Engineers and reports of Engineers and others pointing out the advantage to be gained from this Public Work, and giving an estimate of its cost and of the cost of the entire works necessary to attain the object for which it is proposed to build the Canal. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 88.)

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

By Mr. *Blanchet*,—The Petition of *Edouard Turgeon*, Mayor, and others, of *St. Charles*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *Smith (Selkirk)*,—The Petition of *J. Pritchard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Paul's*, County of *Lisgar*; and the Petition of *John Black* and others, of the United Municipality of *Kildonan* and *St. John*, Province of *Manitoba*.

By Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*,—The Petition of *G. Webber*, President, and *William Joliffe*, Secretary of the Bible Christian Conference.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *Pierre Curodeau*, and others, Pilots, and members of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *Charles A. M. Globensky*, of the Village of *St. Eustache*, Province of *Quebec*, Esquire; praying that the Bill, now before Parliament, respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*, may not become law, unless it be so amended as to preserve all his rights.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Iberville*; praying that the charter granting to the Honorable *Robert Jones* and his heirs, the monopoly of a toll-bridge over the River *Richelieu*, may not be renewed, but that the Corporation aforesaid be authorized to purchase the said bridge.

Of the Reverend *I. B. Dupuy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sébastien*; and of the Reverend *T. St. Aubin*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of *St. George de Henryville*, County of *Iberville*; severally praying that the charter granting to the Honorable *Robert Jones* and his heirs the monopoly of a toll-bridge over the River *Richelieu*, may not be renewed, unless the tolls on the said bridge be reduced by one-half.

Of *John McMaster* and others; of *Malcolm McAuly* and others, of *Malagawatch*; of *William Hamilton* and others, of *Marble Mountain*; of *Robert McDougall*, Sheriff, and others, of *Port Hood*; of *George C. Lawrence* and others, of *Port Hastings*, County of *Inverness*; of *Donald McDonald* and others, of *Loch Lomond*, and of *Patrick White* and others, of *Grandique*, County of *Richmond*, *Nova Scotia*; severally praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St. Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of Ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet, and the locks lengthened in proportion.

Mr. *MacDonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to vest the property and powers of the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company in *Joseph Harris McClellan*, and have agreed to certain amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same, severally amended :—

Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Ottawa* Agricultural Insurance Company.

Bill further to amend the Act to incorporate the *Canada* Mutual Marine Insurance Company.

Bill to authorize the Royal Canadian Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,  
Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Fifth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, with the exception of the last paragraph thereof.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth :—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act “respec ing Larceny and other similar offences” without any amendment.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : “ An Act “to extend to the Province of *Prince Edward Island* certain Criminal Laws now in “force in other Provinces of *Canada*,” with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill, intituled : “ An “Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Globe* Printing Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to extend to the Province of *Prince Edward “Island* certain Criminal Laws now in force in other Provinces of *Canada*,” and the same was twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. *Irving* have leave to bring in a Bill relating to stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mills* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *North-West Territories* Act 1875.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Act respect-

ing Trade Marks and Industrial Designs to the Provinces of *British Columbia* and *Prince Edward Island*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Blain*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson* (*Haldimand*),

*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate 'the *Globe* Printing Company'" be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Railway Act 1868.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the safe custody of prisoners in places where the Common Gaols become temporarily insecure.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law with reference to appeals from convictions made by Justices of the Peace.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision against the improper use of Fire-arms.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act for suppressing Gaming Houses.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Guthrie* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 15th February, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Federal and any of the Provincial Governments since the establishment of Confederation, concerning the disallowance of Provincial Acts on the action of Provincial Bills reserved. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 89.)

Mr. *Laurier* moved, seconded by Mr. *Masson*, That the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of *Richelieu*, Province of *Quebec*, be authorized to have the evidence taken before said Committee printed for the use of the Members thereof:—The said Motion was, as per Rule of the House, submitted to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson* (*Cariboo*), and the Question being put, That a Committee of twelve be appointed to enquire into the progress made with the surveys of the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with power to send for persons and papers and to report from time to time; The House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Casey moved, seconded by Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the present condition of the Civil Service, and the method of nominating and examining candidates for appointments, with a view to ascertaining whether better means cannot be adopted for securing the appointment of properly qualified persons and the general efficiency of the Service; with power to send for persons, papers, and records; said Committee to consist of Messrs. *Archibald, Aylmer, Charlton, Colby, De St. Georges, Kirkpatrick, Killam, Macdougall (Elgin), McDougall (Renfrew), Roscoe, Wright (Pontiac), Church, Paterson, Burpee (Sunbury)*, and the mover, of whom five shall be a quorum; and that said Committee have power to report to the House its observations on the subject referred to it, together with minutes of the Evidence taken before them;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

*Half-past Seven o'Clock, P.M.*

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate The Union Marine Insurance Company of *Halifax, Nova Scotia*, and after same time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize and provide for the winding up of the Metropolitan Bank, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting "*La Banque Jacques Cartier*," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Lawrence and Pacific Railway Ferry Company*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to make

further provision for the establishment and management of Building Societies in the Province of *Quebec* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to declare Life Assurance Policies non-forfeitable ;

Mr. *Trow* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bowman*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time ; And a Debate arising thereupon :—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Cap 57, respecting Permanent Building Societies in *Ontario* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution : That it is expedient to amend the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 61, respecting the Harbor Commissioners of *Montreal*, by repealing the existing Tariff of Tolls and dues on vessels using the Harbor, and on merchandize and other things landed from or shipped on board such vessels, from the first day of April next, and substituting a new Tariff which he will then submit for the consideration of the Committee ; and by giving the said Commissioners power from time to time to alter or modify the said Tariff with the consent and approval of the Governor in Council.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the transfer of the *Truro* and *Pictou* Branch of the Intercolonial Railway, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Archibald* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Archibald* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth :—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to make arrangements for carrying out the transfer of the *Truro* and *Pictou* Branch of the Intercolonial Railway in pursuance of negotiations entered into with the Government of *Nova Scotia*, and the *Halifax* and *Cape Breton* Railway and Coal Company under the Resolution passed by this House on the 19th May, 1874 ; and for that purpose to provide—

1. That the said Branch Railway with sufficient land for the purposes thereof, and the Stations and buildings thereon, but without rolling stock, may be transferred absolutely to the person or Company constructing a line of Railway from *New Glasgow* to the *Strait of Canso*, and providing sufficient rolling stock and appurtenances for the same, and a proper Steam Ferry across the said Strait, the whole to the satisfaction of the Minister of Public Works.

2. That temporary possession of the said Branch Railway may be given to the person or Company with whom the *Nova Scotia* Government shall have contracted for the construction of the said extension to the said Strait, and the establishment of the said Steam Ferry, as soon as such person or Company shall have expended not less than \$400,000 on the work to the satisfaction of the said Minister of Public Works ; subject to immediate resumption of the said Branch Railway by the Government of *Canada* and repayment of the net earnings thereof, in case of failure

to fulfil the conditions aforesaid, by such person or Company, who shall give proper security for the fulfilment thereof, and for the payment of all damages resulting from such failure, to the satisfaction of the Minister; such failure also operating the avoidance of any arrangement for the absolute transfer of the said Branch Railway.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Mackenzie have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the transfer of the *Truro* and *Pictou* Branch of the Intercolonial Railway to the person or Company constructing a line of Railway from *New Glasgow* to the *Strait of Canso*, and providing a proper Ferry across the Strait.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to make provision for the Extradition of Fugitive Criminals;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law respecting the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies by Letters Patent;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 15th March, 1877.

#### PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Messrs. *Thomas Robertson* and Company and others; praying that no change may be made in the Tariff as regards Tubes, but that they may be allowed to remain on the Free list with Steel and other articles of a like character.

Of *A. J. McEachen* and others, of *Irish Cove*, County of *Cape Breton*; praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St. Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of Ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet and the locks lengthened in proportion.

*Mr. Smith (Westmoreland)*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for Returns shewing in detail the cost of the erection of the Lighthouse at the Harbour of Refuge at *Rondeau*, under contract awarded by tender; the tender received and from whom; whether the lowest tender was accepted; the amount paid for extras in constructing break-water on the lake side opposite the Lighthouse, and whether such extras were done by tender publicly advertised for; also the name of the contractor for oil supplied to said Lighthouse, the cost per gallon supplied, together with loss involved by the fire which occurred last Fall in said Lighthouse; and the correspondence relating thereto,

whether from the Lighthouse Keeper or the Government Inspector: (*Sessional Papers, No. 90.*)

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House, the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the Union Cable Company, and have agreed to several amendments, which Bill they have had reprinted so amended, which they report for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No 2.*)

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution: That it is expedient to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbour of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873," (1) By altering the rates payable on tow boats and steamers plying in or to the Harbour of *Quebec*, and making better provision for ensuring the payment of the Harbour dues; (2) By empowering the Harbour Commissioners to impose penalties not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment not exceeding sixty days for infraction of their by-laws; (3) By enabling the Commissioners in their discretion to fine a pilot not exceeding \$100, instead of suspending or dismissing him for certain offences; and (4) By authorizing the Commissioners to substitute rates per ton weight or measurement for those now imposed, or otherwise to commute the same, but not to exceed the amounts now authorized, except with the consent of the Governor in Council.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Tuesday, the 6th instant, proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a readjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof; and which Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, That the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," be left out, and the words "inasmuch as it has been deemed necessary to raise an additional Revenue, it is the opinion of this House that the interests of the Country would be better served by imposing additional duties upon such goods and wares, as may be produced in *Canada*; thereby affording increased protection, while securing the additional Revenue required," inserted instead thereof;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 16th March, 1877.

Mr. DeCosmos moved, seconded by Mr. Davies, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned :—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the said proposed Amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Donahue,</i>               | <i>McDonald (C Breton),</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>               |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Dugas,</i>                 | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>                | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Ferguson,</i>              | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Robinson,</i>            |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Flesher,</i>               | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Brown,</i>      | <i>Fraser,</i>                | <i>McGreevy,</i>             | <i>Rochester,</i>           |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>                | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Rouleau,</i>             |
| <i>Campbell,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North),</i> | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South),</i> | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Gill,</i>                  | <i>Moffat,</i>               | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>               | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Harwood,</i>               | <i>Montplaisir,</i>          | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Hurteau,</i>               | <i>Mousseau,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Irving,</i>                | <i>Norris,</i>               | <i>White (Hastings),</i>    |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Jetté,</i>                 | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>         | <i>Ouimet,</i>               | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>           | <i>Palmer,</i>               | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Devlin,</i>     | <i>Lanthier,</i>              | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>         | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Little,</i>                | <i>Platt,</i>                | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—78.</i> |
| <i>Domville,</i>   | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>   |                              |                             |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Christie,</i>       | <i>Holton,</i>                | <i>Pickard,</i>              |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Church,</i>         | <i>Horton,</i>                | <i>Pope (Queens, P.E.I.)</i> |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Cockburn,</i>       | <i>Huntington,</i>            | <i>Pouliot,</i>              |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>       | <i>Power,</i>                |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Kerr,</i>                  | <i>Richard,</i>              |
| <i>Bécharde,</i>          | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Killam,</i>                | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>         | <i>Kirk,</i>                  | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Dawson,</i>         | <i>Laflamme,</i>              | <i>Ross (Prince Edw'd),</i>  |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Lajoie,</i>                | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Landerkin,</i>             | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Laurier,</i>               | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>   | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>MacDonnell (Inw'rn's),</i> | <i>Sinclair,</i>             |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>    | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>   | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>      |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>McKay (C. Breton),</i>     | <i>Smith (Westmorel'd),</i>  |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>Mackenzie,</i>             | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>              | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Geoffrion,</i>      | <i>McIntyre,</i>              | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McIsaac,</i>               | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>           |

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| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>     | <i>McNab,</i>    | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i> |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>       | <i>Gillmor,</i>     | <i>Metcalfe,</i> | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>  |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>       | <i>Goudge,</i>      | <i>Mills,</i>    | <i>Trow,</i>               |
| <i>Casey,</i>            | <i>Guthrie,</i>     | <i>Oliver,</i>   | <i>Vail,</i>               |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>         | <i>Hagar,</i>       | <i>Paterson,</i> | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>   |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>Perry,</i>    | <i>Yeo,</i>                |
| <i>Charlton,</i>         | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Pettes,</i>   | <i>Young.—109.</i>         |
| <i>Cheval,</i>           |                     |                  |                            |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed ;

Mr. Orton moved, in amendment to the said proposed Amendment, seconded by Mr. Wallace (*Norfolk*), That the words "regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," be left out, and the words "expresses its regret that the Government have not seen fit, with a due regard to all other industries so to arrange the Customs Tariff, as to relieve the farmers of *Canada* from the unjust effects of the one-sided and unfair Tariff relations, which exist between *Canada* and the *United States*, in reference to the interchange of agricultural products; as well as animals and their products, and at the same time place this Country in a better position to negotiate a fair and just reciprocity in the interchange of such products between *Canada* and the *United States*;" inserted instead thereof ;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

Mr. Borron moved, seconded by Mr. Bunster, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

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| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Dewdney,</i>                        | <i>Macdonald (Kingston) Plumb,</i>                    |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Domville,</i>                       | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'rn's) Pope (Compton),</i>          |
| <i>Bernier,</i>    | <i>Donahue,</i>                        | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers) Pope (Queens, P. E. I.),</i> |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Dugas,</i>                          | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>                            |
| <i>Borron,</i>     | <i>Farrow,</i>                         | <i>Robinson,</i>                                      |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Ferguson,</i>                       | <i>Macmillan,</i>                                     |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Flesher,</i>                        | <i>McCallum,</i>                                      |
| <i>Bunster,</i>    | <i>Fraser,</i>                         | <i>McGreevy,</i>                                      |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>                         | <i>McQuade,</i>                                       |
| <i>Campbell,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North) Mitchell,</i> | <i>Masson,</i>  |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South) Moffat,</i>   | <i>Schultz,</i>                                       |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Gill,</i>                           | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>                               |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>                        | <i>Stephenson,</i>                                    |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Harwood,</i>                        | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>                            |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Hurteau,</i>                        | <i>Tupper,</i>  |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>                  | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>                             |
| <i>Davies,</i>     | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>                    | <i>White (Hastings),</i>                              |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Lanthier,</i>                       | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>                               |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Little,</i>                         | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>                               |
|                    |  | <i>Wright (Pontiac).—75.</i>                          |
|                    |  | <i>Platt,</i>   |

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| <i>Appleby,</i>   | <i>Church,</i>   | <i>Horton,</i>     | <i>Pickard,</i> |
| <i>Archibald,</i> | <i>Cockburn,</i> | <i>Huntington,</i> | <i>Pouliot,</i> |

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| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Irving,</i>              | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Jetté,</i>               | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>     | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Béchar,</i>            | <i>Currier,</i>        | <i>Kerr,</i>                | <i>Ross (Durham)</i>        |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Dawson,</i>         | <i>Killam,</i>              | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Laflamme,</i>            | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Devlin,</i>         | <i>Landerkin,</i>           | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i> | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>MacKay (Cape Breton)</i> | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Geoffrion,</i>      | <i>McIntyre,</i>            | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McIsaac,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gilmor,</i>         | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Norris,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Paterson,</i>            | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Perry,</i>               | <i>Yeo,</i>                 |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Holton,</i>         | <i>Pettes,</i>              | <i>Young.—112.</i>          |

So it passed in the Negative.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Five of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

### Friday, 16th March, 1877.

#### PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *Pierre Boutin* and others, of *St. Raphael*; and the Petition of *Damase Turgeon*, Mayor, and others, of *St. Etienne de Beaumont*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *Jean Gobel*; the Petition of *F. Joseph Pouliot*, and others; and the Petition of *Jean A. Lapointe* and others, Pilots and Members of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Schultz*,—The Petition of *R. M. Rolph* and others, ex-Staff Sergeants of the Provisional Battalion of Infantry at *Fort Osborne, Manitoba*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition were read and received:—

Of *Edouard Turgeon*, Mayor, and others, of *St. Charles*, County of *Bellechasse*; praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act respecting *Weights and Measures*.

Of *J. Pritchard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Paul's*, County of *Lisgar*; and of *John Black* and others, of the United Municipality of *Kildonan* and *St. John*, Province

of *Manitoba*; severally praying that the Temperance Act of 1864, known as the *Dunkin* Act, may be extended to the Province of *Manitoba*.

Of *G. Webber*, President, and *William Joliffe*, Secretary, of the Bible Christian Conference; praying for the passing of an Act prohibiting the traffic in Intoxicating Liquors.

Of *Pierre Curodeau* and others, Pilots and Members of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbour of *Quebec*; praying that the Resolution in the Votes and Proceedings of the House, of the 2nd March instant, proposing certain amendments to the Acts relating to said Corporation, may not be adopted.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 15th February, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, not already laid before the House, concerning the mode of exercising the power of disallowance of Provincial Acts. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 89.)

Also, Supplementary Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, for the correspondence between the Government and the Censitaires of the Seignior *Nicholas Rioux*, in the County of *Rimouski*, in the matter of the tax which they pay to the Seigniors, instead of Statute days labour (*les journées de Corvée*). (*Sessional Papers*, No. 91.)

And also, Return under 31st *Vic*: Cap. 73, Sec. 6, shewing the average number of Dominion Police employed during each month of the year ended 31st December, 1876, the cost of pay and of travelling expenses expended in respect thereof. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 92.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the salaries of certain Judges," without any amendment.

Mr. *Laflamme*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all instructions issued from the Inland Revenue Department to its Officers throughout the Dominion, both by letter and telegraph, as to what time the additional duty on malt was to take effect. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 93.)

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance, and have agreed to report the same with several amendments.

Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Committee carefully considered the following documents, and recommend that they be printed, viz:—

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence between the Government of *New Brunswick* and the Dominion Government as to obtaining the opinion of the Supreme Court on the powers of the Provincial Legislature granting or withholding licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

*Return to Address* (Senate), shewing the use which has been made during the year 1876, of any portion of the steel rails purchased by Government in 1874 and 1875.

*Return to Order*,—Amounts paid in connection with the purchase of 50,000 tons of steel rails, &c., for the *Pacific Railway*, with dates of payments, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Orders in Council, &c., relating to the construction of the *Fort Francis Locks or Canal*, &c. (*In a condensed form.*)

*Report of Special Committee* appointed to enquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of *Richelieu*, in the Province of *Quebec*. (*For distribution only.*)

The Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz :—

*Return to Order*,—Statement shewing the monthly sales of season or commutation tickets at each station of the *Intercolonial Railway*, &c.

*Return to Order*, shewing all claims made against the *Intercolonial Railway* for damages, &c., sustained by private individuals, resulting from working the *Railway* in 1876, &c., &c.

*Return to Order*,—Statement of accidents which have occurred on the *Intercolonial Railway*, in the County of *Northumberland*, and the number of cattle which have been killed, &c., &c.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence between the workmen on Section 8 of the *Intercolonial Railway*, in relation to the non-payment of their wages for work done under the direction of *John O'Donnell*, Agent of *Duncan McDonald*, Contractor, &c.

Copies of such *General Rules and Orders* as have been made by the Judges of the *Supreme and Exchequer Courts* since the last Session, &c.

*Agreement* between the *Water Commissioners* of the City of *Ottawa* and Her Majesty *Queen Victoria*, represented by the *Minister of Public Works of Canada*, to supply water to *Public Buildings*, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Statement shewing cost of construction of *Pacific Telegraph*, &c.

*Supplementary Return to Order*,—Correspondence relating to the improvement of the *Harbour* at the mouth of *Partridge Island River*.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the *Dominion and Imperial Governments* relating to the appointment of *Senators* for the *Dominion*.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence relative to the appointing last year of *Joseph Creighton*, *Shipping Officer* for the Port of *Lunenburg, N.S.*

*Return to Order*, shewing the names of all veterans who have proved their right to partake in the Grant of \$50,000 voted last Session in favor of *Militiamen* of 1812 and 1815, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate), shewing the number of tons of freight carried over the *Government Railways* in the *Maritime Provinces* in the quarter ending 31st December, 1875, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence, &c., in relation to the enlargement of *St. Peter's Canal*, in the *Island of Cape Breton*.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Statement shewing the amount of *Dominion Notes* redeemed in gold from the 1st September, 1874, to 31st December, 1875, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Contracts for the conveyance of Her Majesty's *Mails* from *Sydney* to *Cow Bay*, *Little* and *Big Glace Bays* and *Bridgeport*, in the County of *Cape Breton*, &c.

*Return to Order*, giving the names of all the *Deputy Adjutant Generals* and *Brigade Majors* on the staff of the *Volunteer Militia Force of Canada* on the 1st January, 1876, where stationed, &c.

*Return to Order*, shewing each sum of money paid *F. J. Bernard*, Esquire, Contractor for the *Telegraph Line* in *British Columbia*, since 10th February, 1875, &c.

*Return to Order*,—*Engineer's Report* of the Survey of *Eagle Harbor*, in the County of *Elgin*, to decide as to its suitability as a *Harbor of Refuge*, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence, &c., 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*.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the *Imperial, Dominion, and Provincial Government of Nova Scotia*, relating to the *Great Seal* of the Province that has been affixed to all documents requiring the same since *Confederation*.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence between Sarah Graham, Widow, and the Government, for aid in consequence of the reduction of salary and subsequent death of the late William Graham, at that time a Messenger of the House.

Mr. Cartwright, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for Returns of the accounts of Dominion Notes of the denominations of one and two dollars (payable in Victoria) which have been forwarded by Government to the Assistant Receiver General for the Province of British Columbia, during each year, since the admission of that Province into the Dominion; together with the amounts of such notes returned for cancellation during each year therein mentioned. (*Sessional Papers, No. 80.*)

On motion of Mr. Laflamme, seconded by Mr. Vail,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to amend the Act 38 Victoria, Chapter 34, respecting the culling and measuring of timber, by repealing the twelfth section thereof, and by authorizing the Governor in Council to fix the number of Cullers to be employed in each Department of the Supervisor's office, the number in the square timber Department not to exceed eighteen; and to grant annuities not exceeding \$200 per annum to Cullers employed on 1st May, 1876, and no longer required, or incapacitated by age or infirmity, such annuities to be paid out of any surplus of the Cullers' office, or if there are no such funds, then out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada; and also to regulate the charges for services in the Cullers' office, as to give average earnings of seven hundred dollars yearly, to each Culler employed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to make provision for the Extradition of Fugitive Criminals, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Laurier reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, seconded by Mr. Bertram,

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate, requesting their Honors will give leave to the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed to enquire into, and report upon the allegations in the Report and evidence of the Commission on the Northern Railway Company, as to the application of moneys payable to the Government; and also to make a searching enquiry into the accounts of the Northern Railway, and Northern Extension Railway, so as to complete the enquiry begun and left unfinished by the Commission.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the inspection of Steamboats, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Guthrie reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Guthrie reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Acts respecting the Inspection of Steamboats—31 *Victoria*, Chapter 65—32, 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 39—and 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 30, by diminishing, in certain cases, the number of boats, life-preservers, fire buckets, &c., which steamboats are bound to carry under the said Acts, and to relieve them from certain other obligations now imposed on them; and also to substitute for the yearly rate or duty now imposed on them for the Inspection Fund an Inspection fee of eight dollars for each inspection made imperative by the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 65, on passenger steamboats exceeding one hundred tons burthen, and of five dollars for each such inspection on all passenger steamboats of one hundred tons or less, and on all other steamboats.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Inspection of Steamboats.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate acquaint this House, That they have substituted the Honorable Mr. *Botsford* for the Honorable Mr. *Allan*, as a Member of the Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament so far as the interests of their House are concerned, and to act on behalf of their House as a Member of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library of Parliament.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: “An Act to make better provision respecting the Geological and “Natural History Survey of *Canada*, and for the maintenance of the Museum in “connection therewith.”

Bill intituled: “An Act to make provision for improvement in Prison “discipline.”

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled: “An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled: “An Act “for the relief of *Mary Jane Bates*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate communicate to this House the Evidence taken before the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: “An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*” and the exemplification and papers referred to them, and request that the same be returned to their House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate communicate to this House, the Evidence taken before the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: “An Act for the relief of *Mary Jane Bates*” and the papers referred to them, and request that the same be returned to their House.

Mr. *Trow* moved, seconded by Mr. *Macdougall* (*Elgin*), and the Question being put, That the Bill from the Senate intituled: “An Act for the relief of *Mary Jane “Bates*,” be now read the first time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

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| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Christie,</i>           | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Church,</i>             | <i>Little,</i>              | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Cockburn,</i>           | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Davies,</i>             | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Schultz,</i>              |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>DeCosmos,</i>           | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i> | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>           | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Domville,</i>           | <i>McCallum,</i>            | <i>Smith (Westmoreland),</i> |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>             | <i>McQuade,</i>             | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Farrow,</i>             | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>   |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>             | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>  |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Fleming,</i>            | <i>Mitchell,</i>            | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Flesher,</i>            | <i>Monteith,</i>            | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Forbes,</i>             | <i>Norris,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i> | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Cameron,</i>           | <i>Gillmor,</i>            | <i>Orton,</i>               | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>      |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Guthrie,</i>            | <i>Pettes,</i>              | <i>Workman,</i>              |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Hall,</i>               | <i>Plumb,</i>               | <i>Yeo,</i>                  |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Higinbotham,</i>        | <i>Robinson,</i>            | <i>Young,—74.</i>            |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Kerr,</i>               |                             |                              |

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| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Holton,</i>               | <i>McIsaac,</i>           |
| <i>Bécharde,</i> | <i>Coupal,</i>     | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Masson,</i>            |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>      | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>    |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Robillard,</i>         |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>Devlin,</i>     | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Robitaille,</i>        |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Flynn,</i>      | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Rouleau,</i>           |
| <i>Campbell,</i> | <i>Fréchette,</i>  | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Short,</i>             |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Geoffrion,</i>  | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Taschereau,</i>        |
| <i>Casgrain,</i> | <i>Gill,</i>       | <i>McGreevy,</i>             | <i>Wright (Ottawa)—37</i> |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    |                    |                              |                           |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Mr. *Trow* moved, seconded by Mr. *Macdougall (Elgin)*, and the Question being put, That the said Bill, and Evidence and Papers accompanying the same, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Trow, Macdougall (Elgin), Oliver, Kerr, Brooks, Gibbs (Ontario South), Young, Kirkpatrick* and *Mitchell*; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Mills*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the *Tobique* Indians, or any person on their behalf, relating to the appointment of a resident Agent at that place. (*Sessional Papers, No. 94.*)

*Half-past Seven O'Clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "The *Ottawa* Agricultural Insurance Company," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Masson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill further to amend the Act to incorporate the *Canada* Mutual Marine Insurance Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rochester* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time,

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the Royal Canadian Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Union Cable Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to incorporate the "Union Atlantic Cable Company."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate "The *Globe* Printing "Company;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Immigration and Quarantine, *viz*: Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés, \$26,550; Salaries of Immigration Travelling Agents, \$13,000; Medical Inspection of the Port of *Quebec*, \$2,600; Quarantine, *Grosse Isle*, \$12,000; Quarantine

*St. John*, \$3,000; Quarantine, *Pictou, N.S.*, \$:00; Quarantine, *Halifax, N.S.*, \$3,600; Quarantine, *Charlottetown, P.E.I.*, \$1,000; To meet expenses of further precautionary measures for the Public Health \$20,000; Contingencies of Canadian and other regular agencies, \$24,000; Travelling Expenses of Travelling Agents, \$14,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Monday next.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 19th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Arthabaska, Quebec and Richelieu*, for the year 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 19.*)

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

By Mr. *Jones (Halifax)*,—The Petition of *Thomas P. Connolly* and others; and the Petition of Messrs. *Doull and Miller* and others, of *Halifax, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Goudge*,—The Petition of *G. P. Paysant* and others, of *Windsor, County of Hants, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Macdonald (Toronto)*,—The Petition of *Mrs. C. S. Finch* and others, of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Dymond*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Stouffville*.

By Mr. *Carmichael*,—The Petition of Messrs. *R. McGregor* and Sons, and others, of *New Glasgow, County of Pictou, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Power*,—The Petition of *W. J. Stairs* and others; and the Petition of the Reverend *George Townshend*, Rector, and others, of *Amherst, County of Cumberland, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *McKay (Colchester)*,—The Petition of *C. B. Archibald* and others, of *Truro, County of Colchester, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Killam*,—The Petition of *L. E. Baker* and others, of *Yarmouth, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *Alexander McDonald* and others, of *Loch Lomond, County of Cape Breton*.

By Mr. *Campbell*,—The Petition of *Philip McRae* and others, of *St. Anns, County of Victoria*; and the Petition of *George P. Wilson* and others, interested in the Coal Trade and Shipping interests of the Dominion.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Pierre Boutin* and others, of *St. Raphael*; and of *Damase Turgeon*, Mayor, and others, of *St. Etienne de Beaumont*, County of *Bellechasse*; severally praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

Of *Jean Gobeil* and others; of *F. Joseph Pouliot* and others; and of *Jean A. Lapointe* and others, Pilots and Members of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*; severally praying that the Resolution in the Votes and Proceedings of the House, of the 2nd March instant, proposing certain amendments to the Acts relating to said Corporation, may not be adopted.

Of *R. M. Rolph* and others, Ex-Staff Sergeants of the Provisional Battalion of Infantry at *Fort Osborne, Manitoba*; setting forth certain grievances, and praying that the House will take the facts into their favorable consideration, and deal therewith in conformity with law and justice.

*Mr. MacDonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to authorize the Town of *Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect certain Tolls at the Harbor in the said Town, and have agreed to report the same without amendment.

On the above mentioned Bill your Committee beg to recommend a remission of the fee and all other charges, as the works already made and proposed to be made will be a great public benefit to the locality.

Your Committee have also considered the following Bills, and have prepared amendments to each, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House, viz:—

Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate 'The *Globe* Printing Company.'"

Bill to incorporate "The Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry."

On motion of *Mr. Gillies*, seconded by *Mr. Snider*,

*Ordered*, That the Fees paid on the Bill to authorize the Town of *Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect Tolls at the Harbor in the said Town, be refunded, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

*Mr. Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 7th March, 1877, for copies of all papers or correspondence, if any, in regard to placing the Dominion of *Canada* in as favorable a position as any Foreign Country, under the provisions of the Postal Union made at *Berne*, on the 9th October, 1874. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 96.)

*Mr. Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 1st March, 1877, for a Return shewing all amounts carried over by Orders in Council, at the end of the financial year, under the authority of Chapter 2 of the Act of last Session; with copies of the Orders in Council, and a Statement of the amounts of such lapsed balances remaining unexpended at the end of three months from that date; together with a Statement of all amounts carried forward by Orders in Council, from 1st July, 1867, shewing the sums actually expended in each case, and the Parliamentary authority sanctioning the same. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 97.)

*Mr. Smith (Westmoreland)*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 1st March, 1877, for a Return shewing the total amount of cost of the steamer "Northern Light;" also an account of any and

all expenditure in connection with the said steamer down to the 31st of January last. (*Sessional Papers, No. 98.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 15th February, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and Her Majesty's Government, in relation to Legislation affecting Merchant Shipping; also, copies of instructions given to Mr. *William Smith*, Deputy of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, on his recent mission to *England* in connection with the above subject; together with all correspondence relating thereto, had between the said Deputy and Her Majesty's Government, or any of the officials thereof; also, all correspondence had in relation to such mission between the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the said Deputy, with the Report of the said Deputy, in relation to such mission. (*Sessional Papers, No. 99.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 7th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and the Imperial Government and any other Government or other persons on the subject of the duty imposed on Canadian ships sold in *France*; also copies of such portions of recent commercial Treaties between the *United Kingdom* and *France* as permit the sale in *France* of ships registered in the *United Kingdom* on more favorable terms than ships registered in *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 100.*)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 2nd March, 1876, 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 mainland, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 101.*)

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, and the Question being put, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*," be now read the first time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                            |                              |                               |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>             | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Pettes,</i>                |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Dawson,</i>             | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Platt,</i>                 |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>DeCosmos,</i>           | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Plumb,</i>                 |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De Veber,</i>           | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Pope (Queen's, P.E.I.)</i> |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Dewdney,</i>            | <i>Macdonald (Kingston),</i> | <i>Robinson,</i>              |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>             | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Rochester,</i>             |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Farrow,</i>             | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Roscoe,</i>                |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>             | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>      |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>            | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Schultz,</i>               |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Flesher,</i>            | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Scrifer,</i>               |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Forbes,</i>             | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Sinclair,</i>              |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Galbraith,</i>          | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i> | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>   |
| <i>Cameron,</i>           | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i> | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Snider,</i>                |
| <i>Campbell,</i>          | <i>Gibson,</i>             | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>    |
| <i>Earmichael,</i>        | <i>Gillies,</i>            | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Haldim'g),</i>   |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gillmor,</i>            | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>     |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Goudge,</i>             | <i>Moffatt,</i>              | <i>Trou,</i>                  |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Guthrie,</i>            | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Vail,</i>                  |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Hogar,</i>              | <i>Norris,</i>               | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>      |

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| <i>Cockburn,</i>   | <i>Haggart,</i>     | <i>Oliver,</i>   | <i>White (Renfrew),</i> |
| <i>Coffin,</i>     | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Palmer,</i>   | <i>Wood,</i>            |
| <i>Cunningham,</i> | <i>Kerr,</i>        | <i>Paterson,</i> | <i>Workman.—92.</i>     |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

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|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Bannatyne,</i> | <i>Colby,</i>          | <i>Irving,</i>                | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      |
| <i>Benoit,</i>    | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>       | <i>Pouliot,</i>             |
| <i>Bernier,</i>   | <i>Currier,</i>        | <i>Lajoie,</i>                | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>  | <i>Daoust,</i>         | <i>Lanthier,</i>              | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>    | <i>Desjardins,</i>     | <i>Laurier,</i>               | <i>Rouleau,</i>             |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>  | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i>  | <i>Short,</i>               |
| <i>Brooks,</i>    | <i>Devlin,</i>         | <i>McDonald (O Breton),</i>   | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Caron,</i>     | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'r'n's)</i> | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>  | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>McDougall (T Rivers)</i>   | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>          |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>   | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McIntyre,</i>              | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>Cheval,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>         | <i>McIsaac,</i>               | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—47.</i> |
| <i>Cimon,</i>     | <i>Hurteau,</i>        | <i>Perry,</i>                 |                             |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, and the Question being put, That the said Bill and the Evidence and Papers accompanying the same, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *McCarthy*, *Cameron*, *Robinson*, *Trou*, *Young*, *Oliver*, *Kerr*, *McDougall (Renfrew)* and *Kirkpatrick*; the House divided: and the names were taken down as in the last preceding Division.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*, seconded by Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*, Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Sixth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

A Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "The Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company" was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to vest the property and powers of the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company in *Joseph Harris McClellan*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Blanchet* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred back to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Springhill* and *Parrsborough* Coal and Railway Company (Limited);

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged; and the Bill be referred back to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Mr. *Laurier*, seconded by Mr. *De St. Georges*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor

General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council and of all correspondence which has taken place, since last Session, between the Federal and the *Quebec* Governments, concerning the Judicial Staff of the District of *Montreal*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of plans of Contract for building *Ingonish Harbour* (being part of Contract); also report of Engineer agreeing to curtailment of said original plans and specification, and the correspondence on that subject, how much has been paid for the Contract, and how much for Extras, and how much is claimed for Extras; how many feet does the finished work extend seaward that the original Contract and plans contemplated; how much has been paid to Superintendent *McLeod* for superintending said work.

On motion of Mr. *Fiset*, seconded by Mr. *Church*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Grand Trunk Railway Company, on the subject of the arrangements effected with the latter, permitting the carriages of the Intercolonial Railway Company to run over that section of their Railway between *Rivière-du-Loup* and *Point Lévis*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Costigan*, seconded by Mr. *Bunster*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence in the possession of the Government, regarding the dismissal of the Postmaster of *Upper St. Francis*, in the County of *Madawaska*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*.

Mr. *Devlin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cockburn*, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed to enquire into and report on the practical working of the plan under which the people are now represented in Parliament, and of the systems which have of late years been adopted in other countries, with a view to remedy some of the alleged defects of the existing plan; The House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker, acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth:

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to extend the provisions of section fifty-six of the Act thirty-fourth *Victoria*, Chapter five, intituled: 'An Act relating to Banks and Banking' to the Bank of *British North America*," without any amendment.

And also, another Message, acquainting this House, That the Senate doth give leave to the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, one of its Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the allegations in the Report and Evidence of the Commission of the Northern Railway Company, as to the application of moneys payable to the Government; and also to make a searching inquiry into the accounts of the Northern Railway and Northern Extension Railway, so as to complete the inquiry begun and left unfinished by the said Commission, if he thinks fit.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, seconded by Mr. *Carmichael*,

*Ordered*, That the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts have leave to employ a shorthand writer to take evidence.

On motion of Mr. *Devlin*, seconded by Mr. *Power*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government or any of its Departments and the Emigration Agents stationed in *Ireland*, respecting the sending out of emigrants from that country to *Canada*, and the manner and under what circumstances pecuniary assistance could be given and to what extent, and whether by all the Agents or only one of them; also for copies of the instructions given to said Agents as to the discharge of their duties and the places fixed for their Headquarters; also all correspondence had with the Agency in *London* respecting the sending out of Irish emigrants to *Canada*, and all correspondence regarding the removal of the Agent who was stationed in *Manchester* to *Belfast*, and regarding the removal of the Agent who was stationed in *Cork* to *London*, and regarding the powers conferred upon the Agent stationed in *Ulster*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Blain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Metcalf*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, Returns shewing the increased quantities between 12 and 14 feet depth of water in the *Welland Canal*, and also the *St. Lawrence Canals* and Rivers, in the following materials, namely:

Masonry,  
Dredging,  
Earth Excavations,  
Rock Cutting { 1 above water,  
                  { 2 below water,  
Timber,  
Plank;

Also the Prices upon which the Calculations in the Engineers Reports are based;  
Also, the soundings of the River and Lakes which have been made for the purpose of obtaining 14 feet of water;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Brouse*, seconded by Mr. *Norris*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, seconded by Mr. *Roscoe*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all the papers connected with enquiries sent to the Admiralty in *England*, and the answers thereto respecting the Harbors of *British Columbia*; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, seconded by Mr. *Roscoe*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence, by telegraph or otherwise, respecting the Graving Dock at *Esquimalt* since July, 1874.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, seconded by Mr. *Roscoe*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all the correspondence between Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Dominion Government since 1871, respecting Imperial financial assistance in aid of the construction of the Canadian *Pacific Railway*; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, seconded by Mr. *Roscoe*, and the Question being proposed That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all despatches sent since 1876, to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies respecting the Canadian *Pacific* Railway, and especially a copy of all the despatches on which Lord *Carnarvon's* despatch of December 18th, 1876, is founded ;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,  
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

On motion of Mr. *Burk*, seconded by Mr. *Norris*,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the title held by the Government to the land and other property connected with the Fish-breeding establishment at *Newcastle, Ontario*, with quantity of land so held ; also the actual amount expended on buildings or other permanent improvements on said lands.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Bowell*,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the sums of money paid *C. J. Brydges* for the year ending 30th June, 1876, showing salary whilst Intercolonial Railway was under construction, and salary for management ; also expenses of his office at *Montreal, Ottawa* and *Moncton*, and amount of his travelling expenses for the same period.

On motion of Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario South)*, seconded by Mr. *Rochester*,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence relating to the superannuation of *Wm. Warren*, Esquire, late Collector of Customs for the Port of *Whitby, Ontario* ; also copies of Petitions, Inspector's Reports and Minute of Treasury Board, shewing date of such superannuation.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the expenditure incurred by the Post Office Department for carrying the Mails below *Quebec* during the whole time when the Grand Trunk was stopped by snow, during the winters of 1874, 1875 and 1876, with the names of the persons employed carrying the said Mails, the distance travelled, the number of trips made, and the amounts received by each of them.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Tuesday, 20th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Gillmor*,—The Petition of *James Russell* and others, Members of the *Charlotte* County Farmers League, of the Province of *New Brunswick*.

By Mr. *St. Jean*,—The Petition of the Honorable *Robert Skead*, President of the *Ottawa* Board of Trade, and others, of the City of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Workman*,—The Petition of *John W. Dawson*, L.L.D., Principal of *McGill* University, and *George Robert Grant*, of the City of *Montreal*, Executors of the last Will and Testament of the late Sir *William E. Logan*, deceased, in his lifetime of the said City of *Montreal*, Knight, L.L.D., F.R.S. and F.G.S.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *Majoire Mercier* and others, of *St. Michel*, County of *Bellechasse*.

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Committee on the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Mary Jane Bates*," presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the said Bill, and also the exemplification of the judgment of His Honor the Judge of the County Court of the County of *Ontario*, in the case of the *Queen vs. Bates*, together with the depositions taken before a Committee of the Senate, to whom the said Bill was referred; and have agreed to report the Bill without amendment.

Mr. *St. Jean* moved, seconded by Mr. *Harwood*, and the Question being proposed, That the Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March instant, for a Return shewing the names of the Veterans who have proved their right to partake in the grant of \$50,000 voted last Session by Parliament in favor of Militiamen of 1812 and 1815, be printed for the use of Members; The said Motion was, as per Rule of the House, submitted to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution declaring it expedient to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873."

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbour of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873," (1) By altering the rates payable on tow-boats and steamers plying in or to the Harbour of *Quebec*, and making better provision for ensuring the payment of the Harbour dues; (2) By empowering the Harbour Commissioners to impose penalties not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment not exceeding sixty days for infraction of their by-laws; (3) By enabling the Commissioners in their discretion to fine a pilot not exceeding \$100, instead of suspending or dismissing him for certain offences; and (4) By authorizing the Commissioners to substitute rates per ton weight or measurement for those now imposed, or otherwise to commute the same, but not to exceed the amounts now authorized except with the consent of the Governor in Council.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Brouse* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th March, 1877, for plans of Contract for building *Ingonish* Harbour (being part of Contract); also Report of Engineer agreeing to curtailment of said original plans and specification, and the correspondence on that subject, how much has been paid for the Contract, and how much for Extras, and how much is claimed for Extras; how many feet does the finished work extend seaward that the original Contract and plans contemplated; how much has been paid to Superintendent *McLeod* for superintending said work. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 67.)

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to extend the Act respecting Trade Marks and Industrial Designs to the Province of *British Columbia* and *Prince Edward Island*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk to carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Railway Act of 1868;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend 'The Railway Act, 1868.'"

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the safe custody of prisoners in places where the Common Gaols become temporarily insecure;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law with reference to appeals from convictions made by Justices of the Peace;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to make provision against the improper use of Fire-Arms;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act for suppressing Gaming Houses;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions declaring it expedient to amend the "Act respecting the Inland Revenue."

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the "Act respecting the Inland Revenue" and to provide for the imposition of a license duty of thirty dollars on each importer or manufacturer (not a manufacturer of beer, wash or spirits, or a rectifier of spirits) of stills, worms, or other apparatus suitable for the manufacture of beer, wash or spirits.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to fix the following as the fees payable by Maltsters for licenses:—

(a.) For a first-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 2,000 centals and upwards, of malt during one month's working, \$200 (*two hundred dollars*.)

(b.) For a second-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 1,500 and not more than 2,000 centals of malt during one month's working, \$150 (*one hundred and fifty dollars*.)

(c.) For a third-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 1,000 centals and not more than 1,500 centals of malt during one month's working, \$100 (*one hundred dollars*.)

(d.) For a fourth-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 500 and not more than 1,000 centals of malt during one month's working, \$50 (*fifty dollars*.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *De St. Georges* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution declaring it expedient to amend the "Act to impose License dues on Compounders of Spirits," to amend the Act respecting "The Inland Revenue; and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *De St. Georges* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *De St. Georges* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the "Act to impose License dues on Compounders of Spirits" to amend the "Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs" by adding the following words to the definition of *adulterated Food or Drink*, contained in the first section of the said Act:

"Or from which any essential constituent part or ingredient has been in whole or in part abstracted."

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Laflamme have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "An Act to impose License dues on Compounders of Spirits, to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions declaring it expedient to amend the Act to provide for the inspection of Gas and Gas Meters.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act to provide for the Inspection of Gas and Gas Meters by repealing the 25th Section thereof and substituting the following in lieu thereof:—

"25. It shall be lawful for the Inspector appointed under this Act, at the request of any purchaser or undertaker, who shall give twenty-four hours notice, in writing, to the other party to the contract, at all reasonable times to enter any house or shop, store, yard, or other place whatsoever within his District, where any Meter, stamped or unstamped, is fixed or used, and to remove such Meter, doing as little damage thereby as may be; and if, upon examination and testing, it shall appear that any such Meter is incorrect or fraudulent, such Meter shall not be re-fixed or used again, unless and until altered and repaired so as to measure and register correctly, and stamped."

"2. And the cost of such removal, alteration, repairs and stamping shall be paid by, and may be recovered from the party against whom the decision is given."

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Act by adding the following sub-section at the end of section thirty-one:

"2. Such tests shall be made at least once in each week, and in addition to such weekly tests, additional tests may be made when the quantity of gas made by any undertaker may be deemed sufficiently large to render such additional tests necessary; such necessity being determined by departmental regulations or order in that behalf."

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Act by adding the following sub-sections at the end of section thirty-five:—

"2. The fees so determined as payable for testing the illuminating power and purity of gas, when such tests are made in pursuance of any general regulations in that behalf, shall be paid by the undertaker."

"3. When any purchaser requires to have a special test made as to the illuminating power or purity of gas, the fees chargeable for such test shall be paid by the party who requires it to be made."

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. De St. Georges reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to repeal certain laws making breaches of contracts of service criminal, and to provide for the punishment of certain breaches of contract;

Mr. Blake moved, seconded by Mr. Coffin, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Irving moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Wood, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 21st March, 1877.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

|             |                       |                       |                     |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Baby,       | Ferguson,             | Macdonald (Kingston), | Plumb,              |
| Benoit,     | Fraser,               | McDonald (C. Breton), | Pope (Compton),     |
| Blain,      | Gaudet,               | Macmillan,            | Robinson,           |
| Blanchet,   | Gibbs (Ontario North) | McCallum,             | Robitaille,         |
| Cameron,    | Gibbs (Ontario South) | McCarthy,             | Rochester,          |
| Campbell,   | Gill,                 | McQuade,              | Rouleau,            |
| Caron,      | Haggart,              | Masson,               | Stephenson,         |
| Cimon,      | Hurteau,              | Monteith,             | Thompson (Oariboo), |
| Cuthbert,   | Irving,               | Montplaisir,          | Tupper,             |
| Daoust,     | Jones (Leeds,)        | Mousseau,             | White (Hastings),   |
| Desjardins, | Lanthier,             | Pinsonneault,         | Wood.—46.           |
| Domville,   | Little,               |                       |                     |

NAYS :

Messieurs

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|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Appleby,           | Church,         | Hall,                  | Paterson,            |
| Archibald,         | Cockburn,       | Higinbotham,           | Perry,               |
| Aylmer,            | Coffin,         | Holton,                | Pickard,             |
| Bain,              | Colby,          | Huntington,            | Platt,               |
| Bannatyne,         | Cook,           | Jones (Halifax),       | Pouliot,             |
| Barthe,            | Costigan,       | Kerr,                  | Richard,             |
| Bécharde,          | Coupal,         | Kirk,                  | Ross (Middlesex),    |
| Bernier,           | Cunningham,     | Kirkpatrick,           | Ross (P. Edward),    |
| Bertram,           | Currier,        | Laflamme,              | Ryan,                |
| Biggar,            | Davies,         | Lajoie,                | Scatcherd,           |
| Blackburn,         | Dawson,         | Landerkin,             | Schultz,             |
| Blake,             | Delorme,        | Laurier,               | Scriven,             |
| Bolduc,            | De St. Georges, | Macdonald (Cornwall),  | Shibley,             |
| Borron,            | De Veber,       | Macdonald (Toronto),   | Short,               |
| Bourassa,          | Dewdney,        | MacDonnell (Inw'rn's), | Sinclair,            |
| Bowell,            | Donahue,        | Macdougall (Elgin),    | Smith (Peel),        |
| Bowman,            | Dymond,         | McDougall (Renfrew),   | Smith (Selkirk),     |
| Boyer,             | Farrow,         | McDougall (T. Rivers)  | Smith (Westmoreland) |
| Brooks,            | Ferris,         | MacKay (C. Breton)     | Snider,              |
| Brouse,            | Fiset,          | McKay (Colchester),    | St. Jean,            |
| Buell,             | Fleming,        | McCraney,              | Taschereau,          |
| Burk,              | Flesher,        | McIntyre,              | Thibaudeau,          |
| Burpee (St. John), | Flynn,          | McIsaac,               | Thompson (Haldim'd)  |
| Burpee (Sunbury),  | Forbes,         | McLeod,                | Trow,                |
| Carmichael,        | Galbraith,      | McNab,                 | Vail,                |
| Cartwright,        | Gibson,         | Metcalfe,              | Wallace (Albert),    |
| Casey,             | Gillies,        | Mills,                 | Wallace (Norfolk),   |
| Casgrain,          | Gillmor,        | Mitchell,              | White (Renfrew),     |
| Cauchon,           | Goudge,         | Moffat,                | Workman,             |

*Charlton,*  
*Cheval,*  
*Christie,*

*Guthrie,*  
*Hagar,*

*Norris,*  
*Oliver,*

*Wright, (Ottawa),*  
*Yeo.—125.*

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put,

*Ordered,* That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the next sitting of the House this day.

And then The House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 21st March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

By Mr. *Schultz*,—The Petition of *Alexander Matheson* and others, of the Parish of North *St. Andrews*, County of *Lisgar*, Province of *Manitoba*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. A. Oliva* and others, of the County of *Montmagny*, Province of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Jones (Halifax)*,—The Petition of Messrs. *George W. Runciman* and *Son* and others, of *Annapolis, Nova Scotia*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Thomas P. Connolly* and others; and of Messrs. *Doull* and *Miller* and others, of *Halifax*; of *G. P. Paysant* and others, of *Windsor*, County of *Hants*; of Messrs. *R. McGregor* and *Sons*, and others, of *New Glasgow*, County of *Pictou*; of *W. J. Stairs* and others, of *Halifax*; of the Reverend *George Townshend*, Rector, and others, of *Amherst*, County of *Cumberland*; of *C. B. Archibald* and others, of *Truro*, County of *Colchester*; and of *L. E. Baker* and others, of *Yarmouth, Nova Scotia*; severally setting forth the importance of continuing to provide for the fortnightly mail service between *Liverpool* and *Halifax* during the summer months; and praying that the many and varied interests involved may be conserved, and the connection maintained.

Of Mrs. *C. S. Finch* and others, of *Toronto*; praying for the passing of an Act declaring seduction a crime punishable by imprisonment.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Stouffville*; praying for the passing of an Act providing that for Electoral purposes the said Village may remain as before is incorporation.

Of *Alexander McDonald* and others, of *Loch Lomond*, County of *Cape Breton*; and of *Philip McRae* and others, of *St Ann's*, County of *Victoria, Nova Scotia*; severally praying that the House may consider the advisability of having the *St Peter's Canal* so enlarged as to admit the average class of Ocean-going ships and steamers, and that the depth of water be increased to twenty feet, and the locks lengthened in proportion.

Of *George P. Wilson* and others, interested in the coal trade and shipping interests of the Dominion; praying that the duty imposed by the *United States* on Canadian coal may be neutralized by an equal bounty on all coal sent to the *United States*; or that a duty of fifty cents per ton be imposed on all coal imported into the Dominion.

Mr. *Oliver*, from the Select Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*," presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the said Bill, and also the exemplification of the proceedings to final judgment in the Court of Queen's Bench for *Upper Canada*, now the Province of *Ontario*, in the case of *Scott vs Wilson*, together with the depositions taken before a Select Committee of the Senate, to whom the said Bill was referred, and have agreed to report the Bill, *without amendment*.

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for a Return, setting forth, as nearly as the officers of the Government can do so, the amount of the revenue, paid by each Province of the Dominion, and the expenditure made therein on Dominion account during the past five years—namely 1872, '73, '74, '75 and '76 respectively; the Return to show, further, the contributions and receipts *per capita* in each Province to and from the Public Exchequer. (*Sessional Papers, No. 103.*)

Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th February, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and *United States* and Imperial Governments, respecting the navigation of American canals and rivers; also, any correspondence between the Government and business firms or individuals, respecting the same. (*Sessional Papers, No. 104.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for a Return of the quantities and value of the Coal imported into the Dominion of *Canada* for the six months ending 31st December, 1876; distinguishing the various kinds, as say, Anthracite, Bituminous and Lignite; the Countries and Ports of the same whence brought; the Provinces and Ports of the Dominion where entered. (*Sessional Papers, No. 105.*)

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mills* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the boundaries of the Province of *Manitoba*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Casey*, seconded by Mr. *McDougall (Benfrew)*,

*Ordered*, That Messieurs *Devlin, Kerr, Kirkpatrick, Caron, Fr chet*, *Gillmor, Costigan, Borden* and *Casey*, do compose the Select Committee, ordered by this House on Monday, the 19th instant, to enquire into, and report upon the practical working of the plan under which the people are now represented in Parliament; and of the systems which have of late years been adopted in other countries, with a view to remedy some of the alleged defects of the existing plan; and that four Members do form a Quorum.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Gill* have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the floating of cordwood on the River *St. Francis*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Trow* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide greater convenience and safety for passengers on Railways in *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, and the Question being put, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*," be read a second time To-morrow; The House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*) moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith* (*Peel*), and the Question being put, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Mary* "*Jane Bates*," be read a second time To-morrow; The House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of Order in Council of 17th December, 1875, relating to the superintendence and auditing of advertising accounts; also a statement showing how much advertising was not brought under superintendence and audit contemplated by Order in Council, by whom such advertising was ordered, and by whom done from 1st January to 31st December, 1876.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all communications received by the Post Master General or any other Department of the Government from the *St. John* Board of Trade on the subject of the sale of Postage Stamps in the Post Office in *St. John*.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of the Commission or other document appointing *John Mowat* a Fishery Officer in the County of *Restigouche*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*, and also all regulations or instructions defining his powers or the limits of his jurisdiction, and all instructions, if any, to him to seize the Boats fishing beyond three miles from the sea shore.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copy of the Commission or other documents appointing *John Dewe* Post Office Inspector; and also of all orders defining his duties and functions, and within what limits he was to exercise his said office.

Mr. *Cook* moved, seconded by Mr. *Galbraith*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of all papers, Orders and Correspondence with the Minister of Public Works, and the Engineer staff of the said Department in connection with the engagement of employees for the *Pacific* Railroad survey, and the routes (if any) they were instructed to take; also correspondence and Orders from the same source to their agents in reference to the carrying of emigrants, Government employees and freight coming under the direct control of the Government by the *Sarnia* or *Collingwood* route since 1874;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, seconded by Mr. *Delorme*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

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

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the number of persons who have obtained Licenses or permission from the Department of Marine and Fisheries to erect Deep Sea Weirs or Pounds for the purpose of capturing Fish at the Head-lands or Capes of the Maritime Provinces.

And it being Six of the Clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Half-past Seven O'Clock, P.M.*

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the Town of *Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect Tolls

at the Harbor in the said Town, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to authorize the Town of *Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect certain Tolls at the Harbor in the said Town."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate The *Globe* Printing Company," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Metcalfe* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their House, That this House hath passed the same with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Macdougall (Elgin)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to incorporate the 'Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry' of *Canada*."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill for the better protection of Life and Property in the Mines of *British Columbia*;

Mr. *Bunster* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson (Cariboo)*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to preserve to the Electors of the Village of *Stouffville*, the continuance of their representation in Parliament;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Guthrie, Irving, Cameron, Macdougall (Elgin), McCarthy,*

*Fraser, Scatcherd, Brooks, Laurier, Appleby and McIsaac*, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, on Wednesday, the 14th instant, proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the present condition of the Civil Service, and the method of nominating and examining candidates for appointments, with a view to ascertaining whether better means cannot be adopted for securing the appointment of properly qualified persons and the general efficiency of the Service; with power to send for persons, papers and records; said Committee to consist of Messrs. *Casey, Archibald, Aylmer, Charlton, Colby, De St. Georges, Kirkpatrick, Killam, Macdougall (Elgin), McDougall (Renfrew), Roscoe, Wright (Pontiac), Church, Paterson, and Burpee (Sunbury)*, of whom five shall be a quorum; and that said Committee have power to report to the House their observations on the subject referred to them, together with minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

And the Question being put :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons;

Mr. *Cook* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gillies*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Thursday, 22nd March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Borden*,—The Petition of *L. D. V. Chipman* and others, of *Kentville*, County of *King's, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *Louis Turgeon* and others, of the County of *Bellechasse*, Province of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:

Of *James Russell* and others, members of the *Charlotte County Farmers' League*, of the Province of *New Brunswick*; praying that the Tariff may be so changed as to correspond with the Tariff of the *United States*, in respect to Customs duties imposed upon agricultural produce; also for an Act compelling all Farm Produce to be sold by weight, and that fines and penalties may be imposed for its violation.

Of the Honorable *Robert Skead*, President of the *Ottawa Board of Trade*, and others, of the City of *Ottawa*; praying that the inspection of Butter may be made compulsory.

Of *John W. Dawson*, L.L.D., Principal of *McGill University*, and *George Robert Grant*, of the City of *Montreal*, Executors of the last Will and Testament of the late Sir *William E. Logan*, deceased, in his lifetime of the said City of *Montreal*, Knight, L.L.D., F.R.S. and F.G.S.; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the removal of the Geological Museum from *Montreal* to *Ottawa* may be reconsidered,

and that provision may be made to meet the claims of the said late Sir *W. E. Logan's* estate in respect thereof.

Of *Majoric Mercier* and others, of *St. Michel*, County of *Bellechasse*; praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for all papers, correspondence and telegrams relating to property on the *Marsh Road*, in the County of *St. John*, *New Brunswick*, alleged to have been damaged by fire from Locomotives on the Intercolonial Railway. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th, February, 1877, for a Statement giving copies of all correspondence which has taken place between the officer in charge of the Government Railways or any official in charge of a department of the Intercolonial Railway and the *Phoenixville* Iron Company, or any other person, from a Company in the State of *Pennsylvania*, in relation to any offers for bridge superstructure, iron roofs, turn-tables, engines, cars, work, supplies or other matter or thing since 31st December, 1875, whether such correspondence has been in the form of tender or otherwise, stating upon the face of any offer if the same has been accepted. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for copies of correspondence between the Minister of Public Works and the officer in charge of the dredging improvements and deepening of the Horse Shoe Bar Channel at the entrance of the *Miramichi* River; with a statement shewing the total amount of dredging originally contemplated,—the quantity of material removed from said Bar in the respective seasons that the dredge has been at work; the length, breadth and depth of the excavations removed, with the length of the work yet to be excavated, and the probable period of its completion, with a statement of the depth of water proposed to be obtained in said channel by such improvement. (*Sessional Papers, No. 106.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a statement shewing the various Tariffs for the carriage of freight on the Intercolonial Railway, which have been in operation since 1st January, 1875, together with the changes made therein; the Return to be accompanied by a statement shewing all special rates granted from time to time since 1st January, 1876, to persons and companies or particular stations, and also shewing the Parliamentary authority under which these several tariffs have been issued. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement giving full information in relation to the arrangement made between the Government or their representative and the Pullman Palace Car Company, in pursuance of which their cars are run on the Intercolonial Railway, such statement to be accompanied by copy of the agreement and a statement giving an account of all expenses incurred by the Government for transporting the cars, and for cleaning, painting, repairing, and lighting them since they were put upon the line to the 31st December last, as far as practicable. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for copies of Reports and Plan of *Arichat* West Breakwater, in the County of *Richmond*, *Nova Scotia*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 107.*)

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill respecting the Beaver and *Toronto* Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and have agreed to report the same amended for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 1st March, 1877, for a copy of Returns from

Pilotage Authorities of *Cape Breton* for the year 1876, showing the names of all Pilots, and the amount paid to each ; also the amount paid to the secretaries of the different Pilotage Authorities from Pilotage funds in such District. (*Sessional Papers, No. 109.*)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 5th March, 1877, for copies of all Orders in Council, Rules and Regulations made in relation to the Smelt Fisheries in the Harbor of *Bathurst* ; together with all Correspondence between the Department of Marine and Fisheries and the Inspector of Fisheries and other officers of the Department ; also with all persons interested in said Fisheries. (*Sessional Papers, No. 108.*)

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th February, 1877, for a clear and complete statement of the property and business (assets, liabilities), of a Company bearing the name of "*Le Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*," incorporated under Chapter 102 of the Statutes of *Canada*, 36 *Vic.*, (1873), and in particular,—

1. The amount of the subscribed Capital.
2. The amount of this Capital paid in.
3. The amount of Bonds in circulation.
4. The amount invested and secured by hypothecs.
5. The value of the real property hypothecated.

6. The amount of capital held as deposits from the time when the Company commenced business up to the 1st January last (1877).

The said statement not to include the assets, debts, rights, actions, privileges, and hypothecs which the said "*Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*," may have acquired from any Building Society or Societies, established under Chapter 69 of the Consolidated Statutes of Lower *Canada*, or resulting from any union or amalgamation between the said "*Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*," and any Company or Companies established under the last cited Act.

A separate and distinct, clear and complete statement of the property and business (assets and liabilities), of any such Company or Companies, so acquired and possessed by the said *Crédit Foncier*, to be made in like manner, in the form and manner first above mentioned up to the 1st January last (1877).

Further, copies of the various statements duly made and certified by the said "*Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada*," since it commenced business up to the 1st January last. (*Sessional Papers, No. 95.*)

Mr. *Blake* moved, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution :—That it is expedient to make provision for the payment of the cost of transport of the Active Militia when called out in aid of the civil power, and also to provide that the reasonable cost of calling out the Active Militia in certain cases in aid of the civil power may be in whole or part reimbursed out of monies to be provided by Parliament.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency the Governor General, having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution : That it is expedient to provide, that the Governor in Council, on being satisfied that the Standards of inspection of Fish and Fish-Oil, in *Newfoundland*, are equal in quality, grade for grade, to those of *Canada*, may by proclamation so declare, and that while such proclamation is in force, fish and fish-oil inspected in *Newfoundland* and being the produce of the fisheries thereof, may be admitted to the Markets of *Canada*, and otherwise dealt with as if inspected in *Canada*!

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Tolls in the Harbour of *Montreal*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Brouse* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Brouse* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth :—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 61, respecting the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, by repealing the existing Tariff of Tolls and dues on vessels using the Harbour, and on merchandize and other things landed from or shipped on board such vessels, from the first day of April next, and substituting a new Tariff; and by giving the said Commissioners power from time to time to alter or modify the said Tariff with the consent and approval of the Governor in Council.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*) have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Tolls in the Harbour of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow,

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act for suppressing Gaming Houses, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act for the suppression of Gaming Houses."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *De St. Georges* reported from the Committee of the Whole House to consider certain proposed Resolutions declaring it expedient to amend the "Act respecting the Inland Revenue" several Resolutions, which were read as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the "Act respecting the Inland Revenue" and to provide for the imposition of a license duty of thirty dollars on each importer or manufacturer (not a manufacturer of beer, wash or spirits, or a rectifier of spirits) of stills, worms, or other apparatus suitable for the manufacture of beer, wash or spirits.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to fix the following as the fees payable by Malsters for licenses :—

(a.) For a first-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 2,000 centals and upwards, of malt during one month's working, \$200 (*two hundred dollars*.)

(b.) For a second-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 1,500 and not more than 2,000 centals of malt during one month's working, \$150 (*one hundred and fifty dollars*.)

(c.) For a third-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 1,000 centals and not more than 1,500 centals of malt during one month's working, \$100 (*one hundred dollars*.)

(d.) For a fourth-class license, which shall entitle him to work a malt-house having a capacity to produce 500 and not more than 1,000 centals of malt during one month's working, \$50 (*fifty dollars*.)

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laflamme* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an "Act respecting the Inland Revenue."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *De St. Georges* reported from the Committee of the Whole House to consider certain proposed Resolutions declaring it expedient to amend the Act to provide for the inspection of Gas and Gas Meters, several Resolutions, which were read as follow :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act to provide for the Inspection of Gas and Gas Meters by repealing the 25th Section thereof and substituting the following in lieu thereof:—

"25. It shall be lawful for the Inspector appointed under this Act, at the request of any purchaser or undertaker, who shall give twenty-four hours notice, in writing, to the other party to the contract, at all reasonable times to enter any house or shop, store, yard, or other place whatsoever within his District, where any Meter, stamped or unstamped, is fixed or used, and to remove such Meter, doing as little damage thereby as may be; and if, upon examination and testing, it shall appear that any such Meter is incorrect or fraudulent, such Meter shall not be re-fixed or used again, unless and until altered and repaired so as to measure and register correctly and stamped."

"2. And the cost of such removal, alteration, repairs and stamping shall be paid by, and may be recovered from the party against whom the decision is given.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Act by adding the following sub-section at the end of section thirty-one :—

"2. Such tests shall be made at least once in each week, and in addition to such weekly tests, additional tests may be made when the quantity of gas made by any undertaker may be deemed sufficiently large to render such additional tests necessary : such necessity being determined by departmental regulations or order in that behalf."

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Act by adding the following sub-sections at the end of section thirty-five :—

"2. The fees so determined as payable for testing the illuminating power and purity of gas, when such tests are made in pursuance of any general regulations in that behalf, shall be paid by the undertaker."

"3. When any purchaser requires to have a special test made as to the illuminating power or purity of gas, the fees chargeable for such test shall be paid by the party who requires it to be made."

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laflamme* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend "An Act to provide for the inspection of Gas and Gas Meters."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 10th April, 1876, 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 the matter. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 110.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth :—

The House have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Martha Jenima Hawkshaw Holwell*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate communicate to this House the evidence taken before the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act

“for the relief of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Holiwell*,” and request that the same be returned to their House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the following Bills without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: “An Act respecting the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*.”

Bill intituled: “An Act to change the name of the *Saint Francis and Megantic International Railway Company* to the *International Railway Company*, and for “other purposes respecting the same.”

Bill intituled: “An Act to authorize the *Union Forwarding and Railway Company* to reduce its paid-up Capital.”

Bill intituled: “An Act respecting the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*.”

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the inspection of Steamboats;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Amendment which was, on Thursday, the 15th March instant, proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after “That” to the end of the Question be left out, and the words “this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion,” inserted instead thereof; and which Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, That the words “regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion” be left out, and the words “expresses its regret that the Government have not seen fit with a due regard to all other industries so to arrange the Customs Tariff, as to relieve the farmers of *Canada* from the unjust effects of the one-sided and unfair Tariff relations which exist between *Canada* and the *United States*, in reference to the interchange of agricultural products, as well as animals and their products, and at the same time place this country in a better position to negotiate a fair and just reciprocity in the interchange of such products between *Canada* and the *United States*” inserted instead thereof;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 23rd March, 1877.

On motion of Mr. *Brouse*, seconded by Mr. *Galbraith*,  
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth:

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: “An Act respecting Procedure and “Evidence in Criminal Cases” without any amendment.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: “An Act to amend the Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme and “Exchequer Courts,” with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Offences against the Person," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dominion of *Canada* Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Offences against the Person," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate, to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme and Exchequer Courts," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate, to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dominion of *Canada* Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

And then The House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Friday, 23rd March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *Anselme Plante* and others; the Petition of *Elzéar Métivier* and others; and the Petition of *L. A. Brochu* and others, of the County of *Bellechasse*, Province of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—  
Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying that no change may be made in the Tariff as regards Coal imported into the Dominion.

Of *Alexander Matheson* and others, of the Parish of North *St. Andrews*, County of *Lisgar*, Province of *Manitoba*: praying that the Temperance Act of 1864, known as the Dunkin Act, may be extended to the Province of *Manitoba*.

Of the Reverend *F. A. Oliva* and others, of the County of *Montmagny*, Province of *Quebec*; praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

Of Messrs. *George W. Runciman and Son* and others, of *Annapolis, Nova Scotia*; setting forth the importance of continuing to provide for the fortnightly mail service between *Liverpool* and *Halifax* during the summer months; and praying that the many and varied interests involved may be conserved, and the connection maintained.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have had under their consideration the Bill to incorporate the *Maitland Marine Insurance Company*, and the Promoters of the same having expressed their wish to be allowed to withdraw their Bill, Your Committee would recommend that the Fees paid on the same be refunded.

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of Return of the Harbor Master for the Port of *Little Glace Bay, N.S.*, for the year ending 31st December, 1876, shewing the amounts of fees collected, the names of all vessels from which fees were collected; also any correspondence in relation to the office of Harbor Master for the Port of *Little Glace Bay, N.S.* (*Sessional Papers, No. 111.*)

On motion of Mr. *Goudge*, seconded by Mr. *Davies*, Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the *Maitland Marine Insurance Company*, be withdrawn; and the Fees refunded, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Cameron* moved, seconded by Mr. *McCarthy*, and the Question being put, That the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Martha Jemima Hawckshaw Holiwell*," be now read the first time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

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| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Church,</i>             | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Palmer,</i>                |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Cockburn,</i>           | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Paterson,</i>              |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Cook,</i>               | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Pettes,</i>                |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>             | <i>Macdonald (Kingston),</i> | <i>Platt,</i>                 |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Dawson,</i>             | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>                 |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>DeCosmos,</i>           | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Pope (Queen's, P.E.I.)</i> |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Dewdney,</i>            | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Robinson,</i>              |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>             | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Rochester,</i>             |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>             | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>         |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>            | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>      |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fraser,</i>             | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i>  |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>          | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Schultz,</i>               |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i> | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Scriven,</i>               |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i> | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>Sinclair,</i>              |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gibson,</i>             | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>   |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>            | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>    |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gillmor,</i>            | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Trow,</i>                  |
| <i>Cameron,</i>           | <i>Goudge,</i>             | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Tupper,</i>                |
| <i>Campbell,</i>          | <i>Guthrie,</i>            | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Vail,</i>                  |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Haggart,</i>            | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>      |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Hull,</i>               | <i>Moffatt,</i>              | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>       |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Horton,</i>             | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Workman,</i>               |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Kerr,</i>               | <i>Oliver,</i>               | <i>Young.—91.</i>             |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Kullam,</i>             |                              |                               |

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| <i>Baby,</i>      | <i>Colby,</i>    | <i>Holton,</i>  | <i>Masson,</i>      |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i> | <i>Costigan,</i> | <i>Hurteau,</i> | <i>Montplaisir,</i> |

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| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Jetté,</i>                | <i>Mousseau,</i>       |
| <i>Bécharde,</i> | <i>Cuthbert,</i>       | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>      | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>   |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Daoust,</i>         | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Pope (Compton),</i> |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Pouliot,</i>        |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Desjardins,</i>     | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Richard,</i>        |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Robillard,</i>      |
| <i>Brooks,</i>   | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Robitaille,</i>     |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Short,</i>          |
| <i>Casgrain,</i> | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>St. Jean,</i>       |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>  | <i>Gauvet,</i>         | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Taschereau,</i>     |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   | <i>Gil,</i>            | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Thibaudeau.—54.</i> |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Harwood,</i>        |                              |                        |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Mr. *Cameron* moved, seconded by Mr. *McCarthy*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Thursday, the 15th March instant, proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this House regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof; and which Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, That the words "regrets that the financial policy submitted by the Government increases the burthen of taxation on the people, without any compensating advantage to Canadian industries; and further that this House is of opinion that the deficiency in the Revenue should be met by a diminution of expenditure, aided by such a re-adjustment of the Tariff as will benefit and foster the Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests of the Dominion," be left out, and the words "expresses its regret that the Government have not seen fit with a due regard to all other industries so to arrange the Customs Tariff, as to relieve the farmers of *Canada* from the unjust effects of the one-sided and unfair Tariff relations, which exist between *Canada* and the *United States*, in reference to the interchange of agricultural products as well as animals and their products, and at the same time place this Country in a better position to negotiate a fair and just reciprocity in the interchange of such products, between *Canada* and the *United States*," inserted instead thereof;

And it being Six of the Clock—Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Half-past Seven O'Clock P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Beaver and *Toronto* Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario North*)

reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill, from the Senate, intituled : " An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*,"

Mr. *Oliver* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson* (*Haldimand*), and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                               |                             |                               |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Dymond,</i>                | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>         | <i>Orton,</i>                 |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Farrow,</i>                | <i>Little,</i>              | <i>Paterson,</i>              |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Ferris,</i>                | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Pickard,</i>               |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Fleming,</i>               | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i> | <i>Plumb,</i>                 |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>             | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>  | <i>Rope (Queens, P.E.I.),</i> |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i>  | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>  | <i>Rochester,</i>             |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South),</i> | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>         |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Gibson,</i>                | <i>Macmillan,</i>           | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i>  |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Gillies,</i>               | <i>McCallum,</i>            | <i>Scatcherd,</i>             |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Gillmor,</i>               | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Scriver,</i>               |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Goudge,</i>                | <i>McGregor,</i>            | <i>Shibley,</i>               |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Greenway,</i>              | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>    |
| <i>Campbell,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>                 | <i>McQuade,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>   |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Hall,</i>                  | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Trow,</i>                  |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i>           | <i>Moffat,</i>              | <i>Tupper,</i>                |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Kerr,</i>                  | <i>Monteith,</i>            | <i>Vail,</i>                  |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Killam,</i>                | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings).—69.</i>  |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>          |                               |                             |                               |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

|                   |                        |                              |                        |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>      | <i>Costigan,</i>       | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>Masson,</i>         |
| <i>Barthe,</i>    | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Montplaisir,</i>    |
| <i>Béchar, d,</i> | <i>Currier,</i>        | <i>Holton,</i>               | <i>Mousseau,</i>       |
| <i>Benoit,</i>    | <i>Cuthbert,</i>       | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Ouimet,</i>         |
| <i>Bernier,</i>   | <i>Daoust,</i>         | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>   |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>    | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Pope (Compton),</i> |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>  | <i>Desjardins,</i>     | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Richard,</i>        |
| <i>Caron,</i>     | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i>  | <i>Robitaille,</i>     |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>   | <i>Domville,</i>       | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Short,</i>          |
| <i>Cheval,</i>    | <i>Donahue,</i>        | <i>MacDonnell (Invern's)</i> | <i>Taschereau,</i>     |
| <i>Cimon,</i>     | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McGreevy,</i>             | <i>Thibaudeau.—44.</i> |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate intituled : " An Act for the relief of *Mary Jane Bates*."

Mr. Trow moved, seconded by Mr. Gillies, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS:

## Messieurs

|                          |                              |                             |                               |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Archibald,</i>        | <i>Church,</i>               | <i>Killam,</i>              | <i>Orton,</i>                 |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>           | <i>Cockburn,</i>             | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Paterson,</i>              |
| <i>Bain,</i>             | <i>Cook,</i>                 | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>         | <i>Pickard,</i>               |
| <i>Bertram,</i>          | <i>Cunningham,</i>           | <i>Little,</i>              | <i>Phumb,</i>                 |
| <i>Biggar,</i>           | <i>Dymond,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i> | <i>Pope (Queen's, P.E.I.)</i> |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>        | <i>Farrow,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Toronto)</i>  | <i>Robinson,</i>              |
| <i>Blain,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>               | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Rochester,</i>             |
| <i>Blake,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>              | <i>McDougall (Renfrew)</i>  | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>         |
| <i>Borden,</i>           | <i>Forbes,</i>               | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>  | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>      |
| <i>Borron,</i>           | <i>Galbraith,</i>            | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>  | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i>   |
| <i>Bowell,</i>           | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Scatcherd,</i>             |
| <i>Bowman,</i>           | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>Macmillan,</i>           | <i>Scriver,</i>               |
| <i>Brouse,</i>           | <i>Gibson,</i>               | <i>McCallum,</i>            | <i>Shibley,</i>               |
| <i>Buell,</i>            | <i>Gillies,</i>              | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Sinclair,</i>              |
| <i>Burk,</i>             | <i>Gillmor,</i>              | <i>McGregor,</i>            | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (St John),</i> | <i>Greenway,</i>             | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>    |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i> | <i>Guthrie,</i>              | <i>McQuade,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>    |
| <i>Cameron,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>                | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Trow,</i>                  |
| <i>Campbell,</i>         | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Moffat,</i>              | <i>Tupper,</i>                |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>       | <i>Hall,</i>                 | <i>Monteith,</i>            | <i>Vail,</i>                  |
| <i>Charlton,</i>         | <i>Higinbotham,</i>          | <i>Norris,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>      |
| <i>Christie,</i>         | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings)—88.</i>   |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

|                   |                        |                              |                        |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>      | <i>Costigan,</i>       | <i>Holton,</i>               | <i>Montplaisir,</i>    |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i> | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Mousseau,</i>       |
| <i>Barthe,</i>    | <i>Currier,</i>        | <i>Jetté,</i>                | <i>Ouimet,</i>         |
| <i>Benoit,</i>    | <i>Cuthbert,</i>       | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>   |
| <i>Bernier,</i>   | <i>Daoust,</i>         | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Pope (Compton),</i> |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>  | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Richard,</i>        |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>    | <i>Desjardins,</i>     | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Robillard,</i>      |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>  | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Robitaille,</i>     |
| <i>Boyer,</i>     | <i>Domville,</i>       | <i>MacDonnell (Invern's)</i> | <i>Roy,</i>            |
| <i>Caron,</i>     | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Short,</i>          |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>   | <i>Gaudet,</i>         | <i>McGreevy,</i>             | <i>St. Jean,</i>       |
| <i>Cheval,</i>    | <i>Gill,</i>           | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Taschereau,</i>     |
| <i>Cimon,</i>     | <i>Harwood,</i>        | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Thibaudeau.—52.</i> |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The House then resumed the Debate on the Amendment which was, on Thursday the 15th March instant, proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Question, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 24th March, 1877.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the said proposed Amendment ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                    |                              |                               |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Dewdney,</i>              | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers),</i> | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>         |
| <i>Benoit.</i>     | <i>Domville,</i>             | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>    | <i>Platt,</i>                |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Donahue,</i>              | <i>Macmillan,</i>             | <i>Plumb,</i>                |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Farrow,</i>               | <i>McCallum,</i>              | <i>Robillard,</i>            |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>McCarthy,</i>              | <i>Robinson,</i>             |
| <i>Brown,</i>      | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>McGreevy,</i>              | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Bunster,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i>   | <i>McGregor,</i>              | <i>Rochester,</i>            |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i>   | <i>McQuade,</i>               | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Campbell,</i>   | <i>Gill,</i>                 | <i>Masson,</i>                | <i>Roy,</i>                  |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Mitchell,</i>              | <i>Schultz,</i>              |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Moffat,</i>                | <i>Stephenson,</i>           |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Monteith,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>   |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Montplaisir,</i>           | <i>Tupper,</i>               |
| <i>Coupal,</i>     | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Mousseau,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>    |
| <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Norris,</i>                | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Orton,</i>                 | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>      |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Ouimet,</i>                | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>      |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Palmer,</i>                | <i>Wright (Pontiac).—74.</i> |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  |                               |                              |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                       |                              |                               |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Coffin,</i>        | <i>Irving,</i>               | <i>Pope (Queen's, P.E.I.)</i> |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Cook,</i>          | <i>Jetté,</i>                | <i>Pouliot,</i>               |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Cunningham,</i>    | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>      | <i>Power,</i>                 |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i>         | <i>Daves,</i>         | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Ray,</i>                   |
| <i>Bécharé,</i>           | <i>Dawson,</i>        | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Richard,</i>               |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Delorme,</i>       | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Roscoe,</i>                |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De St. Georges</i> | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>      |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>De Veber,</i>      | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i>  |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Dymond,</i>        | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Ryan,</i>                  |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Férris,</i>        | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Scatcherd,</i>             |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Scriver,</i>               |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>       | <i>MacDonnell (Inw'r's),</i> | <i>Shibley,</i>               |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>         | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Sinclair,</i>              |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Forbes,</i>        | <i>McDougall (Renfrew)</i>   | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>          |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Fréchette,</i>     | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>       |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Galbraith,</i>     | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>   |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gibson,</i>        | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Snider,</i>                |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>       | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>St. Jean,</i>              |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gillmor,</i>       | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Taschereau,</i>            |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Goudge,</i>        | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>            |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Greenway,</i>      | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>   |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Guthrie,</i>       | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Trow,</i>                  |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>         | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Vail,</i>                  |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Hall,</i>          | <i>Oliver,</i>               | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>      |

|                  |                     |                  |                    |
|------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Charlton,</i> | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Paterson,</i> | <i>Wood,</i>       |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   | <i>Holton,</i>      | <i>Perry,</i>    | <i>Workman,</i>    |
| <i>Christie,</i> | <i>Horton,</i>      | <i>Pettes,</i>   | <i>Yeo,</i>        |
| <i>Church,</i>   | <i>Huntington,</i>  | <i>Pickard,</i>  | <i>Young.—113.</i> |
| <i>Cockburn,</i> |                     |                  |                    |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question; the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS:

## Messieurs

|                  |                             |                              |                              |
|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Desjardins,</i>          | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>         |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Dewdney,</i>             | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Platt,</i>                |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Domville,</i>            | <i>McKay, (Colchester),</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>                |
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Donahue,</i>             | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Robillard,</i>            |
| <i>Brooks,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>              | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Robinson,</i>             |
| <i>Brown,</i>    | <i>Fraser,</i>              | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Bunster,</i>  | <i>Gaudet,</i>              | <i>McGreevy,</i>             | <i>Rochester,</i>            |
| <i>Cameron,</i>  | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i>  | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Roy,</i>                  |
| <i>Campbell,</i> | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i>  | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Schultz,</i>              |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Gill,</i>                | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Stephenson,</i>           |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Haggart,</i>             | <i>Moffat,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>   |
| <i>Colby,</i>    | <i>Harwood,</i>             | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Tupper,</i>               |
| <i>Costigan,</i> | <i>Hurteau,</i>             | <i>Montplaisir,</i>          | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>    |
| <i>Coupal,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>       | <i>Mousseau,</i>             | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Currier,</i>  | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>         | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>      |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i> | <i>Lanther,</i>             | <i>Ouimet,</i>               | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>      |
| <i>Daoust,</i>   | <i>Little,</i>              | <i>Palmer,</i>               | <i>Wright (Pontiac).—70.</i> |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i> | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i> |                              |                              |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

|                           |                       |                             |                               |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Cockburn,</i>      | <i>Jetté,</i>               | <i>Pope (Queen's, P.E.I.)</i> |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Coffin,</i>        | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>     | <i>Pouliot,</i>               |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Cook,</i>          | <i>Kerr,</i>                | <i>Power,</i>                 |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i>         | <i>Cunningham,</i>    | <i>Killam,</i>              | <i>Ray,</i>                   |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Davies,</i>        | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Richard,</i>               |
| <i>Bécharde,</i>          | <i>Dawson,</i>        | <i>Laflamme,</i>            | <i>Roscoe,</i>                |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Delorme,</i>       | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>         |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De St Georges,</i> | <i>Landerkin,</i>           | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>      |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>De Veber,</i>      | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i>   |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Dymond,</i>        | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Ryan,</i>                  |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>        | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Scatcherd,</i>             |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>         | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'r's)</i> | <i>Scriver,</i>               |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>       | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Shibley,</i>               |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Flynn,</i>         | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i> | <i>Sinclair,</i>              |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Forbes,</i>        | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>          |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>     | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>       |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>     | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>   |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Gibson,</i>        | <i>McGregor,</i>            | <i>Snider,</i>                |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gillies,</i>       | <i>McIntyre,</i>            | <i>St. Jean,</i>              |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillmor,</i>       | <i>McIsaac,</i>             | <i>Taschereau,</i>            |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Goudge,</i>        | <i>McLeod,</i>              | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>            |

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| <i>Carmichael,</i> | <i>Greenway,</i>    | <i>McNab,</i>    | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i> |
| <i>Cartwright,</i> | <i>Guthrie,</i>     | <i>Metcalfe,</i> | <i>Trow,</i>               |
| <i>Casey,</i>      | <i>Hagar,</i>       | <i>Mills,</i>    | <i>Vail,</i>               |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>   | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>Norris,</i>   | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>  |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>    | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Oliver.</i>   | <i>Wood,</i>               |
| <i>Charlton,</i>   | <i>Holton,</i>      | <i>Paterson,</i> | <i>Workman,</i>            |
| <i>Cheval,</i>     | <i>Horton,</i>      | <i>Perry,</i>    | <i>Yeo,</i>                |
| <i>Christie,</i>   | <i>Huntington,</i>  | <i>Pettes,</i>   | <i>Young.—119.</i>         |
| <i>Church,</i>     | <i>Irving,</i>      | <i>Pickard,</i>  |                            |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That the First Resolution (reported from the Committee of Ways and Means) be now read a second time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS:

## Messieurs

|                           |                        |                              |                             |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Cockburn,</i>       | <i>Irving,</i>               | <i>Pickard,</i>             |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Jetté,</i>                | <i>Pouliot,</i>             |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>      | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i>         | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Bécharé,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>         | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Dawson,</i>         | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Roscoe,</i>              |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>McDonald (Cornwall)</i>   | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'r's),</i> | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gillmor,</i>        | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>          |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Greenway,</i>       | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>  |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Norris,</i>               | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Oliver,</i>               | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Holton,</i>         | <i>Paterson,</i>             | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Horton,</i>         | <i>Perry,</i>                | <i>Yeo,</i>                 |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Huntington,</i>     | <i>Pettes,</i>               | <i>Young.—120.</i>          |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

|                  |                  |                              |                               |
|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Dewdney,</i>  | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>          |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Domville,</i> | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Platt,</i>                 |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Donahue,</i>  | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Plumb,</i>                 |
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>   | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Pope (Queens, P.E.I.),</i> |

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| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>McCallum,</i>    | <i>Robinson,</i>            |
| <i>Brown,</i>      | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>McCarthy,</i>    | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Bunster,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>McGreevy,</i>    | <i>Rochester,</i>           |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McQuade,</i>     | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Campbell,</i>   | <i>Gill,</i>                 | <i>Masson,</i>      | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Mitchell,</i>    | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Moffat,</i>      | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Monteith,</i>    | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Montplaisir,</i> | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Mousseau,</i>    | <i>White (Hastings),</i>    |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Orton,</i>       | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Ouimet,</i>      | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Palmer,</i>      | <i>Wright (Pontiac).—69</i> |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> |                              |                     |                             |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Resolution was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Three of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 26th March, 1877

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—List of Stockholders of *La Banque d'Hoche-laga*, on the 2nd January, 1877, under the provisions of the Act 34 Vic: Cap. 5, Sec. 12. (*Sessional Papers, No. 18.*)

Also, General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Chicoutimi*, *Montmagny* and *St. Francis*, for the year 1876, and Supplementary Statement for the District of *St. Francis*, for the year 1875. (*Sessional Papers, No. 19.*)

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of *Pierre Blanchet* and others, of the County of *Montmagny*, Province of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *L. D. V. Chipman* and others, of *Kentville*, County of *Kings*, *Nova Scotia*; setting forth the importance of continuing to provide for the fortnightly mail service between *Liverpool* and *Halifax* during the summer months; and praying that the many and varied interests involved may be conserved, and the connection maintained.

Of *Louis Turgeon* and others; of *Anselme Plante* and others; of *Elzéar Métivier* and others; and of *L. A. Brochu* and others, of the County of *Bellechasse*, Province of *Quebec*; severally praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid on the Table,—copies of Contracts entered into for construction of the Canadian *Pacific Railway*, together with statement of sums expended in construction, under the provisions of the Act 37 Vic: Cap. 14, Sec. 19. (—(*Sessional Papers, No. 57.*)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a statement giving a full epitome of all offers or tenders made from the 30th June, 1875, to 31st December, 1876, to any authorized officer of the Intercolonial Railway, for each of the following: Wheels, Axles, Springs, Tubes, Tools, Stoves, Iron, Iron-work, Iron Roofs, Bridge Superstructure, Cars, Ploughs, Oil, Tallow, Waste, Fuel, Rails, Frogs, Spikes, and other principal supplies, and also for Buildings, Snow Sheds, or any description of work usually done by contract; the statement to include the names of the parties who made such offers, and the names of those whose offers were accepted, as well as the names of those who in any case were invited to submit offers, and the names of those, if any, whose contracts were cancelled, and giving the cause thereof. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for a statement shewing the extent and character of the Works carried on in the improvement of the *Toronto* Harbour during the past year; together with all correspondence, plans, and having reference to the best method or methods of permanently securing the harbour against damage and deepening it so as to admit vessels of largest tonnage navigating the upper lakes, with any estimates which may have been made of the cost of such improvements. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 112.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Council of the County of *Carleton*, respecting a Bridge over the By-wash at *Long Island*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 113.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the Engineer in charge of the *Culbute* Canal, in reference to the petition of *Elizabeth Sullivan*, of the Township of *Pembroke*, in the County of *Renfrew*, praying for compensation for damages alleged to have been sustained by her, through the construction of a Dam at the said *Culbute* Canal, together with a copy of the Engineer's Report on the subject matter of the said Petition. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 114.)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all Reports and Plans of *Port Hood* Harbour, in the County of *Inverness*, made by the Engineers under the direction of the Dominion Government. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 115.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Council of the County of *Carleton*, respecting a Bridge across the *Rideau* River, at the Village of *Wellington*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 116.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all Reports made by the Engineer or Engineers in charge of Public Works on the improvement of the navigation of the *St. John* River, *New Brunswick*, since June, 1871; as well as the amount of dredging done since that date on the *Oromocto* Shoals (so called), and the state of the navigation at that point. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 117.)

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th March, 1877, for copies of all Orders in Council and of all correspondence which has taken place, since last Session, between the Federal and the Quebec Governments, concerning the Judicial Staff of the District of *Montreal*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 118.)

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend the law respecting the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies by Letters Patent, and have agreed to report the same with several amendments.

Mr. *MacDonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private

Bills, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same without amendment, viz:—

Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*," and also the exemplification of the proceedings to final judgment in the Court of Queen's Bench for Upper *Canada*, now the Province of *Ontario*, in the case of *Scott vs. Wilson*; together with the depositions taken before a Select Committee of the Senate, to whom the said Bill was referred.

Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Mary Jane Bates*," and also the exemplification of the judgment of His Honor, the Judge of the County Court, of the County of *Ontario*, in the case of *The Queen vs. Bates*; together with the depositions taken before a Select Committee of the Senate, to whom the said Bill was referred.

Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Bridge Company of *Rivière du Loup*, in the County of *Maskinongé*.

Your Committee have also considered the Bill to vest the property and powers of the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company in *Joseph Harris McClellan*; and have agreed to certain amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have further considered the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Springhill* and *Parrsborough* Coal and Railway Company (Limited), referred back to them, and have agreed to report the same with several additional amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Trow*, seconded by Mr. *Bowman*,

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate requesting their Honors will give leave to the Honorable *J. Sutherland*, and the Honorable *M. A. Girard*, two of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the employment without the Walls of Common Gaols, of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment therein.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill for the repressing of Betting and Pool-selling.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Post Office Act, 1875.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Hotiwell*;"

Mr. *Thompson* (*Haldimand*) moved, seconded by Mr. *Wood*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                               |                               |                              |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Davies,</i>                | <i>Little,</i>                | <i>Rockester,</i>            |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>DeCosmos,</i>              | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>   | <i>Roscoe,</i>               |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Dewdney,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>   | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Dymond,</i>                | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>    | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Ferris,</i>                | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>   | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Fleming,</i>               | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>    | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Flesher,</i>               | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>    | <i>Schultz,</i>              |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Forbes,</i>                | <i>Mackenzie,</i>             | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Fraser,</i>                | <i>McCraney,</i>              | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North),</i> | <i>McGregor,</i>              | <i>Sinclair,</i>             |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South),</i> | <i>McLeod,</i>                | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gibson,</i>                | <i>McQuade,</i>               | <i>Smith (Westmorland)</i>   |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>               | <i>Mitchell,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>   |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gillmor,</i>               | <i>Moffat,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>  |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Goudge,</i>                | <i>Monteith,</i>              | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Greenway,</i>              | <i>Norris,</i>                | <i>Tupper,</i>               |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Guthrie,</i>               | <i>Oliver,</i>                | <i>Vail,</i>                 |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>                  | <i>Palmer,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Higinbotham,</i>           | <i>Paterson,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>          | <i>Horton,</i>                | <i>Pettes,</i>                | <i>Wood,</i>                 |
| <i>Coffin,</i>            | <i>Kerr,</i>                  | <i>Plumb,</i>                 | <i>Workman,</i>              |
| <i>Cook,</i>              | <i>Killam,</i>                | <i>Pope (Queen's, P.E.I.)</i> | <i>Young.—41.</i>            |
| <i>Cunningham,</i>        | <i>Kirk,</i>                  | <i>Robinson,</i>              |                              |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

|                  |                        |                              |                              |
|------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Colby,</i>          | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Masson,</i>               |
| <i>Bécharé,</i>  | <i>Costigan,</i>       | <i>Holton,</i>               | <i>Montplaisir,</i>          |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Currier,</i>        | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Mousseau,</i>             |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Cuthbert,</i>       | <i>Jetté,</i>                | <i>Quimet,</i>               |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>Daoust,</i>         | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>      | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>       |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Richard,</i>              |
| <i>Boyer,</i>    | <i>Desjardins,</i>     | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Brooks,</i>   | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Roy,</i>                  |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Domville,</i>       | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i>  | <i>Stephenson,</i>           |
| <i>Casgrain,</i> | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>McDonall (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>MacDonnell (Inw'rn's)</i> | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Gill,</i>           | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Norfolk)—48.</i> |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Cimon, seconded by Mr. Caron,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement showing the quantity, quality and dimension of timber supplied by Mr. Adolphe Gagnon for each of the piers at Baie St Paul, Malbaie and Eboulements, in the County of Charlevoix, and also the price per foot paid for such timber during the fiscal year 1875-6.

On motion of Mr. Caron, seconded by Mr. Robitaille,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing : 1st, the instructions given and to whom given for the division of the Ordnance property at Quebec, known as the Cove Field ; 2nd, the cost of dividing, also for advertising, and of selling the same ; 3rd, the names of the parties receiving such sums of money, the amount received by each of them ; 4th, the amount of such sale, the names of the purchasers, the amount paid by each on each lot, and the balance remaining unpaid.

On motion of Mr. Caron, seconded by Mr. Blanchet,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a statement shewing : 1st, the names and salaries or wages of each officer composing the Government staff of the Lachine Canal, for each of the years 1875-6 and 1876-7 ; 2nd, the amount of contingencies in connection with the said staff for each of these years ; 3rd, the dates of appointment of each such officer.

On motion of Mr. Domville, seconded by Mr. Mitchell,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all correspondence, telegrams, and orders in connection with the dismissal of William Colwell, Locker in the Custom House Department, St. John, New Brunswick ; also, all papers, telegrams, and correspondence in connection with the investigation carried on by Inspector Cudlip, together with his report thereon,—date of dismissal,—copy of medical report as to his health after examination,—a statement of all other official appointments which were offered him,—copy of letter addressed by Commissioner Johnson, at Ottawa, to the Department of the Minister of Justice recommending him for an appointment,—together with a statement of the fund from which the sum of one hundred dollars was paid him,—of the grounds for such payment, and the account to which such payment was charged in the Public Accounts.

Mr. Roscoe moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copy of all correspondence from Government officials in British Columbia to the Dominion Government, in regard to the escape of Martin, on alleged United States Territory ; and also of a demand made upon A. Coquette, to pay the United States Customs duties ; And a Debate arising thereupon :—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Stephenson, seconded by Mr. Fraser,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns shewing by whom the Pork Stuffs supplied to the Mounted Police Force in the North-West Territory and Manitoba were furnished ; the quantity and description of such stuffs supplied ; the prices asked as well as the prices paid therefor ; the point from where they were shipped and the cost of conveyance per 100 lbs to the point of their final destination ; also all correspondence shewing whether such stuffs were called for and supplied by tender publicly advertised ; together with copies of any notices for tenders as well as all tenders received since the establishing and location of said Mounted Police Force in the North-West Territory and Manitoba.

On motion of Mr. Roy, seconded by Mr. Blanchet,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, copies of all the instructions given to Mr. Kingsford, of the Department of Public Works, and of all reports and correspondence in relation to repairs and other work done on the Breakwaters at L'Islet, Rivière Ouelle, Rivière du Loup, and Rimouski, on the south shore of the St. Lawrence, Province of Quebec ; also a statement shewing the amounts expended for such work or repairs on each of the said Breakwaters.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth :--

The Senate have passed the following Bills without any amendment :--

Bill intituled : " An Act further to amend the Act to incorporate the *Canada Mutual Marine Insurance Company*."

Bill intituled : " An Act to authorize and provide for the winding-up of the *Metropolitan Bank*."

Bill intituled : " An Act respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*."

Bill intituled : " An Act concerning the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal Railway Company*."

Bill intituled : " An Act respecting the transfer of *Rockwood Asylum* to the Province of *Ontario* and to amend the Penitentiary Act of 1875."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Globe Printing Company*."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act to authorize "The Royal Canadian Insurance Company" to reduce its Capital Stock, "and for other purposes," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Union Marine Insurance Company of *Halifax, Nova Scotia*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the National Investment Company of *Canada (Limited)*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the *Coteau and Province Line Railway and Bridge Act*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *Canada Traffic Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : " An Act to authorize the "Royal Canadian Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes," and the same was twice read and agreed to:

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company*," and the same were read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the said Amendments be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*," and the same were read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the said Amendments be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Mr. *McKay* (*Colchester*), seconded by Mr. *Wallace* (*Albert*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Postmaster General and the Post Office Inspector at *Halifax*, and other Post Office officials, with reference to the loss of a Mail-bag between *Truro* and *Halifax*, on or about the 14th December last, and which contained two or more registered letters containing sums of money, with all correspondence with reference to the loss of said money.

On motion of Mr. *Currier*, seconded by Mr. *Bowell*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : " An Act to amend the *Coteau* " and *Province Line Railway and Bridge Act* " be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, seconded by Mr. *Baby*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, the amount in detail of Departmental printing of each Department respectively, the names of the persons or parties who made such printing, with the names of the parties who have such printing not yet finished, with the conditions entered into, and the amount in value of the work yet to be done.

Mr. *Blanchet* moved, seconded by Mr. *Baby*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of a certain Report made against the the Postmaster of *Montmagny*, *Jean Stanislas Vallée*, Esq., in connection with an alleged enquiry held by *Achille Talbot*, Esq., Deputy Inspector of Post Offices for the District of *Quebec*; and of all papers, documents and correspondence thereunto relating; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Schultz*, seconded by Mr. *Ryan*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all communications from the first Council of the *North-West Territories* in regard to the preservation of the Buffalo; all communication on the same subject from Indian Commissioners or other Dominion Government officials and all Orders in Council or Acts passed by the present Government of the *North-West Territories* having this object in view.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all the correspondence between the President and Cashier of the *Ontario Bank*, and the Hon. the Finance Minister, or the Finance Department, respecting the Government Deposits in the *Ontario Bank* since 1st November, 1873, to the present time.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth :—

The Senate give leave to the Honorable Messieurs *Sutherland* and *Girard*, two of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, if they think fit.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An

“ Act for the Prevention of Gambling Practices in certain Public Conveyances,” with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: “ An Act for the Prevention of Gambling Practices in certain Public Conveyances,” be taken into consideration To-morrow.

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and any of their officers or other parties in *Nova Scotia*, relating to the supply of coal and water for the operation of the Fog Whistle at *Cape D’Or*, and a statement of the period or periods during which for the past two years that Fog Whistle has not been in operation, and the reasons therefor.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all leases of the right to fish in the non-tidal waters of *New Brunswick*.

On motion of Mr. *Cockburn*, seconded by Mr. *Bolduc*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of the Engineers Report of the survey of *Parry Sound Harbor*, made by Mr. *Michaul, C.E.* and others in 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all papers connected with the awarding of section fifteen of the *Canada Pacific Railway*, including copies of advertisements for tenders,—all tenders sent in with the names of the parties tendering, the names of all sureties offered, and the amount of such tenders; a statement of all sums of money deposited at the time of tendering or subsequently, as security in part or in whole for the performance of said contract, and whether such sums or any portion of them have been returned and to whom; all telegrams and correspondence with parties tendering, or with any other parties in relation to the tenders or to the contractors, all protests filed by parties tendering or by any other parties in respect of such contracts, all reports to Council by the Minister of Public Works, and Minutes of Council referring to the said tenders and contracts, also copies of contracts for such section number fifteen of the said *Canada Pacific Railway*, and of any order of the Department of Public Works or Minutes of Council altering the terms of the said contracts or extending the time for the completion of the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen’s Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between Mr. *James Niven*, of *Newcastle, Miramichi, N.B.*, and the Officers of the Intercolonial Railway and the Government, in reference to the killing by one of the Trains of said Road, on the 23rd of February last, of Five head of Cattle of the said *James Niven*; also a statement from the Officers of the Road as to the distance to the place of accident from the *Miramichi Station* from which the said Train started; whether the same is or is not a straight line; where the Driver of the said Train first saw the Cattle on said Track.

On motion of Mr. *Pouliot*, seconded by Mr. *Fréchette*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—1. Copies of the arrangement made by the Government, or by the General Manager of the Intercolonial Railway, with the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*,

respecting the tariff of charges for the conveyance of passengers and freight over the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial Railways; 2. a Statement of the rates which should have been and ought still to be charged for passengers and for freight by the Grand Trunk Railway from its various Stations to *Rivière-du-Loup*, and *vice versa*, per passenger, per car, and per the hundred pounds of the different classes of merchandise; 3. a Statement of the rates charged by the Intercolonial Railway, for passengers and freight over the Intercolonial Railway from *Rivière-du-Loup* to its various Stations, and *vice versa*, per passenger, per car, and per the hundred pounds of the different classes of merchandise.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 27th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Workman*, seconded by Mr. *Young*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to incorporate The *Canada Traffic Company*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Workman*, seconded by Mr. *Young*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the *Canadian Engine and Machinery Company*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Union Marine Insurance Company of Halifax, Nova Scotia*," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That the House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to repeal certain laws making breaches of contracts of service criminal, and to provide for the punishment of certain breaches of contract, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act relating to the Inspection of Steamboats, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Macdougall (Elgin)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Brouse* reported from the Committee of the Whole House, to consider a certain proposed Resolution declaring it expedient to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873;" a Resolution, which was read as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbour of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873," (1) By altering the rates payable on tow boats and steamers plying in or to the Harbour of *Quebec*, and making better provision for ensuring the payment of the Harbour dues; (2) By empowering the Harbour Commissioners to impose penalties not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment not exceeding sixty days for infraction of their by-laws; (3) By enabling the Commissioners in their discretion to fine a Pilot not exceeding \$100, instead of suspending or dismissing him for certain offences; and (4) By authorizing the Commissioners to substitute rates per ton weight or measurement for those now imposed, or otherwise to commute the same, but not to exceed the amounts now authorized except with the consent of the Governor in Council.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the transfer of the *Truro* and *Pictou* Branch of the Intercolonial Railway to the person or company constructing a line of Railway from *New Glasgow* to the *Strait of Canso*, and providing a proper ferry across the *Strait*;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; The House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Goudge* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the boundaries of the Province of *Manitoba*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend, and to consolidate as amended, the Acts respecting the Customs;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*, reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to more for leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 28th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Robitaille*,—The Petition of *James Ritchie* and others, of the County of *Bonaventure*, in the Province of *Quebec*, and others, of the County of *Restigouche*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*.

By Mr. *Carmichael*,—The Petition of *Robert Doull* and others, of *Pictou, Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. *Forbes*,—The Petition of *J. N. Freeman* and others, of *Liverpool, Nova Scotia*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read and received. Of *Pierre Blanchet* and others, of the County of *Montmagny*, Province of *Quebec*; praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

Mr. *Horton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Cap. 50, respecting Permanent Building Societies in *Ontario*, and have agreed to report the same without amendment.

Your Committee have also considered the following Bills and have agreed to report the same severally amended:—

Bill to amend the Act of incorporation of the *London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)*.

Bill to amend the Act passed in the 39th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, amended by the Senate, and have agreed to report the said amendments without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company*."

Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*."

Your Committee have also considered the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Albert Railway Company*, and have agreed to report the same with several amendments.

Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

The Committee carefully considered the following documents, and recommend that they be printed, viz :—

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Imperial and the Canadian Governments concerning the exercising the power of disallowance of Provincial Acts.—(*In Sessional Papers only*.)

*Evidence of the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of Richelieu, in the Province of Quebec*.—(*In the Appendix to the Journals only*.)

*Order of the House*,—Shewing the amount of the revenue paid by each Province of the Dominion, and the expenditures made therein during the past five years, &c., &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Dominion, *United States* and Imperial Governments, respecting the navigation of American Canals and Rivers, &c.—(*Condensed*.)

*Order of the House*,—Quantities and value of coal imported into the Dominion of *Canada* for the six months ending 31st December, 1876.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence, &c., on the subject of the duty imposed on Canadian ships sold in *France*, &c.

The Committee would also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz :—

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence, &c., relating to property on the *Marsh Road*, in the County of *St. John, N.B.*, alleged to have been damaged by fire from Locomotives on Intercolonial Railway.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence between the officer in charge of the Government Railways or a Department of the Intercolonial Railway and the *Phoenixville Iron Company*, in relation to any offers for bridge superstructure, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Statement shewing the various tariffs for the carriage of freight on the Intercolonial Railway, in operation since 1st January, 1875.

*Order of the House*,—Statement as to the arrangement between the Government and the *Pullman Palace Car Company*, by which their cars are run on the Intercolonial Railway, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Statement giving a full epitome of all offers, &c., from June, 1875, to December, 1876, to any authorized officer of the Intercolonial Railway, for wheels, axles, springs, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence relating to the distribution of Half-breed lands in the Province of *Manitoba*.

*Order of the House*,—Return of all lands surrendered by the Dominion Government to the Government of *Manitoba*, for road purposes.

*Order of the House*, relating to the destruction by force of the Dominion Dam on *Devil Lake*, in the County of *Addington*, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Contracts with the Government for the execution of the work at the Citadel of *Quebec* in 1874 and 1875, &c., &c.

*Order of the House*,—Return of all special rates for the conveyance of freight over the railways in *Nova Scotia* or *New Brunswick*, &c., &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence relating to the working of the Act on Weights and Measures.

*Copies of Contracts* entered into for the construction of the Canadian *Pacific* Railway, with statement of sums expended in conformity to the provisions of the Act 37 *Vict.*, Chap. 14, Sec. 19.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence on the subject of building *Ingonish* Harbour, &c.

*Return to Address*, relating to the tenders for the mail service for 1876, on Lakes *Huron* and *Superior* between the ports on Lake *Huron* and *Georgian Bay*.

*Order of the House*,—Return of the accounts of the Dominion Notes of the denominations of one and two dollars, payable in *Victoria*, and forwarded by Government to the Assistant Receiver-General of *British Columbia*, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Cost of the erection of the Lighthouse at the Harbour of Refuge at *Rondeau*, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Supplementary Return—Correspondence between the Government and the Censitaires of the Seigniorship of *Nicolas Rioux*, in the County of *Rimouski*, in the matter of the tax they pay to the Seigniors.

*Annual Return* shewing the average number of the Dominion Police employed during each month of the year.

*Order of the House*,—Instructions issued from the Inland Revenue Department to its officers at what time the additional duty on Malt was to take place.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence between the Government and the *Tobique* Indians relating to the appointment of a resident Agent.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence as to placing the Dominion of *Canada* in as favourable a position as any foreign country under the provisions of the Postal Union made at *Berne* on the 9th October, 1874.

*Order of the House*,—Shewing cost of the Steamer "*Northern Light*" and expenditure in connection therewith.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence affecting Merchant Shipping, and Instructions given to *Mr. Wm. Smith*, Deputy of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, on his recent mission to England, &c.

*Return to Address*, respecting the opening up of steam Communication in the winter season between *Prince Edward Island* and the Mainland, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence relating to the dredging improvements and deepening of the Horse Shoe Bar Channel, at the entrance of the *Miramichi* River, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Reports and plan of "*Arichat West Breakwater*," in the County of *Richmond, N.S.*

*Return to Address*, relating to the Smelt Fisheries in the Harbour of *Bathurst*, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Returns from Pilotage Authorities of *Cape Breton* for 1876, shewing the names of all Pilots and the amount paid to each, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Return of the Harbour Master for the Port of *Little Glace Bay, N.S.*, for the year ending 31st December, 1876, shewing the amount of fees collected, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Statement shewing the extent and character of the works carried on in the improvement of the *Toronto* Harbour during the past year, &c.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence between the Government and the Council of the County of *Carleton*, respecting a Bridge over the By-Wash at *Long Island*.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the Engineer in charge of the *Culbute* Canal in reference to the petition of *Elizabeth Sullivan*, praying for compensation for damages.

*Order of the House*,—Reports and plans of *Port Hood* Harbour in the County of *Inverness*, by Engineers under direction of Dominion Government.

*Order of the House*,—Correspondence between the Government and the Council of the County of *Carleton*, respecting a bridge across Rideau River, at the Village of *Wellington*.

*Order of the House*,—Reports on the improvements of the Navigation of the *St. John* River, *N.B.*, since June, 1871, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence since last Session between the Federal and the *Quebec* Governments concerning the Judicial Staff of the District of *Montreal*.

On motion of *Mr. Holton*, seconded by *Mr. Young*,

*Ordered*, That the several Bills reported this day from the Select Standing Committees on Banking and Commerce,—and on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, be placed on the Orders of the Day, for this day.

*Mr. Smith (Westmoreland)*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for a Statement, as exact as possible, shewing the amount paid by each Steamboat to the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*, during the season 1875-6, for wharfage dues, together with the name and length of such steamboat. (*Sessional Papers, No. 120.*)

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all correspondence between the Government and the Contractor for the construction of the Dam, Lock, and Slide on the *Ottawa River* at *Carillon*; also the amount of the contract price for said work; and copies of the correspondence between the Engineer and the Contractor.

On motion of Mr. *Pope* (*Queen's*), seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all monies paid for legal services, or legal expenses in *Prince Edward Island*, from 1st January, 1874, to the present time;—shewing when paid,—to whom paid,—and for what services.

On motion of Mr. *Pope* (*Queen's*), seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the names of all Government Officials in *Prince Edward Island*, specifying nature of office held by each, date of appointment, and amount of salary.

On motion of Mr. *Pope* (*Compton*), seconded by Mr. *Baby*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of papers and correspondence on the subject of the closing of the Post Office, in the vicinity of the Church *St. Jean L'Evangeliste de la Nouvelle*.

On motion of Mr. *Bowman*, seconded by Mr. *Trow*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, 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 raised therefrom during the past year; the Statement to be made in the same form as the one brought down last Session.

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns shewing the number of Illicit Stills seized by the Revenue Officers of the Dominion in 1873, 1874 and 1875; giving the dates when the different seizures were made, where made, and the estimated value of the property seized.

On motion of Mr. *Hagar*, seconded by Mr. *Currier*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House copies of all Reports of Engineers or correspondence respecting the existence and cause of the greater rise in the waters of the sixty mile level of the River *Ottawa*, between the *Chaudiere Falls* and the *Long Sault Rapids*, than the levels below and above those points, as set forth in the petitions to this House of certain inhabitants of the Counties of *Ottawa*, *Prescott* and *Russell*.

On motion of Mr. *Pope* (*Queen's*), seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing amounts paid for printing for all services done in *Prince Edward Island*, during the years 1874, 1875 and 1876 respectively, the nature of the work done, and the names of the persons who performed such work.

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence, reports, papers and records, respecting the renewal of the contract for the transportation of the mail between *Campbellton* and *Paspebiac*, nearly six months before the expiration of the said contract, and without tenders being called for; and also for copies of the contract.

The Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin*, C.B., having presented the Indenture of his election for the Electoral District of *Charlevoix*, and having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Resolved*, That in admitting the Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin*, C.B., elected to represent the Electoral District of *Charlevoix*, to take his seat on the production of the Duplicate Indenture only, and without the Return of the Indenture of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and the Certificate of the latter Officer, this House still recommends a strict adherence to the practice of requiring the production of the usual certificate.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Fraser*, and the Question being proposed That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Department of Customs and any Customs House officer respecting any application for permission to be a candidate for any corporate office between the dates following, that is to say; 1st July, 1875, and 1st January, 1877;

Mr. *Cook* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Shibley*, That the words "1st July, 1875," be left out, and the words "1st June, 1873," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said proposed amendment and original motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Baby*, seconded by Mr. *Ouimet*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence, letters and telegrams, between the Government and the proprietors of the lands in the neighborhood of the proposed enlargement of the Lachine Canal from the first of March, 1875, up to the 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all the orders given to the Engineers to furnish information to such proprietors, and of all applications of said proprietors for information made either to the Government, to the Engineers or to the Department of Public Works, as to the quantity of land required for such enlargement between the same dates, 1st March, 1875, and 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all offers, proposals and arrangements submitted by the said proprietors to the Government, to the Engineers or to the Department of Public Works—and of all offers, proposals and arrangements submitted by the Government, the Engineers, or the Department of Public Works, to the said proprietors, between the said dates of the 1st March, 1875, and 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all reports made by arbitrators or valuers on the value of the lands of such riparian proprietors on the said Canal, within the said period, from 1st March, 1875, to 10th March, 1877;—also of all reports made by the Engineers to the Government, or to the Department of Public Works, on the value of the said lands, and on the offers, proposals or arrangements made or proposed by such proprietors to the Government, or by the Government to such proprietors, within the said period, from the 1st March, 1875, to 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all contracts entered into between such proprietors and the Government, or the Department of Public Works, in relation to the lands required for the enlargement of the Lachine Canal, between the 1st March, 1875, and the 10th March, 1877.

On motion of Mr. *Goudge*, seconded by Mr. *Horton*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence that may have passed during the past three years between the Government of *Great Britain* and the Government of this Dominion relative to the abolition of Light dues upon Canadian shipping.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Cunningham*, seconded by Mr. *Thompson (Cariboo)*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Local Government of *British Columbia*, relative to the appointment of a County Court Judge for the District of *New Westminster* in place of *Arthur T. Bushby*, Esquire, deceased.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk as followeth :---

The Senate have passed the following Bills without any amendment :---

Bill intituled : " An Act to extend the Act respecting Trade Marks and Industrial designs to the Provinces of *British Columbia* and *Prince Edward Island*."

Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to incorporate The *Ottawa* Agricultural Insurance Company."

Bill intituled : " An Act to provide for the safe custody of Prisoners in places where the Common Gaols become temporarily insecure."

Bill intituled : " An Act to amend the Railway Act 1868."

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* and *Pacific* Railway Ferry Company," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled " An Act to incorporate the *St. Lawrence* and *Pacific* Railway Ferry Company," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Caron*, seconded by Mr. *Baby*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of correspondence between the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade and the Dominion Government, relating to the rule in existence in regard to unprepaid letters.

*Half-past Seven o'Clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Order respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee on the Bill from the Senate intituled : " An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott* ;"

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson (Haldimand)*, and the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Kirkpatrick* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson (Haldimand)*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :---

YEAS

Messieurs

*Archibald,*  
*Bertram,*

*Dymond,*  
*Fleming,*

*Macmillan,*  
*McCallum,*

*Plumb,*  
*Robinson,*

|                  |                              |                  |                             |
|------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Blain,</i>    | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>McCarthy,</i> | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Blake,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McCraney,</i> | <i>Ross (Middlessex),</i> ❏ |
| <i>Borron,</i>   | <i>Gillies,</i>              | <i>McGregor,</i> | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Greenway,</i>             | <i>McQuade,</i>  | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Bowman,</i>   | <i>Hagar,</i>                | <i>Metcalfe,</i> | <i>Smith (Wesimoreland)</i> |
| <i>Brouse,</i>   | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Mills,</i>    | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Buell,</i>    | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Mitchell,</i> | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>  |
| <i>Burk,</i>     | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Moffat,</i>   | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Charlton,</i> | <i>Macdonald (Kingston),</i> | <i>Monteith,</i> | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Christie,</i> | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Norris,</i>   | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cockburn,</i> | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Oliver,</i>   | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Cook,</i>     | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Paterson,</i> | <i>Young</i> —58.           |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i> | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            |                  |                             |

## NAYS

## Messieurs

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|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Cimon,</i>     | <i>Jetté,</i>               | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>         |
| <i>Bécharde,</i> | <i>Colby,</i>     | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Pope (Gompton),</i>       |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Costigan,</i>  | <i>Langevin,</i>            | <i>Robillard,</i>            |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Currier,</i>   | <i>Lanthier,</i>            | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Daoust,</i>    | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Rouleau,</i>              |
| <i>Boyer,</i>    | <i>Donahue,</i>   | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Fiset,</i>     | <i>Masson,</i>              | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Casgrain,</i> | <i>Fréchette,</i> | <i>Montplaisir,</i>         | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>    |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>  | <i>Gaudet,</i>    | <i>Ouimet,</i>              | <i>Wright (Pontiac)</i> —39. |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   | <i>Hurteau,</i>   | <i>Perry,</i>               |                              |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; the House divided: and the names were taken down as in the last preceding Division.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee on the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Mary Jane Bates*;"

Mr. *Trow* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bowman*, and the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Mr. *Trow* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bowman*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                   |                 |                             |                  |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| <i>Archibald,</i> | <i>Dymond,</i>  | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i> | <i>Norris,</i>   |
| <i>Bertram,</i>   | <i>Ferris,</i>  | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Oliver,</i>   |
| <i>Blain,</i>     | <i>Fleming,</i> | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Paterson,</i> |
| <i>Blake,</i>     | <i>Flesher,</i> | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>    |

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| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>Mackenzie,</i> | <i>Robinson,</i>            |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>            | <i>Macmillan,</i> | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McCallum,</i>  | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Gibson,</i>               | <i>McCarthy,</i>  | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gillies,</i>              | <i>McCraney,</i>  | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Gillmor,</i>              | <i>McGregor,</i>  | <i>Smith (Westmorel'd),</i> |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Greenway,</i>             | <i>McNab,</i>     | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Guthrie,</i>              | <i>McQuade,</i>   | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Hagar,</i>                | <i>Meicalfe,</i>  | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Mills,</i>     | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Mitchell,</i>  | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>          | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Moffat,</i>    | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Cook,</i>              | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Monteith,</i>  | <i>Young.—69.</i>           |
| <i>Cunningham,</i>        |                              |                   |                             |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

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| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Cimon,</i>     | <i>Jetté.</i>               | <i>Perry,</i>               |
| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Colby,</i>     | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>       | <i>Pinsomeault,</i>         |
| <i>Béchar'd,</i> | <i>Costigan,</i>  | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Coupal,</i>    | <i>Langevin,</i>            | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Daoust,</i>    | <i>Lanthier,</i>            | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Donahue,</i>   | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Rouleau,</i>             |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Fiset,</i>     | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Boyer,</i>    | <i>Fréchette,</i> | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i> | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>    | <i>Masson,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Casgrain,</i> | <i>Gill,</i>      | <i>Montplaisir,</i>         | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>  | <i>Hurteau,</i>   | <i>Ouimet,</i>              | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—45.</i> |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   |                   |                             |                             |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; the House divided: and the names were taken down as in the last preceding Division.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Bridge Company of *Rivière du Loup*, in the County of *Maskinongé*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Laurier* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered,* That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to vest the property and powers of the *Pickering* Harbour and Road Joint Stock Company in *Joseph Harris McClellan*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Masson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered,* That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Springhill* and *Parrsborough* Coal and Railway Company (Limited), and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Kirkpatrick* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act of incorporation of the *London* and *Ontario* Investment Company (Limited), and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Wood* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to incorporate the *London* and *Ontario* Investment Company (Limited).'"

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act passed in the 39th year of Her Majesty's reign intituled: "An Act to incorporate the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Thompson* (*Haldimand*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada* Atlantic Cable Company," and the same were read a second time, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Albert* Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bowell* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the

Senate intituled : " An Act to amend the *Côteau* and Province Line Railway and " Bridge Act ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting the Canadian Engine and " Machinery Company ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : " An Act to incorporate The *Canada* Traffic Company ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to preserve to the Electors of the Village of *Stouffville* the continuance of their representation in Parliament, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Dymond* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Cap. 50, respecting Permanent Building Societies in *Ontario*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Metcalf* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the construction of water works by Joint Stock Companies ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act 37th *Victoria*, Chapter 49, intituled : " An Act to authorize Corporations and " Institutions incorporated without the limits of *Canada* to lend and invest moneys " therein ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, on Monday the 19th March instant, proposed, That there be laid before this House, Returns shewing the increased quantities between 12 and 14 feet depth of water in the *Welland* Canal, and also the *St. Lawrence* Canals and Rivers, in the following materials, namely :

Masonry,  
Dredging,  
Earth Excavations,  
Rock Cutting { 1 above water,  
                  { 2 below water,  
Timber,  
Plank ;

Also the Prices upon which the Calculations in the Engineers Reports are based ;  
Also, the soundings of the River and Lakes which have been made for the purpose

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of obtaining 14 feet of water; And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 26th March, 1877, for all papers connected with the awarding of section fifteen of the *Canada Pacific Railway*, including copies for advertisements for tenders,—all tenders sent in with the names of the parties tendering, and the names of all sureties offered, and the amount of such tenders; a Statement of all sums of money deposited at the time of tendering or subsequently, as security in part or in whole for the performance of said contract, and whether such sums or any portion of them have been returned and to whom; all telegrams and correspondence with parties tendering, or with any other parties in relation to the tenders or to the contractors, all protests filed by parties tendering or by any other parties in respect of such contracts, all reports to Council by the Minister of Public Works, and Minutes of Council referring to the said tenders and contracts, also copies of contracts for such section number fifteen of the said *Canada Pacific Railway*, and of any order of the Department of Public Works or Minutes of Council altering the terms of the said contracts or extending the time for the completion of the same. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Thursday, 29th March, 1877.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Laurier*,  
*Resolved*, That in consequence of his being incapacitated by severe illness to attend to his duties in this House, leave of absence till the end of the Session, be granted to *B. Devlin*, Esquire, Member for Montreal Centre, and that his Sessional indemnity be computed and paid as for the whole Session.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copy of the Report of the Government Engineer, on the practicability of opening *Aspy Bay Harbor*, *Victoria*, so as to admit vessels of certain tonnage, in the year 1872. (*Sessional Papers, No. 122.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th April, 1876, 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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 57.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for a Return shewing the number of Post Office and Custom House buildings owned by the Dominion, designating those built since 1867; the names of the Cities and Towns where the same are situate, with the population of each at the last census, and the amount of Customs, Post Office and Inland Revenue respectively, collected at each place during the years 1875 and 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 123.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 15th February, 1877, for copies of any Orders in Council, and of all correspondence which has taken place between the officer in charge of the Government Railways or his Traffic Superin-

tendent and the Minister of Customs, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and the Minister of Public Works in regard to the appointment of Mr. *James McAlister* to the position of Cashier of the Intercolonial Railway, the creation of the office of Dominion Auditor at *Moncton*, the transfer of Mr. *McAlister* thereto, the appointment of Mr. *Charles D. Thompson*, to the position of Cashier, the subsequent removal of Mr. *Thompson*, the abolition of the office of Dominion Auditor and the reappointment of Mr. *James McAlister* to the office of Cashier; also in regard to the subsequent provision made for Mr. *Thompson*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence, by telegraph or otherwise, respecting the Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*, since July, 1874. (*Sessional Papers, No. 124.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all petitions and correspondence respecting the grant by the Dominion Government of a sum of money to assist in the construction of the Railway from *Quebec* to *Lake St. John*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 125.*)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Union 'Atlantic Cable Company,'" with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to make further provision for the management of Permanent 'Building Societies carrying on business in the Province of Ontario,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Union Atlantic Cable 'Company,'" and the same were read the first time.

Ordered, That the said amendments be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same, severally amended:—

Bill to change the name of the Dominion Building Society to "The City Mortgage Loan Company," and for other purposes.

Bill to incorporate "The Canadian Securities Company (Limited)."

Bill to incorporate *La Société de Construction St. Jacques*.

Mr. *MacDonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Holivell*," also the examination, evidence and all vouchers adduced before the Select Committee appointed by the Senate, to whom the said Bill was referred, and have agreed to report the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns at this sitting, it shall stand adjourned till Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Macdonald (Toronto),  
*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Senate intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to  
 " make further provision for the management of Permanent Building Societies  
 " carrying on business in the Province of Ontario," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second  
 time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by Mr. Blake,  
*Ordered*, That the time for the reception of Reports of any Standing or Select  
 Committees upon Private Bills, be further extended for one week.

On motion of Mr. Blain, seconded by Mr. Metcalfe,  
*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Senate intituled : " An Act to amend the Act to  
 " incorporate the National Investment Company of Canada (Limited)" be now read  
 the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second  
 time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Smith (Westmoreland), seconded by Mr. Coffin,  
*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee  
 to consider the following proposed Resolutions :—

1. That it is expedient to amend *The Pilotage Act of 1875*, by providing that  
 steamships employed in trading from port to port in the same Province, as well as  
 those employed in trading between any one or more of the Provinces of *Quebec, New  
 Brunswick, Nova Scotia* or *Prince Edward Island*, and any other or others of them, or  
 between any port or ports in the said Provinces or any of them, and the Port of  
*New York* or any port of the *United States of America* on the *Atlantic*, north of *New  
 York*, shall be exempt from payment of Pilotage dues except only in the Ports of  
*Halifax* and *Pictou*, as respects each of which the Pilotage Authorities, with the  
 approval of the Governor in Council, from time to time, may determine what steam-  
 ships shall or shall not be wholly or partially exempt from such payment ; and that  
 no clearance shall be granted at any port where there is Pilotage Authority to any  
 steamship on which such dues are payable until they shall have been paid or settled.

2. That it is expedient to provide that the tonnage of all steamships registered  
 in *Canada* shall be ascertained by the same rules, and that steamships registered under  
 the repealed Act, Chapter 41 of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of  
*Canada*, shall be re-measured, and their tonnage ascertained by the rules prescribed  
 in the Imperial Act known as *The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854*, as other steamships  
 registered in *Canada* now are.

On motion of Mr. Smith (Westmoreland), seconded by Mr. Coffin,  
*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee  
 to consider the following proposed Resolution :—That it is expedient to transfer the  
 control, management and maintenance, as respects ordinary repairs of all harbours,  
 wharves, piers and breakwaters being the property of the Dominion, except those  
 under the management of Commissioners appointed under an Act of the Parliament of  
*Canada*, and the harbours of *St. John, N.B.*, and *Pictou*, from the Department  
 of Public Works to that of Marine and Fisheries, the construction and extraordinary  
 repairs remaining under the control of the Department first named ; and to empower  
 the Governor in Council, from time to time, on the recommendation of the Minister  
 of Marine and Fisheries, to make, alter or rescind rules and regulations for the  
 management and a tariff or tariffs of tolls and dues for the use of the said works  
 respectively, and to impose penalties for contravention of such rules and regulations ;  
 —such tolls and penalties to belong to Her Majesty for the public uses of the Domi-  
 nion.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to authorize the transfer of the *Truro* and *Pictou* Branch of the Intercolonial Railway to the person or Company constructing a line of Railway from *New Glasgow* to the *Strait of Canso*, and providing a proper ferry across the *Strait*;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Blake*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Bowell*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to add to the first clause the following proviso: 'Provided always that there is hereby reserved to the Government of *Canada*, free of cost, the absolute right and free use of the said Railway for the purpose of transporting coal or other supplies and materials required for the maintenance and working of the Intercolonial or other Government Railways,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>               | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Monteith,</i>            |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Ferguson,</i>             | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Montplaisir,</i>         |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Flesher,</i>              | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Palmer,</i>              |
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Plumb,</i>               |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Colby,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Costigan,</i> | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i> | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings),</i>    |
| <i>Daoust,</i>   | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>  | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Moffat,</i>               | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—44.</i> |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Church,</i>     | <i>Horton,</i>               | <i>Norris,</i>              |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Cockburn,</i>   | <i>Huntington,</i>           | <i>Oliver,</i>              |
| <i>Béchar,</i>            | <i>Coupal,</i>     | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Paterson,</i>            |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Cunningham,</i> | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Perry,</i>               |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Davies,</i>     | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Pettes,</i>              |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Dawson,</i>     | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Pouliot,</i>             |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>   | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>     | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>     | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fiset,</i>      | <i>MacDonnell (Invern's)</i> | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>    | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>      | <i>McDougall (Renfrew)</i>   | <i>Short,</i>               |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Galbraith,</i>  | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Bunster,</i>           | <i>Gillies,</i>    | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gouge,</i>      | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Greenway,</i>   | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Guthrie,</i>    | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Hagar,</i>      | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Vail,</i>                |

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| <i>Cartwright,</i> | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>McNab,</i>    | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i> |
| <i>Casey,</i>      | <i>Huginbotham,</i> | <i>Metcalfe,</i> | <i>Wood,</i>             |
| <i>Charlton,</i>   | <i>Holton,</i>      | <i>Mills,</i>    | <i>Young.—88.</i>        |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bill to repeal certain laws making breaches of contract of service criminal, and to provide for the punishment of certain breaches of contract, as amended in the Committee; and the amendments were twice read and agreed to.

Mr. *Blake* moved, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *White (Renfrew)* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Pope (Compton)*, That all the words after "now," to the end of the Question, be left out and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the whole House with an instruction that they have power to amend the same, by leaving out of the first section the following words: "all those parts of sections four, five, seven, nine, ten and eleven of the Act, chapter "seventy-five of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada intituled: "An Act "respecting Master and Servant and " inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put,

*Ordered,* That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to repeal certain laws "making Breaches of Contracts of service criminal, and to provide for the punishment "of certain Breaches of Contract."

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for all correspondence between the Postmaster General and the Post Office Inspector at *Halifax* and other Post Office officials, with reference to the loss of a Mail bag between *Truro* and *Halifax*, on or about the 14th December last, and which contained two or more registered letters containing sums of money, with all correspondence with reference to the loss of said money. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 126.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction in the Province of *Ontario*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Appleby* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered,* That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of the Active Militia when called out in certain cases in aid of the Civil power, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution,

*Ordered,* That the Report be now received.

Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*) reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provision for the payment of the cost of transport of the Active Militia when called out in aid of the Civil power, and also to provide that the reasonable cost of calling out the Active Militia in certain cases in aid of the Civil power may be in whole or part reimbursed out of monies to be provided by Parliament.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the payment of the Active Militia when called out in certain cases in aid of the Civil power.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council presented, Return to an Order of this House, dated 21st March, 1877, for Returns of the number of persons who have obtained Licenses or permission from the Department of Marine and Fisheries to erect Deep Sea Weirs or Pounds for the purpose of capturing Fish at the Head-lands or Capes of the Maritime Provinces. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 128.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 21st March, 1877, for copies of the Commission or other document appointing *John Mowat* a Fishery Officer in the County of *Restigouche*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*, and also all regulations or instructions defining his powers or the limits of his jurisdiction, and all instructions, if any, to him, to seize the Boats fishing beyond three miles from the sea shore. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 127.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act for the prevention of Gambling Practices in certain Public Conveyances;"

The first amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, the amended section was further amended by inserting after the word "for," in the first line thereof, the words "and it shall be the duty of" and by inserting after the word "Master," in the same line, the words "or superior officer in charge of, and for any."

The second amendment being read a second time;

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, the said amendment was amended by leaving out all the words after the word "any" where it occurs the first time, and inserting the words "Conductor, Master or superior officer in charge" "who makes default in the discharge of any duty imposed on him by the third section" "shall, on conviction thereof before a Justice of the Peace, be liable to a penalty of" "not less than twenty or more than one hundred dollars," instead thereof.

The said amendment, as amended, was then agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to the amendments made by their Honors, with amendments, to which this House doth desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the employment without the walls of common gaols of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment therein;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill for the repression of Betting and Pool-selling;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Post Office Act, 1875 ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend " An Act to impose License Dues on Compounders of Spirits, to amend the Act respecting " the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs ; "

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Laurier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend " An Act respecting the Inland Revenue ; "

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Tolls in the Harbour of *Montreal* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Burpee (Sunbury)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the law respecting the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies by Letters Patent, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Macdougall (Elgin)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the " *North-West Territories Act, 1875* ; "

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration. The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Tuesday next.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 2nd April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Counties of *Bonaventure* and *Compton*, for the year 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 19.*)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a statement giving a full account of all accidents which have occurred on the Intercolonial Railway since 1st July last, giving the locality and cause of each, the damage done, the cost of repairs to stock, indemnification to persons for goods damaged or injuries sustained, and the action taken in regard to any dereliction of duty which may have caused such accidents. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Robert Doull* and others, of *Pictou*; and of *J. N. Freeman* and others, of *Liverpool, Nova Scotia*; severally setting forth the importance of continuing to provide for the fortnightly mail service between *Liverpool* and *Halifax* during the summer months; and praying that the many and varied interests involved may be conserved, and the connection maintained.

The Petition of *James Ritchie* and others, of the County of *Bonaventure*, in the Province of *Quebec*, and others of the County of *Restigouche*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*, presented on Wednesday last, praying that a subsidy may be granted for a Steamer to ply on the Ferry known as the "*Cross Point and Campbellton Ferry*" on the *Restigouche* River, being read;

A Motion was made and seconded, That the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That as the granting of the prayer of this Petition would "involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received."

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee on the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Martha Jemima Hawshaw Holiwell*;"

And the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Archibald* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the National Investment Company of *Canada*, (Limited)";

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Daoust* moved, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of correspondence had in 1875, between the Government and Mr. *B. J. Bertrand* and other persons of the Parish of *St. Placide*, in the County of *Two Mountains*, and of all documents sent to the Department of Public Works, during that year, in relation to certain works to be done on the *Ottawa River*, near the Wharf, built opposite the said Village of *St. Placide*; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Daoust*, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all documents and correspondence in relation to the appointment of a new Postmaster for the Parish of *St. Augustin*, County of *Two Mountains*, and to the change in the location of the Post Office of the said Parish, during the year 1875, and until the end of March, 1876.

On motion of Mr. *Perry*, seconded by Mr. *Yeo*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all papers and correspondence between the Dominion Government, and the Government of *Prince Edward Island*, shewing what amount has been paid by this Government for the purchase of lands in *Prince Edward Island*, in accordance with the Terms of Union; also the dates at which those payments were made.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, all papers, reports and correspondence in connection with the dismissal of *J. Murray Nase*, Postmaster, at the mouth of the *Neripis*, *King's Co., N.B.*; also for the petition from the inhabitants in the District in respect to the same.

On motion of Mr. *Lanthier*, seconded by Mr. *Robitaille*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return indicating the names and date of appointment of Harbour Masters at *Sorel*, *St Johns*, *Three Rivers* and *Lachine*, in the Province of *Quebec*, and also giving a detailed account of all fees collected by said Harbour Masters, since the 15th of April, 1875, up to this date, under the authority of 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 30, amending 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 34, together with the names of the ships on which such fees have been levied in each year, and the names of the masters of those ships.

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a monthly Return of the Malt taken out of bond each month from 1st July, 1876, to 28th February, 1877.

On motion of Mr. *Perry*, seconded by Mr. *Yeo*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a copy of Survey, Plan, Estimate and Report on the improvement of *Cascumpec Harbour*, in *Prince Edward Island*, made by *Henry F. Perley*, Esquire, C.E., in the year 1874.

On motion of Mr. *Pouliot*, seconded by Mr. *Bécharé*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House:—1st. A statement of debentures issued by the Government of *Canada*, for the purchase of a building for the Court House and Gaol of the District of *Kamouraska*; 2nd. A statement of the cost of the said building, and of the maintenance thereof since; 3rd. A statement of the amounts levied by taxes and of licenses imposed on said District for the building and prison fund, up to the 30th June last; 4th. A statement of the amounts paid on the said Debentures and interest, shewing the amount, if any, remaining due on the said debentures, and if there be nothing, then how much has been collected over and above the amount of the said debentures and interest.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Petitions, papers and correspondence had with the Government or any of the Departments, by or from the inhabitants of the County of *Northumberland*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*, in relation to the necessity of a Breakwater for the protection of Fishermen at the Easterly side of *Point Escuminac*.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, seconded by Mr. *DeVeber*, and the Question being proposed, That it is desirable to establish Life-saving Stations on the West coast of *Vancouver Island*, on *Queen Charlotte's Islands* and on the main land of *British Columbia*, north of *Fort Rupert*, to succour shipwrecked mariners and to protect their lives against the murderous attacks of savage tribes of Indians; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Bain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rymal*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of all papers and correspondence respecting the loss sustained by depositors in the Savings Branch of the *Dundas* Post Office, through the default of the late Postmaster, Mr. *Thornton*; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Orton*, seconded by Mr. *McCallum*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence and papers in reference to the dismissal of Mr. *Wm. Cornock*, from the Postmastership of *Erin Village*, in the County of *Wellington*.

On motion of Mr. *Palmer*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, all letters, telegrams, accounts and other papers which have passed between *Robert Moffat*, of *Dalhousie, N.B.*, and the Government of the Dominion or any of its Members or officers, in respect to the transport of cargoes of Rails and other Railway materials from the vessels "*Colonist*," "*Bessie Parker*" and "*Stabstadt*," which vessels arrived at the Port of *Dalhousie* in the summer of 1875; also communications with the Masters of said Vessels in reference to said materials, and more especially the communications between Mr. *Peter Grant*, District Engineer of the Intercolonial Railway and the said *Robert Moffat*; also copies of the charter parties under which the said vessels carried said cargoes; also copies of all contracts or agreements for the transport and delivery of the cargoes of said Vessels from the port of delivery at *Dalhousie*, to *Campbelltown*.

On motion of Mr. *Benoit*, seconded by Mr. *Gaudet*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all papers relating to the abolition of fisheries in the Rapids of the *Richelieu*, in front of the Village of the *Canton*

of *Chambly* ; of the Report of the Fishery Overseer, and of all correspondence of the Government with the proprietors of the said fisheries, and with any other person in relation thereto.

Mr. *Borron* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rymal*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion or any Department thereof, and the Government of *Ontario*, in reference to the claim of the Indians on the North Shores of Lakes *Huron* and *Superior*, to arrears of annuity under the "*Robinson*" Treaties ; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Dewdney*, seconded by Mr. *Roscoe*,  
*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence between the Local and the Dominion Governments during 1876, with reference to the adjustment of Indian Lands, in *British Columbia*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, on Wednesday, the 21st March last, proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of all papers, orders and correspondence with the Minister of Public Works, and the Engineer staff of the said Department in connection with the engagement of employees for the *Pacific* Railroad survey, and the routes (if any) they were instructed to take ; also correspondence and Orders from the same source to their agents in reference to the carrying of emigrants, Government employees and freight coming under the direct control of the Government by the *Sarnia* or *Collingwood* route since 1874 ; And the Question being put :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize Municipalities to pass By-Laws to provide means of escape for persons falling into the water in the vicinity of Wharves and Docks ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Cook*, *Church*, *Appleby*, *Fréchette*, *Baby*, *Macdougall (Elgin)*, *Wallace (Norfolk)*, *Ferry*, *Shibley* and *Cunningham*, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. *Casey*, seconded by Mr. *Charlton*,

*Ordered*, That the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the present condition of the Civil Service and the method of nominating and examining candidates for appointments, have leave to employ a shorthand writer.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend and to consolidate, as amended, the Acts respecting the Customs, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*. That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution, respecting the culling and measuring of Timber, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Rymal* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Rymal* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth :—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 34, respecting the culling and measuring of timber, by repealing the twelfth section thereof, and by authorizing the Governor in Council to fix the number of Cullers to be employed in each Department of the Supervisor's office, the number in the square timber Department not to exceed eighteen; and to grant annuities not exceeding \$200 per annum to Cullers employed on 1st May, 1876, and no longer required, or incapacitated by age or infirmity, such annuities to be paid out of any surplus of the Cullers' office, and also so to regulate the charges for services in the Cullers' office, as to give average earnings of seven hundred dollars yearly, to each Culler employed.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laflamme* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Culling of Timber.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the admission of Fish and Fish-Oil into *Canada*, inspected in *Newfoundland*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Casey* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Casey* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth :—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council, on being satisfied that the Standards of inspection of Fish and Fish-Oil, in *Newfoundland*, are equal in quality, grade for grade, to those of *Canada*, may by proclamation so declare, —and that while such proclamation is in force, Fish and Fish-Oil inspected in *Newfoundland*, and being the produce of the fisheries thereof, may be admitted to the markets of *Canada*, and otherwise dealt with as if inspected in *Canada*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laflamme* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the admission of Fish and Fish-Oil inspected in *Newfoundland* to the markets of *Canada* without further inspection.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*) have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Acts to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 3rd April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :—  
By Mr. *Paterson*,—The Petition of the Corporation of the County of *Brant*.

A Bill to amend the Post Office Act, 1875, was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend “An Act to impose License Dues on Compounders of Spirits, to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs” was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: “An Act to amend ‘An Act to impose License Duties on Compounders of Spirits, to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs.’”

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the “North-West Territories Act 1875,” was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act in amendment thereof, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read.

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendments be now concurred in;

Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Colby*, That all the words after “the” to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words “Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with an instruction to strike out the “15th Section of the Bill,” inserted instead thereof;

Mr. *White* (*Renfrew*) moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Jones* (*Leeds*), That the words “15th Section” be left out, and the words “14th and 15th Sections” inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the said proposed Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

*Barthe,*  
*Benoit,*  
*Blanchet,*  
*Bolduc,*

*Dewdney,*  
*Farrow,*  
*Flesher,*  
*Forbes,*

*Kirkpatrick,*  
*Langevin,*  
*Lanthier,*  
*Little,*

*Quimet,*  
*Pinsonneault,*  
*Platt,*  
*Plumb,*

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| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Fraser,</i>             | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Gaudet,</i>             | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Bunster,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i> | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Short,</i>               |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i> | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>            | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Harwood,</i>            | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Tupper.</i>              |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Holton,</i>             | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Hurteau,</i>            | <i>Moffat,</i>               | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Jetté,</i>              | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>      | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—57.</i> |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> |                            |                              |                             |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Church,</i>         | <i>Kirk,</i>                  | <i>Pouliot,</i>             |
| <i>Baby,</i>              | <i>Oockburn,</i>       | <i>Laflamme,</i>              | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Lajoie,</i>                | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Béchar,</i>            | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Landerkin,</i>             | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Laurier,</i>               | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i>   | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Dawson,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>   | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'rn's),</i> | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>    | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>   | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i>  | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>Mac Kay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>    | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Mackenzie,</i>             | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>              | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McGregor,</i>              | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McIntyre,</i>              | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McIsaac,</i>               | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillmor,</i>        | <i>McLeod,</i>                | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury)</i>   | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>McNab,</i>                 | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Metcalfe,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>  |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Mills,</i>                 | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Oliver,</i>                | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Palmer,</i>                | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Horton,</i>         | <i>Paterson,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Huntington,</i>     | <i>Perry,</i>                 | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Kerr,</i>           | <i>Pettes,</i>                | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Killam,</i>         | <i>Pickard,</i>               | <i>Young.—112.</i>          |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

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|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>  | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>   |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Flesher,</i> | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Platt,</i>          |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Forbes,</i>  | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>          |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>Fraser,</i>  | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Pope (Compton),</i> |

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| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Gaudet,</i>                | <i>Mac Donnell (Inv'r's),</i> | <i>Robitaille,</i>         |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North),</i> | <i>Macmillan,</i>             | <i>Rouleau,</i>            |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i>  | <i>McCallum,</i>              | <i>Short,</i>              |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>               | <i>McCarthy,</i>              | <i>Stephenson,</i>         |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Harwood,</i>               | <i>McQuade,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i> |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Holton,</i>                | <i>Mitchell,</i>              | <i>Tupper,</i>             |
| <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Hurteau,</i>               | <i>Moffat,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>  |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Jetté,</i>                 | <i>Monteith,</i>              | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>    |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>         | <i>Orton,</i>                 | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>    |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>           | <i>Ouimet,</i>                | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—58</i> |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Langevin,</i>              |                               |                            |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Cockburn,</i>       | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Baby,</i>              | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Lastlamme,</i>            | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Bécharde,</i>          | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>         | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Dawson,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>DeCosmos,</i>       | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>McDougall (Renfrew)</i>   | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Smith (Westmorel'd),</i> |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gilmor,</i>         | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Oliver,</i>               | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Cahey,</i>             | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Palmer,</i>               | <i>Trov,</i>                |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Paterson,</i>             | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Horton,</i>         | <i>Perry,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Huntington,</i>     | <i>Pettes,</i>               | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Kerr,</i>           | <i>Pickard,</i>              | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Killam,</i>         | <i>Pouliot,</i>              | <i>Young.—113.</i>          |
| <i>Church,</i>            |                        |                              |                             |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Amendments be now concurred in;

Mr. *Barthe* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill" be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, in order that a clause shall be "added declaring that this Bill, and the Acts hereby amended, shall remain in force "until the end of the next Session of Parliament, and no longer;" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                  |                               |                        |                             |
|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Coupal,</i>                | <i>Macmillan,</i>      | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North),</i> | <i>McCallum,</i>       | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South),</i> | <i>Mitchell,</i>       | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Haggart,</i>               | <i>Ouimet,</i>         | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>Lanthier,</i>              | <i>Palmer,</i>         | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i>  | <i>Pope (Compton),</i> | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—25.</i> |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   |                               |                        |                             |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Cuthbert,</i>       | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>         | <i>Pickard,</i>             |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Daoust,</i>         | <i>Kerr,</i>                  | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>        |
| <i>Bécharé,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>         | <i>Killam,</i>                | <i>Platt,</i>               |
| <i>Benoit,</i>            | <i>Dawson,</i>         | <i>Kirk,</i>                  | <i>Plumb,</i>               |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>DeCosmos,</i>       | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>           | <i>Pow-er,</i>              |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Laflamme,</i>              | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Desjardins,</i>     | <i>Lajoie,</i>                | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Landerkin,</i>             | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Langerin,</i>              | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Dewdney,</i>        | <i>Laurier,</i>               | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i>  | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Farrow,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Kingston),</i>  | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Bouman,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>   | <i>Rouleau,</i>             |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>    | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>   | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Flesher,</i>        | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers),</i> | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>    | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Bunster,</i>           | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>    | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Fraser,</i>         | <i>Mackenzie,</i>             | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McCarthy,</i>              | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>              | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Gaudet,</i>         | <i>McGregor,</i>              | <i>Smith (Westmorel'd),</i> |
| <i>Caron,</i>             | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McIntyre,</i>              | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McIsaac,</i>               | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Gillmor,</i>        | <i>McLeod,</i>                | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>McNab,</i>                 | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>McQuade,</i>               | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Metcalfe,</i>              | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Mills,</i>                 | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Monteith,</i>              | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Cimon,</i>             | <i>Holton,</i>         | <i>Oliver,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>          | <i>Horton,</i>         | <i>Orton,</i>                 | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>Coffin,</i>            | <i>Huntington,</i>     | <i>Paterson,</i>              | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cook,</i>              | <i>Hurteau,</i>        | <i>Perry,</i>                 | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Costigan,</i>          | <i>Jetté,</i>          | <i>Pettes,</i>                | <i>Young.—141.</i>          |
| <i>Currier,</i>           |                        |                               |                             |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That the Amendments be now concurred in; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the employment without the walls of Common Gaols of prisoners sentenced

to imprisonment therein, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Brouse* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bill to amend, and to consolidate as amended, the Acts respecting the Customs, as amended in the Committee; and the amendments were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the Customs."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Wednesday, 4th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That the Clerk of the House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following Certificate:—

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

Ottawa, 4th April, 1877.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the second day of March last, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Sheriff of the District of *Saguenay*, as Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Charlevoix*, in the Province of *Quebec*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room of the Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin*, C.B., whose election was declared to be void; the Honorable *Hector Louis Langevin*, C.B., has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. FOPE, [L.S.]

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To ALFRED PATRICK, Esquire,  
Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Blanchet*,—The Petition of *Jean Garant* and others, of the County of *Bellechasse*.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for copies of all Petitions respecting the establishment of a Post Office at *Notre Dame de Grâce* near *Montreal*, and of another at *Ste. Cunégonde*, part of the territory of the Town of *St. Henri*, in the County of *Hochelaga*, recently erected into a separate Municipality; also of all correspondence between the parties interested and the Department at *Ottawa*, including the Reports of the Post Office Inspector at *Montreal* in relation thereto. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 129.)

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence with reference to the appointment of Mr. *J. G. Norris*, as Deputy Collector of Customs, *Kootenay*, *British Columbia*, with copies of any recommendations on his behalf. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 130.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for copies of all papers and correspondence connected with the seizure of the Schooner "Napier" in *Ingonish*, in the year 1872, for smuggling, and a Statement shewing if the Hon. *William Ross* has redeemed his bonds given for the release of said vessel. If not, why not? The amount realized from the sale of goods seized on board of said vessel. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 131.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence relating to the Superannuation of *Wm. Warren*, Esq., late Collector of Customs for the Port of *Whitby*, *Ontario*; also, copies of Petitions, Inspectors' Reports and Minute of Treasury Board, shewing date of such superannuation. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 132.)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Mr. *C. T. Dupont*, or any other parties, with reference to his inspection of the several Customs Stations between *Victoria* and *Kootenay* in 1876; also copy of instructions to Mr. *Dupont*, as well as his Report on his Return. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 133.)

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th March, 1877, for a Return shewing the title held by the Government to the land and other property connected with the Fish-breeding establishment at *Newcastle*, *Ontario*, with quantity of land so held; also the actual amount expended on buildings or other permanent improvements on said land. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 134.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for Returns of all Leases of the right to fish in the non-tidal waters of *New Brunswick*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 135.)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for 1st. The instructions given and to whom given for the division of the Ordnance property at *Quebec*, known as the Cove Field; 2nd. The cost of dividing, also for advertising, and of selling the same; 3rd. The names of the parties receiving such sums of money, the amounts received by each of them; 4th. The amount of such sale, the names of the purchasers, the amounts paid by each on each lot, and the balance remaining unpaid. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 136.)

On motion of Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*), seconded by Mr. *Casey*,  
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all Orders in Council relating to the route of the *Canada Central Extension*, and the contract for building that portion of Railway.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all papers and correspondence between the Dominion Government or the Department of Marine and Fisheries and the British Government or the British Admiralty—or any of its officers, or any party acting for either of the above named authorities, in relation to the transfer of *Portage Island*, in the Bay of *Miramichi*, from the jurisdiction of the British Admiralty to the Dominion Government; also all Reports to the Council from the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in relation to the same subject and Orders of Council thereon.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (*Selkirk*), seconded by Mr. *Christie*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Reports of Engineers and all other correspondence and information in possession of the Government not yet communicated to the House, having reference to any actual surveys, or proposed survey, in connection with the Canadian *Pacific* Railway, from the *Red River* Westward, South of Lake *Manitoba*.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act for the suppression of Gaming Houses" without any amendment.

Mr. *Schultz* moved, seconded by Mr. *Farrow*, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, a Prohibitory Liquor Law is the only effectual remedy for the evil of Intemperance, and that it is the duty of the Government to submit such a measure for the approval of Parliament at the earliest moment practicable;

Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McNab*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "whereas grave doubts exist, whether under the provisions of 'The British North America Act, 1867,' this House has the power to deal with the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, as a beverage, and,"

"Whereas the Court of Error and Appeal in the Province of *Ontario* has referred a case to the Supreme Court, whereby the relative jurisdiction of the Provincial and Dominion Legislatures over the Liquor Traffic will be argued,

"Be it therefore *Resolved*, That this House, while not receding from any previous declaration on the importance of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, deems it inexpedient under these circumstances, at present, to express any opinion regarding the action to be taken by the Government, in dealing with this question," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Half-past Seven o'Clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Holivell*;"

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same without any amendment.

The Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company*," were read a second time and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Bridge Company of *Rivière du Loup*, in the County of *Maskinongé*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to change the name of the Dominion Building Society to the City Mortgage Loan Company, and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Caron* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to incorporate the 'Dominion Building Society' under the name of 'The Dominion Mortgage Loan Company' and for other purposes."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate "The Canadian Securities Company (Limited)," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Workman* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate "*La Société de Construction St. Jacques*" as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to preserve to the Electors of the Village of *Stouffville* the continuance of their representation in Parliament, was read and discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the floating of cordwood on the River *St. Francis*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide greater convenience and safety for passengers on Railways in *Canada*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the 'Act to make further provision for the management of Permanent Building Societies carrying on business in the Province of *Ontario*,'"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by *Mr. Mackenzie*,

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Langevin* be added to the Select Standing Committees on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, and on Public Accounts.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the Law respecting the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies by Letters Patent;

*Mr. Workman* moved, seconded by *Mr. Oliver*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same by inserting the following sections after Clause 94:—

"It shall be lawful for the Company to unite, amalgamate and consolidate its stock, property, business and franchises with those of any other Company or Society incorporated or chartered to transact a like business, and any other business in connection with such business, or any building, savings or loan company or society heretofore or hereafter incorporated or chartered, or to purchase and acquire the assets of any such company or society, and to enter into all contracts and agreements therewith necessary to such union, amalgamation, consolidation, purchase, or acquisition.

"The Directors of the Company, and of any other such company or society, may enter into a joint agreement under the corporate seals of each of the said corporations, for the union, amalgamation or consolidation of the said corporations, or for the purchase and acquisition by the Company of the assets of any other such company or society, prescribing the terms and conditions thereof, the mode of carrying the same into effect, the name of the new corporation, the number of the directors and other officers thereof, and who shall be the first directors and officers thereof, the manner of converting the capital stock of each of the said corporations into that of the new corporation, with such other details as they shall deem necessary to perfect such new organization, and the union, amalgamation and consolidation of the said corporations, and the after management and working thereof, or the terms and mode of payment, for the assets of any other such company or society purchased or acquired by the Company.

"Such agreement shall be submitted to the shareholders of each of the said corporations at a meeting thereof to be held separately for the purpose of taking

“ the same into consideration. Notice of the time and place of such meetings, and  
 “ the objects thereof, shall be given by written or printed notices, addressed to each  
 “ shareholder of the said corporations respectively, at his last known Post Office  
 “ address or place of residence, and also by a general notice to be published in a  
 “ newspaper published at the chief place of business of such corporations, once a  
 “ week, for six successive weeks. At such meetings of shareholders such agreement  
 “ shall be considered, and a vote by ballot taken for the adoption or rejection of the  
 “ same, each share entitling the holder thereof to one vote, and the said ballots being  
 “ cast in person or by proxy ; and if two-thirds of the votes of all the shareholders of  
 “ such corporations shall be for the adoption of such agreement, then that fact shall  
 “ be certified upon the said agreement by the secretary of each of such corporations,  
 “ under the corporate seals thereof; and if the said agreement shall be so adopted at  
 “ the respective meetings of the shareholders of each of the said corporations, the  
 “ agreement so adopted and the said certificates thereon shall be filed in the office of  
 “ the Secretary of State of the Dominion of *Canada*, and the said agreement shall  
 “ from thence be taken and deemed to be the agreement and act of union,  
 “ amalgamation and consolidation of the said corporations, or the agreement and deed  
 “ of purchase and acquisition by the Company of the assets of such company so  
 “ selling, as the case may be, and a copy of such agreement so filed, and of the  
 “ certificates thereon properly certified, shall be evidence of the existence of such new  
 “ corporation.

“ Provided, nevertheless, that due proof of the foregoing facts shall be laid before  
 “ the Governor in Council, and, if deemed expedient by the Governor in Council,  
 “ letters patent shall be issued and notice thereof duly published by the Secretary of  
 “ State in the *Canada Gazette*, after which the new corporation may transact  
 “ business.”

“ Upon the making and perfecting of the said agreement and act of consolidation,  
 “ as provided in the next preceding section, the several societies, parties thereto, shall  
 “ be deemed and taken to be consolidated, and to form one corporation by the name  
 “ in the said agreement, provided with a common seal, and shall possess all the  
 “ rights, privileges and franchises of each of such corporations.

“ Upon the consummation of such act of consolidation as aforesaid, all and  
 “ singular the business property, real, personal and mixed, and all rights and  
 “ incidents appurtenant thereto, all stock, mortgages or other securities, subscriptions  
 “ and other debts due on whatever account, and other things in action belonging to  
 “ such corporations or either of them, shall be taken or deemed to be transferred to  
 “ and vested in such new corporation without further act or deed ; Provided  
 “ however, that all rights of creditors and liens upon the property of either of such  
 “ corporations shall be unimpaired by such consolidation, and all debts, liabilities  
 “ and duties of either of the said corporations shall thenceforth attach to the new  
 “ corporation, and be enforced against it to the same extent as if the said debts,  
 “ liabilities and duties had been incurred or been contracted by it ; and provided also  
 “ that no action or proceeding, legal or equitable, by or against the said corporations  
 “ so consolidated, or either of them, shall abate or be affected by such consolidation,  
 “ but for all the purposes of such action or proceeding such corporations may be  
 “ deemed still to exist ; or the new corporation may be substituted in such action or  
 “ proceeding in the place thereof :”—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, and after  
 some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Forbes* reported,  
 That the Committee had amended the Bill in accordance with the instruction.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

Mr. *Jetté* moved, seconded by Mr. *Holton*, and the Question being put, That the  
 Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction that  
 they have power to amend the same by inserting after Section 42, the following  
 Section :—

(a) "Whenever the interest in any share or shares of the capital stock of the Company shall be transmitted by the death of any shareholder or otherwise, or whenever the ownership of or legal right of possession in any such share or shares shall change by any lawful means, other than by transfer, according to the provisions of this Act, and the Directors of the Company shall entertain reasonable doubts as to the legality of any claim to and upon such share or shares of stock, then, and in such case, it shall be lawful for the Company to make and file in one of the Superior Courts of Law or Equity, in the Province in which the Head Office of the Company is situated, a Declaration and Petition in writing, addressed to the Justices of the Court, setting forth the facts and the number of shares previously belonging to the party in whose name such shares stand in the books of the Company, and praying for an Order or Judgment adjudicating and awarding the said shares to the party or parties legally entitled to the same, and by which Order or Judgment the Company shall be guided and held fully harmless and indemnified and released from all and every other claim for the said shares or arising therefrom: Provided always, that notice of such Petition shall be given to the party claiming such share or shares, or to the Attorney of such party duly authorized for the purpose, who shall, upon the filing of such Petition, establish his right to the several shares referred to in such Petition; and the delays to plead and all other proceedings in such cases shall be the same as those observed in analogous cases before the said Superior Courts: Provided also that the costs and expenses of procuring such Order and Adjudication shall be paid by the party or parties to whom the said shares shall be declared lawfully to belong, and such shares shall not be transferred until such costs and expenses be paid, saving the recourse of such party against any party contesting his right:"—  
It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into Committee on the Bill and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill in accordance with the instruction.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The Amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act in amendment thereof;

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Caron* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power 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 labourer, 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;’ ” inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

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## Messieurs

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| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Coupal,</i>     | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Monteith,</i>           |
| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Orton,</i>              |
| <i>Bécharé,</i>  | <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Ouimet,</i>             |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>       |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>     |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Robitaille,</i>         |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>     | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Rouleau,</i>            |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Fiset,</i>      | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Roy,</i>                |
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Flesher,</i>    | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Rymal,</i>              |
| <i>Burk,</i>     | <i>Gaudet,</i>     | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i> |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Gill,</i>       | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>  |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   | <i>Greenway,</i>   | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings),</i>   |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Harwood,</i>    | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>    |
| <i>Costigan,</i> | <i>Hurteau,</i>    | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Wright (Ottawa)—56.</i> |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

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| <i>Appleby,</i>   | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Jetté,</i>                 | <i>Plumb,</i>            |
| <i>Archibald,</i> | <i>Davies,</i>         | <i>Kerr,</i>                  | <i>Ray,</i>              |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>    | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Kirk,</i>                  | <i>Richard,</i>          |
| <i>Bain,</i>      | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Laflamme,</i>              | <i>Robillard,</i>        |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i> | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Lajoie,</i>                | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i> |
| <i>Bertram,</i>   | <i>Donahue,</i>        | <i>Laurier,</i>               | <i>Ross (P. Edward),</i> |
| <i>Biggar,</i>    | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i>  | <i>Ryan,</i>             |
| <i>Blackburn,</i> | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Macdonald (Kingston),</i>  | <i>Scatcherd,</i>        |
| <i>Blake,</i>     | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>   | <i>Schultz,</i>          |
| <i>Borden,</i>    | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>MacDonnell (Inw'rn's),</i> | <i>Scriver,</i>          |
| <i>Borron,</i>    | <i>Fraser,</i>         | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>    | <i>Shibley,</i>          |

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| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fr chet</i>             | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i> | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Brooks,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>          | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Geoffrion,</i>          | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i> | <i>McGregor,</i>            | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i> | <i>McIntyre,</i>            | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>            | <i>McIsaac,</i>             | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gillmor,</i>            | <i>McLeod,</i>              | <i>Thompson (H' dm'nd),</i> |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Goudge,</i>             | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Guthrie,</i>            | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>              | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Higinbotham,</i>        | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Holton,</i>             | <i>Paterson,</i>            | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Horton,</i>             | <i>Perry,</i>               | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>          | <i>Huntington,</i>         | <i>Pickard,</i>             | <i>Workman.---101.</i>      |
| <i>Coffin,</i>            |                            |                             |                             |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put,

*Ordered,* That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill do pass;

Mr. *Goudge* moved, seconded by Mr. *Macdougall (Elgin)*, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to add, after Section 133, the following subsection:—"In any Province "in which the record or registration against lands of a judgment creates a lien or "charge against lands, any such record or registration effected against the lands of a "debtor within thirty days next before a demand for an assignment or for the issue "of a writ of attachment, whenever such demand shall have been followed by an "assignment or by the issue of a writ of attachment, shall be null and void."

Mr. Speaker ruled the Motion out of order, because at this stage of the proceedings the Bill cannot be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Then the Question being put, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to "amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act amending the same:"—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 5th April, 1877.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to make further provision for the payment of the Active Militia when called out in certain cases in aid of the civil power;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved,* That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Brouse* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered,* That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk to carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th March, 1877, for a Return of the Government deposits in the different Banks of the Dominion on the first day of each month, from January 1st, 1876, to January 1st, 1877, inclusive, and also at the Agencies of such Banks and other Banking Houses in London, and specifying the amounts drawing interest, and the rate thereof. (*Sessional Papers, No. 137.*)

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 5th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *St. Jean*,—The Petition of *Alexander McAllister* and others, Yeomen of the Counties adjacent to the City of *Ottawa*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read and received :—

Of the Corporation of the County of *Brant* ; praying for certain amendments to the Temperance Act of 1864.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend an Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of Canada, and to change the name thereof to the “ Union Assurance Company of Canada,” and have agreed to report the same with several amendments.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill from the Senate, intituled “ An Act to amend the Coteau and Province Line Railway and Bridge Act ;” also the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to incorporate the Union “ Atlantic Cable Company,” and have agreed to report the same severally without any amendment.

Mr. *Laflamme*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Return to an Order of this House, dated 28th March, 1877, for Returns shewing the number of illicit stills seized by the Revenue Officers of the Dominion in 1873, '74, and '75 ; giving the dates when the different seizures were made, and the estimated value of the property seized. (*Sessional Papers, No. 138.*)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Pilotage dues ; and the tonnage of Steamships registered under the repealed Act of the late Province of *Canada*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Dymond* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Dymond* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read as follow :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend *The Pilotage Act of 1875*, by providing that steamships employed in trading from port to port in the same Province, as well as those employed in trading between any one or more of the Provinces of *Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia* or *Prince Edward Island*, and any other or others of them, or between any port or ports in the said Provinces or any of them, and the Port of *New York* or any port of the *United States of America* on the *Atlantic*, north of *New York*, shall be exempt from payment of Pilotage dues except only in the Ports of *Halifax* and *Pictou*, as respects each of which the Pilotage Authorities, with the approval of the Governor in Council, from time to time, may determine what Steamships shall or shall not be wholly or partially exempt from such payment;—and that no clearance shall be granted at any port where there is Pilotage Authority to any Steamship on which such dues are payable until they shall have been paid or settled.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the tonnage of all Steamships registered in *Canada* shall be ascertained by the same rules, and that Steamships registered under the repealed Act, Chapter 41 of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, shall be remeasured and their tonnage ascertained by the rules prescribed in the Imperial Act known as *The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854*, as other Steamships registered in *Canada* now are.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith (Westmoreland)* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the measurement of Steamships registered under the repealed Act of the late Province of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith (Westmoreland)* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act further to amend "The Pilotage Act of 1875."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and same the was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act for the prevention of "Gambling practices in certain Public Conveyances."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry of *Canada*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act to remove doubts as to the right to vote of Shareholders in certain Banks," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Grange of the "Patrons of Husbandry of *Canada*," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to the transfer of the control, management and maintenance of certain Harbours, Wharves, Piers and Breakwaters, from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Marine and Fisheries, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Forbes* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to transfer the control, management and maintenance, as respects ordinary repairs of all Harbours, Wharves, Piers and Breakwaters being the property of the Dominion, except those under the management of Commissioners appointed under an Act of the Parliament of *Canada*, and the Harbours of *St. John, N.B.*, and *Pictou*, from the Department of Public Works to that of Marine and Fisheries, the construction and extraordinary repairs remaining under the control of the Department first named; and to empower the Governor in Council, from time to time, on the recommendation of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, to make, alter, or rescind rules and regulations for the management and a tariff or tariffs of tolls and dues for the use of the said works respectively, and to impose penalties for contravention of such rules and regulations;—such tolls and penalties to belong to Her Majesty for the public uses of the Dominion.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to remove doubts as to the right to vote of Shareholders in certain Banks," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the law with reference to appeals from convictions made by Justices of the Peace, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Law respecting Appeals from convictions before or orders by Justices of the Peace."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the culling of timber;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the admission of Fish and Fish Oil inspected in *Newfoundland*, to the markets of *Canada*, without further inspection;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to provide for the admission of fish and fish oil inspected in *Newfoundland* into the markets of *Canada*, without further inspection."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend an Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Delorme* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Resolutions which were, on Friday the 2nd March last, reported from the Committee of Ways and Means.

The 2nd Resolution, being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 3rd Resolution, being read a second time, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolution be re-committed to the Committee of Ways and Means, with an instruction that they have power to substitute for the said duties on Tea, some tax that, while bringing to the Treasury an equivalent amount of revenue, will, at the same time, aid the various industries of the country," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS:

## Messieurs

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|--------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>De St. Georges,</i>       | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Platt,</i>                |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Dewdney,</i>              | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Plumb,</i>                |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Donahue,</i>              | <i>Macdonald (Kingston),</i> | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>       |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>     | <i>Farrow,</i>               | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Robillard,</i>            |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Ferguson,</i>             | <i>McDougall (T. Hivers)</i> | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Fletcher,</i>             | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Rouleau,</i>              |
| <i>Bunster,</i>    | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Roy,</i>                  |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Short,</i>                |
| <i>Campbell,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Stephenson,</i>           |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Cariboo)</i>    |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Gill,</i>                 | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Tupper,</i>               |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>    |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Monteth,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>      |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Quimet,</i>               | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>      |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Pulmer,</i>               | <i>Wright (Pontiac).-67.</i> |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Pinsonneault</i>          |                              |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

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|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>   | <i>Christie,</i> | <i>Huntington,</i> | <i>Pouliot,</i> |
| <i>Archibald,</i> | <i>Church,</i>   | <i>Irving,</i>     | <i>Power,</i>   |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>    | <i>Cockburn,</i> | <i>Jetté,</i>      | <i>Ray,</i>     |

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| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Coffin,</i>      | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Richard,</i>              |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Cook,</i>        | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Roscoe,</i>               |
| <i>Béchar,</i>            | <i>Coupal,</i>      | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Cunningham,</i>  | <i>Lafamme,</i>              | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Davies,</i>      | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Dawson,</i>      | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Delorme,</i>     | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Rymal,</i>                |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>    | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>      | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>      | <i>MacDonnell (In'rn'ss)</i> | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>     | <i>Macdougall (Elgin.)</i>   | <i>Sinclair,</i>             |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Flynn,</i>       | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Forbes,</i>      | <i>MacKay (Cape Bret.),</i>  | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>      |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>   | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>  |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>   | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Geoffrion,</i>   | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Gibson,</i>      | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gillies,</i>     | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>           |
| <i>Burpee (St. Jean),</i> | <i>Gilmor,</i>      | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>  |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Goudge,</i>      | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Greenway,</i>    | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Guthrie,</i>     | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Vail,</i>                 |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Haqar,</i>       | <i>Olver,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>Paterson,</i>             | <i>Wood,</i>                 |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Perry,</i>                | <i>Workman,</i>              |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Holton,</i>      | <i>Pettes,</i>               | <i>Young.—119.</i>           |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Horton,</i>      | <i>Pickard,</i>              |                              |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning ;

Friday, 6th April, 1877.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution ;

Mr. *Wallace (Norfolk)* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *White (Renfrew)*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolution be now re-committed to the Committee of Ways and Means, with an instruction that they have power to amend it, by substituting for "the present and proposed specific duty on Tea, an *advalorem* duty in such manner "as not to increase the burden of taxation, but which will be more just to the masses "who are the consumers of cheap Teas," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

#### YEAS

#### Messieurs

|                   |                        |                              |                        |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>      | <i>Desjardins,</i>     | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Palmer,</i>         |
| <i>Benoit,</i>    | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Panonneault,</i>    |
| <i>Biggar,</i>    | <i>Dewdney,</i>        | <i>L'athier,</i>             | <i>Platt,</i>          |
| <i>Blackburn,</i> | <i>Donahue,</i>        | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Plumb,</i>          |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>  | <i>Farrow,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Pope (Compton),</i> |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>    | <i>Ferguson,</i>       | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Robitaille,</i>     |
| <i>Bowell,</i>    | <i>Fletcher,</i>       | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Rouleau,</i>        |
| <i>Brooks,</i>    | <i>Fraser,</i>         | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Ry,</i>             |
| <i>Bunster,</i>   | <i>Gaudet,</i>         | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Short,</i>          |

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| <i>Cameron,</i>  | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>McCallum,</i> | <i>Stephenson,</i>         |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McCarthy,</i> | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i> |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Gill,</i>                 | <i>McQuade,</i>  | <i>Tupper,</i>             |
| <i>Colby,</i>    | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Masson,</i>   | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>  |
| <i>Costigan,</i> | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Monteith,</i> | <i>White (Hastings),</i>   |
| <i>Currier,</i>  | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Orton,</i>    | <i>White (Kenfrew),</i>    |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i> | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Quimet,</i>   | <i>Wright (Ottawa)—65.</i> |
| <i>Daoust,</i>   |                              |                  |                            |

## NAYS

## Messieurs

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| <i>Appleby,</i>          | <i>Church,</i>      | <i>Irving,</i>              | <i>Pickard,</i>              |
| <i>Archibald,</i>        | <i>Cockburn,</i>    | <i>Jetté,</i>               | <i>Pouliot,</i>              |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>           | <i>Coffin,</i>      | <i>Kerr,</i>                | <i>Power,</i>                |
| <i>Bain,</i>             | <i>Cook,</i>        | <i>Killam,</i>              | <i>Ray,</i>                  |
| <i>Barthe,</i>           | <i>Coupal,</i>      | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Richard,</i>              |
| <i>Bécharde,</i>         | <i>Cunningham,</i>  | <i>Laflamme,</i>            | <i>Robillard,</i>            |
| <i>Bernier,</i>          | <i>Dawson,</i>      | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bertram,</i>          | <i>Delorme,</i>     | <i>Landerkin,</i>           | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Blain,</i>            | <i>De Veber,</i>    | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Blake,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>      | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Borden,</i>           | <i>Ferris,</i>      | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Rymal,</i>                |
| <i>Borron,</i>           | <i>Fleming,</i>     | <i>MacDonnell (Inw'r's)</i> | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>         | <i>Flynn,</i>       | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Bowman,</i>           | <i>Forbes,</i>      | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i> | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Boyer,</i>            | <i>Fréchette,</i>   | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>  | <i>Sinclair,</i>             |
| <i>Brouse,</i>           | <i>Galbraith,</i>   | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>  |
| <i>Brown,</i>            | <i>Geoffrion,</i>   | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Buell,</i>            | <i>Gibson,</i>      | <i>McGregor,</i>            | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Burk,</i>             | <i>Gillies,</i>     | <i>McIntyre,</i>            | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Burpee (St John),</i> | <i>Gillmor,</i>     | <i>McIsaac,</i>             | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>           |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i> | <i>Goudge,</i>      | <i>McLeod,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>   |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>       | <i>Greenway,</i>    | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>       | <i>Guthrie,</i>     | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Casey,</i>            | <i>Hagar,</i>       | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Vail,</i>                 |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>         | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Paterson,</i>            | <i>Wood,</i>                 |
| <i>Charlton,</i>         | <i>Holton,</i>      | <i>Perry,</i>               | <i>Workman,</i>              |
| <i>Cheval,</i>           | <i>Horton,</i>      | <i>Pettes,</i>              | <i>Young.—114.</i>           |
| <i>Christie,</i>         | <i>Huntington,</i>  |                             |                              |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 4th to the 8th Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolutions; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 9th and last of the said Resolutions, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Cartwright* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts respecting Duties of Customs and of Excise.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting of the House this day.

And then The House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Two of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 6th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for a Return shewing the quantity and price of land purchased for the purposes of the construction and maintenance of the *Kingston* and *Ottawa* Division of the *Rideau* Canal; also, copies of all leases or agreements disposing of any water power in connection with said Canal. (*Sessional Papers No. 141.*)

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th March, 1877, for a statement shewing the expenditure incurred by the Post Office Department for carrying the mails below *Quebec*, during the whole time when the Grand Trunk was stopped by snow, during the winters of 1874, 1875 and 1876, with the names of the persons employed carrying the said Mails, the distance travelled, the number of trips made, and the amount received by each of them. (*Sessional Papers, No. 142.*)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Supplementary Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th February, 1877, for a Statement of money expended in building a Marine Hospital at *Sydney, Cape Breton*, the amount of the different tenders for the construction of the said building, with the names of the parties tendering; also, the names of all persons to whom the Government paid directly for work performed on this building, or improvements connected with it; also, the amount paid for superintending the work, and to whom paid; also, the total amount of expenditure to December 31st, 1876; also, correspondence, if any, which led to the transfer of the contract for this building, *from the gentleman to whom it was awarded in the first instance*, to another gentleman. (*Sessional Papers, No. 71.*)

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read and received:—

Of *Jean Garant* and others, of the County of *Bellechasse*; praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith (Westmoreland)* have leave to bring in a Bill to transfer the management of certain Harbours, Piers and Breakwaters from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Marine and Fisheries.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Resolved*, That this House shall, for the remainder of the Session, sit on Saturdays; that the Government Measures shall then have precedence; and that when the House adjourns this day, it shall stand adjourned until Saturday at 3 o'clock, P.M.

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, seconded by Mr. *Mills*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution: That it is expedient to provide for the inspection of Petroleum by properly skilled persons, more especially with respect to its being explosive or non-explosive, and to define the test by which this shall be determined,—to prevent the sale for consumption in *Canada* of any Petroleum not inspected, by imposing a penalty on persons offering it for sale, except only for exportation, and by subjecting it to seizure and forfeiture:—and to provide for the payment of fees not exceeding 3 cents for the inspection of any package containing

not more than ten gallons, and 5 cents for every package containing more than ten gallons and not more than forty gallons, and so in proportion for any greater quantity.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance;

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Young* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Workman*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to provide that the reserves to be held by all foreign Insurance Companies under the Act, shall be solely for the benefit of Canadian Policy-holders," inserted instead thereof;

Mr. *Colby* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Killam*, That the words "to provide that the reserves to be held by all foreign Insurance Companies under this Act, shall be solely for the benefit of Canadian policy-holders;" be left out, and the words "to amend the first clause of the 7th Section of the said Bill, by adding the words 'unless the said Company, if incorporated elsewhere than in Canada, shall establish to the satisfaction of the Finance Minister that it is possessed of well invested assets sufficient to re-insure all its outstanding policies, and pay all its liabilities, and has also a surplus sufficient to re-insure all its outstanding policies in Canada,'" inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Half-past Seven O'Clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate "The Canadian Securities Company (Limited)" was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Union Atlantic Cable Company" were read a second time and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend an Act incorporating the "Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of Canada," and to change the name to the "Union Assurance Company of Canada," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Colby* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of Canada, and to change the name thereof to the 'Union Assurance Company of Canada.'"

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the *Coteau* and Province Line Railway and

“ Bridge Act,” and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Macdonald* (*Toronto*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That that the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same without any amendment.

The House then resumed the Debate on the Amendment to the Amendment to the Question, That the Bill to amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance, be now read the third time.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the said proposed Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS:

## Messieurs

|                  |                  |                   |                             |
|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Bain,</i>     | <i>Colby,</i>    | <i>Gillmor,</i>   | <i>Palmer,</i>              |
| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Coupal,</i>   | <i>Harwood,</i>   | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Dewdney,</i>  | <i>Killam,</i>    | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Farrow,</i>   | <i>Macmillan,</i> | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>Brooks,</i>   | <i>Ferguson,</i> | <i>McCarthy,</i>  | <i>Wright (Pontiac).—23</i> |
| <i>Cameron,</i>  | <i>Fraser,</i>   | <i>Ouimet,</i>    |                             |

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## Messieurs

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Cuthbert,</i>             | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>        |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Daoust,</i>               | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Platt,</i>               |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Davies,</i>               | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Plumb,</i>               |
| <i>Baby,</i>              | <i>Dawson,</i>               | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      |
| <i>Bécharde,</i>          | <i>DeCosmos,</i>             | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Pouliot,</i>             |
| <i>Benoit,</i>            | <i>Delorme,</i>              | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Desjardins,</i>           | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De St. Georges,</i>       | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Richard,</i>             |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>De Veber,</i>             | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Robinson,</i>            |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Donahue,</i>              | <i>McDonald (Cornwall)</i>   | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Rochester,</i>           |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Ferris,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>                | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>              | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'r's),</i> | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Flesher,</i>              | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Rouleau,</i>             |
| <i>Bowell,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>                | <i>McDougal (Renfrew),</i>   | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Forbes,</i>               | <i>MacKuy (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>            | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Geoffrion,</i>            | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Bunster,</i>           | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Short,</i>               |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gibson,</i>               | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gillies,</i>              | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Goudge,</i>               | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Snider,</i>              |

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| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Greenway,</i>      | <i>McNab,</i>    | <i>St. Jean,</i>           |
| <i>Cartwright,</i> | <i>Guthrie,</i>       | <i>McQuade,</i>  | <i>Taschereau,</i>         |
| <i>Casey,</i>      | <i>Hagar,</i>         | <i>Masson,</i>   | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>         |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>   | <i>Haggart,</i>       | <i>Metcalfe,</i> | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>    | <i>Hall,</i>          | <i>Mills,</i>    | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>  |
| <i>Charlton,</i>   | <i>Higinbotham,</i>   | <i>Mitchell,</i> | <i>Trow,</i>               |
| <i>Cheval,</i>     | <i>Holton,</i>        | <i>Moffat,</i>   | <i>Tupper,</i>             |
| <i>Christie,</i>   | <i>Horton,</i>        | <i>Monteith,</i> | <i>Vail,</i>               |
| <i>Church,</i>     | <i>Huntington,</i>    | <i>Oliver,</i>   | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>   |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>   | <i>Hurteau,</i>       | <i>Orton,</i>    | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>  |
| <i>Coffin,</i>     | <i>Irving,</i>        | <i>Paterson,</i> | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>    |
| <i>Cook,</i>       | <i>Jetté,</i>         | <i>Perry,</i>    | <i>Wood,</i>               |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i> | <i>Pettes,</i>   | <i>Workman,</i>            |
| <i>Cunningham,</i> | <i>Kerr,</i>          | <i>Pickard,</i>  | <i>Young.—157.</i>         |
| <i>Currier,</i>    |                       |                  |                            |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

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##### Messieurs

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| <i>Appleby,</i>    | <i>Farrow,</i>              | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i> | <i>Pouliot,</i>            |
| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Ferguson,</i>            | <i>McKay, (Colchester),</i> | <i>Robinson,</i>           |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Fiset,</i>               | <i>Macmillan,</i>           | <i>Robitaille,</i>         |
| <i>Bertram,</i>    | <i>Flesher,</i>             | <i>McCallum,</i>            | <i>Rochester,</i>          |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>  | <i>Fraser,</i>              | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Rouleau,</i>            |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Gaudet,</i>              | <i>McQuade,</i>             | <i>Roy,</i>                |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i>  | <i>Masson,</i>              | <i>Short,</i>              |
| <i>Brouse,</i>     | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i>  | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>    |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Greenway,</i>            | <i>Mitchell,</i>            | <i>Stephenson,</i>         |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>             | <i>Moffat,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i> |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>   | <i>Harwood,</i>             | <i>Monteith,</i>            | <i>Tupper,</i>             |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Hurteau,</i>             | <i>Orton,</i>               | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>   |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>       | <i>Ouimet,</i>              | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>  |
| <i>Currier,</i>    | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>         | <i>Palmer,</i>              | <i>White (Hastings),</i>   |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Langevin,</i>            | <i>Pettes,</i>              | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>    |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Lanthier,</i>            | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>        | <i>Wood,</i>               |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Little,</i>              | <i>Platt,</i>               | <i>Workman,</i>            |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Plumb,</i>               | <i>Wright (Pontiac),</i>   |
| <i>Devdney,</i>    | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i> | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      | <i>Young.—77.</i>          |
| <i>Donahue,</i>    |                             |                             |                            |

#### NAYS:

##### Messieurs

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|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Archibald,</i> | <i>Cheval,</i>     | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>Mills,</i>            |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>    | <i>Christie,</i>   | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Oliver,</i>           |
| <i>Bain,</i>      | <i>Church,</i>     | <i>Holton,</i>      | <i>Paterson,</i>         |
| <i>Barthe,</i>    | <i>Cockburn,</i>   | <i>Horton,</i>      | <i>Perry,</i>            |
| <i>Béchar,</i>    | <i>Coffin,</i>     | <i>Huntington,</i>  | <i>Pickard,</i>          |
| <i>Bernier,</i>   | <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Irving,</i>      | <i>Power,</i>            |
| <i>Biggar,</i>    | <i>Cook,</i>       | <i>Jetté,</i>       | <i>Ray,</i>              |
| <i>Blain,</i>     | <i>Cunningham,</i> | <i>Kerr,</i>        | <i>Richard,</i>          |
| <i>Blake,</i>     | <i>Davies,</i>     | <i>Killam,</i>      | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>    |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>    | <i>Dawson,</i>     | <i>Kirk,</i>        | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i> |

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| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Delorme,</i>       | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i>  |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>De St Georges,</i> | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>De Veber,</i>      | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Schultz,</i>              |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>        | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Brooks,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>        | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Fleming,</i>       | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'r's),</i> | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Flynn,</i>         | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Smith (Westmorel'nd)</i>  |
| <i>Bunster,</i>           | <i>Forbes,</i>        | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Galbraith,</i>     | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Geoffrion,</i>     | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Burpee (Sumbury),</i>  | <i>Gibson,</i>        | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Thibaudeau,</i>           |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Gillies,</i>       | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>   |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gillmor,</i>       | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Goudge,</i>        | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Guthrie,</i>       | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Varl,</i>                 |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>         | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Wright (Ottawa)--104.</i> |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

Mr. *Cameron* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Fraser*, That all the words after " now " to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words " re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to amend Section 16 of the Bill, by providing that the reserves to be held by all foreign Insurance Companies, not incorporated as Mutual Companies only, and prohibited by their Charter Act of Incorporation, or articles of Association of the Company, from setting apart any portion of their Assets for the benefit of any special number of their policy-holders, shall be held solely for the benefit of Canadian policy-holders," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: " An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts respecting Insurance."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the following Bills without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: " An Act to make provision for the Extradition of Fugitive "Criminals."

Bill intituled: " An Act respecting the Boundaries of the Province of *Manitoba*."

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: " An Act to authorize the Town of *Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect certain Tolls at the Harbour in the said Town " with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: " An Act to authorize the Town of *Kincardine*, in the County of *Bruce*, to impose and collect certain Tolls at the Harbour in the said "Town," and the same was twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That the House hath agreed to the amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to remove doubts as to the right to vote of Shareholders "in certain Banks."

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That the House hath passed the same without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to make provision against the improper use of Fire-arms, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Saturday, 7th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *Blowers Archibald* and others.

By Mr. *Rochester*,—The Petition of Messrs. *Dow* and Company and others, Brewers, of the Dominion of *Canada*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read and received:—

Of *Alexander McAllister* and others, Yeomen, of the Counties adjacent to the City of *Ottawa*; praying that the inspection of Butter may be made compulsory.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same severally amended:—

Bill to make further provision for the establishment and management of Building Societies in the Province of *Quebec*.

Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company."

Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the National Investment Company of *Canada* (Limited)."

Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), from the Select Committee appointed to consider what arrangements can be made for securing an official report of the Debates of this House during the present Session, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Committee, in entering into contracts for the reporting, translating, publishing and binding the official Report of the Debates of the House, had a clause inserted in the same by which the House had power to extend the said contracts from Session to Session. The Committee respectfully recommend that the said contracts be renewed for the next Session of Parliament, with this proviso with regard to the reporting:—"That five assistants shall be employed in place of four, as at present, and for which service an additional \$500 shall be paid."

The Order of the Day being read for the House again in Committee of Supply  
Mr. *Cartwright* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Bowell* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ouimet*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "in the opinion of this House it is inexpedient and improper for the Government to have entered into any agreement or contract whereby public money is paid to Members of Parliament, such as the Postmaster General's Reports for 1875 and 1876, and the vouchers laid on the Table of this House on the 15th March, ult., show to have been paid to *Timothy Warren Anglin*, a Member of this House, for the County of *Gloucester*, namely, \$8,126.31, for the year ended 30th June, 1875, and \$10,263.24 for the year ended 30th June, 1876, and \$2,709.55, being for the quarter ended 30th September, 1876, in payment for printing and stationery done for and furnished by him for the Post Office Department of *Canada* "per agreement," as shown by the Return laid before Parliament by the Postmaster General on the 1st of March last, and the vouchers reported to the House by the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts on the 15th of March, 1877, as such payments are in contravention of an Act passed in the 31st year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled: 'An Act further securing the Independence of Parliament,' which provides that:—'No person whosoever, holding or enjoying, undertaking or executing, directly or indirectly, alone or with any other, by himself or by the interposition of any trustee or third party any contract or agreement with Her Majesty, or with any public Officer or Department, with respect to the Public Service of *Canada*, or under which any public money of *Canada* is to be paid for any service or work, shall be eligible as a Member of the House of Commons, nor shall he sit or vote in the same,' and are calculated to detract from the Independence of the Members of this House," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Costigan*, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*),

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next, and be then the First Order of the Day.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 9th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for copy of Survey, Plan, Estimates and Report on the improvement of *Cascumpec Harbour, Prince Edward Island*, made by *Henry F. Perley*, Esquire, C.E., in the year 1874. (*Sessional Papers, No. 139.*)

Also, Return (in part) to an Order of this House, dated 21st February, 1877, for certain Statistical information respecting the inside and outside divisions of the Civil Service of *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 144.*)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 28th February, 1877, for a copy of all Reports or Statements made as to the construction or attempted construction of the *Georgian Bay Branch of the Pacific Railway*, under contract by the Hon. *A. B. Foster*; as all correspondence between the Hon. Mr. *Foster* and the Government as to the said contract, or the work done thereunder, or the failure to perform the same, any Departmental Orders or Orders in Council passed as to the matter of the said Public Work, especially the Order as to the cancellation of said contract; together with a statement of the service or services for which the sum of \$109,000.50 has been paid to the said *A. B. Foster*, on account of said contract; and also for the advertisement for Tenders for the said work; the evidence showing that the Contractor was worth \$4,000 per mile, as recited in said contract, and the Certificate of the deposit of the \$85,000, also referred to therein; so far as not already laid before the House; and all letters, correspondence and evidence laid before the Minister of Public Works to satisfy him, in pursuance of the terms of the Order in Council, dated 4th November, 1874, and ratified by Resolution of this House, on 13th March, 1875, that the *Canada Central Railway Company* had provided sufficient means, with the Government *bonus*, to secure the completion of the line on or before the 1st January, 1877; also Reports made from time to time, showing that the Company, when making such progress as justified the hope of the completion of the line within the time mentioned; also a statement of payments made to said Company on account of the subsidy granted on the conditions, mentioned in the said Order in Council; and of the quality, kind, and weight per yard of the rails delivered at any point of the line to be constructed; the value of said rails, the evidence or certificate of said value, and payments made on account of said rails,—and the dates of such payments, and the place or places where said Rails are delivered, and if not delivered on the line to be constructed, the distance or distances therefrom. (*Sessional Papers, No. 57.*)

On motion of Mr. *Archibald*, seconded by Mr. *Bowell*,

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate requesting their Honors will give leave to the Honorable *Frank Smith*, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed to enquire into, and report upon the allegations in the Report and evidence of the Commission on the Northern Railway Company, as to the application of moneys payable to the Government; and also to make a searching enquiry into the accounts of the Northern Railway, and Northern Extension Railway, so as to complete the enquiry begun and left unfinished by the Commission.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

The House, according to Order, resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Saturday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, (for the House again in Committee of Supply); and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left

out, and the words "in the opinion of this House it is inexpedient and improper for the Government to have entered into any agreement or contract whereby public money is paid to Members of Parliament, such as the Postmaster General's Reports for 1875 and 1876, and the vouchers laid on the Table of this House on the 15th March, ult., show to have been paid to *Timothy Warren Anglin*, a Member of this House, for the County of *Gloucester*, namely, \$8,126.31, for the year ended 30th June, 1875, and \$10,263.24 for the year ended 30th June, 1876, and \$2,709.55 being for the quarter ended 30th September, 1876, in payment for Printing and Stationery done for, and furnished by him for the Post Office Department of *Canada*, 'per agreement,' as shown by the Return laid before Parliament by the Postmaster General on the 1st of March last, and the vouchers reported to the House by the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts on the 15th of March, 1877, as such payments are in contravention of an Act passed in the 31st year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled: 'An Act further securing the Independence of Parliament,' which provides that:—'No person whosoever holding or enjoying, undertaking or executing, directly or indirectly, alone or with any other, by himself or by the interposition of any trustee or third party, any contract or agreement with Her Majesty, or with any public Officer or Department, with respect to the public Service of *Canada*, or under which any public money of *Canada* is to be paid for any service or work, shall be eligible as a Member of the House of Commons, nor shall he sit or vote in the same,' and are calculated to detract from the Independence of the Members of this House," inserted instead thereof:—

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                  |                            |                              |                              |
|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Desjardins,</i>         | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Plumb,</i>                |
| <i>Barthe,</i>   | <i>Dewdney,</i>            | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Robillard,</i>            |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Donahue,</i>            | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Robinson,</i>             |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Farrow,</i>             | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>Ferguson,</i>           | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Rochester,</i>            |
| <i>Bourassa,</i> | <i>Flesher,</i>            | <i>Macmillan.</i>            | <i>Roscoe,</i>               |
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Fraser,</i>             | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Rouleau,</i>              |
| <i>Brooks,</i>   | <i>Gaudet,</i>             | <i>McCarthy,</i>             | <i>Roy,</i>                  |
| <i>Brown,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i> | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i> | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Short,</i>                |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Gill,</i>               | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Stephenson,</i>           |
| <i>Colby,</i>    | <i>Haggart,</i>            | <i>Moffat,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>   |
| <i>Costigan,</i> | <i>Harwood,</i>            | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Tupper,</i>               |
| <i>Coupal,</i>   | <i>Hurteau,</i>            | <i>Montplaisir,</i>          | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>    |
| <i>Currier,</i>  | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>      | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i> | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>        | <i>Ouimet,</i>               | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>      |
| <i>Daoust,</i>   | <i>Langevin,</i>           | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>         | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>      |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i> | <i>Lanthier,</i>           | <i>Platt,</i>                | <i>Wright (Pontiac).—72.</i> |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>   | <i>Coffin,</i>     | <i>Irving,</i>          | <i>Pickard,</i> |
| <i>Archibald,</i> | <i>Cook,</i>       | <i>Jetté,</i>           | <i>Pouliot,</i> |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>    | <i>Cunningham,</i> | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i> | <i>Power,</i>   |
| <i>Bain,</i>      | <i>Davies,</i>     | <i>Killam,</i>          | <i>Ray,</i>     |
| <i>Bécharde,</i>  | <i>Dawson,</i>     | <i>Kirk,</i>            | <i>Richard,</i> |

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| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Férris,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Rymal,</i>                |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>MacDonnell (Inv'r's),</i> | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Sinclair,</i>             |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>      |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>  |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Geoffrion,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McGregor,</i>             | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gillmor,</i>        | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>  |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Greenway,</i>       | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Vail,</i>                 |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Oliver,</i>               | <i>Wood,</i>                 |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Paterson,</i>             | <i>Workman,</i>              |
| <i>Church,</i>            | <i>Holton,</i>         | <i>Perry,</i>                | <i>Young.—111.</i>           |
| <i>Cockburn,</i>          | <i>Horton,</i>         | <i>Pettes,</i>               |                              |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following Pensions, viz:—*Samuel Waller*, late Clerk, House of Assembly, \$400; *John Bright*, Messenger, House of Assembly, \$80; *Mrs. Antrobus*, \$800, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered,* That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved,* That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 10th April, 1877.

On motion of Mr. *Casey*, seconded by Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*,

*Resolved,* That the attention of this House having been called to the Reports, Returns, and Vouchers laid upon the Table, touching the payment of public monies to the Honorable *T. W. Anglin*, Member for the Electoral District of *Gloucester*, for Printing and Stationery for the Post Office Department, the said papers be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, and they be directed to enquire into the facts, to search for precedents, and to report the result of their enquiries; and whether the said Honorable *T. W. Anglin* has vacated his seat.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk as followeth:—

The Senate have given leave to the Honorable *Frank Smith*, one of its Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee appointed by this House to enquire into and report upon the allegations in the Report and Evidence of the Commission on the Northern Railway Company, as to the application of moneys payable to the Government; and also to make a searching inquiry into the accounts of the Northern Railway and Northern Extension Railway, so as to complete the inquiry begun and left unfinished by the said Commission, if he thinks fit.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Inspection of Steamboats," without any amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Ordered*, That the time for receiving Reports from Standing Committees on Private Bills, be further extended for one week.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before One of the Clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 10th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Messrs. *William Dow* and Company, and others, Brewers of the Dominion of *Canada*; praying that the duty on Malt may be abolished.

Of *Blowars Archibald* and others; setting forth the importance of continuing to provide for the fortnightly Mail Service between *Liverpool* and *Halifax* during the summer months; and praying that the many and varied interests involved may be conserved and the connection maintained.

Mr. *Blake* moved, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:— That it is expedient to provide that the County or District Court Judges of the Province of *British Columbia*, may be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *Canada*, travelling allowances to be from time to time fixed by the Governor in Council.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, acquainted the House, That His Excellency the Governor General, having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*,

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolutions:—

1. That the Parliament of *Canada* has all the power necessary for making provision for the extradition from *Canada* of Fugitive Criminals,

2. That the Parliament and Government of *Canada* have all the powers proper for performing the obligations of *Canada*, as part of the British Empire, towards Foreign States, arising under Treaties between the Empire and Foreign States.

3. That several Extradition arrangements extending to *Canada* have been made between Her Majesty the Queen and Foreign States, and that other such arrangements may from time to time be made.

4. That it is proper to make provision by one Canadian Law for the execution, as respects *Canada*, of all such arrangements.

5. That a Bill has passed both Houses of the Parliament of *Canada*, and now awaits the Royal assent, providing for the execution, as respects *Canada*, of all such arrangements so soon as the operation of the Extradition Act of 1870 of the Parliament of the United Kingdom shall have ceased or been suspended within *Canada*.

6. That by the said Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom certain provisions are made for the extradition of fugitive criminals, and by the seventeenth section it is enacted that the Act when applied by Order in Council shall, unless it is otherwise provided by such order, extend to the several British Possessions in the same manner as if throughout the Act the British Possessions were substituted for *England* as the case may require, with certain modifications, and by the eighteenth section it is enacted that if by any law or ordinance, made before or after the passing of the said Act, by the Legislature of any British Possession, provision is made for carrying into effect within such Possession the surrender of fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in such British Possession, Her Majesty may, by the Order in Council applying the Act in the case of any Foreign State, or by any subsequent Order, either suspend the operation within any such British Possession of the Act or of any part thereof, so far as it relates to such Foreign State, and so long as such law or ordinance continues in force there, and no longer, or direct that such law or ordinance or any part thereof, shall have effect in such British Possession, with or without modifications and alterations, as if it were part of the Act.

7. That the provisions of the said Act of 1870 are unsuitable to *Canada*.

8. That when the said Bill now awaiting the Royal assent becomes law, it will be expedient that the said Act of 1870 should not extend to *Canada*.

9. That it is expedient to present an Address to Her Majesty, based on the preceding Resolutions, and praying that she will be graciously pleased to invite such legislation in the Parliament of the United Kingdom, as will cause the operation of the said Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom to cease in *Canada*, and that, in the meantime, she will be graciously pleased, by Order in Council, to suspend the operation within *Canada* of the said Act, so far as it relates to any Foreign State with which there may be an extradition arrangement.

The House accordingly resolved into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*, reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That the Parliament of *Canada* has all the power necessary for making provision for the extradition from *Canada* of Fugitive Criminals.

2. *Resolved*, That the Parliament and Government of *Canada* have all the powers proper for performing the obligations of *Canada*, as part of the British Empire, towards Foreign States, arising under Treaties between the Empire and Foreign States.

3. *Resolved*, That several Extradition arrangements extending to *Canada* have been made between Her Majesty the Queen and Foreign States, and that other such arrangements may from time to time be made.

4. *Resolved*, That it is proper to make provision by one Canadian Law for the execution, as respects *Canada*, of all such arrangements.

5. *Resolved*, That a Bill has passed both Houses of the Parliament of *Canada* and now awaits the Royal assent, providing for the execution, as respects *Canada*, of all such arrangements so soon as the operation of the Extradition Act of 1870 of the Parliament of the United Kingdom shall have ceased or been suspended within *Canada*.

6. *Resolved*, That by the said Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom certain provisions are made for the extradition of fugitive criminals, and by the seventeenth section it is enacted that the Act when applied by Order in Council shall, unless it is otherwise provided by such order, extend to the several British Possessions in the same manner as if throughout the Act the British Possessions were substituted for *England* as the case may require, with certain modifications, and by the eighteenth section it is enacted that if by any law or ordinance, made before or after the passing of the said Act, by the Legislature of any British Possession, provision is made for carrying into effect within such Possession the surrender of fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in such British Possession, Her Majesty may, by the Order in Council applying the Act, in the case of any Foreign State, or by any subsequent Order, either suspend the operation within any such British Possession of the Act or of any part thereof, so far as it relates to such Foreign State, and so long as such law or ordinance continues in force there, and no longer, or direct that such law or ordinance, or any part thereof, shall have effect in such British Possession, with or without modifications and alterations, as if it were part of the Act.

7. *Resolved*, That the provisions of the said Act of 1870 are unsuitable to *Canada*.

8. *Resolved*, That when the said Bill now awaiting the Royal assent becomes law it will be expedient that the said Act of 1870 should not extend to *Canada*.

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to present an Address to Her Majesty, based on the preceding Resolutions, and praying that she will be graciously pleased to invite such legislation in the Parliament of the United Kingdom as will cause the operation of the said Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom to cease in *Canada*, and that, in the meantime, she will be graciously pleased by Order in Council to suspend the operation within *Canada* of the said Act, so far as it relates to any Foreign State with which there may be an extradition arrangement.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Blake*, *Mackenzie*, *Mills*, *Laurier* and *Young*, be appointed to draft an Address to Her Majesty founded on the said Resolutions.

Mr. *Blake* reported from the said Committee, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth:—

*To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.*

**MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,**

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, in Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing:

That the Parliament of *Canada* has all the power necessary for making provision for the extradition from *Canada* of Fugitive Criminals.

That the Parliament and Government of *Canada* have all the powers proper for performing the obligations of *Canada*, as part of the British Empire, towards Foreign States, arising under Treaties between the Empire and Foreign States.

That several Extradition arrangements extending to *Canada* have been made between Your Majesty and Foreign States and that other such arrangements may from time to time be made.

That it is proper to make provisions by one Canadian law, for the execution as respects *Canada*, of all such arrangements.

That a Bill has passed both Houses of the Parliament of *Canada*, and now awaits Your Majesty's assent, providing for the execution, as respects *Canada*, of all such arrangements so soon as the operation of the Extradition Act of 1870 of the Parliament of the United Kingdom shall have ceased or been suspended within *Canada*.

That by the said Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom certain provisions are made for the extradition of fugitive criminals, and by the seventeenth section it is enacted that the Act when applied by Order in Council shall, unless it is otherwise provided by such Order, extend to the several British Possessions in the same manner as if throughout the Act the British Possessions were substituted for *England* as the case may require, with certain modifications, and by the eighteenth section it is enacted that, if by any law or ordinance, made before or after the passing of the said Act, by the Legislature of any British Possession, provision is made for carrying into effect within such Possession the surrender of fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in such British Possession, Your Majesty may, by the Order in Council applying the Act, in the case of any Foreign State, or by any subsequent Order, either suspend the operation within any such British Possession of the Act or of any part thereof, so far as it relates to such Foreign State, and so long as such law or ordinance continues in force there, and no longer, or direct that such law or ordinance, or any part thereof, shall have effect in such British Possession, with or without modifications and alterations, as if it were part of the Act.

That the provisions of the said Act of 1870 are unsuitable to *Canada*.

That when the said Bill now awaiting Your Majesty's assent becomes law it will be expedient that the said Act of 1870 should not extend to *Canada*.

We, therefore, humbly pray that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to invite such legislation in the Parliament of the United Kingdom as will cause the operation of the said Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom to cease in *Canada*, and that, in the meantime, Your Majesty will be graciously pleased by Order in Council to suspend the operation within *Canada* of the said Act, so far as it relates to any Foreign State with which there may be an extradition arrangement.

The said Address, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate informing their Honors, That this House hath adopted an Address to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to invite such legislation in the Parliament of the United Kingdom as will cause the operation of the Extradition Act of 1870 of the Parliament of the United Kingdom to cease in *Canada*, and that, in the meantime, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased by Order in Council to suspend the operation within *Canada*, of the said Act so far as it relates to any Foreign State with which there may be an extradition agreement; and requesting their Honors to unite with this House in the said Address.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the measurement of Steamships registered under the repealed Act of the late Province of *Canada*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ross (*Prince Edward*), reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to transfer the management of certain Harbors, Piers and Breakwaters from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Marine and Fisheries;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross (Prince Edward)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act further to amend the Pilotage Act of 1875;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House again in Committee of Supply; Mr. *Cartwright* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Bowell*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the *Fort Francis Lock* is said to be a part of the Canadian *Pacific* Railway, and the money spent thereon has been expended out of the *Pacific* Railway appropriation, and that the said work is therefore subject to the provisions of the Canadian *Pacific* Railway Act, 1874.

"That by Section 11 of the Canadian *Pacific* Railway Act, 1874, it is enacted that 'no contract for any portion of the main line of the said Railway shall be binding until it shall have been laid before the House of Commons for one month without being disapproved, unless sooner approved by a Resolution of the House.'"

"And by Section 12 of the said Act, it is enacted that 'in case it shall be found by the Governor in Council more advantageous to construct the said Railway, or any portion thereof, as a public work of the *Dominion of Canada*, the construction thereof shall be let out by contracts offered to public competition.'

"That the construction of the *Fort Francis Lock* has been carried on as a work of the *Dominion* by time work, and has not been let out by contract, offered to public competition.

"That no Order in Council has been passed, authorizing the construction of said work or the application of the Parliamentary appropriation thereto.

"That it does not appear, from the papers laid before the House, that the Chief or any Engineer of the Canadian *Pacific* Railway Survey, has ever recommended the construction of the said Lock; nor does it appear that there was, or is, any estimate of the cost of the improvements on *Rainy Lake* and *Rainy River*, and water stretches connecting therewith, necessary to attain the object for which the said Lock is being constructed.

"That in the opinion of this House the commencement of said work without any Order in Council authorizing the same, and the construction of the said work, otherwise than by contract offered to public competition, is unconstitutional and a

“violation of the express terms of the Canadian *Pacific Railway Act, 1874;*” inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS:

## Messieurs

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|--------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Domville,</i>             | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>        |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Donahue,</i>              | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Platt,</i>               |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>               | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>               |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Ferguson,</i>             | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Robinson,</i>            |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Flesher,</i>              | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Bunster,</i>    | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Rochester,</i>           |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>McCalm,</i>               | <i>Rouleau,</i>             |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (OntarioSouth),</i> | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Gill,</i>                 | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Moffat,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Coupal,</i>     | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>        | <i>Montplaisir,</i>          | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Mousseau,</i>             | <i>White (Hastings),</i>    |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>White (Renfrew).—59.</i> |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Ouimet,</i>               |                             |

## NAYS:

## Messieurs

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|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Church,</i>         | <i>Higinbotham,</i>         | <i>Pouliot,</i>              |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Cockburn,</i>       | <i>Holton,</i>              | <i>Power,</i>                |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Horton,</i>              | <i>Ray,</i>                  |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Irving,</i>              | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i>         | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Jetté,</i>               | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Davies,</i>         | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>     | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Béchar,</i>            | <i>Dawson,</i>         | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Laflamme,</i>            | <i>Rymal,</i>                |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Landerkin,</i>           | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Sinclair,</i>             |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>  |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>  | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Taschereau,</i>           |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McIntyre,</i>            | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>  |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Geoffrion,</i>      | <i>McLeod,</i>              | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Vail,</i>                 |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gillmor,</i>        | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>Wood,</i>                 |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Greenway,</i>       | <i>Paterson,</i>            | <i>Workman,</i>              |
| <i>Charlton,</i>          | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Perry,</i>               | <i>Wright (Pontiac),</i>     |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Pettes,</i>              | <i>Young.—107.</i>           |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Pickard,</i>             |                              |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand six hundred and thirty-two dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following New Militia Pensions, viz:—Mrs. *Caroline McEachern* and four children, \$265.00; *Rhoda Smith*, \$110.00; *Janet Anderson*, \$110.00; *Margaret Mackenzie*, \$80.00; *Mary Ann Richey* and one child, \$288.00; *Mary Morrison*, \$80.00; *Louise Prud'homme* and two children, \$110.00; *Virginie Charron* and four children, \$150.00; *Paul M. Robins*, \$146.00; *Charles T. Bell*, \$73.00; *Alexander Oliphant*, \$109.50; *Charles Lugsden*, \$91.25; *Thomas Charters*, \$91.25; *Charles T. Robertson*, \$110.00; *Percy G. Routh*, \$400.00; *Richard S. King*, \$400.00; *George A. Mackenzie*, \$73.00; *Edward Hilder*, \$146.00; *Fergus Schofield*, \$73.00; *John Bradley*, \$109.50; *Richard Penticost*, \$91.25; *James Bryan*, \$109.50; *Jacob Stubbs*, \$73.00; *Ensign W. Fahey*, \$200.00; *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. Elliott* 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; for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Military Branch and District Staff, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 11th April, 1877.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of Brigade Majors, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray allowances for Drill Instruction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Militia, viz:—Ammunition, \$40,000; Clothing, \$40,000; Military Stores, \$40,000; for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Armories and care of arms, including the pay of Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rents, fuel and light of Public Armories, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Drill-pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Artillery and Rifle Associations, and Bands of efficient Corps, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of care and maintenance of Military Properties transferred from the Ordnance and the Imperial Government, including rents, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House, this day.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: "An Act to grant additional powers to the *Springhill* and "*Parrsborough* Coal and Railway Company (Limited)."

Bill intituled: "An Act to amend an Act to impose License Duties on Com-pounders of Spirits, to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to "prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs."

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Two of the Clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 11th April, 1877.

#### PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Caron*,—The Petition of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

By Mr. *Bowell*,—The Petition of *John F. Flindall* and others.

By Mr. *Shibley*,—The Petition of *James Cousins* and others of *Camden*; the Petition of *R. McDonald* and others; the Petition of *Robert McKnight* and others, of *Erinsville*; the Petition of *John Lee* and others; the Petition of *John Wilson* and others, of *Centreville*; the Petition of *William Grieve* and others; the Petition of *William Craig* and others; the Petition of *Duncan Wemp* and others; the Petition of *Joseph Sproul* and others; the Petition of *Byron Lee* and others; the Petition of *R. F. Hope* and others, of *Newburgh*; the Petition of *Adam Kennedy* and others; the Petition of *A. C. Scott* and others, of *Yarker*; the Petition of *Stephen Conroy* and others; the Petition of *C. Paisley* and others; the Petition of *Joseph Lockridge* and others; the Petition of *Joseph Brown* and others, of *Colebrooke*; the Petition of *Thomas Kidd* and others; the Petition of *Owen Card* and others, of *Enterprise*; the Petition of *F. Booth* and others, of *Odessa*; the Petition of *John B. Watkins* and others, of *Odessa*; and the Petition of *J. W. Marsden* and others of *Napanee*.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 28th March, 1877, for a Return shewing the names of all Government Officials in *Prince Edward Island*, specifying nature of office held by each, date of appointment and amount of salary. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 146.)

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

That the fees on Bill to further amend the Act to incorporate "The *London and Canada Bank*" and to amend the Acts amending the same, not having been paid, they have not considered said Bill.

That the promoter of Bill relating to the protest of Inland Bills in the Province of *Nova Scotia*, not desiring to proceed, Your Committee recommend that he have leave to withdraw the said Bill.

That the promoters of Bill to extend the powers of "The *Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company*," having intimated their desire to accept the provisions of the General Act of this Session respecting Joint Stock and Loan Companies, Your Committee recommend that they be allowed to withdraw the said Bill, and that the fees paid thereon be refunded, less the cost of printing and translation.

The Bill to regulate the floating of firewood in the River *St. Francis*, Your Committee considered, and finding the information laid before them, as to the possible affect on the navigation of the River *St. Francis*, and on private rights, insufficient, have not proceeded with the Bill.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Jetté*,

Ordered, That the Bill to extend the powers of the *Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company* be withdrawn, and the fees refunded, less the cost of printing and translation, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Third Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider what arrangements can be made for securing an Official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session.

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (*Halifax*), seconded by Mr. *Holton*,

Ordered, That the Bill relating to the protest of Inland Bills in the Province of *Nova Scotia*, be withdrawn, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *White* (*Renfrew*), seconded by Mr. *Wallace* (*Norfolk*),

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence and papers relating to the dismissal of *John Harvey* from the position of Slide Master at the Village of *Arnprior*.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon*, seconded by Mr. *Baby*,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence respecting the lessening of the number of the Mails between *Chicoutimi* and *L'Anse au Foin*, in the County of *Chicoutimi*.

Mr. *Robinson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Orton*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to provide that so far as the concurrence of the Parliament of *Canada* may be necessary for the purpose, the Legislature of the Province of *Ontario* or of the Province of *Quebec*, shall be authorized and empowered

to provide that the votes of the Electors under the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 27, 28 *Vict.* Chap. 18, therein called "*The Temperance Act*," and commonly known as "*The Dunkin Act*," shall be given by ballot in such manner as the Provincial Legislature may direct, subject to such provisions and changes only as may be deemed necessary for the purpose, but retaining all the provisions of the Act which are not inconsistent with the voting by ballot; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, seconded by Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*),

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of all correspondence respecting a special Tariff for the Province of *British Columbia*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: "An Act to authorize the transfer of the *Truro* and *Pictou* Branch "of the Intercolonial Railway to the person or Company constructing a line of Rail- "way from *New Glasgow* to the *Strait of Canso*, and providing a proper ferry across "the *Strait*."

Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for the employment without the walls of Com- "mon Gaols of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment therein."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act "to amend the Act incorporating 'The British Canadian Loan and Investment "Company (Limited),' " with several amendments, to which they desire the concu- "rence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An "Act to amend the Act intituled: 'An Act to incorporate the *London* and *Ontario* "Investment Company (Limited),' " with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act intituled: 'An Act to incorporate the *London* and *Ontario* Investment Company (Limited),' " and the same were read; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)," and the same were read; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Bowell* moved, seconded by Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Fees paid by the Government of *Canada* to, and the names of all Counsel, Solicitors or Attornies employed in connection with the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into the affairs of the Northern Railway; also the names of all Counsel, Solicitors, or Attornies that have been employed at *Toronto* by the Dominion Government, or by any Department, or Head of Department of said Government; and a Statement of all fees paid to such persons by the Government or services in connection with the business of the Government of *Canada*; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)*, seconded by Mr. *McNab*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of Engineer's Reports of the Surveys of the *Bonnechère*, or other possible route of the *Canada Central Extension*.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*,  
*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all Petitions and correspondence relating to the change made in the Mail route between the Intercolonial Railway and *Granville*.

Mr. *Fréchette* moved, seconded by Mr. *Higinbotham*, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to advise the Government to take, as soon as possible, the best steps they will think proper to test the feasibility and practicability of navigating the Lower *St. Lawrence* from *Quebec* to the Ocean;  
 And a Debate arising thereupon:  
 And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.*

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the National "Investment Company of *Canada (Limited)*," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Canadian "Engine and Machinery Company," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Archibald* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendment, do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Northern Railway of *Canada*;

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his consent so far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

The Bill was then read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Amendment, which was, on Wednesday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That in the opinion of this House, a Prohibitory Liquor Law is the only effectual remedy for the evil of Intemperance, and that it is the duty of the Government to submit such a measure for the approval of Parliament, at the earliest moment practicable; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "whereas grave doubts exist whether, under the provisions of 'The British North America Act, 1867,' this House has the power to deal with the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, as a Beverage, and,

"Whereas the Court of Error and Appeal in the Province of Ontario has referred a case to the Supreme Court, whereby the relative jurisdiction of the Provincial and Dominion Legislatures over the Liquor Traffic will be argued;

"Be it therefore Resolved, That this House, while not receding from any previous declaration on the importance of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, deems it inexpedient under these circumstances, at present, to express any opinion regarding the action to be taken by the Government, in dealing with this question," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Appleby,</i>          | <i>Cockburn,</i>       | <i>Holton,</i>               | <i>Paterson,</i>             |
| <i>Archibald,</i>        | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Horton,</i>               | <i>Perry,</i>                |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>           | <i>Colby,</i>          | <i>Irving,</i>               | <i>Pickard,</i>              |
| <i>Bain,</i>             | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Jetté,</i>                | <i>Ray,</i>                  |
| <i>Barthe,</i>           | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>      | <i>Robillard,</i>            |
| <i>Bécharé,</i>          | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bernier,</i>          | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Bertram,</i>          | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Biggar,</i>           | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Blake,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Rymal,</i>                |
| <i>Borden,</i>           | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>         | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Brooks,</i>           | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Shibley,</i>              |
| <i>Brouse,</i>           | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>MacDonnell (Invern's)</i> | <i>Short,</i>                |
| <i>Brown,</i>            | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Bunster,</i>          | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Smith (Westmoreland),</i> |
| <i>Burk,</i>             | <i>Geoffrion,</i>      | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Burpee (St John),</i> | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i>  |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>       | <i>Gilmor,</i>         | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>       | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Casey,</i>            | <i>Greenway,</i>       | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Vail,</i>                 |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>          | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Charlton,</i>         | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Wood,</i>                 |
| <i>Christie,</i>         | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Workman,</i>              |
| <i>Church,</i>           | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Oliver,</i>               | <i>Young.—104.</i>           |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>Farrow,</i>   | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Robitaille,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i>   | <i>Ferguson,</i> | <i>McDouqall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Rochester,</i>  |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Flesher,</i>  | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Rouleau,</i>    |

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| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>McQuade,</i>      | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>Masson,</i>       | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>Monteith,</i>     | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Cheval,</i>     | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>Montplaisir,</i>  | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Gill,</i>                 | <i>Mousseau,</i>     | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Ouimet,</i>       | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Palmer,</i>       | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Jones (Leeds)</i>         | <i>Pettes,</i>       | <i>White (Hastings)</i>     |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Pinsonneault,</i> | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Platt,</i>        | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>     |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Plumb,</i>        | <i>Wright (Pontiac)-59.</i> |
| <i>Domville,</i>   | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Robinson,</i>     |                             |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put, "That whereas grave doubts exist, "whether under the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," this House "has the power to deal with the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, as a beverage, and,

"Whereas the Court of Error and Appeal in the Province of Ontario has referred "a case to the Supreme Court, whereby the relative jurisdiction of the Provincial and "Dominion Legislatures over the Liquor Traffic will be argued,"

"Be it therefore Resolved, That this House, while not receding from any previous "declaration on the importance of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, deems it inexpedient, "under these circumstances, at present, to express any opinion regarding the action to "be taken by the Government, in dealing with this question." The House divided: and the names were taken down as in the last preceding Division.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Bill to amend the Act 37 Victoria, Cap. 50, respecting Permanent Building Societies in Ontario, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act thirty-seventh Victoria, Chapter fifty, respecting Permanent Building Societies in Ontario."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to make further provisions for the establishment and management of Building Societies in the Province of Quebec, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Oliver reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to make further "provision respecting the constituting and management of Building Societies in the "Province of Quebec."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Thursday, 12th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated, 28th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Local Government of *British Columbia* and the Dominion Government, relative to the appointment of a County Court Judge for the District of *New Westminster*, in place of *A. T. Bushby*, Esquire, deceased. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 148.)

Mr. *Mills*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 8th March, 1877, for a Return shewing the quantity of wood land in the County of *Marquette*, and the number of licenses to cut wood or timber in the said County, sold or issued by the Dominion Lands Office in *Manitoba*, during the last three years, to persons not being actual settlers. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 151.)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 26th March, 1877, for copies of all communications from the first Council of the *North-West Territories* in regard to the preservation of the Buffalo; all communications on the same subject from Indian Commissioners or other Dominion Government officials, and all Orders in Council or Acts passed by the present Government of the *North-West Territories* having this object in view. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 149.)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 2nd April, 1877, for copies of any correspondence between the Local and the Dominion Governments during 1876, with reference to the adjustment of Indian Lands in *British Columbia*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 153.)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Grand Trunk Railway Company, on the subject of the arrangements effected with the latter, permitting the carriages of the Intercolonial Railway Company to run over that section of their Railway between *Rivière du Loup* and *Point Lévis*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 55.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for the Engineer's Report of the Survey of *Parry Sound Harbour*, made by Mr. *Michaud*, C.E., and others, in 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 150.)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 19th February, 1877, for a Return shewing the number of accidents to persons caught in Railway Frogs, the points where the accidents occurred, and the particulars connected therewith, for the five years ending 31st December last. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 152.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for a monthly return of the Malt taken out of bond each month from 1st July, 1876, to 28th February, 1877. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 93.)

Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents and recommend that they be printed, viz :—

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence between the Government and the Contractors for the construction of the *Pacific Telegraph*, and copies of Contracts for the several portions thereof. (*Condensed*.)

*Return to Address*,—Copies of all papers connected with the awarding of Section 15 of the *Canada Pacific Railway*, copies of advertisements, and names of parties tendering, &c. (*Condensed*.)

*Return to Order*,—Tenders received for construction of Contract No. 15, Canadian Pacific Railway, with instructions to the Engineer in charge, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Statement shewing the quantity of land purchased for Railway purposes by the Government on the *Kaministiquia*, for a terminus for the Canadian Pacific Railway.

*Return to Address*,—Statement made as to the construction of the *Georgian Bay Branch* of the Pacific Railway, under contract by the Hon. A. B. Foster, &c.; together with a Statement of the services for which the sum of \$109,000.50 has been paid, &c; with map attached.

*Return to Order*, shewing the general nature and value of all Manufactured Goods imported into Canada from the United States, in the years 1874-'75-'76, &c.

*Return to Address*, having reference to the *Goderich Harbour Works* in 1874.

*Return to Order*,—Government deposits in the different Banks of the Dominion on the 1st day of each month, from January 1st, 1876, to January 1st, 1877, &c. (Condensed.)

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence between the Direct United States Cable Line Company and the Government, &c., since 21st March, 1876.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence on the subject of removing the Staff and Museum of the Geological Survey from *Montreal* to *Ottawa*, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government and Mr. T. C. Dupont, with reference to his inspection of the several Custom's Stations between *Victoria* and *Kootenay* in 1876.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Instructions to the Hon. Alex. Morris, Lieutenant Governor of the *North-West Territories*, &c. (*Sessional Papers only*.)

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz:—

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Correspondence on Article XX of the *Washington Treaty*.

*Return to Order*,—Statement of all Steam Fire Engines imported into the Dominion of Canada; the country whence imported, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence in regard to the appointment of Mr. James McAllister to the position of Cashier of the Intercolonial Railway, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Statement of all accidents which have occurred on the Intercolonial Railway since 1st July last, and cost of indemnification, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Statements of the amounts expended on behalf of the Dominion in the Government Immigration Department in *London, England*, and all expenditures connected therewith, &c.

*Return to Order*, shewing amount paid by each Steamboat as Wharfage dues to the Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal* in 1875-76.

*Return to Order*,—Report of the Government Engineer on the practicability of opening *Aspy Bay Harbor, Victoria*, so as to admit vessels of a certain tonnage.

*Return to Order*, shewing the number of Post Office and Custom House Buildings owned by the Dominion; the names of the cities where the same are situated, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence respecting the Graving Dock at *Esquimalt*, since July 1874.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence with reference to the loss of a Mail bag between *Truro* and *Halifax* on or about 14th December last, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Copy of Commission appointing *John Mowat* a Fishery Overseer in the County of *Restigouche, N.B.*, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Number of persons who have obtained licenses to erect Deep Sea Weirs or Pounds for the capturing of Fish.

*Return to Order*,—Copies of Petitions respecting the establishment of a Post Office at *Notre Dame de Grace*, near *Montreal*, and of another at *St. Cunégonde*, in the County of *Hochelaga*, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence with reference to the appointment of Mr. J. G. Norris as Deputy Collector of Customs, *Kootenay, B.C.*

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence connected with the seizure of the Schooner "Napier" in *Ingonish*, in 1872, for smuggling, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence relating to the superannuation of *W. Warren, Esq.*, late Collector of Customs at *Whitby, Ont.*

*Return to Order*, shewing the title held by the Government to the land and other property connected with the Fish-breeding establishment at *Newcastle, Ont.*

*Return to Order*,—Copies of leases of the right to fish in the non-tidal waters of *New Brunswick.*

*Return to Order*,—Instructions given for the division of the Ordnance property at *Quebec*, known as the *Cove Field*, and the cost of dividing and selling the same, &c.

*Return to Order*, shewing the number of Illicit Stills seized by the Revenue Officers of the Dominion in 1873-74-75.

*Return to Address* (Senate) and *Order* (House of Commons),—Survey and Report on the improvement of *Cascumpec Harbor, P.E.I.*, made by *C. Perley, Esq., C. E.*

*Return to Order*,—Quantity and price of land purchased for the construction and maintenance of the *Kingston and Ottawa Division of the Rideau Canal, &c.*

*Return to Order*, shewing the expenditure incurred by the Post Office Department for carrying the Mails below *Quebec* during the whole time when the Grand Trunk was stopped by snow in 1874-'75 and '76.

*Return to Order*, shewing the Inside and Outside Divisions of the Civil Service by Departments, &c.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Reports and Estimates of the Engineer upon the works proposed to be performed at *Arisuig, Annapolis, Baxter's Harbour, N.S., &c., &c.*

*Supplementary Return*,—Statement of money expended in the building a Marine Hospital at *Sydney, Cape Breton.*

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government and *F. J. Bernard, Esq.*, Contractor for the Telegraph Lines in *British Columbia.*

*Return to Order*, shewing all amounts carried over by Orders in Council at the end of the Financial Year under the authority of Chapter 2 of the Acts of last Session, &c., &c.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Mills* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting certain Ordnance and Admiralty Lands in the Provinces of *Ontario and Quebec.*

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of *Mr. Irving*, seconded by *Mr. Holton*,

*Ordered*, That the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections have leave to employ a short-hand writer.

On motion of *Mr. Mackenzie*, seconded by *Mr. Blake*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to provide under the authority given to the Legislative authority of any British Possession by Section 547 of the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, known as "*The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854*," that the twenty-third section of *The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876*, shall be repealed as respects ships registered in *Canada*, from and after the time to be fixed for that purpose by the Proclamation in *Canada* after approval and confirmation by Her Majesty in Council of the Act of the Parliament of *Canada* to be passed for that purpose.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill respecting the measurement of Steamships registered under the repealed Act of the late Province of *Canada*;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same by adding after the words "*Tonnage*" in the 38th line, clause 1, the words "for all purposes except those of 'An Act respecting the inspection of Steamboats, and for the greater safety

“of Passengers by them’ passed in 1868, and Acts in amendment thereof, for which “last mentioned purposes the tonnage shall remain as at present.”

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Cheval* reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill in accordance with the instruction.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to amend an Act further to amend the Pilotage Act of 1875;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with an instruction that they have power to amend the same by adding after the word “authority” in line 28, clause 2, the words “which collects the Pilotage dues.”

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill in accordance with the instruction.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: “An Act to amend the Pilotage Act of 1875.”

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for taking into consideration the Bill to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction in the Province of *Ontario*, as amended in the Committee of the Whole House;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made further amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the repression of Betting and, Pool-selling, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the culling of Timber, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *De St. Georges* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

A Bill to amend an "Act respecting the Inland Revenue," was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to the inspection of Petroleum, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Workman* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Workman* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide for the inspection of Petroleum by properly skilled persons, more especially with respect to its being explosive or non-explosive, and to define the test by which this shall be determined,—to prevent the sale for consumption in *Canada* of any Petroleum not inspected, by imposing a penalty on persons offering it for sale, except only for exportation, and by subjecting it to seizure and forfeiture:—and to provide for the payment of fees not exceeding 3 cents for the inspection of any package containing not more than ten gallons, and 5 cents for every package containing more than ten gallons, and not more than forty gallons, and so in proportion for any greater quantity.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laflamme* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the inspection of Petroleum.

He accordingly, presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to the payment of travelling allowances to certain Judges of *British Columbia*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Delorme* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Delorme* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the County or District Court Judges of the Province of *British Columbia* may be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *Canada*, travelling allowances to be from time to time fixed by the Governor in Council.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blake* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the payment of travelling allowances to certain Judges of *British Columbia*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House again in Committee of Supply;

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Costigan* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *White (Hastings)*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "in pursuance of the terms of an Address, passed by this House on the 13th day of February, 1875, a full amnesty was granted to all persons concerned in the *North-West* troubles, for all acts committed by them, during the said troubles, save only *Louis Riel, A. D. Lépine* and *W. D. O'Donoughue*, and a partial amnesty was granted to *Louis*

"*Riel* and *A. D. Lépine*, conditional on five years' banishment from Her Majesty's Dominion, thereby leaving the said *W. D. O'Donoghue* as the only person liable to the extreme penalties of the Law for all acts committed by him during the said troubles;—That this solitary exception has created dissatisfaction among a large class of Her Majesty's loyal subjects of the same nationality as the said *W. D. O'Donoghue*, and that, in the opinion of this House, as all disquiet and fear of disturbances have long since ceased in the *North-West Territories*, it is just and proper that the said *W. D. O'Donoghue* be placed in the same position, with regard to the said troubles, as *Louis Riel* and *A. D. Lépine*;" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                  |                               |                              |                              |
|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>     | <i>DeCosmos,</i>              | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Platt,</i>                |
| <i>Bewoit,</i>   | <i>Desjardins,</i>            | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>                |
| <i>Bernier,</i>  | <i>Dewdney,</i>               | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>       |
| <i>Blanchet,</i> | <i>Domville,</i>              | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Robinson,</i>             |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>   | <i>Farrow,</i>                | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Robitaille,</i>           |
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Fraser,</i>                | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Rochester,</i>            |
| <i>Cameron,</i>  | <i>Gaudet,</i>                | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Rouleau,</i>              |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North),</i> | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Roy,</i>                  |
| <i>Cimon,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South),</i> | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Stephenson,</i>           |
| <i>Colby,</i>    | <i>Gill,</i>                  | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>   |
| <i>Costigan,</i> | <i>Harwood,</i>               | <i>Montplaisir,</i>          | <i>Trupper,</i>              |
| <i>Coupal,</i>   | <i>Hurteau,</i>               | <i>Mousseau,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>    |
| <i>Currier,</i>  | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>         | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>White (Hastings),</i>     |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i> | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>           | <i>Ouimet,</i>               | <i>Wright (Ottawa),</i>      |
| <i>Daoust,</i>   | <i>Langevin,</i>              | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>         | <i>Wright (Pontiac).—60.</i> |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Church,</i>      | <i>Jetté,</i>                | <i>Pouliot,</i>             |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Cockburn,</i>    | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>      | <i>Power,</i>               |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Coffin,</i>      | <i>Kirk,</i>                 | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Cook,</i>        | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bannatyne,</i>         | <i>Cunningham,</i>  | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Delorme,</i>     | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Béchar,</i>            | <i>De Veber,</i>    | <i>Langlois,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edw'd),</i> |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Dymond,</i>      | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>      | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Fiset,</i>       | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Fleming,</i>     | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Flesher,</i>     | <i>McDougall (Renfrew)</i>   | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>       | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fréchette,</i>   | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Gabraith,</i>    | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Gibson,</i>      | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Gilmor,</i>      | <i>McIsaac,</i>              | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Goudge,</i>      | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Greenway,</i>    | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Guthrie,</i>     | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Thonson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Hagar,</i>       | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>Oliver,</i>               | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Paterson,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |

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| <i>Cauchon,</i>  | <i>Holton,</i> | <i>Perry,</i>   | <i>Wood,</i>       |
| <i>Charlton,</i> | <i>Horton,</i> | <i>Pettes,</i>  | <i>Workman,</i>    |
| <i>Cheval,</i>   | <i>Irving,</i> | <i>Pickard,</i> | <i>Young.—105.</i> |
| <i>Christie,</i> |                |                 |                    |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and Schools of Gunnery, *Kingston* and *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning ;

*Friday, 13th April, 1877.*

2. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Military College, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Schools, *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Pay and Maintenance of Dominion Forces in *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and six thousand three hundred and fifty-six dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Mounted Police, *North-West Territories*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered,* That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House, this day.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved,* That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 2.*)

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Two of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 13th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Resolved*, That in consequence of his being incapacitated by severe illness to attend to his duties in this House, leave of absence be granted to *Firmin Dugas*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Montcalm*; and that his Sessional indemnity be computed and paid as for the whole Session.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Robinson*,---The Petition of Messrs *Riley* and *May*, of the City of *Toronto*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :---

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying for certain amendments to the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Act respecting the Culling and Measuring of Timber.

Of *John F. Flindall* and others; praying that the duty on Malt may be abolished.

Of *James Cousins* and others, of *Camden*; of *R. McDonald* and others; of *Robert MacKnight* and others, of *Erinsville*; of *John Lee* and others; of *John Wilson* and others, of *Centreville*; of *William Grieve* and others; of *William Craig* and others; of *Duncan Wemp* and others, of *Bath*; of *Joseph Sproul* and others; of *Byron Lee* and others; of *R. F. Hope* and others, of *Newburgh*; of *Adam Kennedy* and others; of *A. C. Scott* and others, of *Yarker*; of *Stephen Conroy* and others; of *C. Paisley* and others; of *Joseph Lockridge* and others; of *Joseph Brown* and others, of *Colebrook*; of *Thomas Kidd* and others; of *Owen Card* and others, of *Enterprise*; of *F. Booth* and others; of *John B. Watkins* and others, of *Odessa*; and of *J. W. Marsden* and others, of *Napanee*; severally praying that the Temperance Act of 1864, known as the *Dunkin* Act, may be so amended as to enable the Ratepayers to vote by ballot.

Mr. *Burpee*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,---Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for copies of papers and correspondence in connection with the defalcations of the ex-Collector of Customs, *William Kidston*, at the Port of *Baddeck*, and a Return shewing if the amount has been refunded to the Department; and if not, the reason for its not being refunded. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 154.)

And also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 26th March, 1877, for a Return of all correspondence, telegrams and Orders in connection with the dismissal of *William Colwell*, Locker in the Custom House Department, *St. John, New Brunswick*; also, all papers, telegrams and correspondence in connection with the investigation carried on by Inspector *Cudlip*, together with his report thereon; date of dismissal; copy of medical report as to his health after examination; a Statement of all other official appointments which were offered him; copy of letter addressed by Commissioner *Johnson*, at *Ottawa*, to the Department of the Minister of Justice, recommending him for an appointment; together with a Statement of the fund from which the sum of one hundred dollars was paid him; of the grounds for such payment and the account to which such payment was charged in the Public Accounts. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 155.)

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Seventh and Eighth Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cartwright have leave to bring in a Bill for defining and rendering uniform the powers of certain Loan Companies in the matters therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Blake have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Great Seals of the Provinces of Canada, other than Ontario and Quebec.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. Smith (Westmoreland), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council presented, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 28th March, 1877, for copies of any correspondence that may have passed during the past three years between the Government of Great Britain and the Government of this Dominion, relative to the abolition of Light dues upon Canadian Shipping. (*Sessional Papers, No. 156.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for copies of all papers relating to the abolition of the fisheries in the Rapids of the Richelieu, in front of the Village of the Canton of Chambly; of the Report of the Fishery Over-seer, and of all correspondence of the Government with the proprietors of the said Fisheries, and with any other person, in relation thereto. (*Sessional Papers, No. 157.*)

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by Mr. Blake,

*Resolved*, That for the remainder of the Session Government business shall have precedence on Wednesdays.

Mr. Laurier, from the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of Richelieu, in the Province of Quebec, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix, No. 3.*)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting Appeals from convictions before, or orders by Justices of the Peace."

Bill intituled: "An Act to make further provision for the payment of the Active Militia when called out in certain cases in aid of the civil power."

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Tolls in the Harbor of Montreal," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Tolls in the Harbor of Montreal," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

A Bill for the repression of Betting and Pool-selling was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act respecting the Culling of Timber was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Culling and Measuring of Timber."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bill to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction in the Province of *Ontario*, as amended in the Committee of the Whole House; and the amendments were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the House again in Committee of Supply; Mr. *Cartwright* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario South)* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Domville*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "in the opinion of this House, the course adopted by the Minister of Finance "in placing the late Government Loan of £2,500,000 stg., in the London money market at a fixed rate of 91 per cent., with allowances of accrued and accruing "interest, thus reducing it to about 90 per cent., was an inexpedient course in itself, "and also resulted in great pecuniary loss to the Dominion," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Farrow,</i>                             | <i>McDonald (C. Breton) Platt,</i>         |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Flesher,</i>                            | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers) Plumb,</i>        |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Fraser,</i>                             | <i>McKay (Colchester), Pope (Compton),</i> |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>     | <i>Gaudet,</i>                             | <i>Macmillan, Robinson,</i>                |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North) McCallum,</i>     | <i>Robitaille,</i>                         |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South) McQuade,</i>      | <i>Rochester,</i>                          |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gill,</i>                               | <i>Masson, Rouleau,</i>                    |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Harwood,</i>                            | <i>Mitchell, Roy,</i>                      |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Hurteau,</i>                            | <i>Moffat, Stephenson,</i>                 |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>                      | <i>Monteith, Thompson (Cariboo),</i>       |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>                        | <i>Montplaisir, Tupper,</i>                |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Langevin,</i>                           | <i>Mousseau, Wallace (Norfolk),</i>        |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Lanthier,</i>                           | <i>Orton, White (Hastings),</i>            |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Little,</i>                             | <i>Ouimet, White (Renfrew),</i>            |
| <i>Domville,</i>   | <i>Macdonald (Kingston), Pinsonneault,</i> | <i>Wright (Ottawa).—60</i>                 |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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|-------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>   | <i>Charlton,</i> | <i>Holton,</i> | <i>Power,</i>     |
| <i>Archibald,</i> | <i>Cheval,</i>   | <i>Horton,</i> | <i>Ray,</i>       |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>    | <i>Church,</i>   | <i>Irving,</i> | <i>Richard,</i>   |
| <i>Bain,</i>      | <i>Cockburn,</i> | <i>Jetté,</i>  | <i>Robillard,</i> |

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| <i>Bannatyne,</i>         | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Killam,</i>              | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>    |
| <i>Béchar,</i>            | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Laflamme,</i>            | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>DeCosmos,</i>       | <i>Landerkin,</i>           | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Langlois,</i>            | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Schultz,</i>             |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>McDougall (Renfrew)</i>  | <i>Smith (Peel)</i>         |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>MacKay, (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Smith (Westmorel'd),</i> |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>McIntyre,</i>            | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>McIsaac,</i>             | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>McLeod,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Buell,</i>             | <i>Geoffrion,</i>      | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gilmor,</i>         | <i>Paterson,</i>            | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Greenway,</i>       | <i>Perry,</i>               | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Pettes,</i>              | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Pickard,</i>             | <i>Young.—111.</i>          |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Pouliot,</i>             |                             |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Question proposed, 1. That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway completion, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 14th April, 1877.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway Extension into *Halifax*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway to deep water at *St. John, N.B.*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One million dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Lachine* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June 1878.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Cornwall* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two million dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Welland* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *St. Anne's Lock* for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Carillon* and *Chute à Blondeau* Canals for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of improving approach to *Culbute* Canal, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *St. Peter's* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous work on Canals, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seventy-three thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, viz:—Grounds, \$35,000; Retaining walls, gates, foot-paths, painting, &c., \$2,600; Extension, West Block, \$135,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *Ontario*, viz:—*Guelph* Custom House, Excise and Post Office, \$2,000; *Kingston*, Military College and repairing Fortifications, \$10,000; *London* Military Grounds, Fencing and Woodsheds, \$3,500; to pay for site for *Ottawa* Post Office, Custom House and Inland Revenue Office, \$7,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House this day.

Mr. *Oliver* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Beaver and *Toronto* Mutual Fire Insurance Company" with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Beaver and *Toronto* Mutual Fire Insurance Company," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

And then The House, having continued to sit till Twenty minutes before Three of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Saturday, 14th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

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

By Mr. *Caron*,—The Petition of *W. Withall*, President of the Gulf Ports Steamship Company, and others, steamboat owners of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Thompson (Haldimand)*,—The Petition of *W. A. Thomson*.

By Mr. *Bowell*,—The Petition of *John A. Wilkinson*, of the Town of *Bowmanville* Province of *Ontario*, Publisher.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the amendments made by the Senate to the following Bills, namely :—

Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)*.”

Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating ‘ The British Canadian ‘ Loan and Investment Company (Limited), ’ ” and have concluded to recommend that the second of the said amendments in the former case (page 1, line 25), and the sixth and seventh of the amendments in the latter case (page 2, lines 29 and 30), be not agreed to, for the reason that the same are not in harmony with the provisions of the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Law respecting the Incorporation of Joint “ Stock Companies by Letters Patent.”

Your Committee recommend that the rest of the said amendments to both of the said Bills be agreed to, without any amendment.

Your Committee have also considered the Bill from the Senate, intituled : “ An “ Act to incorporate the *Canada Traffic Company*,” and have agreed to report the same, amended.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments by the Senate to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act intituled : ‘ An Act to incorporate “ the *London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)*,”

The First Amendment, being read a second time was agreed to.

The Second Amendment, being read a second time, as followeth :—

Page 1, Line 25.—Leave out from “ exceed ” to “ upon ” in line 26, and insert “ eighty per cent of the subscribed capital of the said Company.”

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Workman*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth disagree with the Senate in the said amendment for the following Reason : Because the said amendment is not in harmony with the provisions of the Bill passed by this House during the present Session, intituled : “ An Act to amend the Law respecting the incorporation of Joint Stock Companies “ by Letters Patent.”

The subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate acquainting their Honors, That this House hath agreed to all their amendments to the foregoing Bill, with the exception of the Second Amendment, to which they have disagreed, and communicating to their Honors the Reason for so disagreeing.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating ‘ The British “ Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited). ’ ”

The First to the Fifth Amendments, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Sixth and Seventh amendments, being read a second time, as followeth :—

Page 2 Line 29.—Leave out “ the nominal amount,” and insert “ eighty per cent.”

Page 2 Line 30.—After “ Company ” insert “ upon which twenty per cent has first been paid up.”

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Workman*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree with the Senate in the said amendments for the following Reason: Because the said amendments are not in harmony with the provisions of the Bill passed by this House during the present Session intituled: “ An Act to amend the Law respecting the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies “ by Letters Patent.”

The subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate acquainting their Honors, That this House hath agreed to all their amendments to the foregoing Bill, with the exception of the Sixth and Seventh Amendments, to which they have disagreed, and communicating to their Honors the Reason for so disagreeing.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson* (*Haldimand*), seconded by Mr. *Killam*,

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *W. A. Thomson*, presented this day, be now read.

And the said Petition was read and received; praying to be permitted to lay before the House, his Petition for the passing of an Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Manitoba Junction Railway Company*, notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Supplementary Return to an Address, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Imperial Government and the Dominion Government, and between the Dominion Government and the Provincial Government of *Nova Scotia*, relating to the Great Seal of the Province, that has been affixed to all documents requiring the same, since Confederation. (*Sessional Papers, No. 86.*)

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Ordered*, That the Returns laid before this House, in reference to the correspondence relating to the Great Seal of the Province of *Nova Scotia*, be referred back to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Laurier*, Member for the Electoral District of *Drummond and Arthabaska*, rose in his place, and stated. That it appears from the Public Accounts laid before this House, in the Session of 1875, that some time in the year 1874, the sum of \$4,717.18 was paid to the firm of *T. W. Currier & Co.*, out of the public monies, for lumber supplied to the *St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary*; whereas it also appears that divers sums of money were also paid during the same year, out of public monies, to the firm of *Batson & Currier*, for lumber supplied to the Department of Public Works; and that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish that the monies paid to the said firm of *T. W. Currier & Co.*, were so paid under contracts and agreements between the said firm and public officers, to wit: the Board of Directors of Penitentiaries; that the monies paid to the said firm of *Batson and Currier* were so paid under contracts and agreements between the said firm and the Department of Public Works, and that *Joseph Merrill Currier, Esq.*, a Member of this House, was at the time when the said contracts and agreements were entered into, and the said payments made, a member of each of the said firms, and also a Member of this House, for the Electoral Division of the City of *Ottawa*.

On motion of Mr. *Laurier*, seconded by Mr. *Dymond*,

*Resolved*, That it appears from the Public Accounts laid before this House in the Session of 1875, that some time in the year 1874, the sum of \$4,717.18 was paid to the firm of *T. W. Currier & Co.*, out of the public monies, for lumber supplied to the *St. Vincent de Paul* Penitentiary; that it also appears that divers sums of monies were also paid during the same year, out of public monies, to the firm of *Batson and Currier*, for lumber supplied to the Department of Public Works, and that Mr. *Laurier*, a Member of this House, has stated in his place in the House that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish that the monies paid to the said firm of *T. W. Currier & Co.*, were so paid under contracts and agreements between the said firm and public officers, to wit: the Board of Directors of Penitentiaries; that the monies paid to the said firm of *Batson and Currier*, were so paid under contracts and agreements between the said firm and the Department of Public Works, and that *Joseph Merrill Currier*, Esq., a Member of this House, was at the time when the said contracts and agreements were entered into and the said payments made, a member of each of the said firms, and also a Member of this House for the Electoral Division of the City of *Ottawa*; it be *Ordered*, That the matter herein stated, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, and they be directed to enquire into the facts, to search for precedents; and to report the result of their enquiries; and whether the said *Joseph Merrill Currier* has vacated his seat.

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Electoral District of the County of *Lincoln*, in the place of *James Norris*, who, since his Election for the said Electoral District, has entered into a contract for the public service;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Blake*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the attention of the House having been directed to a statement that *James Norris*, Member for the Electoral District of *Lincoln*, has entered into a contract for the public service, the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections be directed to enquire into the said allegation, report the result of such enquiries, and whether the said *James Norris* has vacated his seat," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put,

*Resolved*, That the attention of the House having been directed to a statement that *James Norris*, Member for the Electoral District of *Lincoln*, has entered into a contract for the public service, the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections be directed to enquire into the said allegation, report the result of such enquiries, and whether the said *James Norris* has vacated his seat.

Mr. *Young* moved, seconded by Mr. *Charlton*, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur in the Third Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:--

YEAS :

Messieurs

*Appleby,*  
*Archibald,*  
*Aylmer,*  
*Bain,*  
*Bannatyne,*

*Cartwright,*  
*Cauchon,*  
*Charlton,*  
*Cheval,*  
*Church,*

*Holton,*  
*Horton,*  
*Irving,*  
*Jones (Halifax),*  
*Killam,*

*Power,*  
*Ray,*  
*Richard,*  
*Ross (Durham),*  
*Ross (Middlesex),*

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|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Bécharé,</i>           | <i>Cockburn,</i>       | <i>Kirk,</i>               | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Laflamme,</i>           | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Lajoie,</i>             | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Coupal,</i>         | <i>Landerkin,</i>          | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Mackenzie,</i>          | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>De Veber,</i>       | <i>McCraney,</i>           | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>McLeod,</i>             | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Ferris,</i>         | <i>Metcalfe,</i>           | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>  |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Mills,</i>              | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Oliver,</i>             | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>Paterson,</i>           | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>Perry,</i>              | <i>Wood,</i>                |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillmor,</i>        | <i>Pettes,</i>             | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>Pickard,</i>            | <i>Young.---S2.</i>         |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    |                            |                             |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Donville,</i>             | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Plumb,</i>              |
| <i>Barthe,</i>     | <i>Farrow,</i>               | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i>  | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>     |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Ferguson,</i>             | <i>McDougall (T. Rivers)</i> | <i>Robinson,</i>           |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Flesher,</i>              | <i>Macmillan,</i>            | <i>Robitaille,</i>         |
| <i>Brooks,</i>     | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>McCallum,</i>             | <i>Rochester,</i>          |
| <i>Bunster,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>               | <i>McQuade,</i>              | <i>Rouleau,</i>            |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Roy,</i>                |
| <i>Campbell,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Short,</i>              |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Moffat,</i>               | <i>Stephenson,</i>         |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Harwood,</i>              | <i>Monteith,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i> |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Hurteau,</i>              | <i>Montplaisir,</i>          | <i>Tupper,</i>             |
| <i>Cuthvert,</i>   | <i>Kirkpatrick,</i>          | <i>Mousseau,</i>             | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>  |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Orton,</i>                | <i>White (Hastings),</i>   |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Lanthier,</i>             | <i>Ouimet,</i>               | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>    |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Little,</i>               | <i>Platt,</i>                | <i>Wright (Ottawa)—60.</i> |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Wood*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom it has been referred to enquire into, and report upon the facts in the Reports, Returns, and Vouchers laid upon the Table, touching the payment of public monies to the Hon. *T. W. Anglin*, Member for the Electoral District of *Gloucester*, for printing and stationery for the Post Office Department, *should be examined on oath*.

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Wood*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom it has been referred to enquire into, and report upon the allegation, that *James Norris*, Member for the Electoral District of *Lincoln*, has entered into a contract for the public service; and whether the said *James Norris* has vacated his seat, *should be examined on oath*.

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Wood*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom it has been referred to

enquire into, and report upon the allegations of Mr. *Laurier*, a Member of this House, in his place this day made, that *Joseph Merrill Currier*, a Member of this House, for the Electoral Division of the City of *Ottawa*, was at the time of a certain contract, entered into between the firm of *T. W. Currier & Co.*, and the Board of Directors of Penitentiaries,—and at the time of a certain other contract entered into, between the firm of *Batson & Currier*, and the Department of Public Works, and in respect of which contracts, public monies were paid to the said firms for Lumber supplied, he the said *Joseph Merrill Currier*, at the time of the making of the said contracts and the said payments was a Member of each of the said firms, and of this House; and to report whether the said *Joseph Merrill Currier* had vacated his seat, *should be examined on oath*.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the payment of travelling allowances to certain Judges of *British Columbia*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross (Prince Edward)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: “An Act to provide for the payment of travelling allowances to the District or County Court Judges in the Province of *British Columbia*.”

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with the Improvements of Navigable Rivers, viz: Improvement of Navigable Rivers, \$10,000; *St. Lawrence*, removal of Chains and Anchors, \$15,000; *Neebish Rapids*, River *St Mary*, Lake *Huron*, \$8,000; *Cowichan River, B.C.*, removal of Obstructions, \$1,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *Quebec*, viz: Repairing Fortifications, *Quebec*, \$20,000; Examining Warehouse, *Montreal*, \$17,000; Quarantine Station, *Grosse Isle*, \$3,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *North-West Territories*, viz: Lieutenant-Governor's residence, Registry Office and three dwelling houses for officials, \$21,000; Mounted Police Buildings and River Crossings, \$9,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *British Columbia*, viz: Public Buildings, repairs, \$1,000; Custom House, Store House Wharf, *Victoria*, \$5,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Buildings generally, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with

Penitentiaries, viz : General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces, \$117,000 ; *St. Vincent de Paul*, \$16,000 ; *British Columbia* Penitentiary, \$7,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and thirty-two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Rents, Repairs, in connection with Public Buildings, viz. : Rents, Repairs, Furniture and Heating, &c., \$170,000 ; Heating Public Buildings, \$40,000 ; Removal of Snow, Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, \$1,800 ; Gas, Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, \$16,000 ; Allowance for Fuel and Light, *Rideau Hall*, \$5,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters. *Ontario*, viz : *Kincardine* Harbour, *Lake Huron*, \$12,000 ; *Trenton*, including *Nigger Island*, *Bay of Quinté*, *Lake Ontario*, \$4,000 ; *Newcastle* Harbour, *Lake Ontario*, \$5,000 ; *Morpeth*, *Lake Erie* (locality to pay a similar amount), \$7,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Monday next.

Mr. *Oliver* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cauchon*,

*Ordered*, That the 60th Rule of this House be suspended, in so far as the same regards the Bill intituled : " An Act respecting the Northern Railway of *Canada*."

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

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Monday, 16th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Thompson* (*Haldimand*),—The Petition of Messrs. *Donald A. Smith* and *William A. Thomson*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read and received :—

Of Messrs. *Riley* and *May* of the City of *Toronto* ; praying that the duty on Slate slabs for Billiard Tables may be abolished.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Petition of *W. A. Thomson*, praying for leave to present a petition, for the passing of an Act to amend the Act to incorporate the "*Manitoba* Junction Railway Company ;" and satisfactory reasons having been assigned for the delay, they recommend that the said Petition be received, notwithstanding the expiration of the time.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Messrs. *Donald A. Smith* and *William A. Thomson*, presented this day, be now read.

And the said Petition was read and received; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the *Manitoba Junction Railway Company*.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have agreed to the Address to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to invite such legislation in the Parliament of the United Kingdom, as will cause the operation of "The Extradition Act of 1870," of the Parliament of the United Kingdom to cease in *Canada*, and that, in the meantime, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased, by Order in Council, to suspend the operation within *Canada* of the said Act, so far as it relates to any *Foreign State*, with which there may be an Extradition arrangement; by filling up the blank with the words "Senate and."

And also, the Senate have passed an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully to request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to invite such Legislation in the Parliament of the United Kingdom, as will cause the operation of "The Extradition Act of 1870," of the Parliament of the United Kingdom to cease in *Canada*, and that, in the meanwhile, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased, by Order in Council, to suspend the operation within *Canada* of the said Act, so far as it relates to any *Foreign State*, with which there may be an Extradition arrangement; and request that this House will unite with their Honors in the said Address.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have agreed to the amendment made by this House to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Canadian "Engine and Machinery Company."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to make provision against the improper use of Fire-arms," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Bridge Company of *Rivière du Loup*, in the "County of *Maskinonge*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the "National Investment Company of *Canada* (Limited);" with a consequential amendment to the English version of the Bill, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Address of the Senate to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to invite such legislation in the Parliament of the United Kingdom as will cause the operation of "The Extradition Act of 1870," of the Parliament of the United Kingdom to cease in *Canada*, and that in the meantime Her Majesty will be graciously pleased, by Order in Council, to suspend the operation within *Canada* of the said Act, so far as it relates to any *Foreign State* with which there may be an Extradition arrangement; in such a way, as to His Excellency may seem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne; by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate acquainting their Honors, That this House hath agreed to the said Address, by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to make provision against the improper use of "Fire-arms," and the same was read, as followeth:—

Line ult, after "offence" insert "7. Nothing in this Act contained shall be held "to affect any right of any soldier, sailor, volunteer in Her Majesty's service, constable "or policeman to carry loaded pistols in the discharge of his duty."

The said Amendment, being read a second time,

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said amendment was amended by inserting the word "or" after the word "sailor."

The said Amendment, as amended, was then agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendment, with an amendment, to which this House doth desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the consequential amendment made by the Senate to the English version of the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend "the Act to incorporate the National Investment Company of *Canada* (Limited)," and the same was twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their consequential amendment.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill respecting the Northern Railway of *Canada*, and have agreed to report the same amended.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Bridge "Company of *Rivière du Loup*, in the County of *Maskinongé*," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That the House hath agreed to their amendments.

On motion of Mr. *McCarthy*, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of all orders and instructions made or issued from the Departments of Justice and of Emigration directing or referring to the route of travel to be followed by the Mounted Police and the Emigrants for *Manitoba* and the *North-West* during the years 1874-75 and '76; and for a Statement shewing the amount paid for the fares of the Engineer Staff and other employees on the *Pacific* Railway Survey, for the Mounted Police, for Emigrants and any other persons whose fares were paid by the Government per Lake *Superior* Line and the *Beatty* Line respectively, during the years 1874, 1875 and 1876; also for freightage for the carriage of goods and supplies by said lines respectively during the same period, and Statement shewing separately the amount paid for any of the above persons who, although carried in or in the neighborhood of *Collingwood*, were sent over the *Beatty* Line via *Sarnia*.

Mr. *Currier*, one of the Members for the Electoral Division of the City of *Ottawa* rose in his place in the House, and read a letter which he had addressed to Mr. Speaker; which is as follows:—

Ottawa, 16th April, 1877.

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

SIR,—I have the honor to state to you that on the 12th instant I received notice from Mr. *Laurier*, a Member of the House, that he intended to make a statement on the floor of the House to the effect that firms of which I was a member had entered into contracts or agreements with the Government or Officers thereof for supplying lumber, which statement the Honorable Member made in the House on the 14th instant, and thereupon the said matter was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Until the receipt of that communication I was not aware that the business transactions therein referred to had taken place, and I never personally took any part whatever in reference to them or any of them.

I have, however, now ascertained on enquiry into the circumstances that the firm of *T. W. Currier & Co.*, (of which I was at that time a partner, though not an active one) on 21st May, 1874, received an Order from the Director of Penitentiaries for goods for the *St. Vincent de Paul* Penitentiary amounting to \$4,717.10, which were supplied in June, 1874, and paid for in July, 1874. I also find that the firm of *Batson & Currier*, of which I am a member, fulfilled several small orders for lumber for the Library of Parliament between January, 1874, and September, 1875, amounting in all to \$357, but in each case without my personal cognizance.

Being advised that I may have by these transactions unwittingly vacated my seat in The House of Commons under the provisions of the Independence of Parliament Act, I feel it my duty to notify you of the facts for the information of the House, and to place my resignation in your hands.

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

(Signed), J. M. CURRIER.

Mr. *Currier* further made an oral Statement that he now resigned his seat in the House; and then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Barthe*, seconded by Mr. *White (Renfrew)*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all the Reports which the Royal Canadian Insurance Company may have made, with copies of any order requiring the said Company to make such Reports; the whole in conformity with 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 99, Section 16,—and 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 48; also copies of all Reports respecting the business carried on by the said Royal Canadian Insurance Company in the *United States of America*; the whole in conformity with 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 43, of the Acts of Parliament of *Canada*, and the forms B and C of the said Acts.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *De St Georges*, seconded by Mr. *Laurier*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copy of an Order in Council of 5th March, 1877, approving of a By-Law of the *Montreal Harbour Commissioners* in reference to the Tariff of Pilotage between *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Cheval*, seconded by Mr. *Bernier*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement shewing the amounts paid by the Steamer "Chambly," and the Steamer "Cultivateur," at the *St. Our's* Lock on the River *Chambly*, during the season of 1875.

On motion of Mr. *McCarthy*, seconded by Mr. *Rochester*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of the number of miles surveyed and the expenditure for such surveys on the *Pacific* Railway, as follows:—

1. The total number of miles surveyed, distinguishing between exploratory or track surveys— preliminary surveys,—and location surveys.

2. How many miles of preliminary surveys, exploratory or track surveys and location surveys have been made on each of the following sections:—

1st. From the Valley of the *Ottawa* to where the main line or lines run strike that portion of the main line from Thunder Bay to *Red River*.

2nd. From *Prince Arthur's Landing* to *Red River*.

3rd. From *Red River* to *Tête Jaune Cache*.

4th. From *Tête Jaune Cache* to the *Pacific* Coast.

5th. All Surveys made on *Vancouver's Island*.

3. The cost of each of the above descriptions of surveys between each of the above points.

Mr. *McCallum* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wallace* (*Norfolk*), and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a copy of the Report, Memorandum or Minute made by the Accountant who assisted at the investigation by the Royal Commissioners into the affairs of the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Haggart*, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That there be laid before this House, a copy of the Report, Memorandum or Minute made by Accountant who assisted at the investigation by the Royal Commissioners into the affairs of the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Bertram*, seconded by Mr. *Beggar*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all monthly measurements and estimates for the various kinds of work done on Section No. 16 Inter-colonial Railway while under contract to Messrs *King & Gough*, and subsequently under contract to *J. C. Gough*, showing the actual quantities and kinds of all work executed and returned, the amounts made out for same at the schedule rates for each month by the Divisional Engineer in charge, and the amount for each month respectively certified by the Chief Engineer of the Railway or paid or certified by the Commissioners of the Railway and paid to the contractors or contractor or their agents.

For the amounts of all sums of money paid by, or through the Government, or its agents on behalf of or in liquidation of debts due by the firm of *King & Gough* or *J. C. Gough* on account of contract on Section No. 16, to whom paid, on whose authority the sums were paid, and the nature and extent of the service or work done therefor after the contract had been taken by the Government from *J. C. Gough*.

For the quantities of work done by the Government or its agents after the contract had been taken from *J. C. Gough*, showing the monthly estimates for the various kinds of work actually done, and the amounts of money paid for such work and to whom paid.

For the number of structures now built in first and second class masonry, the quantities of masonry, paving, &c., in each and the extent of the opening or waterway of each structure now on the section, the quantity of Rip-rap done, of concrete used, the quantity or length of fencing, the cattle guards built, with the items of cost for each.

Mr. *Brouse* moved, seconded by Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*), and the Question being proposed, That for the better observance of the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, and in the interests of morality, vessels propelled by steam and carrying passengers, may be detained from proceeding on their voyage through the Canals from the hour of 6 A.M., until the hour of 9 o'clock, P.M. on the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday; And a Debate arising thereupon :—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Wood*,

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution:—That it is expedient to consider the propriety of making provision for the more effectual securing the observance by Railway Companies of the Law requiring equality of treatment in the management of Traffic and imposition of rates and tolls; and more especially the due observance of the requirements of sub-section 2 of section 48—and of section 12 of the Railway Act of 1868; and to vest in the Exchequer Court of *Canada*, the power necessary for enforcing such observance.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Wood* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Wood* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to consider the propriety of making provision for the more effectual securing the observance by Railway Companies of the Law requiring equality of treatment in the management of Traffic and the imposition of rates and tolls; and more especially the due observance of the requirements of sub-section 2 of section 48—and of section 12 of the Railway Act of 1868; and to vest in the Exchequer Court of *Canada*, the power necessary for enforcing such observance.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Irving* have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the more effectual securing the observance by Railway Companies of the Law requiring equality of treatment in the management of Traffic and imposition of rates and tolls.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Petition of *Donald A. Smith* and *William A. Thomson*, for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the "*Manitoba Junction Railway- Company*," and find that no Notice was given, but as no private rights can be affected, they recommend the suspension of the Rule.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thompson* (*Haldimand*) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "*The Manitoba Junction Railway Company*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, seconded by Mr. *Jetté*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of the Petition of the Harbor Commissioners of *Quebec*; praying for the guarantee of the Government, for an additional sum of \$250,000, in order to complete the improvements in the above-mentioned Harbor of *Quebec*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Blanchet* moved, seconded by Mr. *Masson*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of the tenders sent in to the Harbor Commissioners of *Quebec* for the projected works in the River *St. Charles*; the said Statement to include the original tenders, the supplementary tenders, the names of the contractors and of their sureties, and the name of the person or company who obtained the contract, with the names of the sureties; And a Debate arising thereupon; —The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Barthe*, seconded by Mr. *White (Renfrew)*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Petitions, Correspondence and Orders in Council relating to complaints made against the administration of the Harbour Board of *Montreal* in connection with the Town of *Sorel* and the works for deepening Lake *St. Peter*; also copies of all documents transmitted to the Government respecting the bad administration of the aforesaid works, the arbitrary dismissal of *Pierre Côté* and *Pierre Charbonneau* and of any other employé; of all correspondence and documents relating to the dismissal of Captain *Charles Armstrong*; of all documents relating to the appointment of Messieurs *McCarthy* and *Mackenzie*, and of any other employé at *Sorel* in connection with the works of the Harbour—which documents, as well as those hereinafter mentioned, should be found in the office of the *Montreal* Harbour Commissioners, and of which the Government is entitled to have communication, inasmuch as the latter provides each year a very large amount of public money for the carrying on of those works, also copies of any report made by Mr. *John McCarthy* or any other employé of the *Montreal* Harbour Board at *Sorel*, shewing why the pay of the day labourers and of many others employed by the month or by the year was reduced, while that of the said Mr. *John McCarthy* was increased from \$600, which his predecessor, Mr. *Pierre Côté* had, to \$2,000; also copies of any contracts in relation to the leasing of the wharves, lands, shops, &c., of Messrs. *John* and *Daniel McCarthy* either with the Government or with the Harbour Board of *Montreal*; also of all instructions given by the Harbour Board of *Montreal* defining the duties of the aforesaid employés, Messrs. *McCarthy* and *Mackenzie* or of any other subordinate employé, in the carrying out of the said works; also, copies of all contracts awarded to any person whomsoever for the repair of dredge boats, the erection of any building, the repairing or building of engines, machinery and boilers, the purchase of wood and of coal or any other contract generally; the names and residences of those who obtained such contracts and works generally, with or without tenders mentioning the amounts of each such contract; also the amounts paid since 1875, whether by contract or otherwise for provisions, bread, meat, groceries, &c.,—for the board and maintenance of the men employed on the said works and to whom such payments were made.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

Mr. *Stephenson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario South)*, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence with the Department of Marine and Fisheries or any other Department, relative to the supplying of a life or other boat for the public service at and in the vicinity of the Lighthouses and Piers at the Harbour of Refuge at *Rond Eau*; And a Debate arising thereupon; The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by Mr. *Masson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all

Reports to Council by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in relation to the *Bass* and *Gasperaux* Fisheries in the Rivers *Napan* and *Black River, Miramichi*, and the shores in the vicinity of the same; also all Orders in Council made thereon since 1st January, 1874; also all Reports made by the overseers of Fisheries and by the Inspector of Fisheries in relation thereto; also all letters and correspondence had with the Department in relation to the said subject.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Tupper*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council relating to the creation of the office of Harbor Master at *Port Colborne*, and to the appointment of *Charles H. Carter* to such office, and all correspondence with the Superintendent of the Canal, and other persons, on the subject of such appointment; together with a copy of the Regulations for the management and protection of the Canals and Harbors.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Plumb*, seconded by Mr. *Domville*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all quantities of iron purchased by any of the Departments of the Government, for other than Railway purposes, the person from whom purchased, the prices paid, and whether the same was purchased by tender or otherwise, and the purpose for which said iron is required.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council appointing Staff Officers in the Militia since 1st January, 1875; and all reports by the Major General Commanding, and all Letters and Papers relating to the appointment and removal of Staff Officers in the Militia since 1st January, 1875.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon*, seconded by Mr. *Langevin*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House: 1st. Copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Mr. *Benjamin Lagacé* as Postmaster of *Jonquières*, in the County of *Chicoutimi*; 2nd. Copies of the latest tenders for the conveyance of the Mails between *Chicoutimi* and *Jonquières*; 3rd. Return showing to whom the contract for the said conveyance of the Mails was granted.

Mr. *Cameron* moved, seconded by Mr. *Domville*, and the Question being put, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Senate requesting that Honorable Body to transmit, for the information of this House, a copy of the Report made by a Select Committee of that Honorable House, during the Session of 1875, on the subject of the construction of booms, piers and other works on the *Gatineau*; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Bowell* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, and the Question being put, That the Honorable *Richard John Cartwright* have leave of absence to enable him to attend the Assizes now being holden in the Town of *Cobourg*, for the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham, Ontario*, in obedience to the subpoena served upon him, to give evidence in the trial of the case of the Queen, on the prosecution of the

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Honorable *John Simpson* against *James A. Wilkinson*; the House divided: And it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *White (Renfrew)*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, Returns of all monies paid to *Carpenter & Co.*, together with Orders in Council recommending such payment on account of the *Dawson* Route Subsidy, from 1st January, 1877, to the 31st March, 1877.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, seconded by Mr. *White (Renfrew)*,

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, copies of the Departmental Pay-Lists for the months of October and November, 1873, and March, 1877.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *McDonald (Cape Breton)*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House do lay on the Table, a Statement shewing 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 Officers, Messengers and others in his Department, whether employed permanently or otherwise.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Tuesday, 17th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That a vacancy having occurred in the representation by the resignation of *Joseph Merrill Currier*, Esquire, one of the Members for the Electoral District of *Ottawa*, he had, in conformity with the Act 31, Cap. 25, Sec. 8, issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ for the said Electoral District.

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

By Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Fréchette*,—The Petition of the *Lévis* Board of Trade.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *W. Withall*, President of the Gulf Ports Steamship Company, and others, steamboat owners of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Acts to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Quebec* and "The Pilotage Act of 1873," may not become law.

Of *John A. Wilkinson*, of the Town of *Bowmanville*, Province of *Ontario*, Publisher ; praying that leave may be granted to the Honorable *Richard John Cartwright* to attend and give evidence at the approaching trial on the 17th April instant, at *Cobourg, Ontario*, in the case of the criminal information fyled by the Honorable *John Simpson* and against the said *John A. Wilkinson*.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all Contracts and Orders in Council, during the year, 1876, in connection with the enlargement of the *St. Peter's Canal*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 158.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for copies of all the instructions given to Mr. *Kingsford*, of the Department of Public Works, and of all reports and correspondence in relation to repairs and other work done on the Breakwaters at *L'Islet, Rivière Ouelle, Rivière du Loup* and *Rimouski*, on the south shore of the *St. Lawrence*, Province of *Quebec* ; also a Statement shewing the amounts expended for such work or repairs on each of the said Breakwaters. (*Sessional Papers, No. 159.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for a Return of all petitions, papers and correspondence had with the Government or any of the Departments, by or from the inhabitants of the County of *Northumberland*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*, in relation to the necessity of a Breakwater, for the protection of Fishermen, at the Easterly side of *Point Escuminac*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 160.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Return shewing the quantity of iron rails removed from the Government Railways ; Railway Companies to which they have been loaned ; the date of such loans ; the counties and districts through which said Railways run ; the quantity loaned to each Railway Company ; the terms upon which such loans have been made ; the nature of the security given by each Railway Company to secure the return of said iron rails—the names of the directors of the Companies respectively to which iron rails have been loaned, together with all correspondence between the Government and any Company or individuals making application for such loans. (*Sessional Papers, No. 161.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for a Return of the resident employes on the Intercolonial Railway within the County of *Northumberland* ; the date of their appointment ; when they were located or stationed in their present positions ; the nationalities of the several individuals, and the number of them which were at the time of their appointment residents of the said County, with the rate of wages which they respectively receive. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution :—That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures, 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 47, by repealing sections 5, 26, 27, 30, 34 and 41, and re-enacting them with certain amendments, providing :—

That the Imperial or Standard British shall always be held to be the measure agreed upon as regards sales of goods by dry measure, unless it is otherwise stipulated.

That the hundred weight shall always be understood to mean one hundred pounds, and the ton two thousand pounds, as regard sales by weight, tolls, or duties, unless it is otherwise stipulated, and that public weighers shall always use the same.

That the same rule shall be observed as to contracts for the sale of grain and other articles mentioned in section 5 of the said Act, as before the 1st of January, 1874, and in such contracts a bushel shall be understood to mean the weight of a bushel of the article in question as fixed in the said section, and not a bushel in measure, unless it is otherwise stipulated.

That on any verification of weights and measures under section 26, after the first, the party having them in possession shall only pay full fees in case of their

being found incorrect, and that otherwise he shall only pay one-fourth of the full fees and charges.

That the parties mentioned in section 27 being manufacturers of, or wholesale dealers in weights, measures or weighing machines, shall not be liable to the penalty therein mentioned for merely offering for sale any uninspected weight, measure or weighing machine, and shall be liable to such penalty only, if they sell the same without having them inspected and stamped; but that other traders using or having in possession such uninspected weights, measures or weighing machines shall be liable to the forfeiture thereof and to the penalty.

That any person not being a manufacturer or wholesale dealer therein, who refuses to produce and permit inspection of any weights, measures or weighing machines in his possession, or being such manufacturer or wholesale dealer refuses to permit the inspection of such articles in his possession when required, shall incur the penalties mentioned in section 30.

That penalties and forfeitures incurred under the said Act may be recoverable before any competent tribunal, as well as in the manner provided by section 34, by suit brought by the proper officer; and that persons aggrieved by the use of false weights, measures or weighing machines may recover treble costs.

That section 41 be so amended as to allow officers under the Act to adjust weights, measures and weighing machines, on receiving compensation therefor.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House again in Committee of Supply

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, and the Question being proposed

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Furrow* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Wallace (Norfolk)*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "by a Return to an Address from this Honorable House, of the 21st of February, 1877, dated the 8th day of March, 1877, for copies of all Orders in Council having reference to the *Goderich Harbour Works* in 1874, together with a copy of the notice or advertisement, calling for tenders, for such work, the tenders received in response, and reports in relation thereto, with the contract entered into for the performance of such work, it appears that in all 16 tenders were sent in, for the performance of said work, averaging from \$182,630 to \$301,185. The four lowest tenders, being as follows:—

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| <i>John S. Tolton, Walkerton</i> .....                  | \$182,630 |
| <i>George Neilson, Belleville</i> .....                 | 200,375   |
| <i>W. H. Ellis, Toronto</i> .....                       | 212,155   |
| <i>Moore, Clendenning &amp; Wilson, Walkerton</i> ..... | 212,540   |

That on the 23rd February, 1874, an Order in Council was passed setting forth the fact that 16 tenders had been sent in, and containing as follows: "That *W. H. Ellis*, whose tender is third lowest, and when extended is found to amount to "\$212,155, appears to be in a position to execute the work satisfactorily, and that his sureties appear to be good and solvent, and recommending, that the tender of Mr. *Ellis* be accepted, and that for the due fulfillment of his contract, satisfactorily security be required on real estate, or by deposit of money, public or municipal securities, or Bank stock, to the amount of 5 per cent, on the bulk sum of his contract."

"That four days later, on the 27th February, without any information in relation to the said *Ellis* having, as appears by the Return, been furnished to the Department, a telegram, to the following effect, was sent by Mr. *Braun*, Secretary of the Department of Public Works, to Messrs. *Moore, Clendenning & Wilson*:—

"Your tender for *Goderich Harbor Works* is among the lowest; are you prepared to deposit 5 per cent, of contract amount, and are both your sureties, men of large means and property?" to which telegram *Moore & Co.*, on the 28th day of February replied as follows:—

“ ‘Prepared to make deposit, and go on with *Goderich Harbor Works*; can give satisfaction as to standing of sureties.’

“ That on the 7th March, an Order in Council was passed, on a *Memorandum* of the Minister of Public Works, of the 5th March, stating: ‘That Mr. *Ellis* has left the Country, and recommending that the next lowest tender, that of Messrs *David Moore & Co.*, whose tender when extended, amounts to the sum of \$212,540, be accepted.’

“ That on the 20th March, 1874, a letter was addressed to *J. Y. Elwood, Esq.*, of *Goderich*, instructing him to examine titles, and state value of property, offered by Messrs. *David Moore & Co.*, as security, and to say what it would bring at Sheriff’s sale.

“ That on the 28th March, the said *Elwood* reported to the Department of Public Works, that the property offered was worth from \$5,000 to \$5,500, less a Mortgage upon it of \$1,400.

“ That by a Schedule submitted by other valutors appointed by the Government on the 11th June, 1874, it appears, that properties valued at \$11,800, less \$3,400 encumbrances, were accepted as security, the security having been fixed by the Department at \$7,500, being \$3,127 less than 5 per cent, on the bulk sum of the contract.

“ That on the 16th day of February, 1877, after notice had been given of the intention to move for the papers, a letter was addressed by Mr. *Page* to Mr. *Mackenzie*, Minister of Public Works, in answer to enquiry from him, explaining the reason why the tender of *John S. Tolton* had not been accepted, the reason being, that the tender of *John S. Tolton* was at that time looked upon as so low, that some trouble was taken to ascertain, whether he was a person acquainted with such work; but no information could be obtained about him, and that it would be injudicious to entrust the execution of such work to him, as it probably would result, not only in a loss to the Government, but also prove ruinous to the man himself. But there does not appear to have been any correspondence in relation to the said *John S. Tolton*, or any reference to him, or to the reason for ignoring his tender at the time the contract was let.

“ That on the 22nd February, 1877, the Hon. *E. Blake* addressed a note to the Hon. *A. Mackenzie*, requesting that a letter written by him on the 2nd January, 1874, might be included among the papers, which letter was in the following terms:—

“ ‘Toronto, January 2nd, 1874.

“ ‘MY DEAR *Mackenzie*,—

“ ‘*David Moore*, of *Walkerton*, asks me to inform you, that he is about to tender for the *Goderich Works*, and I do so accordingly. I told my friend *Moore* that an introduction was unnecessary, as you would let the work fairly without respect of persons.”

“ ‘Yours truly,

“ ‘(Signed), EDWARD BLAKE.

“ That notwithstanding the statement in the letter of Mr. *Page* to Mr. *Mackenzie*, it appears from a statement made by an Honorable Member in his place in this House, that the Hon. Minister of Public Works, had information connected with the said *John S. Tolton*, the following telegram having been addressed to him by Mr. *David Stirton*, at that time a Member of this House:—

“ ‘Guelph, January 4th, 1874.

“ ‘To the Hon. *Alexander Mackenzie*,  
“ ‘Minister of Public Works,  
“ ‘Ottawa.

“ ‘I understand that *John S. Tolton*, of *Walkerton*, has tendered for the *Goderich Harbor Works*. Mr. *Tolton* is a thorough practical, honest and reliable man, financially able, and accustomed to the construction of Public Works. The securities named are reliable, sound men.

“ ‘(Signed), D. STIRTON.

“That it appears that the tender of *John S. Tolton* was improperly ignored, and that the Country has lost thereby the sum of \$29,525.

“That in the opinion of this House, the Government, in thus awarding this contract, are justly censurable for violating the principles of the contract system, and causing serious loss to the Country,” inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                    |                             |                               |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Baby,</i>       | <i>Farrow,</i>              | <i>Mc Donald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Plumb,</i>               |
| <i>Benoit,</i>     | <i>Ferguson,</i>            | <i>Mc Kay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      |
| <i>Blanchet,</i>   | <i>Flesher,</i>             | <i>Macmillan,</i>             | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Fraser,</i>              | <i>McCallum,</i>              | <i>Robinson,</i>            |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Gaudet,</i>              | <i>McQuade,</i>               | <i>Robitaille,</i>          |
| <i>Campbell,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.),</i>  | <i>Masson,</i>                | <i>Rochester,</i>           |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Gibbs (Ontario S.),</i>  | <i>Mitchell,</i>              | <i>Rouleau,</i>             |
| <i>Cimon,</i>      | <i>Gil,</i>                 | <i>Moffatt,</i>               | <i>Roy,</i>                 |
| <i>Colby,</i>      | <i>Haggart,</i>             | <i>Monteith,</i>              | <i>Stephenson,</i>          |
| <i>Costigan,</i>   | <i>Harwood,</i>             | <i>Montp'aisir,</i>           | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Coupal,</i>     | <i>Hurteau,</i>             | <i>Mousseau,</i>              | <i>Tupper,</i>              |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Jones (Leeds),</i>       | <i>Orton,</i>                 | <i>Wallace (Norfolk),</i>   |
| <i>Daoust,</i>     | <i>Langevin,</i>            | <i>Ouimet,</i>                | <i>White (Hastings),</i>    |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Lantier,</i>             | <i>Pinsonneault,</i>          | <i>White (Renfrew),</i>     |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>    | <i>Little,</i>              | <i>Platt,</i>                 | <i>Wright (Pontiac)—32.</i> |
| <i>Domicile,</i>   | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i> |                               |                             |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                        |                             |                              |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Church,</i>         | <i>Horton,</i>              | <i>Pickard,</i>              |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Cockburn,</i>       | <i>Huntington,</i>          | <i>Pouliot,</i>              |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Irving,</i>              | <i>Power,</i>                |
| <i>Barthe,</i>            | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Jetté,</i>               | <i>Ray,</i>                  |
| <i>Bécharde,</i>          | <i>Cunningham,</i>     | <i>Jones (Halifax),</i>     | <i>Richard,</i>              |
| <i>Bernier,</i>           | <i>Delorme,</i>        | <i>Killam,</i>              | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>        |
| <i>Bertram,</i>           | <i>De St. Georges.</i> | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Ross (Middlesex),</i>     |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Dymonl,</i>         | <i>Lafamme,</i>             | <i>Ross (Prince Edward),</i> |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Farris,</i>         | <i>Lajoie,</i>              | <i>Ryan,</i>                 |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>            | <i>Fiset,</i>          | <i>Laurier,</i>             | <i>Scatcherd,</i>            |
| <i>Borden,</i>            | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Schultz,</i>              |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Scriver,</i>              |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>Sinclair,</i>             |
| <i>Boyer,</i>             | <i>Fréchette,</i>      | <i>Mac Kay (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>         |
| <i>Brouse,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i>  |
| <i>Brown,</i>             | <i>Geoffrion,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>            | <i>Snider,</i>               |
| <i>Buel,</i>              | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McIntyre,</i>            | <i>St. Jean,</i>             |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McIsaac,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>   |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillmor,</i>        | <i>McLeod,</i>              | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>    |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gouge,</i>          | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Trow,</i>                 |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>        | <i>Greenway,</i>       | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Vail,</i>                 |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>     |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>Wood,</i>                 |
| <i>Casgrain,</i>          | <i>Hall,</i>           | <i>Paterson,</i>            | <i>Workman.</i>              |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Perry,</i>               | <i>Young.—103.</i>           |
| <i>Cheval,</i>            | <i>Holton,</i>         | <i>Pettes,</i>              |                              |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters, *Quebec*, viz:—Lower *St. Lawrence*, repairing various Breakwaters, \$20,000; *St Jean Port Joli Pier* (Municipality furnishing an equal amount) \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters, *New Brunswick*, viz: *St. John Harbor*, \$80,000; *Clifton, Gloucester County* (locality furnishing an equal amount) \$9,000; *Grande Anse, Gloucester County*, \$1,000; *Shippegan Breakwater, Gloucester County*, \$7,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, *Nova Scotia*, viz: *Antigonish, Antigonish County*, \$5,000; *McNair's Cove, Antigonish County*, \$5,000; *White Point, Queen's County*, \$3,500; *Jordan Bay, Shelburne County*, \$2,000; *Meteghan Cove, Digby County*, \$3,000; *Belliveau Cove*, \$3,000; General Repairs, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, *Prince Edward Island*, viz: *Colville Bay (Souris)*, \$20,000; *Malpeque Breakwater*, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Slides and Booms, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fourteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Dredging, viz: *Dredge Vessels*, \$22,000; *Dredging*, \$92,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Works, not otherwise provided for, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Surveys and Inspections, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Arbitrations and Awards, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Maintenance and Repairs of Steamers "*Napoleon III*," "*Newfield*," "*Druid*," "*Glendon*," and "*Sir James Douglas*," for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication between *Halifax* and *St. John, vid Ya-mouth*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication on Lakes *Huron* and *Superior*, for the year ending 30th June 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Service between *San Francisco* and *Victoria, British Columbia*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication with the *Magdalen Islands*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Winter Service by Steamer between *Prince Edward Island* and the Mainland, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication between *Nova Scotia* and *St. Pierre*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication between *Grand Manan Island, N.B.*, and the Mainland, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the examination of Masters and Mates, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers, and Rewards for Saving Life, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and collection of information relating to Disasters to Shipping, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Canadian Register and Classification of Shipping, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Montreal Water Police*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of River Police, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of removal of Obstructions in Navigable Rivers, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six thousand eight hundred and eighty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Allowances of Lighthouse Keepers, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning ;

Wednesday, 18th April, 1877.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty-three thousand two hundred and sixty-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Maintenance and Repairs, in connection with Lighthouse and Coast Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for completion and construction of Lighthouses and Fog Alarms, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand five hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens: *Ontario*, \$11,600; *Quebec*, \$11,500; *Nova Scotia*, including Inspector and Clerk, \$14,400; *New Brunswick*, including Inspector and Clerk, \$10,130; *Prince Edward Island*, \$1,740; *Manitoba*, \$200; *British Columbia*, \$1,000; for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of maintenance and repairs of Steamer for protection of Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Fish-breeding, Fishways and Oyster Beds, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Toronto*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Kingston*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Montreal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *New Brunswick*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House this day.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Post Office Act, 1875," without any amendment.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to grant additional powers to the *Albert Railway Company*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to grant additional powers to the *Albert Railway Company*," and the same was read; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. Speaker, informed the House, That he had received the following letter from *James Norris*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Lincoln*, resigning his Seat in the House:—

Ottawa, 17th April, 1877.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,

SIR,—Some twelve years ago several Steamboat proprietors of whom I was one formed a line of steamers upon the Lakes called the Merchants Line, each proprietor retaining the ownership of his own vessels.

In the year 1874 an Incorporated Company, called the Lake and River Navigation Company, brought their vessels into the line and it was called The Merchants and Lake and River Company. The Agents of the Line at *Montreal* were Messrs. *George E. Jakes & Co.*

Some time in the winter of 1875 Messrs. *Cooper, Fairman & Co.*, of *Montreal*, as well as a number of other persons applied to the Merchants Line for rates for the carriage on their account of steel rails to Lake Superior, saying they had tendered, or were about to tender to the Government for the contract. The rate of five dollars per ton for the net carriage was given them as the price at which the Line would carry the rails, subject to certain charges. On the 12th of May, 1875, Messrs. *Jakes & Co.* on behalf of the Line, entered into an agreement with Messrs. *Cooper Fairman & Co.* (who represented that their own tender at \$6.20 had been accepted by the Government) to carry the rails at the rate previously named to them of five dollars per ton, subject to certain charges.

It now appears that Messrs. *Cooper, Fairman & Co.*, represented to the Government that they were acting for the Merchants Line. For this representation they had no authority whatever from me, or as far as I know from any one else. They had never been in any way agents of the Line.

Immediately after the agreement with *Cooper, Fairman & Co.*, of the 12th of May, the carriage of the rails commenced under that agreement, and it appears that after several cargoes had been delivered, the Secretary of the Incorporated Company, Mr. *Charles J. Hope*, applied to *Cooper, Fairman & Co.*, for payment of freight due his Company, and not obtaining a settlement, wrote a letter to the Secretary of Public Works of the 22nd of June, 1875.

This letter was written without my knowledge, and the Statement contained in it, that a tender by Messrs. *Jakes & Co.*, on behalf of myself and others had been accepted, is incorrect.

Some time afterwards I was informed that in order to enable the Line to obtain the freight due them by *Cooper, Fairman & Co.*, it was necessary to give the latter a power of Attorney to draw the amount from the Government, and the instrument of the twenty-third of July, 1875, was presented to me for signature, as intended to confer such authority.

Under this impression I signed it without reading it considering it a mere formality, and without imagining that I was thereby apparently authorizing a contract to be made on my behalf with the Crown.

The whole business was done under and pursuant to the agreement of *Jakes & Co.*, with *Cooper, Fairman & Co.*, I never intended to become or supposed I was in any manner a contractor with the Crown, or with any one save *Cooper, Fairman & Co.*

I am to-day advised that I may, by these transactions, have unwittingly vacated my seat in the House of Commons, under the provisions of the Independence of Parliament Act, and feel it my duty to notify you of the facts for the information of the House, and to resign my seat, and accordingly, I, *James Norris*, of the City of *Saint Catharines*, in the Province of *Ontario*, Shipowner, who was duly elected a Member of the said House of Commons, for the Electoral Division of the County of *Lincoln*, do hereby declare my intention to resign my seat in the said House of Commons, and do hereby resign the same.

As witness my Hand and Seal, this 17th day of April, 1877.

JAMES NORRIS.

Witness,—

G. CASALT,  
THOS. OLIVER.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for all letters, telegrams, accounts and other papers which have passed between *Robert Moffat*, of *Dalhousie, N.B.*, and the Government of the Dominion, or any of its members or officers, in respect to the transport of cargoes of Rails and other Railway materials from the vessels "Colonist," "Bessie Parker" and "Stabstadt," which vessels arrived at the Port of *Dalhousie*, in the summer of 1875; also, communications with the Masters of said Vessels in materials, and more especially the communications between Mr. *Peter Grant*, District

reference to said Engineer of the Intercolonial Railway and the said *Robert Moffat*; also, copies of the charter parties under which the said vessels carried said cargoes; also, copies of all contracts or agreements for the transport and delivery of the cargoes of said Vessels from the port of delivery at *Dalhousie* to *Campbelltown*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 162.*)

Mr. *Blake*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 22nd April, 1872, for a Statement of all sums of money charged and received by the Department of Justice, or the Deputy of the said Department, or by any Officer or Clerk thereof, by way of costs or moneys overdue upon Ordnance Land, sold under authority, with dates and items, from Confederation to the present time. (*Sessional Papers, No. 163.*)

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate The *Manitoba* Junction Railway Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines; and the 49th and 60th Rules of this House were suspended in relation thereto.

And then The House, having continued to sit till Twenty minutes after One of the Clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned until this day.

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Wednesday, 18th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That a vacancy having occurred in the representation, by the resignation of *James Norris*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Lincoln*, he had, in conformity with the Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 25, Sec. 8, issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new writ for the said Electoral District.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 28th March, 1877, 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 raised therefrom during the past year. (*Sessional Papers, No. 166.*)

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray grant for Meteorological Observations, including Instruments and cost of telegraphing Weather Warnings, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Geological Survey, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: *Montreal* General Hospital, \$3,000; other Ports in *Quebec*, \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: *St. Catharines* Hospital, *Ontario*, \$500; *Kingston* Hospital, *Ontario*, \$500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: *Halifax* General Hospital, \$3,500; other Ports in *Nova Scotia*, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: Hospital of *St. John*, \$4,000; other Ports in *New Brunswick*, \$7,750, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Ports in *British Columbia* in connection with Marine Hospitals, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Ports in *Prince Edward Island* in connection with Marine Hospitals, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Shipwrecked and Disabled Seamen, viz: Province of *Quebec*, \$1,000; Province of *Nova Scotia*, \$2,000; Province of *New Brunswick*, \$1,000; Province of *British Columbia*, \$1,000; Province of *Prince Edward Island*, \$500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to reimburse Board of Trade, *London*, for expenses incurred in connection with Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspections, viz: Chairman, \$1,800; Deputy Chairman, \$1,400; Inspector, *Toronto* District, \$1,200; Inspector, *Three Rivers* District, \$1,000; Inspector, *Quebec* District, \$1,000; Inspector, *East Ontario* District, \$1,000; Inspector, *Montreal*, \$1,200; Inspector, *British Columbia*, \$750; travelling expenses of Chairman, and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection \$1,100; Clerk to Inspection, \$300; travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, and contingencies of office, \$825; travelling expenses of Inspector of *Toronto* District, and contingencies of office, \$430; travelling expenses of Inspector, *Three Rivers*, \$125; travelling expenses of Inspector, *Quebec*, \$210; travelling expenses of Inspector *East Ontario*, \$230; travelling expenses of Inspector, *Montreal*, \$250; salary and travelling expenses of Inspector, *Manitoba*, \$200; for purchase of Instruments and Steam Gauges, \$210; to provide travelling expenses of Inspector, *British Columbia*, \$750; Engraving and Printing Engineer's Certificates and Printing Steamboat Inspection Act in French, \$640, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the Inspection of Insurance Companies, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of purchase of blankets for aged and infirm Indians of *Ontario* and *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians of *Nova Scotia*, relief &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians of *New Brunswick*, relief &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians of *Prince Edward Island*, relief &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-seven thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Indians, *British Columbia*, viz: *Victoria* Superintendency, \$13,200; *Fraser* Superintendency, \$17,000; Estimated cost of Land Commissions and Surveys in both Superintendencies, \$27,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand two hundred and five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaties Nos. 1 and 2, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 3, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 5, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools, furnished under the above mentioned Treaties Nos. 1 and 2, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools, furnished under the above mentioned Treaty No. 3, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools, furnished under the above mentioned Treaty No. 5, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of provisions for Indians assembled to receive Annuities under the above mentioned Treaties in connection with the *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and office expenses in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand seven hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 4 in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 6, in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand two hundred and thirty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, &c., under Treaties Nos. 4 and 6, (in last year No. 4 only)

in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of provisions for Indians assembled to receive Annuities under Treaties Nos. 4 and 6 (in last year No. 4 only) in connection with the *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Office expenses in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray probable cost in connection with new Treaties, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to aid Indian Schools in *Ontario* and *Quebec* where most required, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, 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, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Canada Gazette*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Unforeseen Expenses; expenditure thereof under Order in Council, and a detailed Statement to be laid before Parliament during the first fifteen days of next Session, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray commutation in lieu of remission of Duties on Articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of organization of Government in the *North-West Territories* and *Keewatin*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and five thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports in connection with Customs, viz:—In Province of *Ontario*, \$218,580; in Province of *Quebec*, \$202,468; in Province of *New Brunswick*, \$92,448; in Province of *Nova Scotia*, \$104,257; in Province of *Manitoba* and *North-West Territories*, \$11,454; in Province of *British Columbia*, \$22,174; in Province of *Prince Edward Island*, \$23,586; Salaries and travelling expenses of Inspectors of Ports and travelling expenses of other officers on Inspection, \$16,000; contingencies of Head-office, covering blank books, printing, stationery, &c., for the several Ports of Entry, \$15,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and thirty-nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and expenses in connection with Excise, viz:—Salaries of officers and Inspectors of Excise, \$184,000; Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, &c., \$45,000; Preventive service, \$3,000; to provide for payment of additional salary to special class of Excisemen, \$800; to provide for additions to Outside Service, \$5,000; to pay Collectors of Customs allowance on Duties collected by them \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and expenses in connection with culling Timber, viz:—*Quebec* Office, Supervisor, \$2,000; Deputy Supervisor and Book-keeper, \$1,600; Cashier \$1,200; Specification Clerks, \$1,900; Messenger, \$400; Specification Clerks, (8 months) viz:—1 at \$1,000, 2 at \$700, 4 at \$600, 2 at \$500; Pay of Cullers, \$57,000

Contingencies \$5,000; *Montreal* Office: Deputy Supervisor, \$800; Book-keeper, Specification Clerks, \$1,000; Pay of Cullers, \$4,000; Contingencies, \$300, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of furniture and means of heating eighty-seven Weights and Measures Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of furniture and means of heating thirty-one Gas offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Deputy Inspectors of Weights and Measures, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Gas Inspectors, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray rents of eighty seven Weights and Measures Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray rents of thirty-one Gas offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray contingencies for Weights and Measures and Gas, such as travelling expenses, fuel, &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other expenditure under the Act, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses under the Act 37 *Vic.*, Chap. 8 (will be mainly recouped by Fees), for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand one hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and contingencies of Canal Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand two hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of collection of Slide and Boom dues, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and sixty-six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray repairs and working expenses in connection with Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million six hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Intercolonial and other Government Railways in *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, and Intercolonial Railway, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Prince Edward Island* Railway, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Telegraph Lines, *British Columbia* (including subsidy), for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Telegraph Lines between *Prince Edward Island* and the mainland, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agent and contingencies, *British Columbia*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee until after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 19th April, 1877.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million seven hundred and sixty-nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Post Office, viz.:—For *Ontario*, \$773,000; for *Quebec*, \$473,900; for *New Brunswick*, \$172,300; for *Nova Scotia*, \$191,600; for *Prince Edward Island*, \$46,000; for *Manitoba*, \$24,000; for *British Columbia*, \$79,000; *North-West Territory*, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House this day.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: "An Act to transfer the management of certain Harbors, Piers, and Breakwaters from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Marine and Fisheries."

Bill intituled: "An Act to repeal certain Laws making Breaches of Contract of Service criminal and to provide for the punishment of certain Breaches of Contract."

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada*, and to change the name thereof to the 'Union Assurance Company of *Canada*,'" with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 16th April, 1877, for a copy of an Order in Council of 5th March, 1877, approving a By-Law of the *Montreal Harbour Commissioners*, in reference to the Tariff of Pilotage between *Quebec* and *Montreal*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 167.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 16th February, 1877, for copies of contract with Mr. *Sewell* for building the Steamer "Northern Light;" the Report of the Inspector and Government Agent, Telegrams and all other documents connected with the building of said Steamer; also, correspondence between the Department at *Ottawa* and the Agent at *Charlottetown*, *Prince Edward Island*, and the number of trips made up to date. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 98.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada*, and to change the name thereof to the "Union Assurance Company of *Canada*,'" and the same were read; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, Abstract of Statements of Insurance Companies in *Canada*, for the year 1876, (in advance of the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance.) (*Sessional Papers*, No. 12.)

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 19th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the proposed improvements in the Harbor of *Quebec* may be carried out.

Of the *Lévis* Board of Trade; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Acts to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbor of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873" may not become law.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th March, 1877, for a Return of all correspondence in the possession of the Government regarding the dismissal of the Postmaster of *Upper St. Francis*, in the County of *Madawaska*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 168.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 28th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence, reports, papers and records, respecting the renewal of the Contract for the transportation of the Mail between *Campbellton* and *Paspébiac*, nearly six months before the expiration of the said Contract, and without tenders being called for; and also for copies of the Contract. (*Sessional Papers*, No 169.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Cartwright* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 31st *Victoria*, Chapter 5, intituled: "An Act respecting the auditing of the Public Accounts."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Weights and Measures, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Béchar*d reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Béchar*d reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures, 36 *Victoria* Chapter 47, by repealing sections 5, 26, 27, 30, 34, and 41, and re-enacting them with certain amendments providing:—

That the Imperial or Standard British shall always be held to be the measure agreed upon as regards sales of goods by dry measure, unless it is otherwise stipulated.

That the hundred weight shall always be understood to mean one hundred pounds, and the ton two thousand pounds, as regards sales by weight, tolls, or duties, unless it is otherwise stipulated, and that public weighers shall always use the same.

That the same rule shall be observed as to contracts for the sale of grain and other articles mentioned in section 5 of the said Act, as before the 1st of January, 1874, and in such contracts a bushel shall be understood to mean the weight of a bushel of the article in question as fixed in the said section and not a bushel in measure, unless it is otherwise stipulated.

That on any verification of weights and measures under section 26, after the first, the party having them in possession shall only pay the full fees in case of their being found incorrect, and that otherwise he shall only pay one-fourth of the full fees and charges.

That the parties mentioned in section 27 being manufacturers of, or wholesale dealers in weights, measures, or weighing machines, shall not be liable to the penalty therein mentioned for merely offering for sale any uninspected weight, measure or weighing machine, and shall be liable to such penalty only, if they sell the same without having them inspected or stamped; but that other traders using or having in possession such uninspected weights, measures or weighing machines shall be liable to the forfeiture thereof and to the penalty.

That any person, not being a manufacturer or wholesale dealer therein, who refuses to produce and permit inspection of any weights, measures and weighing machines in his possession, or being such manufacturer or wholesale dealer refuses to permit the inspection of such articles in his possession when required, shall incur the penalties mentioned in section 30.

That penalties and forfeitures incurred under the said Act may be recoverable before any competent tribunal, as well as in the manner provided by section 34, by suit brought by the proper officer; and that persons aggrieved by the use of false weights, measures or weighing machines may recover treble costs.

That section 41 be so amended as to allow officers under the Act to adjust weights, measures and weighing machines, on receiving compensation therefor.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Laflamme* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts respecting Weights and Measures.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 29th March, 1876, for a Return 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. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

Mr. *Young* reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Justice, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Justice, Penitentiary Branch, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Militia and Defence, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Secretary of State, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-two thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Minister of the Interior, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of the Receiver-General, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Finance, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Customs, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Inland Revenue, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand eight hundred and eighty-four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-five thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Post Office Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand two hundred and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the Treasury Board Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Departmental Contingencies, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Stationery Office, for Stationery, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the possible amount required for new appointments, by an extension of the Staff, or any other change, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with the Administration of Justice: Miscellaneous Justice, \$10,000; Miscellaneous Justice, *North-West Territories*, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray travelling expenses of Stipendiary Magistrates in *North-West Territories*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Circuit Allowances, *British Columbia*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Circuit Allowances, *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expense of Précis Writer of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Clerk of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of Messenger of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Contingencies and Disbursements, including Judges' travelling expenses, and printing and binding reports; also, Salaries of Officers to be appointed in the Supreme Court of *Canada*, and the Exchequer Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salary of Registrar of Vice-Admiralty Court, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-four cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salary of Marshall of Vice-Admiralty Court, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray 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*, Esquire, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Dominion Police, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-seven thousand one hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Kingston* Penitentiary, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Rockwood* Asylum, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and twenty-four dollars and sixty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Halifax* Penitentiary, balances to be transferred to *Dorchester* Penitentiary, if required, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand four hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. John* Penitentiary, balances to be transferred to *Dorchester* Penitentiary, if required, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-eight thousand one hundred and sixty-four dollars and thirteen cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Vincent de Paul* Penitentiary, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand three hundred and eighty-nine dollars and seventy-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Manitoba* Penitentiary, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *British Columbia* Penitentiary, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Young* reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand nine hundred and eighteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of the House of Commons, per Clerk's Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Contingencies of the House of Commons, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of Publishing the Debates of the House of Commons, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Contingencies of the House of Commons, per Sergeant-at-Arm's Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Grant to Parliamentary Library, including provision for Law Books, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Printing, Binding and Distributing the Laws, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the estimated expenses in connection with Consolidation of the Laws, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Printing, Printing-Paper and Bookbinding, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the care of Archives, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the organization of the "Patent Record," for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the preparation of Criminal Statistics, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The 1st to the 8th Resolutions inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to. The 9th Resolution being read a second time ;

*Ordered*, That the consideration of the said Resolution be postponed.

The 10th and subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Young reported from the Committee of Supply ; a Resolution, which was read as followeth :—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Immigration and Quarantine, viz. : Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés, \$26,550 ; Salaries of Immigration Travelling Agents \$13,000 ; Medical Inspection of the Port of Quebec, \$2,600 ; Quarantine, Grosse Isle, \$12,000 ; Quarantine, St. John, \$3,000 ; Quarantine, Pictou, N.S., \$800 ; Quarantine, Halifax, N.S., \$3,600 ; Quarantine, Charlottetown, P.E.I., \$1,000 ; To meet expenses of further precautionary measures for the Public Health, \$20,000 ; Contingencies of Canadian and other regular agencies, \$24,000 ; Travelling Expenses of Travelling Agents, \$14,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Young reported from the Committee of Supply; a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following Pensions, viz:—*Samuel Waller*, late Clerk, House of Assembly, \$400; *John Bright*, Messenger, House of Assembly, \$80; *Mrs. Antrobus*, \$800, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 20th April, 1877.

Mr. Young reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand six hundred and thirty-two dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following New Militia Pensions, viz:—*Mrs. Caroline McEachern* and four children, \$265.00; *Rhoda Smith*, \$110.00; *Janet Anderson*, \$110.00; *Margaret Mackenzie*, \$80.00; *Mary Ann Richey* and one child, \$288.00; *Mary Morrison*, \$80.00; *Louise Prud'homme* and two children, \$110.00; *Virginie Charron* and four children, \$150.00; *Paul M. Robins*, \$146.00; *Charles T. Bell*, \$73.00; *Alexander Oliphant*, \$109.50; *Charles Lugsden*, \$91.25; *Thomas Charters*, \$91.25; *Charles T. Robertson*, \$110.00; *Percy G. Routh*, \$400.00; *Richard S. King*, \$400.00; *George A. Mackenzie*, \$73.00; *Edward Hilder*, \$146.00; *Fergus Scholfield*, \$73.00; *John Bradley*, \$109.50; *Richard Penticost*, \$91.25; *James Bryan*, \$109.50; *Jacob Stubbs*, \$73.00; *Ensign W. Fahey*, \$200.00; *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. Elliott* 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, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Military Branch and District Staff, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of Brigade Majors, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray allowances for Drill Instruction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Militia, viz:—Ammunition, \$40,000; Clothing, \$40,000; Military Stores, \$40,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Armories and care of arms, including the pay of Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rents, fuel and light of Public Armories, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Drill-pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Artillery and Rifle Associations, and Bands of efficient Corps, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of care and maintenance of Military Properties transferred from the Ordnance and the Imperial Government, including rents, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Young reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and Schools of Gunnery, *Kingston* and *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Military College, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Schools, *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Pay and Maintenance of Dominion Forces in *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and six thousand three hundred and fifty-six dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Mounted Police, *North-West Territories*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Young reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway completion, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway Extension into *Halifax*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway to deep water at *St. John, N.B.*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Lachine* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Cornwall* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two million dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Welland* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *St. Anne's* Lock for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Carillon* and *Chute à Blondeau* Canals for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of improving approach to *Culbute* Canal, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *St. Peter's* Canal for work of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous work on Canals, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seventy-three thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, viz:—Grounds, \$35,000; Retaining walls, gates, foot-paths, painting, &c., \$2,600; Extension, West Block, \$135,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *Ontario*, viz:—*Guelph* Custom House, Excise and Post Office, \$2,000; *Kingston*, Military College and repairing Fortifications, \$40,000; *London* Military Grounds, Fencing and Woodsheds, \$3,500; to pay for site for *Ottawa* Post Office, Custom House and Inland Revenue Office, \$7,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The 1st to the 5th Resolutions inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 6th Resolution, being read a second time,

*Ordered*, That the consideration of the said Resolution be postponed.

The 7th and subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Oliver* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with the Improvements of Navigable Rivers, viz: Improvement of Navigable Rivers, \$10,000; *St. Laurence*, removal of Chains and Anchors, \$15,000; *Neebish Rapids*, River *St. Mary*, Lake *Huron*, \$8,000; *Cowichan River*, B.C., removal of Obstructions, \$1,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *Quebec*, viz: Repairing Fortifications, *Quebec*, \$20,000; Examining Warehouse, *Montreal*, \$17,000; Quarantine Station, *Grosse Isle*, \$3,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *North-West Territories*, viz: Lieutenant-Governor's residence, Registry Office and three dwelling houses for officials, \$21,000; Mounted Police Buildings and River Crossings, \$9,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Public Buildings, *British Columbia*, viz: Public Buildings, repairs, \$1,000; Custom House, Store House Wharf, *Victoria*, \$5,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Buildings generally, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty thousand dollars.

be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Penitentiaries, viz : General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces, \$117,000 ; *St. Vincent de Paul*, \$16,000 ; *British Columbia* Penitentiary, \$7,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and thirty-two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Rents, Repairs, in connection with Public Buildings. viz : Rents, Repairs, Furniture and Heating, &c., \$170,000 ; Heating Public Buildings, \$40,000 ; Removal of Snow Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, \$1,800 ; Gas, Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, \$16,000 ; Allowance for Fuel and Light, *Rideau Hall*, \$5,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters, *Ontario*, viz : *Kincardine* Harbour, *Lake Huron*, \$12,000 ; *Trenton*, including *Nigger Island*, *Bay of Quinté*, *Lake Ontario*, \$4,000 ; *Newcastle* Harbour, *Lake Ontario*, \$5,000 ; *Morpeth*, *Lake Erie* (locality to pay a similar amount), \$7,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The 1st to the 7th Resolutions, inclusive being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 8th Resolution being read a second time,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said Resolution be postponed.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after One of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Friday, 20th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce presented to the House the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to authorize the construction of Water Works by Joint Stock Companies, and with the concurrence of the promoter, report that it is inexpedient to proceed further with the said Bill.

Also, the Bill to repeal the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 49, intituled : “ An Act to authorize Corporations and Institutions incorporated without the limits of *Canada*, “to lend and invest monies therein,” and in view of the importance of the subject, and the late period of the Session, they report, with the concurrence of the promoter, that it is not expedient to proceed further with the said Bill this Session.

Your Committee have also considered the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada*, and to change the name thereof to the “ *Union Assurance Company of Canada*, ” and have agreed to recommend that the said amendments be concurred in, except the third, Page 1, Line 30, which they submit should be disagreed to, for the reason that additional power granted by the said amendment might lead to serious abuse.

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Standing Committee on Emigration and Colonization, presented to the House the First and Final Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 6.*)

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mills* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Indian Act, 1876.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada*, and to change the name thereof "to the 'Union Assurance Company of *Canada*.'"

The 1st and 2nd Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 3rd Amendment being read a second time, as followeth:—

Page 1, Line 30.—Leave out "not exceeding ten per cent per annum."

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Jones (Halifax)*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth disagree with the Senate in the said Amendment, for the following Reason: Because the additional power granted by the said amendment might lead to serious abuse.

The subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate acquainting their Honors, That this House hath agreed to all their Amendments to the foregoing Bill, with the exception of the third Amendment, to which they have disagreed, and communicating to their Honors the Reason for so disagreeing.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Acts to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbor of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Béchar*d reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the inspection of Petroleum;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Goudge* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Question proposed. That a sum not exceeding One million five hundred and twenty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific Railway*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair and left it, to resume the same at Half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.

*Half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Northern Railway of *Canada*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Wood reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The *Canada Traffic Company*," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ross, (*Middlesex*), reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

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The Committee of Supply was resumed.

*(In the Committee.)*

Question put, 1. That a sum not exceeding One million five hundred and twenty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific* Railway, for the year ending 30th June, 1878:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific* Railway Survey and Engineering, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-nine thousand and one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with charges of management, viz.:—Financial Inspector, \$2,600; Office of Assistant Receiver General, *Toronto*, \$8,000; Office of Assistant Receiver General, *Montreal*, \$5,500; Auditor and Receiver General, *Halifax, N.S.*, \$10,000; Auditor and Receiver General, *St. John, N.B.*, \$11,000; Auditor and Receiver General, *Fort Garry*, \$6,500; Auditor and Receiver General, *Victoria, B.C.*, \$7,000; Auditor and Receiver General, *Charlottetown, P.E.I.*, \$4,000; Country Savings Banks, *New Brunswick, Nova Scotia*, and *British Columbia*, \$12,000; Seigniorial Tenure and Commission, \$2,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards assisting Immigration and Immigration expenses, including estimated expense of transport of Mennonites, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Surveys of Land, *North-West* (including Commission and Staff) for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Young reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Young also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have agreed to the amendment made by this House to the amendments, made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to make provision against the improper use of Fire-arms."

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Robert Campbell* and *Eliza Maria Campbell*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the eighth Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply yesterday, and which Resolution was then postponed, and the same was again read, as followeth:—

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, *Ontario*, viz:—*Kincardine Harbor*, *Lake Huron*, \$12,000; *Trenton*, including *Niggaw Island*, *Bay of Quinté*, *Lake Ontario*, \$4,000; *Newcastle Harbor*, *Lake Ontario*, \$5,000; *Morpeth*, *Lake Erie* (locality to pay a similar amount), \$7,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Young reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters, *Quebec*, viz:—*Lower St. Lawrence*, repairing various Breakwaters, \$20,000; *St Jean Port Joli Pier* (Municipality furnishing an equal amount) \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters, *New Brunswick*, viz: *St. John Harbor*, \$50,000; *Clifton*, *Gloucester County* (locality furnishing an equal amount) \$9,000; *Grande Anse*, *Gloucester County*, \$1,000; *Shippegan Breakwater*, *Gloucester County*, \$7,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, *Nova Scotia*, viz: *Antigonish*, *Antigonish County*, \$5,000; *McNair's Cove*, *Antigonish County*, \$5,000; *White Point*, *Queen's County*, \$3,500; *Jordan Bay*, *Shelburne County*, \$2,000; *Meteghan Cove*, *Digby County*, \$3,000; *Belliveau Cove*, \$3,000; General Repairs, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, *Prince Edward Island*, viz: *Colville Bay (Souris)*, \$20,000; *Malpeque Breakwater*, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Slides and Booms, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fourteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Dredging,

viz: Dredge Vessels, \$22,000; Dredging, \$92,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Works, not otherwise provided for, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Surveys and Inspections, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Arbitrations and Awards, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Maintenance and Repairs of Steamers "*Napoleon III*," "*Newfield*," "*Druid*," "*Glendon*," and "*Sir James Douglas*," for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication between *Halifax* and *St. John*, *via Yarmouth*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication on Lakes *Huron* and *Superior*, for the year ending 30th June 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Service between *San Francisco* and *Victoria, British Columbia*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication with the *Magdalen Islands*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Winter Service by Steamer between *Prince Edward Island* and the Mainland, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication between *Nova Scotia* and *St. Pierre*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Steam Communication between *Grand Manan Island, N.B.*, and the Mainland, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the examination of Masters and Mates, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers, and Rewards for Saving Life, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and collection of information relating to Disasters to Shipping, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Canadian Register and Classification of Shipping, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Montreal Water Police*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of River Police, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of removal of Obstructions in Navigable Rivers, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six thousand eight hundred and eighty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Allowances of Lighthouse Keepers, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty-three thousand two hundred and sixty-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Maintenance and Repairs, in connection with Lighthouse and Coast Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for completion and construction of Lighthouses and Fog Alarms, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand five hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens: *Ontario*, \$11,600; *Quebec*, \$11,500; *Nova Scotia*, including Inspector and Clerk, \$14,400; *New Brunswick*, including Inspector and Clerk, \$10,130; *Prince Edward Island*, \$1,740; *Manitoba*, \$200; *British Columbia*, \$1,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of maintenance and repairs of Steamer for protection of Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Fish-breeding, Fishways and Oyster Beds, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Toronto*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Kingston*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *Montreal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Observatory, *New Brunswick*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The 1st to the 26th Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 27th Resolution being read a second time;

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said Resolution be postponed.

The 28th and subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the sixth Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply yesterday, and which Resolution was then postponed; and the same was again read, as followeth:—

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two million dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of *Welland Canal*, for works of construction, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Young reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray grant for Meteorological Observations, including Instruments and cost of telegraphing Weather Warnings, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Geological Survey, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: *Montreal* General Hospital, \$3,000; other Ports in *Quebec*, \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: *St. Catharines* Hospital, *Ontario*, \$500; *Kingston* Hospital, *Ontario*, \$500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: *Halifax* General Hospital, \$3,500; other Ports in *Nova Scotia*, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Marine Hospitals, viz: Hospital of *St. John*, \$4,000; other Ports in *New Brunswick*, \$7,750, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Ports in *British Columbia* in connection with Marine Hospitals, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Ports in *Prince Edward Island* in connection with Marine Hospitals, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Shipwrecked and Disabled Seamen, viz: Province of *Quebec*, \$1,000; Province of *Nova Scotia*, \$2,000; Province of *New Brunswick*, \$1,000; Province of *British Columbia*, \$1,000; Province of *Prince Edward Island*, \$500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to reimburse Board of Trade, *London*, for expenses incurred in connection with Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspections, viz: Chairman, \$1,800; Deputy Chairman, \$1,400; Inspector, *Toronto* District, \$1,200; Inspector, *Three Rivers* District, \$1,000; Inspector, *Quebec* District, \$1,000; Inspector, *East Ontario* District, \$1,000; Inspector, *Montreal*, \$1,200; Inspector, *British Columbia*, \$750; travelling expenses of Chairman, and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection \$1,100; Clerk to Inspection, \$300; travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of *New Brunswick* and *Nova Scotia*, and contingencies of office, \$825; travelling expenses of Inspector of *Toronto* District, and contingencies of office, \$430; travelling expenses of Inspector, *Three Rivers*, \$125; travelling expenses of Inspector, *Quebec*, \$210; travelling expenses of Inspector *East Ontario*, \$250; travelling expenses of Inspector, *Montreal*, \$250; salary and travelling expenses of Inspector, *Manitoba*, \$200; for purchase of Instruments and Steam Gauges, \$210; to provide travelling expenses of Inspector, *British Columbia*, \$750; Engraving and Printing Engineer's Certificates and Printing Steamboat Inspection Act in French, \$640, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses in connection with the Inspection of Insurance Companies, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of purchase of blankets for aged and infirm Indians of *Ontario* and *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians of *Nova Scotia*, relief &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians of *New Brunswick*, relief &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Indians of *Prince Edward Island*, relief &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-seven thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Indians, *British Columbia*, viz: *Victoria* Superintendency, \$13,200; *Fraser* Superintendency, \$17,000; Estimated cost of Land Commissions and Surveys in both Superintendencies, \$27,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand two hundred and five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaties Nos. 1 and 2, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 3, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 5, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools, furnished under the above mentioned Treaties Nos. 1 and 2, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools, furnished under the above mentioned Treaty No. 3, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, twine, farming stock and tools, furnished under the above mentioned Treaty No. 5, in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of provisions for Indians assembled to receive Annuities under the above mentioned Treaties in connection with the *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and office expenses in connection with Indians, *Manitoba* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand seven hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 4 in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand one hundred and

fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Annuities under Treaty No. 6, in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand two hundred and thirty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural implements, ammunition, &c., under Treaties Nos. 4 and 6, (in last year No. 4 only) in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of provisions for Indians assembled to receive Annuities under Treaties Nos. 4 and 6 (in last year No. 4 only) in connection with the *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Office expenses in connection with Indians, *North-West* Superintendency, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray probable cost in connection with new Treaties, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to aid Indian Schools in *Ontario* and *Quebec* where most required, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, 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, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Canada Gazette*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Unforeseen Expenses; expenditure thereof under Order in Council, and a detailed Statement to be laid before Parliament during the first fifteen days of next Session, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray commutation in lieu of remission of Duties on Articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of organization of Government in the *North-West Territories* and *Keewatin*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and five thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports in connection with Customs, viz:—In Province of *Ontario*, \$218,580; in Province of *Quebec*, \$202,468; in Province of *New Brunswick*, \$92,448; in Province of *Nova Scotia*, \$104,257; in Province of *Manitoba* and *North-West Territories*, \$11,454; in Province of *British Columbia*, \$22,174; in Province of *Prince Edward Island*, \$23,586; Salaries and travelling expenses of Inspectors of Ports and travelling expenses of other officers on Inspection, \$16,000; contingencies of Head-office, covering blank books, printing, stationery, &c., for the several Ports of Entry, \$15,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and thirty-nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and expenses in connection with Excise, viz:—Salaries of officers and Inspectors of Excise, \$184,000; Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, &c., \$45,000; Preventive service, \$3,000; to provide for payment of additional salary to special class of Excisemen, \$800; to provide for additions to Outside Service, \$5,000; to pay Collectors of Customs allowance on Duties collected by them \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and expenses in connection with culling Timber, viz:—*Quebec* Office, Supervisor, \$2,000; Deputy Supervisor and Book-keeper, \$1,600; Cashier \$1,200; Specification Clerks, \$1,900; Messenger, \$400; Specification Clerks, (8 months) viz:—1 at \$1,000, 2 at \$700, 4 at \$600, 2 at \$500; Pay of Cullers, \$57,000; Contingencies \$5,000; *Montreal* Office: Deputy Supervisor, \$800; Book-keeper, Specification Clerks, \$1,000; Pay of Cullers, \$4,000; Contingencies, \$300, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of furniture and means of heating eighty-seven Weights and Measures Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of furniture and means of heating thirty-one Gas offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Deputy Inspectors of Weights and Measures, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Gas Inspectors, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray rents of eighty seven Weights and Measures Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray rents of thirty-one Gas offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray contingencies for Weights and Measures and Gas, such as travelling expenses, fuel, &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other expenditure under the Act, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses under the Act 37 *Vic.*, Chap. 8 (will be mainly recouped by Fees), for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand one hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and contingencies of Canal Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand two hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of collection of Slide and Boom dues, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and sixty-six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray repairs and working expenses in connection with Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million six hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Intercolonial and other Government Railways in *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, and Intercolonial Railway, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Prince Edward Island* Railway, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Telegraph Lines, *British Columbia* (including subsidy), for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Telegraph Lines between *Prince Edward Island* and the mainland, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agent and contingencies, *British Columbia*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million seven hundred and sixty-nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Post Office, viz:—For *Ontario*, \$773,000; for *Quebec*, \$473,900; for *New Brunswick*, \$172,300; for *Nova Scotia*, \$191,600; for *Prince Edward Island*, \$46,000; for *Manitoba*, \$24,000; for *British Columbia*, \$79,000; *North-West Territory*, \$10,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The 1st to the 36th Resolutions inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning;

*Saturday, 21st April, 1877.*

The 37th to the 54th Resolutions inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 55th Resolution being read a second time;

*Ordered*, That the consideration of the said Resolution be postponed.

The 56th and subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill for defining and rendering uniform the powers of certain Loan Companies in the matters therein mentioned;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before One of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Saturday, 21st April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to provide for the greater convenience and safety of passengers travelling on the Railways in *Canada*, and have agreed to report the same, and in view of the lateness of the Session, your Committee, with the consent of the promoter, would recommend that the said Bill be not further proceeded with this Session.

Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

The Committee having carefully examined the following documents, recommend that they be printed, viz.:—

*Return and Supplementary Return to Address*,—relating to the Great Seal of the Province of *Nova Scotia* that had been affixed to Documents requiring the same.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government and Grand Trunk Railway, for permitting the Carriages of the Intercolonial Railway Company to run over that section of the Grand Trunk Railway between *River du Loup* and *Point Lévis*. (*In Sessional Papers only*.)

*Return to Address*,—shewing the names of all Government Officials in *Prince Edward Island*, specifying the nature of office held, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Statement of all sums of money received by Department of Justice, by way of costs or moneys overdue upon Ordnance Land sold under authority.

*Return to Order*,—Letters, &c., which have passed between *Robt. Moffat*, of *Dalhousie, N.B.*, and the Government, in respect to the transport of cargoes of rails, &c., from the vessels "*Colonist*," "*Bessie Parker*" and "*Stabstad*" in 1875, &c.

*First Report* of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts. (*In Journals only*.)

*Second Report* of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts. (*The Report to be published in the Journals only, without the accompanying vouchers and papers*.)

The Committee recommend that the following documents *be not printed, viz* :—

*Return to Order*,—Contracts for the conveyance of Mails between *Wallace* in County of *Cumberland* and *Greenville Station*, on the Intercolonial Railway, supplying the several way offices at *Wallace Bridge*, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Resident employés on the Intercolonial Railway within the County of *Northumberland*, with date of their appointment, &c.

*List of Shareholders* of the several banks of the Dominion of *Canada*, in accordance with the Act 34 *Victoria*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Statement shewing the newspapers in which advertising has been done by the Government, for the years 1872-'73-'74-'75.

*Return to Order*,—Monthly return of the Malt taken out of bond each month, from the 1st July, 1876, to 28th February, 1877.

*Return to Address* (Senate),—Shewing the number of passages made by the Steamship "*Northern Light*," between *Georgetown*, in *P.E.I.*, and *Pictou*, in *N.S.* &c.

*Return to Order*,—Contract with *Mr. Sewell* for building the Steamer "*Northern Light*," with report of Inspector, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence respecting the grant by the Dominion Government to assist in the construction of the Railway from *Quebec* to *Lake St John*.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Local Government of *British Columbia*, relative to the appointment of a County Court Judge for the District of *New Westminster*, in place of *Arthur T. Bushby*, deceased.

*Return to Address*,—Communications from the first Council of the *North-West Territories*, in regard to the preservation of the Buffalo, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Engineer's Report of the Survey of *Parry Sound Harbor* by *Mr. Michaud*, C.E., in 1876.

*Return to Order*,—Shewing the quantity of wood land in the County of *Marquette* and the number of Licenses to cut wood or timber in the same.

*Return to Address*,—Shewing the number of accidents to persons caught in "*Railway Frogs*," &c., for five years ending 31st December last.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Local and Dominion Governments during 1876, with reference to the adjustments of Indian Lands in *British Columbia*.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence in connection with the defalcation of the ex-Collector of Customs, *Wm. Kidston*, at the Port of *Baddeck*.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence relative to the dismissal of *Wm. Colwell*, Locker in the Custom House Department, *St. John, N.B.*, &c.

*Return to Address*,—Correspondence between the Government of *Great Britain* and the Government of the Dominion, relative to the abolition of Light dues upon Canadian Shipping.

*Return to Order*,—Relating to the abolition of fisheries in the rapids of the *Richelieu*, in front of the Village of the *Canton of Chambly*.

*Return to Address*,—Contracts, &c. during the year 1876 in connection with the enlargement of *St. Peter's Canal*.

*Return to Address*,—Instructions given to Mr. *Kingsford* in relation to the repairs on the breakwaters at *L'Islet, River Ouelle, &c.*

*Return to Order*,—Petitions, &c., from inhabitants of County of *Northumberland, N.B.*, in relation to the necessity of a breakwater at the Easterly side of Point *Escuminac*.

*Return to Address (Senate)*,—Correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and the Inspector of Customs for the Province of *Nova Scotia* in relation to the violation of the Deck Load Law.

*Return to Address (Senate)*,—Disbursements paid on account of *Prince Edward Island Railway* up to January, 1876.

*Return to Address (Senate)*,—Statement of the property and affairs of the *Canada Agricultural Insurance Company*.

*Return to Address*,—Order in Council approving of a By-Law of the *Montreal Harbour Commissioners* in reference to the Tariff of Pilotage.

*Return to Order*,—Statement setting forth the total number of newspapers &c. which have paid postage on papers sent from office of publication, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence regarding the dismissal of the Postmaster of *Upper St. Francis*, in the County of *Madawaska, N.B.*

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence relative to the transportation of the Mail between *Campbelltown* and *Paspebiac, &c.*

Report of the Canadian Commission at the International Exhibition of *Philadelphia 1876*. (Not reprinted for *Sessional Papers*).

*Return to Address (Senate)*,—Petition complaining of injustice done by *Montreal Harbour Commission* in the arbitrary dismissal of *P. Charbonneau, P. Côté* and several others, &c.

Report of the Select Committee of last Session on the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion.

Mr. *Archibald*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the allegations in the Report and evidence of the Commission on the Northern Railway Company, as to the application of moneys payable to the Government; and also to make searching enquiry into the accounts of the Northern Railway and Northern Extension Railway, so as to complete the enquiry begun and left unfinished by the Commission, with power to report from time to time, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 5*.)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—presented Return (in part) to an Order of this House, dated 21st February, 1877, for certain Statistical information respecting the Inside and Outside Divisions of the Civil Service of *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 144.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 16th April, 1877, for copies of all Reports which Royal Canadian Insurance Company may have made, with copies of any order requiring the said Company to make such Reports; the whole in conformity with 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 99, Section 16,—and 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 48; also copies of all Reports respecting the business carried on by the said Royal Canadian Insurance Company in the *United States of America*; the whole in conformity with 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 48, of the Acts of Parliament of *Canada*, and the forms B. and C. of the said Acts. (*Sessional Papers, No. 12.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 7th March, 1877, for a Return shewing 1st The value of live cattle imported into each Province, between the 1st day of January, 1875, and the 1st day of January, 1877; 2nd. The value of live cattle imported into each Province during the same period, and entered in bond for exporta-

tion ; 3rd. The value of live cattle exported from each Province during the same period, specifying what portion thereof, related to cattle imported in bond ; 4th. The value of meats, fresh or cured, the product of cattle imported and killed in bond, and exported during the same period from each Province ; 5th. The total value of meats, fresh or cured, the product of horned cattle exported from each Province during the same period. (*Sessional Papers, No. 170.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 16th April, 1877, for a Statement shewing the amounts paid by the Steamer "Chambly" and the Steamer "Cultivateur" at the *St. Ours* Lock on the River *Chambly*, during the season of 1875. (*Sessional Papers, No. 171.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 25th March, 1877, for a Return of all moneys paid for legal services, or legal expenses, in *Prince Edward Island*, from 1st January 1874, to the present time ; shewing when paid ; to whom paid ; and for what services. (*Sessional Papers, No. 172.*)

On motion of Mr. *Delorme*, seconded by Mr. *De St Georges*,

*Ordered*, That the Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, shewing the names of all veterans who have proved their right to participate in the grant of \$50,000, voted last Session by Parliament, in favor of Militiamen of 1812 and 1815, and the action taken in each case during the current financial year, be referred back to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting certain Ordnance and Admiralty Lands in the Provinces of *Ontario* and *Quebec* ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill further to amend the Acts to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbor of *Quebec*, and "The Pilotage Act of 1873 ;"

Mr. *Smith (Westmoreland)* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

Mr. *De St. Georges* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Fr chet*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same, by inserting the following section : 'That the 8th paragraph of Section 18 of the Act 36 *Vict.*, Cap. 62, be struck out, and the following substituted: On schooners and barges of from twenty-five to one hundred tons, for each time the vessel uses the Harbour of *Quebec*, one dollar, or on each vessel, for the season, five dollars ; on schooners and barges from one hundred to two hundred and fifty tons, one dollar for the first hundred tons, and one cent for each ton over one hundred tons ; or ten dollars per annum,' " inserted instead thereof ;

And the Question being put on the Amendment ; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Smith (Westmoreland)*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and any of their officers or other parties in *Nova Scotia*, relating to the supply of coal and water for the operation of the Fog

Whistle at *Cape D'Or*, and a statement of the period or periods during which for the past two years that Fog Whistle has not been in operation, and the reasons therefor. (*Sessional Papers, No. 173.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for a Return indicating the names and date of appointment of Harbour Masters at *Sorel, St. John's, Three Rivers* and *Lachine*, in the Province of *Quebec*, and also giving a detailed account of all fees collected by said Harbour Masters, since the 15th of April, 1875, up to this date, under the authority of 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 30, amending 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 34, together with the names of the ships on which such fees have been levied in each year, and the names of the masters of those ships. (*Sessional Papers, No. 174.*)

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Great Seals of the Provinces of *Canada*, other than *Ontario* and *Quebec*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ninth Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply on Thursday last; and which Resolution was then postponed, and the same was again read, as followeth:—

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the estimated expenses in connection with consolidation of the Laws, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House again in Committee of Supply;

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. *Tupper* moved, in amendment, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "this House cannot approve of the course pursued by this Government with respect to the Canadian *Pacific* Railway," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next, and be then the First Order of the Day after Routine proceedings.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Culling and Measuring of Timber."

Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for the payment of travelling allowances to the District or County Court Judges in the Province of *British Columbia*."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction in the Province of *Ontario*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the 'North-West Territories Act, 1875,'" with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act amending the same," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 23rd April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Robert Campbell* and *Eliza Maria Campbell*," and find notice insufficient

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 2.*)

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), seconded by Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*),

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Ninth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Domville*, Member for the Electoral District of *King's, New Brunswick*, rose in his place, and stated, That it appears from the accounts laid before the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts of this House, in the Session of 1875, that the firm of *I. and F. Burpee*, of *Saint John, New Brunswick*, at divers times, between the 20th November, 1873, and the 24th September, 1874, agreed to supply, and did supply, for the Government of *Canada*, divers goods and merchandize to be used for the purposes of the Intercolonial Railway and the Government Railways of *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, amounting in all to a large sum of money, that such supplies consisted of railroad spikes, cut spikes, refined iron, telegraph wire, boiled oil, colza oil, English iron, ingot copper, cast steel, cut nails, white lead, blasting powder and other wares, and that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish that the moneys paid to the said firm of *I. and F. Burpee* were so paid under contract and agreement made between the said firm and the officers of the Government charged with the construction and maintenance of the said Railway, and that the Honorable *Isaac Burpee*, a Member of this House, was, at the time when the said contract and agreement were entered into and the said payment made, a Member of this House for the Electoral District of the City and County of *Saint John*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Resolved*, That it appears from the accounts laid before the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts of this House in the Session of 1875, That the firm of *I. and F. Burpee*, of *Saint John, New Brunswick*, Merchants at divers times between the 20th of November 1873 and the 24th of September 1874, agreed to supply and did

supply for the Government of *Canada*, divers Goods and Merchandise, to be used for the purposes of the Intercolonial Railway and the Government Railways in *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, amounting in all to a large sum of money; that such supplies consisted of Railroad spikes, cut spikes, refined iron, telegraph wire, boiled oil, Colza oil, English iron, ingot copper, cast steel, cut nails, white lead, blasting powder, and other wares, and that Mr. *Domville*, a Member of this House, has stated, that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish, that the moneys paid to the said firm of *I. and F. Burpee*, for such supplies, were so paid under contracts and agreements between the said firm and the officers of the Government, charged with the construction and maintenance of the said Railways, and that the Hon. *Isaac Burpee*, a Member of this House, was, at the time when the said contracts and agreements were entered into, and said payment made, a Member of the said firm, and also a Member of this House for the Electoral District of the City and County of *St. John* in the Province of *New Brunswick*; it be *Ordered*, That the matter herein stated be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, and they be required to inquire into the facts, to search for precedents and to report the result of their enquiries, and whether the said Hon. *Isaac Burpee* has vacated his seat.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, seconded by Mr. *Rumb*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections to whom it has been referred to enquire into and report upon the allegations of Mr. *Domville*, a Member of this House in his place this day made, that *Isaac Burpee*, a Member of this House for the Electoral District of the City and County of *Saint John*, was a Member of the firm of *I. and F. Burpee*, who entered into contracts or agreements for supplying certain materials for the Intercolonial Railway and that public moneys were paid to the said firm for such materials supplied, that he, the said *Isaac Burpee*, at the time of the making of the said contracts or agreements and the said payment, was a Member of the said firm and of this House, and to report whether the said *Isaac Burpee* had vacated his seat, should be examined on oath.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction "in the Province of *Ontario*," and the same was twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act amending the same," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Mr. *George William Ross*, Member for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, rose in his place and stated, That he was credibly informed and verily believes that *George Moffat*, while a Member of this House for the Electoral District of the County of *Restigouche*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*, received on the 15th September, 1873, for services rendered in connection with the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, the sum of \$454.37; that on the 11th December, 1873, the said *George Moffat* did also receive for the transportation of Rails and other services in connection with the Intercolonial Railway, the sum of \$637.15; that on the same day—namely the 11th December, 1873, the said *George Moffat* did also receive, for the transportation of Rails and other services in connection with the Intercolonial Railway, the further sum of \$314.25; that on the 17th December, 1874, the said *George Moffat* did also receive, for the transportation of Rails and other services in connection with the Intercolonial Railway, the sum of

\$3,567.50 ; that the said *George Moffat* did also receive on the 25th March, 1876, for the transportation of Rails and other services in connection with the Intercolonial Railway, the sum of \$708 ; that he was credibly informed and believes he can establish, that the monies paid to the said *George Moffat* were so paid under contracts or agreements between him and certain officers connected with the Intercolonial Railway Branch of the Department of Public Works ; and that the said *George Moffat* did not ignorantly or unwittingly enter into such contracts or agreements with the Public Works Department, as is shown by the following telegram, signed by *Robert Moffat*, through whom most of the said contracts were made and receipts for the payments in connection therewith given, viz :—

“ *Dalhousie*, June 2nd, 1875.

“ To *Peter Grant*, Civil Engineer :—

“ *Mr. Moffat* wants to know what he has done wrong in connection with taking iron to *Campbelltown* last year, that contract for doing so should be let another. “ This (year?) he made no preparation for doing so, but can. At same time wants “ to be aware of his fault before doing so.

“ (Signed), ROBERT MOFFAT.

On motion of *Mr. Ross (Middlesex)*, seconded by *Mr. Oliver*,

*Resolved*, That *Mr. Ross*, a Member of this House, having stated in his place that he has been credibly informed and verily believes that in the last half of the year 1873, the sum of \$1405.77 was paid by the Intercolonial Railway Branch of the Public Works Department to *George Moffat*, who was at the time a Member of this House, for the Electoral District of the County of *Restigouche*, in the Province of *New Brunswick*, for the transportation of rails and other services in connection with the Intercolonial Railway ;

That he believes and can prove that the said *George Moffat* was also paid, by the hands of *William H. Stevenson*, from the Department of Public Works, on the 17th December, 1874, the sum of \$3,567.50, for the transportation of Rails and other services in connection with the Intercolonial Railway ;

That he believes and can prove that the said *George Moffat* on the 17th December, 1874, was paid by the Intercolonial Railway Branch of the Department of Public Works, for the transportation of Rails and other services in connection with the Intercolonial Railway, the sum of \$708 ;

That it would appear from a telegram, sent as follows :—

“ *Dalhousie*, June 2nd, 1875.

“ To *Peter Grant*, Civil Engineer :—

“ *Mr. Moffat* wants to know what he has done wrong in connection with taking iron to *Campbelltown* last year, that contract for doing so should be let to another. “ This (year?) he made no preparation for doing so, but can. At same time wants to “ be aware of his fault before doing so.

“ (Signed,) ROBERT MOFFAT.”

That the said *George Moffat* deliberately and knowingly entered into a contract or agreement with the officers of the Department of Public Works, under which agreement the before mentioned sums were paid ; be it therefore *Ordered*, That the matter herein stated, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, and that the said Committee be directed to enquire into the facts, search for precedents, and report the result of their enquiry to the House, and whether the said *George Moffat* has vacated his seat.

The House, according to Order, resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Saturday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That *Mr. Speaker* do now leave the Chair ; (for the House again in Committee of Supply) ; and which

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Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "this House cannot approve of the course pursued by this Government with respect to the Canadian *Pacific* Railway," inserted instead thereof;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning;

*Tuesday, 24th April, 1877.*

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, seconded by Mr. *Metcalfe*,  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before One of the Clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Tuesday, 24th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

The Clerk of the House laid on the Table,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 16th April instant, for a Statement shewing 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 Officers, Messengers and others in his Department, whether employed permanently or otherwise, as followeth:—

| Ages. | Names of Officers<br>or<br>Permanent Clerks. | Annual<br>Salary. | Length<br>of<br>Service. | Remarks.                                      |
|-------|--|-------------------|--------------------------|---|
|       |  | \$                |                          |   |
| 66    | Alfred Patrick.....                          | 3,400             | Fifty years .....        |   |
| 53    | D. W. Macdonell.....                         | 2,400             | Twenty-three years..     |   |
| 55    | Henry Hartney .....                          | 2,800             | Thirty-nine do ..        |   |
| 52    | Eugène U. Piché .....                        | 2,100             | Four do ..               |   |
| 39    | John G. Bourinot .....                       | 1,800             | do do ..                 | And four years in<br>Senate.                  |
| 34    | Henry R. Smith .....                         | 1,200             | Eighteen do ..           |   |
| 77    | Gustavus W. Wicksteed.....                   | 3,400             | Forty-eight do ..        |   |
| 41    | William Wilson .....                         | 2,000             | Nineteen do ..           |   |
| 44    | T. G. Coursolles .....                       | 2,000             | Twenty do ..             |   |
| 37    | L. O. David.....                             | 1,800             | One do ..                |   |
| 46    | F. Hayes .....                               | 1,600             | Nineteen do ..           |   |
| 50    | J. F. Gingras .....                          | 1,700             | Twenty-seven do ..       |   |
| 34    | R. J. Wicksteed .....                        | 1,200             | Five do ..               |   |
| 28    | Joseph Tassé .....                           | 1,450             | do do ..                 |   |
| 36    | J. A. Genand .....                           | 1,400             | Twelve do ..             |   |
| 29    | A. Fréchette.....                            | 1,200             | Three do ..              |   |
| 28    | E. Query .....                               | 800               | One do ..                |   |
| 57    | Joshua Stansfeld .....                       | 1,500             | Seventeen do ..          |   |
| 45    | F. MacGillivray .....                        | 1,400             | Twenty-three do ..       |   |
| 57    | Henry B. Stuart .....                        | 1,200             | Thirty-four do ..        | And four years in<br>British Army.            |
| 54    | James S. Sloane .....                        | 1,200             | Seventeen do ..          |   |
| 36    | R. McG. Moffat .....                         | 1,000             | Six do ..                |   |
| 63    | Thaddeus Patrick.....                        | 1,800             | Forty-three do ..        |   |
| 35    | Charles Panet .....                          | 1,200             | Eighteen do ..           |   |
| 26    | E. P. Hartney.....                           | 1,100             | Five do ..               |   |
| 20    | Walter Todd .....                            | 800               | Two do ..                | And six months in<br>Dept. of Interior.       |
| 55    | Jean P. Leprohon .....                       | 1,900             | Thirty-three do ..       |   |
| 61    | François X. Blanchet .....                   | 1,200             | Twenty-eight do ..       |   |
| 60    | Herman Poetter .....                         | 1,700             | Twenty-seven do ..       |   |
| 36    | William C. Bowles.....                       | 1,300             | Twenty-two do ..         |   |
| 45    | William B. Ross .....                        | 1,800             | Twenty-eight do ..       |   |
| 46    | A. G. D. Taylor .....                        | 1,300             | do do ..                 |   |
| 41    | Henry Lindsay .....                          | 1,100             | Twenty-one do ..         |   |
| 46    | Pierre Rivet .....                           | 1,500             | Twenty-eight do ..       |   |
| 35    | J. H. T. Blais .....                         | 800               | Twenty-three do ..       |   |
| 29    | Robt. Brewer .....                           | 900               | Four do ..               |   |
| 39    | Henry Low .....                              | 800               | Two do ..                | And two years in<br>Customs Dept.             |
| 60    | Francis Nolan .....                          | 600               | One do ..                | And twenty seven<br>years in British<br>Army. |
| 25    | P. Poirier .....                             | 1,000             | Five do ..               |   |
| 26    | T. Falardeau .....                           | 800               | Fifteen do ..            |   |
| 63    | E. Pelletier.....                            | 900               | Thirty-four do ..        |   |

## SESSIONAL AND EXTRA CLERKS.

| Ages. | Names.                    | Salaries<br>or<br>Daily Pay. | Date when<br>pay<br>commenced. | Remarks.                                 |
|-------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 45    | P. A. Stewart .....       | \$400 per Session...         | .....                          | Sessional Clerks, permanent.             |
| 62    | F. Talbot.....            | 400 do .....                 | .....                          | do do                                    |
| 35    | R. A. Kent .....          | 400 do .....                 | .....                          | do do                                    |
| 62    | F. Bedard .....           | 400 do .....                 | .....                          | do do                                    |
| 37    | James Dalton .....        | 400 do .....                 | .....                          | do do                                    |
| 47    | S. J. Pitau.....          | 5 per diem .....             | February 8..                   | French Translators' Department.          |
| 27    | J. N. Bienvenu .....      | 5 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do do                                    |
| 28    | E. A. De St. Georges..... | 4 do .....                   | do 13..                        | do do                                    |
| 26    | J. A. Doyon .....         | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | do do                                    |
| 40    | Dr. Godin .....           | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | do do                                    |
| 20    | W. D. Ross .....          | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | English do                               |
| 32    | W. F. Costigan .....      | 5 do .....                   | do 8..                         | Post Office.                             |
| 26    | J. Stansfeld .....        | 5 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do                                       |
| 26    | A. P. Patrick .....       | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | The Clerk's Private Office.              |
| 16    | W. Fanning .....          | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | French Journal Department.               |
| 21    | A. H. Manning .....       | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | Engaged on Committees, &c.               |
| 23    | T. C. B. Fraser .....     | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do                                       |
| 30    | E. E. Emonde .....        | 4 do .....                   | do 19..                        | do                                       |
| 24    | J. Taylor .....           | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | do                                       |
| 16    | Wm. Walsh .....           | 3 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do                                       |
| 22    | F. Macdonell .....        | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | do                                       |
| 52    | H. Rose .....             | 4 do .....                   | do 13..                        | Proof reading, &c.                       |
| 24    | H. W. Hartney .....       | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do                                       |
| 43    | J. Frenette .....         | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | Office of Clerk of Crown in<br>Chancery. |
| 43    | F. Poliquin .....         | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do do                                    |
| 60    | W. L. Gane.....           | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | Engrossing and Copying Clerk.            |
| 30    | W. Archer .....           | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | do do                                    |
| 36    | J. McGinley .....         | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do do                                    |
| 45    | E. Ducondu.....           | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | do do                                    |
| 58    | O. Quigley .....          | 4 do .....                   | do 12..                        | do do                                    |
| 29    | C. R. McLean .....        | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do do                                    |
| 48    | Thos. Marshall.....       | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do do                                    |
| 51    | Hugh Ross .....           | 4 do .....                   | do 13..                        | do do                                    |
| 17    | C. Magrath .....          | 4 do .....                   | do 8..                         | do do                                    |
| 21    | C. P. B. Casgrain .....   | 4 do .....                   | do 15..                        | do do                                    |
| 40    | R. M. Shaw .....          | 4 do .....                   | do 13..                        | Stationery Department.                   |

DEPARTMENT OF THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.  
PERMANENT MESSENGERS.

| Number. | Names.                | Employment.                                  | Entered Service. | Salary. | Age. |
|---------|-----------------------|--|------------------|---------|------|
|         |                       |  |                  | \$      |      |
| 1       | Lucien Dubé .....     | Chief Messenger and House-keeper .....       | 1874             | 1,200   | 34   |
| 2       | Joseph Lemonde .....  | Door keeper .....                            | 1844             | 800     | 49   |
| 3       | Ed. Storr .....       | do .....                                     | 1852             | 700     | 58   |
| 4       | Ed. Steacy .....      | do .....                                     | 1858             | 650     | 65   |
| 5       | N. Turgeon .....      | House Messenger and Chief of the Pages ..... | 1859             | 700     | 33   |
| 6       | M. Lafamme .....      | Messenger .....                              | 1855             | 650     | 56   |
| 7       | Jos. Brown .....      | Door keeper .....                            | 1854             | 700     | 66   |
| 8       | Emile Asselin .....   | Messenger .....                              | 1868             | 600     | 23   |
| 9       | Olivier Roberge ..... | do .....                                     | 1854             | 650     | 43   |
| 10      | Et. Durocher .....    | do .....                                     | 1863             | 500     | 65   |
| 11      | Vaughan Brice .....   | Speaker's Messenger .....                    | 1865             | 600     | 36   |
| 12      | A. Lizotte .....      | Messenger .....                              | 1876             | 400     | 50   |

## SESSIONAL MESSENGERS.

|    |                         |  |      | Allowance. |    |
|----|-------------------------|--|------|------------|----|
| 13 | Jos. Turgeon .....      | Messengers' Room .....                                     | 1855 | \$200      | 40 |
| 14 | P. Labelle .....        | do .....   | 1857 | 200        | 40 |
| 15 | C. Brazeault .....      | do .....   | 1859 | 200        | 47 |
| 16 | J. C. Boudreault .....  | do .....   | 1861 | 200        | 54 |
| 17 | J. C. Jones .....       | do .....   | 1862 | 200        | 28 |
| 18 | A. Lortie .....         | Reading Room .....   | 1862 | 200        | 41 |
| 19 | L. Lafranchise .....    | Messengers' Room .....                                     | 1863 | 200        | 53 |
| 20 | J. Hurley .....         | do .....   | 1867 | 200        | 30 |
| 21 | N. Jallet .....         | Door keeper .....  | 1866 | 200        | 32 |
| 22 | J. Martel .....         | do .....   | 1866 | 200        | 35 |
| 23 | Wm. O'Keefe .....       | do .....   | 1866 | 200        | 54 |
| 24 | B. Champagne .....      | Pasting Room .....   | 1867 | 200        | 35 |
| 25 | M. Cunningham .....     | Reporters' Gallery .....                                   | 1867 | 200        | 64 |
| 26 | Ed. Corridon .....      | Gallery .....  | 1872 | 200        | 33 |
| 27 | A. Simard .....         | Messengers' Room .....                                     | 1864 | 200        | 48 |
| 28 | R. B. Bell .....        | Keeper of Wardrobes .....                                  | 1873 | 200        | 40 |
| 29 | J. Murphy .....         | Door keeper .....  | 1873 | 200        | 47 |
| 30 | H. Duggan .....         | do .....   | 1874 | 200        | 41 |
| 31 | P. Kealey .....         | Messengers' Room .....                                     | 1874 | 200        | 31 |
| 32 | O. Jobin .....          | do .....   | 1874 | 200        | 39 |
| 33 | A. McNaughton .....     | Speaker's Messenger .....                                  | 1870 | 200        | 19 |
| 34 | J. Masson .....         | Messengers' Room .....                                     | 1875 | 200        | 37 |
| 35 | P. Manihan .....        | do .....   | 1875 | 200        | 46 |
| 36 | R. Harris .....         | Door keeper .....  | 1875 | 200        | 55 |
| 37 | J. Kennedy .....        | Messengers' Room .....                                     | 1876 | 200        | 28 |
| 38 | J. Ryan .....           | Speaker's Gallery .....                                    | 1876 | 200        | 34 |
| 39 | J. Turner .....         | Messenger's Room .....                                     | 1876 | 200        | 21 |
| 40 | A. W. Pratt .....       | do .....   | 1876 | 200        | 28 |
|    | John O'Connor .....     | Door keeper of the house, keeper of the Reading-room ..... | 1846 | \$800      | 68 |
|    | James Fitzsimmons ..... | Night Watchman .....                                       | 1864 | 600        | 45 |
|    | George Smith .....      | do .....   | 1867 | 600        | 33 |
|    | James Sinclair .....    | House Carpenter .....                                      | 1860 | 700        | 47 |

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| Names.               | Employment.           | Entered Service. | Per diem.       | Age. |
| A. Boudreault .....  | House Page ..         | 1873             | \$ cts.<br>1 50 | 16   |
| C. DeWitt .....      | do .....              | 1874             | 1 50            | 15   |
| J. Batterton .....   | do .....              | 1873             | 1 50            | 15   |
| A. Helmer .....      | do .....              | 1876             | 1 50            | 12   |
| J. Donovan .....     | do .....              | 1876             | 1 50            | 13   |
| J. Lyons .....       | do .....              | 1876             | 1 50            | 13   |
| S. O'Brien .....     | do .....              | 1876             | 1 50            | 13   |
| O. St. Jacques ..... | do .....              | 1876             | 1 50            | 13   |
| A. Prevost .....     | Reporters' Page ..... | 1877             | 1 50            | 12   |
| Wm. Lamb .....       | Lavatory .....        | 1872             | 1 50            | 18   |
| C. Hogue .....       | Pasting Room ..       | 1872             | 1 50            | 19   |
| J. Tough .....       | Bath Room .....       | 1872             | 1 50            | 22   |

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:---

By Mr. *Stephenson*,---The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Chatham*.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Fifteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:---

Your Committee have considered the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to make further provision for the management of Permanent Building Societies carrying on business in the Province of *Ontario*," and have agreed to report the same, with several amendments.

Your Committee have also considered the Bill for defining and rendering uniform the powers of certain Loan Companies in the matters therein mentionèd, and in view of the very great importance of its provisions and the late period at which it was introduced, they recommend that it be not further proceeded with, but they are of the opinion that a Bill similar in its aims should be submitted to Parliament early next Session.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill respecting the Northern Railway of *Canada*, as amended in the Committee; and the amendments were twice read and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*,

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same by adding the following clause:---

"Nothing in this Act contained shall in any wise affect the rank or priority of any claims now held by the Government of *Canada* against the said Northern Railway Company of *Canada*, except in so far and upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by any Act passed during this Session, which shall also declare the same to be paid by the Company in satisfaction of certain sums due to the Government of *Canada*, prior to the issue of the Bonds mentioned in sections one and five, of this Act."

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill in accordance with the instruction.

*Ordered*, That the Bill as amended be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Oliver* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ross (Middlesex)*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same by adding thereto the following: 'Notwithstanding any thing in this Act, or in "The Northern Railway Company Act of 1875," contained the paragraph of the Order in Council, made on the 12th day of May, 1859, recited and confirmed by the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the 23rd year of Her Majesty's Reign, and chaptered 105, which paragraph provides as follows:—

"The Governor and Council reserve the complete control and direction of the station and other ground in the City of *Toronto* occupied by the said Company, as well as of the alignment and disposition of the track of the said Railway leading into and within the said City, with a view of completing such arrangements as may be deemed expedient by the Government for effecting proper connections with the other Provincial Railways in the said City,' shall be and remain in full force and effect," inserted instead thereof; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Main Question being put;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act respecting the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Wood*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections to whom it has been referred to inquire into and report upon the allegations of Mr. *George William Ross*, a Member of this House, made in his place, on the 23rd instant, that *George Moffat*, a Member of this House for the Electoral District of the County of *Restigouche*, had entered into a contract or contracts, agreement or agreements with the Department of Public Works and for the services thereunder, public moneys of *Canada* were paid to him, and to report whether the said *George Moffat* has vacated his seat, should be examined on oath.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bill to provide for the inspection of Petroleum, as amended in the Committee of the Whole House; and the amendments were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting certain Ordnance and Admiralty Lands in the Provinces of *Ontario* and *Quebec*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Casey* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Indian Act, 1876 ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 31st *Victoria*, Chapter 5, intituled : " An Act respecting the Auditing of the Public Accounts ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill further to amend " An Act to provide for the Inspection of Gas and Gas Meters ;"

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth :—

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :—

Bill intituled : " An Act respecting the measurement of Steam Ships registered " under the repealed Act of the late Province of *Canada*."

Bill intituled : " An Act to amend an Act respecting the Inland Revenue."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act for the repression of Betting and Pool Selling," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : " An Act to vest the property and powers of the *Pickering* Harbor and Road Joint Stock Company in *Joseph Harris McClellan*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : " An Act to vest the property and powers of the *Pickering* Harbor and Road Joint Stock Company in *Joseph Harris McClellan*," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House, according to Order, resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Saturday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for the House again in Committee of Supply) ; and which Amendment was, That all the words after " That " to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words " this House cannot approve of the course pursued by the

“Government with respect to the Canadian *Pacific* Railway,” inserted instead thereof;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 25th April, 1877.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

|             |                        |                      |                      |
|-------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Baby,       | Donahue,               | Little,              | Platt,               |
| Benoit,     | Farrow,                | Macdonald (Kingston) | Plumb,               |
| Blanchet,   | Ferguson,              | McDonald (C. Breton) | Robinson,            |
| Bowell,     | Flesher,               | McKay (Colchester),  | Robitaille,          |
| Brooks,     | Fraser,                | Macmillan,           | Rochester,           |
| Cameron,    | Gaudet,                | McCallum,            | Rouleau,             |
| Caron,      | Gibbs (Ontario North)  | McQuade,             | Roy,                 |
| Cimon,      | Gibbs (Ontario South), | Masson,              | Schultz,             |
| Costigan,   | Gill,                  | Moffat,              | Stephenson,          |
| Cuthbert,   | Haggart,               | Monteith,            | Thompson (Cariboo),  |
| Daoust,     | Harwood,               | Montplaisir,         | Tupper,              |
| DeCosmos,   | Hurteau,               | Mousseau,            | Wallace (Norfolk),   |
| Desjardins, | Jones (Leeds),         | Orton,               | White (Hastings),    |
| Dewdney,    | Langewin,              | Ouimet,              | White (Renfrew).—59. |
| Domville,   | Lanthier,              | Pinsonneault,        |                      |

NAYS:

Messieurs

|                    |                 |                      |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Appleby,           | Christie,       | Holton,              | Pickard,              |
| Archibald,         | Church,         | Horton,              | Ray,                  |
| Aymen,             | Coffin,         | Irving,              | Richard,              |
| Bain,              | Cook,           | Jetté,               | Robillard,            |
| Bannatyne,         | Coupal,         | Kerr,                | Ross (Durham),        |
| Barthe,            | Delorme,        | Killam,              | Ross (Middlesex),     |
| Bécharé,           | De St. Georges, | Kirk,                | Ross (Prince Edward), |
| Bernier,           | De Veber,       | Lastamme,            | Ryan,                 |
| Bertram,           | Dymond,         | Lajoie,              | Rymal,                |
| Biggar,            | Ferris,         | Landerkin,           | Scatcherd,            |
| Blackburn,         | Fiset,          | Laurier,             | Scriver,              |
| Blain,             | Fleming,        | Macdonald (Cornwall) | Shibley,              |
| Borden,            | Flynn,          | Macdonald (Toronto)  | Skinner,              |
| Bourassa,          | Forbes,         | Macdougall (Elgin),  | Smith (Peel),         |
| Bowman,            | Fréchette,      | McDougall (Renfrew)  | Smith (Selkirk),      |
| Brouse,            | Galbraith,      | McKay (C. Breton),   | Snider,               |
| Brown,             | Geoffrion,      | Mackenzie,           | St. Jean,             |
| Buell,             | Gibson,         | McCraney,            | Tas. hereau,          |
| Burk,              | Gillies,        | McIntyre,            | Thompson (Haldim'd)   |
| Burpee (St. John), | Gilmor,         | McLeod,              | Thomson (Welland),    |
| Burpee (Sunbury),  | Goudge,         | McNab,               | Trow,                 |
| Carmichael,        | Greenway,       | Metcalfe,            | Vail,                 |
| Cartwright,        | Guthrie,        | Mills,               | Wallace (Albert),     |
| Casey,             | Hagar,          | Oliver,              | Wood,                 |
| Cauchon,           | Hall,           | Paterson,            | Workman,              |
| Cheval,            | Higinbotham,    | Perry,               | Young.—104.           |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had made some progress and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth :—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend and consolidate “ certain Acts respecting Insurance,” without any amendment.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : “ An “ Act to amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the Customs,” with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen’s Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency ;

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as followeth :—

*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. (*Sessional Papers, No. 2.*)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Ottawa, 24th April, 1877.

*Ordered*, That the said Message, together with the Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Three of the Clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 25th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen’s Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for copies of all documents and correspondence in relation to the appointment of a new Postmaster for the Parish of *St. Augustin*, County of *Two Mountains*, and to the change in the location of the Post Office of the said Parish, during the year 1875, and until the end of March, 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 175.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for copies of all correspondence and papers in reference to the dismissal of Mr. *Wm. Cornock*, from the Postmastership of *Erin Village*, in the County of *Wellington*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 176.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for copies of all the correspondence having reference to the change of Mail Conductors on the *Kennebec* Railway, since the 1st of January, 1875; and also the names of those parties from whom contracts were taken away since that date, before the term for which they held such contract, had expired; and also the names of those parties who took their places. (*Sessional Papers, No. 177.*)

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, seconded by Mr. *Workman*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of this House of Tuesday the 17th April instant, referring the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "The *Manitoba* Junction Railway Company," to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, be discharged; and the Fees paid on the said Bill be refunded.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be withdrawn.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mackenzie* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Act further securing the Independence of Parliament.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. *Mousseau*, Member for the Electoral District of *Bagot*, rose in his place and stated, That it appears from the Public Accounts laid before this House in this Session of 1877, that some time in the year 1876, the sum of \$272.21 was paid to the firm of *Frothingham & Workman* out of the public monies for hardware supplied for repairs, furniture, etc., to the Penitentiaries of the Dominion;

That it also appears, and that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish that divers sums of money were also paid during the same year and during the ensuing nine months expiring on the 1st day of April instant, out of public monies to the said firm of *Frothingham* and *Workman* for hardware and other goods supplied to the Department of Public Works for repairs and other works made and to be made on the following *Canals, Lachine, Carillon* and *Grenville, Beauharnois, Chambly, Ste. Anne's Locks*, and *St. Ours Locks*:—and

That he is credibly informed and believes he can establish that the monies so paid to the said firm of *Frothingham & Workman* were so paid under contracts and agreements between the said firm and public officers representing the Board of Directors of Penitentiaries and the Department of Public Works, and that *Thomas Workman, Esq.*, a Member of this House was, at the time when the said contracts and agreements were entered into, and the said payments made, a Member of the said firm, and also a Member of this House for the Electoral District of *Montreal West*.

On motion of Mr. *Mousseau*, seconded by Mr. *McQuade*,

*Resolved*, That whereas it appears from the Public Accounts laid before this House in this Session of 1877, that some time in the year of 1876, the sum of \$272.21 was paid to the firm of *Frothingham & Workman* out of the public monies for hardware supplied for repairs, furniture etc., to the Penitentiaries of the Dominion;

That whereas it also appears, and that Mr. *Mousseau*, a Member of this House has stated in his place in the House that he is credibly informed and believes that he can establish that divers sums of money were also paid during the same year and during the ensuing nine months expiring on the 1st day of April, instant, out of public monies to the said firm of *Frothingham* and *Workman* for hardware and other goods supplied to the Department of Public Works for repairs and other works made and to be made on the following *Canals*:—*Lachine, Carillon* and *Grenville, Beauharnois, Chambly, Ste. Anne's Locks* and *St. Ours Locks*:—

And whereas the said Mr. *Mousseau*, a Member of this House has also stated in his place in the House that he is informed and believes he can also establish that the monies so paid to the said firm of *Frothingham* and *Workman* were so paid under contracts and agreements between the said firm and public officers representing the Board of Directors of Penitentiaries and the Department of Public Works, and that *Thomas Workman, Esq.*, a Member of this House, was at the time when the said

contracts and agreements were entered into, and the said payments made, a Member of the said firm, and also a Member of this House for the Electoral District of *Montreal West*; be it therefore

*Ordered*, That the matter therein stated be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, and that they be directed to enquire into the facts, to search for precedents, and to report the result of their enquiries, and whether the said *Thomas Workman* has vacated his seat.

Mr. *Casey*, Member for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of *Elgin*, rose in his place and stated, That he is credibly informed and believes he can establish that in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876, the newspaper "*Le Nouveau Monde*," published at *Montreal*, was paid divers sums out of the public monies for advertising, printing and stationery printed and done by the said paper for public offices, *to wit*:—the Department of Militia, the Post Office, the Inspectors of Penitentiaries, and the Public Works *per agreement*, and under contract with the officers of the said Departments, and that at all the times above mentioned, *Alphonse Desjardins*, Esq., a Member of this House, for the Electoral District of *Hochelaga*, was the sole Editor of the said newspaper, and published the same for his sole benefit and advantage, and that the said *Alphonse Desjardins* was then and is now a Member of this House for the Electoral District of *Hochelaga*.

On motion of Mr. *Casey*, seconded by Mr. *McDougall* (*Renfrew*),

*Resolved*, That whereas it appears that in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876, the newspaper "*Le Nouveau Monde*," published at *Montreal*, was paid divers sums out of the public monies for advertising, printing and stationery printed and done by the said paper for public offices, *to wit*:—the Department of Militia, the Post Office, the Inspectors of Penitentiaries, and the Public Works *per agreement* and under contract with the officers of the said Departments, and that at all the times above mentioned, *Alphonse Desjardins*, Esq., a Member of this House for the Electoral District of *Hochelaga*, was the sole Editor of the said newspaper, and published the same for his sole benefit and advantage, and that the said *Alphonse Desjardins* was then and is now a Member of this House for the Electoral District of *Hochelaga*; be it therefore

*Ordered*, That the matter herein stated be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, and that they be directed to enquire into the facts, to search for precedents, and to report the result of their enquiries, and whether the said *Alphonse Desjardins* has vacated his seat.

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 4th April, 1877, for copies of all papers and correspondence between the Dominion Government or Department of Marine and Fisheries and the British Government or the British Admiralty—or any of its officers or any party acting for either of the above named authorities, in relation to the transfer of *Portage Island*, in the Bay of *Miramichi*, from the jurisdiction of the British Admiralty to the Dominion Government; also, all Reports to the Council from the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in relation to the same subject and Orders of Council thereon. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 178.)

Mr. *Brouse*, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the subject of Vital Statistics and Public Health, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have the honor to Report:

1st. That in the opinion of your Committee there appears to be no existing means by which the ravages of disease and contagion may be guarded against, and without the existence of such means a perfect condition of health cannot be obtained.

2nd. That it is the opinion of your Committee that unless certain laws be enforced conducive to public health, and unless a complete system for the collection of Sanitary Statistics be established, perfect security from epidemics cannot be obtained, and such

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laws to have the desired effect would require careful and effectual legislation. At present it is apparent that the country is dependent upon the Federal authorities for the compilation and collection of such Statistics.

3rd. That in *Great Britain, France* and the *United States* the most beneficial results have ensued upon the enforcement of sanitary reforms, founded upon accurate Statistical information.

4th. That the Provinces of *Ontario, Quebec* and *Nova Scotia* have severally, but in an imperfect manner, legislated with the view of obtaining returns of Vital Statistics.

5th. That in *Calcutta, London* and other great Cities, the death rate has perceptibly decreased since the enforcement of sanitary reform, and careful legislation for the health of the people, and in the above mentioned cities the decrease has been nearly 50 per cent.

6th. That the Legislature has for years past offered great inducements for increasing the population of the Dominion by Immigration, but unfortunately it has never taken the proper steps to preserve that increase by a system of laws of a sanitary nature, and it is the opinion of your Committee that without the enforcement of such law, the result must prove anything but satisfactory. It is well known that the epidemic of 1847 was introduced to this country by Immigrants landing on our shores still suffering from disease, thus communicating it to those who might otherwise have escaped, and proving the necessity of establishing some more effective means whereby the ravages of contagion may be prevented.

7th. That in the opinion of your Committee it is the duty of the Government to place themselves in a position to procure such information as will enable them to act promptly if called upon to prevent the importation and spread of disease.

8th. It is a well-known fact that the Government have annually expended large sums in paying Inspectors and other public servants to guard the lives of the public against accidents by fire, water, and other dangers to which human life is exposed. All this is quite proper, and shows that we are protected by an appreciative Government, but, unfortunately, the Government have never seen the necessity to specially legislate to prevent the introduction and spread of disease, which once broken out in some of our larger cities in the present state of affairs, would prove far more disastrous than the burning of a building or the giving away of a dam. A careful legislation on the part of the Government would place the population of the Dominion in a far more secure condition than they are now in. A striking illustration of this fact was the terrible epidemic in the *North-West*, which ravaged the Icelandic population and then spread to the Indians and other inhabitants of that Territory, thus showing the want of a proper means of arresting and stamping out contagious diseases. Here the Government found the outlay attendant upon sending medical and other aid far greater than if a regular system of sanitary law had been adopted, besides the terrible loss of life which might otherwise have been avoided. Were a greater interest shewn by the Government in the sanitary condition of the Dominion, and did a more perfect code of laws exist regarding public health, the population of the country would greatly increase and Immigration would be greatly facilitated. This has been peculiarly shown some years ago by the State of *Colorado*. That State by addressing circulars to all the leading medical men of the *United States* and *Canada*, embodying a set of sanitary queries, and showing the comparative advantage of that territory for healthy settlement, succeeded in attracting settlers from all parts of the country, including *Canada*, thus peopling their territory to the detriment and cost of ours.

Your Committee further add that, as an apparent conflict of jurisdiction exists between the Provincial Government and this Government as regards Legislation respecting Statistics and public health, they strongly recommend that some arrangement should be speedily effected to accomplish the object herein set forth.

Your Committee further urge that the Government, as soon as the public interest will allow, should legislate for the health of the people.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, seconded by Mr. *Mills*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolution :—That it is expedient to provide that the sum of £50,000 stg., Second Preference Bonds now held by the Government of *Canada*, part of a certain sum of £283,000 stg., of Second Preference Bonds issued by the Northern Railway Company of *Canada* shall hold equal rank and priority with other bonds of the same character in any re-arrangement that may be authorized by an Act passed during this Session ; and further that the sum of £50,000 stg., part of a certain sum of £100,000 stg., of Third Preference Bonds issued by the said Company and now held by the Government of *Canada*, together with the interest thereon, be extinguished on the following conditions :—

1st. That the said Company shall, within one year from the First day of May, 1877, pay to the Government the sum of £45,000 sterling in cash, with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

2nd. That the said Company shall, within the same period, pay the Government of *Canada* the sum of *Twenty-seven thousand four hundred and fifty-eight dollars and eighty-seven cents*, in satisfaction of the sums improperly applied by the Company out of the monies payable to the Government of *Canada*, and also assign the mortgage now held by the said Company on the *Couchiching* Hotel for monies advanced thereon.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth :—

The Senate doth not insist on their Amendment made to the Second Clause of the Bill intituled : “ An Act to incorporate the *London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)* ” to which the Commons disagree.

Also, another Message, That the Senate doth not insist on their Third Amendment, viz : Page 1, Line 30— Leave out “ not exceeding ten per cent. per annum ” made to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Assurance Company of *Canada*, and to change the name thereof to the Union Assurance Company of *Canada*, ” to which the Commons disagree.

And also, another Message, That the Senate doth not insist on their Sixth Amendment made to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act incorporating “ *The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company*, ” to which the Commons disagree ; but the Senate insists on their Seventh Amendment for the following Reason : Because the provisions of the Seventh Amendment are to bring the Bill into conformity with the general Act of this Session affecting Joint Stock Companies.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Law respecting the incorporation of Joint Stock Companies by “ *Letters Patent*, ” with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, seconded by Mr. *Holton*,

*Resolved*, That this House doth not insist on its disagreement to the Seventh Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Act “ incorporating ‘ *The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company*, ’ ” and that the said Amendment be now concurred in.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate communicating to their Honors the foregoing Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : “ An Act to amend the Law respecting the incorporation “ of Joint Stock Companies by *Letters Patent*, ” and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act for the repression of Betting and Pool Selling," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts respecting "the Customs," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

A Bill to amend the Act 31st *Victoria*, Chapter 5, intituled: "An Act respecting "the auditing of the Public Accounts," was, according to Order read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be: "An Act to amend the Act "thirty-first *Victoria*, Chapter five, intituled: "An Act respecting the collection and "management of the Revenue, the auditing of Public Accounts and the liability of "Public Accountants."

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Indian Act, 1876, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Jones* (*Halifax*) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Goudge*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have "power to amend the same by providing that the wine gallon of 231 cubic inches, "and the *Winchester* bushel of 2150. $\frac{42}{100}$  cubic inches shall be the only standards of "Weights and Measures with respect to those articles to which they apply," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put,

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray estimate of amount for which a vote is required in connection with Minor Revenues, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.
2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with charges of management, viz: Additional amount required for Seigniorial Tenure Commission, \$1,000; to pay for professional services in connection with Seigniorial Tenures, \$2,100, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray arrears of salary of Deputy Head, Department of Justice, from 1st September, 1876, to 30th June, 1877, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses Inspectors, *Manitoba* and *British Columbia*, in connection with Department of Justice (Penitentiaries Branch), for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray increase to salary of Private Secretary, Office of the Queen's Privy Council, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray increase of salary of Messenger, Supreme Court of *Canada* and Exchequer Court, from 19th January to 30th June, 1877, at \$30 per annum, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand seven hundred and sixty-two dollars and sixty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Kingston* Penitentiary—maintenance, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand six hundred and fifty-nine dollars and forty-six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with *St. Vincent de Paul* Penitentiary, viz: Adjustment of Salaries, and pay of additional Officers, \$1,307.29; Maintenance, \$9,487.17; Tramway to Quarries, \$7,365, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Penitentiary, *St. John, N.B.*, maintenance, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with *Manitoba* Penitentiary, viz: Fencing, farming and garden implements, \$350; Expenses of removal to new Penitentiary, \$1,000; Rent of old Prison, from 1st May, 1876, to 1st February, 1877, \$750; Maintenance, \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and thirty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Officers (additional) and contingencies of Library, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet increased expenditure in connection with issue of Patent Record, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Exhibition at *Sydney, N.S.W.*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.
14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with the *North-West* Mounted Police, viz: Expenses connected with the concentration of the Mounted Police Force in the vicinity of the Boundary Line, rendered necessary by the disturbed condition of Indians in *United States Territory*, \$27,500; to pay for four seven-pounder guns, carbines and ammunition, and for the transport thereof, \$6,250, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning ;

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15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway, completion, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway, construction of 700 freight cars, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway Extension into *Halifax*, contribution to powder magazine, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Intercolonial Railway, Printing, etc., in connection with Petitions of Right in the Supreme Court, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Lachine Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Welland Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Culbute Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Peter's Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Grenville Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Ottawa Buildings, Library*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Buildings at *Forts McLeod, Walsh, Calgary, Saskatchewan, Tail Creek, Qu'Appelle and Shoal Lake*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of removal of *Beaver Rock, Victoria, B.C.*, in connection with improvement of Rivers, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Harbor at *South Ingonish, Cape Breton, (N.S.)*, in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Goderich Harbour, Lake Huron*, in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Furniture for house of Lieutenant Governor, *N.W.T.*, in connection with Public Buildings, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Gas, Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand eight hundred and thirty-

four dollars and eighty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following Miscellaneous expenses, viz: Miscellaneous Printing, \$5,750; Miscellaneous Printing, for translating into French the Rules of the Superior Court, \$84.80, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Grasshopper Relief Committee, *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the purchase of 350 copies of the Parliamentary Companion, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for expenditure in connection with the survey of the *Stikine River*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses already incurred and those which will probably yet have to be incurred before the termination of the current fiscal year, in the District of *Keewatin*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Preventive Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay Deputy Inspector's expenses incurred in distributing circulars containing information as to the operation of the Weights and Measures Act, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Boards of Examiners in connection with inspection of Staples, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Dominion Lands, viz: Surveying certain Indian Reserves, \$4,000; Survey of Public Roads for Icelanders, also of a number of Townships for the Icelandic Colony, \$6,000; Probable expenses of a Commission for the settlement of conflicting claims, \$1,500; Survey of nine certain roads or leading trails in the Province, pursuant to the Statute 39 *Vic.*, Cap. 20, \$1,000 for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Young* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House this day.

Mr. *Young* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, Chapter fifty, respecting Permanent Building Societies in *Ontario*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The Canadian Securities Company (Limited),'" with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'La Société de Construction St. Jacques' as a Permanent Building Society and for other purposes," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the 'Dominion Building Society' under the name of 'The Dominion Mortgage Loan Company,' and for other purposes," with several Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The Canadian Securities Company (Limited),' " and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate '*La Société de Construction St. Jacques*' as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes" and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, "Chapter fifty, respecting Permanent Building Societies in *Ontario*," and the same was twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to make further provision for the management of Permanent Building Societies carrying on business in the Province of *Ontario*," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendments made to the Bill were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr Speaker, two Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Messages were read by Mr. Speaker, (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered), 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, 1877, for Fisheries; and, in accordance with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons. (*Sessional Papers, No. 2.*)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, 25th April, 1877.

*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, 1878; and, in accordance with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons. (*Sessional Papers, No. 2.*)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, 25th April, 1877.

*Ordered,* That the said Messages, together with the Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for copies of all the correspondence between the President or Cashier of the *Ontario* Bank, and the Honorable the Finance Minister, or the Finance Department, respecting the Government Deposits in the *Ontario* Bank since 1st December, 1873, to the present time. (*Sessional Papers, No. 179.*)

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the Clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 26th April, 1877,

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Chatham*; praying for certain improvements in the navigation at the point where the *Chenal Ecarté* empties itself into *Lake St. Clair*.

Mr. *Ross* (*Middlesex*), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

The Committee carefully examined the following documents, and recommend that they be printed, viz:—

*Return (in part) to the Order of The House* of the 21st February last, of both the Inside and Outside Divisions of the Civil Service, by Departments, &c. (*Tabulated and Condensed.*)

*Return to Order*, shewing the quantity of Iron rails removed from the Government Railways, and the Railway Companies to which they have been loaned, &c.

*Return to Order*, shewing the names of all veterans who have proved their right to partake in the grant of \$50,000, voted last Session in favor of Militiamen of 1812 and '15.

*Return to Order*, shewing the value of live cattle imported and exported into and from each Province between 1st January, 1875, and 1st January, 1877, and the value of meats imported and exported, &c.

*Report of the Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization*, together with a map (*an edition of 15,000.*)

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed viz:—

*Return to Address*,—Reports which the Royal Canadian Insurance Company may have made in conformity with 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 99, Sec. 16, &c.

*Return and Supplementary Return to Address*,—Statement of the property and business assets and liabilities of the Company "*Le Credit Foncier du Bas Canada*."

*Return to Order*,—Statement shewing the amounts paid by Steamer "*Chambly*" and the Steamer "*Cultivateur*" at the *St. Ours* Locks, on the River *Chambly*, during the season of 1875.

*Return to Order*,—Return of moneys paid for legal services or expenses in *Prince Edward Island*, from 1st January, 1874, to present time, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Correspondence relating to the supply of coal and water for the operation of the Fog Whistle at *Cap D'Or*, &c.

*Return to Order*, indicating the names and date of appointment of Harbor Masters at *Sorel*, *St. John's*, *Three Rivers* and *Lachine*, in the Province of *Quebec*, with account of all fees collected by them, &c.

*Return to Order*,—Tenders received for construction of Contract No. 15 Canadian *Pacific Railway*, &c. (*In their 8th Report the Committee recommended this Return to be printed, but on re-examination would recommend that it be not printed.*)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the 'Dominion Building Society' under the name of 'The Dominion Mortgage Loan Company,' and for other purposes," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for a copy of every tender received since November last by the Postal Department for carrying the Mails in *British Columbia*, with the names of the tenderers and their securities; also, a copy of all telegrams and letters received or sent by the Postal Department during the same. (*Sessional Papers, No. 180.*)

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Macdonald (Toronto)*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom it has been referred to enquire into and report upon the allegation of Mr. *Mousseau*, a Member of this House, made in his place, on the 25th instant, that public moneys had been paid to the firm of *Frothingham & Workman*, at a time when *Thomas Workman*, a Member of this House, was a member of the said firm, in pursuance of a contract or agreement theretofore entered into between the said firm and certain Public Departments, should be examined on oath.

Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario South)* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, and the Question being put, That the Standing Orders of this House, so far as they affect a Bill from the Senate, intituled "An Act for the relief of *Robert Campbell* and *Etiza Maria Campbell*," be suspended, and that the said Bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for a second reading; the House divided; and it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Irving*, seconded by Mr. *Macdonald (Toronto)*,

*Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom it has been referred to enquire into the allegation of Mr. *Casey*, a Member of this House, made in his place on the 25th instant, that *Alphonse Desjardins*, a Member of this House, had been paid public moneys for advertising, printing and stationery for certain Public Departments while such Member, in pursuance of certain contracts theretofore made by him and the said Public Departments, while he was a Member of this House, should be examined on oath.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the arrangement of certain claims of the Government of *Canada* upon the Northern Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Forbes* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Forbes* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide the sum of £50,000 stg. Second Preference Bonds now held by the Government of *Canada*, part of a certain sum of £283,000 stg. of Second Preference Bonds issued by the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*, shall hold equal rank and priority with other bonds of the same character, in any re-arrangement that may be authorized by an Act passed during this Session; and further, that the sum of £50,000 stg., part of a certain sum of £100,000 stg., of Third Preference Bonds issued by the said Company and now held by the Government of *Canada*, together with the interest thereon, be extinguished on the following conditions:—

1st. That the said Company shall, within one year from the First day of May, 1877, pay to the Government the sum of £45,000 sterling in cash, with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

2nd. That the said Company shall, within the said period, pay the Government of *Canada* the sum of *Twenty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Seven Cents*, in satisfaction of the sums improperly applied by the Company out of the moneys payable to the Government of *Canada*, and also assign the Mortgage now held by the said Company on the *Couchiching* Hotel for moneys advanced thereon. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cartwright* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the claim of the Dominion on the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the Indian Act, 1876;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Great Seals of the Provinces other than *Ontario* and *Quebec*," without any amendment.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Pilotage Act of 1875," with several Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts respecting Duties of Customs and of Excise;

Mr. *Masson*, Member for the Electoral District of *Terrebonne*, having drawn the attention of Mr. Speaker to an irregularity in the proceedings upon the concurrence

by the House in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, viz: That the Question for the second reading of the said Resolutions does not appear to have been put to the House, but only the second reading of the first Resolution.

*Resolved*, That the said informality shall not in future be used as a precedent.

The Bill was then read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Rochester* moved, in Amendment, seconded by Sir *John A. Macdonald*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction that they have power to amend the first section of the said Bill by striking out after the words "on every pound of Malt" the words 'two cents' and substituting therefor the words "'one cent'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass and the Title be: "An Act to amend certain Acts respecting duties of Customs and Excise;" the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Act further securing the Independence of Parliament;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

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| <i>Archibald,</i>        | <i>Dymond,</i>      | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>Robillard,</i>           |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>           | <i>Ferris,</i>      | <i>Lajoie,</i>               | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Béchar,</i>           | <i>Fiset,</i>       | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Bernier,</i>          | <i>Fleming,</i>     | <i>Laurier,</i>              | <i>Ryan,</i>                |
| <i>Biggar,</i>           | <i>Flynn,</i>       | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i>  | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Blain,</i>            | <i>Forbes,</i>      | <i>McDonald (C. Breton),</i> | <i>Scatcherd,</i>           |
| <i>Bolduc,</i>           | <i>Fréchette,</i>   | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>   | <i>Scriver,</i>             |
| <i>Borron,</i>           | <i>Galbraith,</i>   | <i>McDougall (Renfrew),</i>  | <i>Shibley,</i>             |
| <i>Bowman,</i>           | <i>Gibson,</i>      | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>   | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Brooks,</i>           | <i>Gill,</i>        | <i>McKay (Colchester),</i>   | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Broun,</i>            | <i>Gillmor,</i>     | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Buell,</i>            | <i>Goudge,</i>      | <i>McCraney,</i>             | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i> | <i>Greenway,</i>    | <i>McIntyre,</i>             | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Carmichael,</i>       | <i>Guthrie,</i>     | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Tuschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>       | <i>Hagar,</i>       | <i>McNab,</i>                | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>  |
| <i>Casey,</i>            | <i>Hall,</i>        | <i>Metcalfe,</i>             | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>  |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i> | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Thomson (Welland),</i>   |

Cheval,  
Christie,  
Church,  
Coffin,  
Cook,  
DeCosmos,  
Delorme,  
De St. Georges,

Holton,  
Horton,  
Huntington,  
Irving,  
Kerr,  
Killam,  
Kirk,

Mitchell,  
Paterson,  
Perry,  
Pickard,  
Power,  
Ray,  
Richard,

Trow,  
Vail,  
Wallace (Albert),  
Wallace (Norfolk),  
White (Renfrew),  
Wood,  
Young.—97.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Baby,  
Benoit,  
Bertram,  
Blanchet,  
Bowell,  
Cameron,  
Caron,  
Cimon,  
Costigan,  
Coupal,  
Cuthbert,  
Daoust,

Dewdney,  
Domville,  
Donahue,  
Farrow,  
Flesher,  
Fraser,  
Gaudet,  
Gibbs (Ontario North),  
Gibbs (Ontario South),  
Harwood,  
Hurteau,

Jones (Leeds),  
Langevin,  
Lanthier,  
Little,  
Macdonald (Kingston),  
Macmillan,  
McQuade,  
Masson,  
Monteith,  
Montplaisir,  
Mousseau,

Orton,  
Pettes,  
Pinsonneault,  
Platt,  
Plumb,  
Pope (Compton),  
Robinson,  
Robitaille,  
Rouleau,  
Roy,  
Stephenson.—45

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Forbes reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass ; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning ;

Friday, 27th April, 1877.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-four thousand five hundred and fifty-seven dollars and twenty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray unprovided items of 1875-'76— *Vide* Public Accounts 1875-'76—Part 2, Page 370, viz : Capital, \$73,967.60 ; Consolidated Fund, \$80,589.67, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Dominion steamers in connection with Ocean and River Steam Service, viz : To provide for extraordinary expenditure incurred for this service, \$15,000 ; Pay for repairs, maintenance and balance due for construction of "Northern Light," \$16,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Lighthouses and

Coast Service, viz: To provide additional amount required for maintenance, viz:— Amount expended in repairs at *Amet Island Breakwater, N.S.*, \$7,275; Replace buildings and Fog Whistle at *Digby, N.S.*, (destroyed by fire), \$5,000; Purchase of land at *Point Pleasant, Ontario*, \$750; Purchase of land at *Isle à la Pierre*, \$1,575; Cost of building Pier at *Isle aux Prunes*, \$1,000; Excess of costs for repairs at *St. Paul's Humane Establishment, N.S.*, over estimates, \$2,400, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide amount required to complete construction of Lighthouses and Fog Whistles commenced in 1875 and 1876 (re-vote), for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Fisheries, viz: Further amount required for Fisheries, Overseers' Salaries and disbursements, \$9,500; Further amount required for Fish-breeding, \$8,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the salary of an Inspector of Indian Agencies, &c., with the rank of Chief Clerk of the 2nd grade, Department of the Interior, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following salaries, Department of the Secretary of State, viz: One 1st class Clerk, \$1,400; One 3rd class Clerk, \$600, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salary of Private Secretary, Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c., House of Commons, in connection with Legislation, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of Officers (additional), and contingencies of Library, in connection with Legislation, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for expenditure likely to be incurred in connection with the Exhibition to be held at *Paris*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Prince Edward Island Railway*, including Stores, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific Railway Survey*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific Railway construction, Pembina Branch Extension*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Lawrence Canals and Rapids*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-nine thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Peter's Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Post Office and Custom House accommodation, *St. Johns, P.Q.*, in connection with Public Buildings, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her

Majesty, to defray expenses of *Campobello Harbor, N.B. (Wilson's Beach)*, in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Harbour at *St. Peter's Bay, Kings County, P.E.I.*, in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand five hundred and forty-one dollars and sixty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for Mail subsidy between *Halifax and Cork*, if necessary, in connection with Ocean and River Steam Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards possible additional construction of lighthouses and fog-whistles, in connection with Lighthouse and Coast Services, for the year ending ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to aid in the construction of a telegraph line from *Matane to Fox River*, in connection with Geological Survey and Observatories, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with re-measurement of Steamers in inland waters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the payment of salaries to certain medical officers within *Manitoba* Superintendency, in connection with Indians, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for such expenses as may be incurred in prosecuting the survey of Indian Reserves during the year, in *Manitoba* and the *North-West*, in connection with Indians, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the purchase of seed-grain and implements of husbandry, to be given to bands of *Sinix* Indians in the neighborhood of the *Q'Appelle* Lakes, in connection with Indians, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the expenditure likely to be incurred in connection with the proposed visit of His Excellency the Governor General to *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards paying cost of inquiries respecting disposal of sawdust and mill rubbish in navigable waters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of *Halifax* Commission, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Preventive Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Weights and Measures, viz: To provide for the travelling expenses, rent and salaries of Inspectors, *P.E.I.*, \$3,100; To provide for additional Inspection Divisions, \$3,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for further expenditure in connection with Dominion Lands, viz: Surveying remaining portion of boundaries of *Manitoba*, \$4,000; Survey of

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*Battleford*. \$3,000; Fixing the precise latitude and longitude of some point in the *N.W.T.*, to facilitate systematic extension of surveys, \$2,500; Copies of Maps, \$1,000; Surveying of leading post-trail or stage route from *Manitoba* to *Battleford*, \$2,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House this day.

Mr. *Oliver* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then The House, having continued to sit till five minutes after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Friday, 27th April, 1877.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter:—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE.

*Ottawa*, April 27th, 1877.

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 Saturday the 28th instant, at three o'clock.

I have the honor to be Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

E. G. P. LITTLETON.

*Governor-General's Secretary.*

The Honorable  
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 16th April, 1877, for a Return of all monthly measurements and estimates for the various kinds of work done on Section No. 16 Intercolonial Railway, while under contract to Messrs. *King & Gough*, and subsequently under contract to *J. C. Gough*, showing the actual quantities and kinds of all work executed and returned, the amounts made out for same at the schedule rates for each month by the Divisional Engineer in charge, and the amount for each month respectively certified by the Chief Engineer of the Railway, or paid or certified by the Commissioners of the Railway and paid to the contractors or contractor or their agents.

For the amounts of all sums of money paid by, or through the Government, or its agents on behalf of or in liquidation of debts due by the firm of *King & Gough* or *J. C. Gough* on account of contract on Section No. 16, to whom paid, on whose

authority the sums were paid, and the nature and extent of the service or work done therefor after the contract had been taken by the Government from *J. C. Gough*.

For the quantities of work done by the Government or its agents after the contract had been taken from *J. C. Gough*, showing the monthly estimates for the various kinds of work actually done, and the amounts of money paid for such work and to whom paid.

For the number of structures now built in first and second class masonry, paving, &c., in each and the extent of the opening or waterway of each structure now on the section, the quantity of rip-rap done, of concrete used, the quantity or length of fencing, the cattle guards built, with the items of cost for each. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

*Mr. Smith (Westmoreland)*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—presented Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th March, 1877, for a Return shewing:—

1st. The names of the Slide Masters in the employ of the Department of Public Works at each of the Slide Stations on the *Ottawa* River and its tributaries on the 1st day of July, 1876;

2nd. The salary or remuneration paid to each of the said Slide Masters for the year ending 1st July, 1876;

3rd. The number of pieces of Timber and Saw Logs, respectively, passed through each of the said Slide Stations, for the year ending 1st July, 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 181.*)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 16th April, 1877, for copies of the Petition of the Harbor Commissioners of *Quebec*, praying for the guarantee of the Government, for an additional sum of \$250,000, in order to complete the improvements in the above mentioned Harbor of *Quebec*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 182.*)

*Mr. Cartwright*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 2nd April, 1877, for 1st. A Statement of debentures issued by the Government of *Canada*, for the purchase of a building for the Court-house and Gaol of the District of *Kamouraska*; 2nd. A Statement of the cost of the said building, and of the maintenance thereof since; 3rd. A Statement of the amounts levied by taxes and of licenses imposed on said District for the building and prison fund, up to the 30th June last; 4. A Statement of the amounts paid on the said debentures and interest, shewing the amount, if any, remaining due on the said debentures, and if there be nothing, then how much has been collected over and above the amount of the said debentures and interest. (*Sessional Papers, No. 183.*)

*Mr. Casey*, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the present condition of the Civil Service and the method of nominating and examining candidates for appointment with a view to ascertaining whether better means cannot be adopted for securing the appointment of properly qualified persons and the general efficiency of the Service, and to report their observations on the subject referred to them, together with the minutes of evidence taken before them, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 7.*)

*Mr. Casey* moved, seconded by *Mr. Macdougall (Elgin)*, That the said Report and the evidence submitted therewith, be printed: And the said Motion was, per Rule of the House, submitted to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, for report.

*Mr. MacKay (Cape Breton)*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Henry Mitchell* and others, with instructions to enquire into the allegations as to the state of the Coal trade contained therein, and into the best means of promoting Inter-Provincial Trade, presented to the House, the Report of the said Committee which was read. (*Appendix No. 4.*)

*Mr. MacKay (Cape Breton)* moved, seconded by *Mr. Goudge*, That the said

Report, and the evidence submitted therewith, be printed: And the said motion was, per Rule of the House, submitted to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, for report.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to make further provision for the management "of Permanent Building Societies carrying on business in the Province of *Ontario*."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act "respecting the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An "Act to make further provision respecting the constituting and management of "Building Societies to the Province of *Quebec*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Pilotage Act of 1875," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the '*North-West Territories Act*,' "1875,'" and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Donville*, seconded by Mr. *Plumb*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of this House of Wednesday, the 18th April instant, referring the amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to grant additional powers to the *Albert Railway Company*," to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, be discharged; and that the said Amendment be considered this day.

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 28th March, 1877, for copies of papers and correspondence on the subject of the closing of the Post Office in the vicinity of the church *St. Jean l'Évangéliste de la Nouvelle*. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 184.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 21st March, 1877, for copy of the Commission or other documents appointing *John Dewe*, Post Office Inspector; and also of all orders defining his duties and functions, and within what limits he was to exercise his said office. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 185.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 2nd April, 1877, for copies of all papers, reports and correspondence in connection with the dismissal of *J. Murray Nase*, Postmaster, at the mouth of the *Neripis*, *King's County*, *N.B.*; also, for the Petition from the inhabitants in the District in respect to the same. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 186.)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 28th March, 1877, for copies of correspondence between the Council of the *Quebec Board of Trade*, and the Dominion Government, relating to the rule in existence in regard to unprepaid letters. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 187.)

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 16th April, 1877, for copies of all

reports to Council by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in relation to the Bass and Gaspereaux Fisheries in the Rivers *Napan* and *Black River*, *Miramichi*, and the shores in the vicinity of the same; also, all Orders in Council made thereon since 1st January, 1874; also, all reports made by the Overseers of Fisheries and by the Inspector of Fisheries in relation thereto; also, all letters and correspondence had with the Department in relation to the said subject. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 188.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to make further provision respecting the "constituting and management of Building Societies in the Province of *Quebec*," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the 27th Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply, on Friday, 20th April instant, and which Resolution was then postponed; and the same was again read, as followeth:—

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty for completion and construction of Lighthouses and Fog-alarms, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

And the said Resolution was agreed to,

The House proceeded to take into consideration the 55th Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply, on Friday, 20th April instant, and which Resolution was then postponed; and the same was again read, as followeth:—

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and sixty-six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray repairs and working expenses in connection with Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Mr. *Young* reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million five hundred and twenty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific* Railway, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific* Railway Survey and Engineering, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-nine thousand and one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with charges of management, viz.:—Financial Inspector, \$2,600; Office of Assistant Receiver General, *Toronto*, \$8,000; Office of Assistant Receiver General, *Montreal*, \$5,500; Auditor and Receiver General, *Halifax, N.S.*, \$10,000; Auditor and Receiver General, *St. John, N.B.*, \$11,000; Auditor and Receiver General, *Fort Garry*, \$6,500; Auditor and Receiver General, *Victoria, B.C.*, \$7,000; Auditor and Receiver General, *Charlottetown, P.E.I.*, \$4,000; Country Savings Banks, *New Brunswick, Nova Scotia*, and *British Columbia*, \$12,000; Seigniorial Tenure and Commission, \$2,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards assisting Immigration and Immigration expenses,

including estimated expense of transport of Mennonites, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Surveys of Land, *North-West* (including Commission and Staff), for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Young* reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray estimate of amount for which a vote is required in connection with Minor Revenues, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with charges of management, viz: Additional amount required for Seigniorial Tenure Commission, \$1,000; to pay for professional services in connection with Seigniorial Tenures, \$2,100, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray arrears of salary of Deputy Head, Department of Justice, from 1st September, 1876, to 30th June, 1877, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses Inspectors, *Manitoba* and *British Columbia*, in connection with Department of Justice (Penitentiaries Branch), for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray increase of salary of Private Secretary, Office of the Queen's Privy Council, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray increase of salary of Messenger, Supreme Court of *Canada* and Exchequer Court, from 19th January to 30th June, 1877, at \$30 per annum, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand seven hundred and sixty-two dollars and sixty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Kingston* Penitentiary—maintenance, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand six hundred and fifty-nine dollars and forty six cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with *St. Vincent de Paul* Penitentiary, viz: Adjustment of Salaries, and pay of additional Officers, \$1,507.29; Maintenance, \$9,487.17; Tramway to Quarries, \$7,365, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Penitentiary, *St. John, N.B.*, maintenance, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with *Manitoba* Penitentiary, viz: Fencing, farming and garden implements, \$350; Expenses of removal to new Penitentiary, \$1,000; Rent of old Prison, from 1st May, 1876, to 1st February, 1877, \$750; Maintenance, \$2,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and thirty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of Officers (additional) and contingencies of Library, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet increased expenditure in connection with issue of Patent Record, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Exhibition at *Sydney, N.S.W.*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with the *North-West Mounted Police*, viz: Expenses connected with the concentration of the Mounted Police Force in the vicinity of the Boundary Line, rendered necessary by the disturbed condition of Indians in *United States Territory*, \$27,500; to pay for four seven-pounder guns, carbines and ammunition, and for the transport thereof, \$6,250, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Intercolonial Railway*, completion, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Intercolonial Railway*, construction of 700 freight cars, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Intercolonial Railway Extension into Halifax*, contribution to powder magazine, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Intercolonial Railway*, Printing, etc., in connection with *Petitions of Right* in the *Supreme Court*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Lachine Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Welland Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Culbute Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Peter's Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Grenville Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Ottawa Buildings, Library*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Buildings at Forts McLeod, Walsh, Calgary, Saskatchewan, Tail Creek, Qu'Appelle and Shoal Lake*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of removal of *Beaver Rock, Victoria, B.C.*, in connection with improvement of Rivers, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Harbor at *South Ingonish, Cape Breton, (N.S.)*, in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Goderich Harbour, Lake Huron*, in connection with Harbours and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Furniture for house of *Lieutenant Governor, N.W.T.*, in connection with *Public Buildings*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her

Majesty, to defray expenses of Gas, Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand eight hundred and thirty-four dollars and eighty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following Miscellaneous expenses, viz: Miscellaneous Printing, \$5,750; Miscellaneous Printing, for translating into French the Rules of the Supreme Court, \$84.80, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Grasshopper Relief Committee, *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the purchase of 350 copies of the Parliamentary Companion, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for expenditure in connection with the survey of the *Stickine River*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses already incurred and those which will probably yet have to be incurred before the termination of the current fiscal year, in the District of *Keewatin*, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Preventive Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay Deputy Inspector's expenses incurred in distributing circulars containing information as to the operation of the Weights and Measures Act, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Boards of Examiners in connection with inspection of Staples, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Dominion Lands, viz: Surveying certain Indian Reserves, \$4,000; Survey of Public Roads for Icelanders, also of a number of Townships for the Icelandic Colony, \$6,000; Probable expenses of a Commission for the settlement of conflicting claims, \$1,500; Survey of nine certain roads or leading trails in the Province, pursuant to the Statute 39 *Vic.*, Cap. 20, \$1,000 for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Oliver* reported from the Committee of Supply; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-four thousand five hundred and fifty-seven dollars and twenty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray unprovided items of 1875-76—*Vide* Public Accounts 1875-76—Part 2, Page 370, viz.; Capital, \$73,967.60; Consolidated Fund, \$80,589.67, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses of Dominion steamers in connection with Ocean and River Steam Service, viz.: To provide for extraordinary expenditure incurred for this service, \$15,000; Pay for repairs, maintenance and balance due for construction of "Northern Light," \$16,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Lighthouses and Coast Service, viz.: To provide additional amount required for maintenance, viz.:—Amount expended in repairs at *Amet Island Breakwater, N.S.*, \$7,275; Replace buildings and Fog Whistle at *Digby, N.S.* (destroyed by fire), \$5,000; Purchase of

land at *Point Pleasant, Ontario*, \$750; Purchase of land at *Isle à la Pierre*, \$1,575; Cost of building pier at *Isle au Prunes*, \$1,000; Excess of costs for repairs at *St. Paul's Humane Establishment, N.S.*, over estimates, \$2,400, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide amount required to complete construction of Lighthouses and Fog Whistles commenced in 1875 and 1876 (re-vote), for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Fisheries, viz.: Further amount required for Fisheries, Overseers' Salaries and disbursements, \$9,500; Further amount required for Fish-breeding, \$8,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the salary of an Inspector of Indian Agencies, &c., with the rank of Chief Clerk of the 2nd grade, Department of the Interior, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following salaries, Department of the Secretary of State, viz.: One 1st class Clerk, \$1,400; One 3rd class Clerk, \$600, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salary of Private Secretary, Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c., House of Commons, in connection with Legislation, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries of Officers (additional) and contingencies of Library, in connection with Legislation, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for expenditure likely to be incurred in connection with the Exhibition to be held at *Paris*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Prince Edward Island Railway*, including Stores, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific Railway Survey*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Pacific Railway construction, Pembina Branch Extension*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Lawrence Canals and Rapids*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-nine thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *St. Peter's Canal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Post Office and Custom House accommodation, *St. Johns, P.Q.*, in connection with Public Buildings, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Campobello Harbor, N.B. (Wilson's Beach)*, in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her

Majesty, to defray expenses of Harbor at *St. Peter's Bay, Kings County, P.E.I.*, in connection with Harbors and Breakwaters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand five hundred and forty-one dollars and sixty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for Mail subsidy between *Halifax* and *Cork*, if necessary, in connection with Ocean and River Steam Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards possible additional construction of lighthouses and fog whistles, in connection with Lighthouse and Coast Services, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to aid in the construction of a telegraph line from *Matane* to *Fox River*, in connection with Geological Survey and Observatories, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with re-measurement of Steamers in inland waters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the payment of salaries to certain medical officers within *Manitoba* Superintendency, in connection with Indians, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for such expenses as may be incurred in prosecuting the survey of Indian Reserves during the year, in *Manitoba* and the *North-West*, in connection with Indians, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the purchase of seed-grain and implements of husbandry, to be given to bands of *Sioux* Indians in the neighborhood of the *Q'Appelle* Lakes, in connection with Indians, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the expenditure likely to be incurred in connection with the proposed visit of His Excellency the Governor General to *Manitoba*, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, towards paying the cost of inquiries respecting disposal of saw-dust and mill rubbish in navigable waters, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of *Halifax* Commission, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Preventive Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with Weights and Measures, viz.: To provide for the travelling expenses, rent and salaries of Inspectors, *P.E.I.*, \$3,100; To provide for additional Inspection Divisions, \$3,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for further expenditure in connection with Dominion Lands, viz: Surveying remaining portion of boundaries of *Manitoba*, \$4,000; Survey of *Battleford*, \$3,000; Fixing the precise latitude and longitude of some point in the *N.W.T.*, to facilitate systematic extension of surveys, \$2,500; Copies of Maps, \$1,000; Surveying of leading post-trail or stage route from *Manitoba* to *Battleford*, \$2,500, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

The 1st to the 5th Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Half-past Seven O'Clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to grant additional powers to the "Albert Railway Company;"

Mr. *Domville* moved, seconded by Mr. *Mitchell*, and the Question being proposed, That the said Amendment be now taken into consideration;

Mr. *Burpee* (*Sunbury*) moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *McLeod*, That the word "now" be left out and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

Mr. *Gibbs* (*Ontario South*) moved, in amendment to this said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Fraser*, That the words "taken into consideration this day three months" be left out, and the words "not concurred in" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the said proposed Amendment; the House divided:—and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

|                    |                              |                              |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Bowell,</i>     | <i>Domville,</i>             | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Plumb,</i>                |
| <i>Cameron,</i>    | <i>Flesher,</i>              | <i>Langevin,</i>             | <i>Rochester,</i>            |
| <i>Caron,</i>      | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Kingston),</i> | <i>Rouveau,</i>              |
| <i>Cuthbert,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>Masson,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i>   |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i>   | <i>Gibbs (Ontario South)</i> | <i>Mitchell,</i>             | <i>Tupper,</i>               |
| <i>Desjardins,</i> | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>Platt,</i>                | <i>Wallace (Norfolk)-24.</i> |

NAYS :

Messieurs

|                           |                        |                             |                             |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Church,</i>         | <i>Holton,</i>              | <i>Pickard,</i>             |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Coffin,</i>         | <i>Horton,</i>              | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Aylmer,</i>            | <i>Cook,</i>           | <i>Irving,</i>              | <i>Ross (Durham),</i>       |
| <i>Bain,</i>              | <i>De St. Georges,</i> | <i>Kerr,</i>                | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>         | <i>Kirk,</i>                | <i>Rymal,</i>               |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Fleming,</i>        | <i>Lafleur,</i>             | <i>Simclair,</i>            |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Flynn,</i>          | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Smith (Peel)</i>         |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Forbes,</i>         | <i>Macdonald (Toronto),</i> | <i>Snider,</i>              |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Fr chet te,</i>     | <i>Macdougall (Elgin),</i>  | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Bowman,</i>            | <i>Galbraith,</i>      | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Gibson,</i>         | <i>McLeod,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd),</i> |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Gillies,</i>        | <i>McNab,</i>               | <i>Trow,</i>                |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Goudge,</i>         | <i>Metcalfe,</i>            | <i>Wallace (Albert),</i>    |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Guthrie,</i>        | <i>Mills,</i>               | <i>Workman,</i>             |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Hagar,</i>          | <i>Oliver,</i>              | <i>Young.—63.</i>           |
| <i>Christie,</i>          | <i>Higinbotham,</i>    | <i>Paterson,</i>            |                             |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question; the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                   |                             |                             |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Cauchon,</i>   | <i>Goudge,</i>              | <i>McNab,</i>               |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Christie,</i>  | <i>Guthrie,</i>             | <i>Mills,</i>               |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Church,</i>    | <i>Hagar,</i>               | <i>Pickard,</i>             |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Coffin,</i>    | <i>Higinbotham,</i>         | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Cook,</i>      | <i>Holton,</i>              | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Dymond,</i>    | <i>Huntington,</i>          | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Flynn,</i>     | <i>Irving,</i>              | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Forbes,</i>    | <i>Kerr,</i>                | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Fréchette,</i> | <i>Laflamme,</i>            | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Galbraith,</i> | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall)</i> | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>  |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gibson,</i>    | <i>Mackenzie,</i>           | <i>Trow.—47.</i>            |
| <i>Casey,</i>             | <i>Gillies,</i>   | <i>McLeod,</i>              |                             |

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

|                  |                              |                             |                            |
|------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Bowell,</i>   | <i>Fraser,</i>               | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i> | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>     |
| <i>Cameron,</i>  | <i>Gibbs (Ontario North)</i> | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i> | <i>Rochester,</i>          |
| <i>Caron,</i>    | <i>Haggart,</i>              | <i>MacKay (C. Breton),</i>  | <i>Rouleau,</i>            |
| <i>DeCosmos,</i> | <i>Killam</i>                | <i>Moffat,</i>              | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i> |
| <i>Domville,</i> | <i>Landerkin,</i>            | <i>Plumb,</i>               | <i>Tupper.—21.</i>         |
| <i>Flesher,</i>  |                              |                             |                            |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put, That the said Amendment be taken into consideration this day three months; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Resolutions which were this day reported from the Committee of Supply.

The 6th Resolution, being read a second time, as followeth:—

6. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the salary of an Inspector of Indian Agencies, etc., with the rank of Chief Clerk of the 2nd grade, Department of the Interior, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

|                           |                   |                              |                             |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Appleby,</i>           | <i>Christie,</i>  | <i>Hagar,</i>                | <i>Ray,</i>                 |
| <i>Archibald,</i>         | <i>Church,</i>    | <i>Higinbotham,</i>          | <i>Ross (Prince Edward)</i> |
| <i>Biggar,</i>            | <i>Coffin,</i>    | <i>Huntington,</i>           | <i>Sinclair,</i>            |
| <i>Blackburn,</i>         | <i>Cook,</i>      | <i>Irving,</i>               | <i>Smith (Peel),</i>        |
| <i>Blain,</i>             | <i>Dymond,</i>    | <i>Kerr,</i>                 | <i>Smith (Selkirk),</i>     |
| <i>Blake,</i>             | <i>Fleming,</i>   | <i>Killam,</i>               | <i>Smith (Westmoreland)</i> |
| <i>Borron,</i>            | <i>Flynn,</i>     | <i>Laflamme,</i>             | <i>St. Jean,</i>            |
| <i>Bourassa,</i>          | <i>Forbes,</i>    | <i>Macdonald (Cornwall),</i> | <i>Taschereau,</i>          |
| <i>Burk,</i>              | <i>Fréchette,</i> | <i>MacKay (C. Breton)</i>    | <i>Thompson (Haldim'd)</i>  |
| <i>Burpee (St. John),</i> | <i>Galbraith,</i> | <i>Mackenzie,</i>            | <i>Thomson (Welland)</i>    |
| <i>Burpee (Sunbury),</i>  | <i>Gibson,</i>    | <i>McLeod,</i>               | <i>Vail,</i>                |
| <i>Cartwright,</i>        | <i>Gillies,</i>   | <i>Mills,</i>                | <i>Workman.—50.</i>         |
| <i>Cauchon,</i>           | <i>Goudge,</i>    |                              |                             |

NAYS :

Messieurs

|                  |                             |                             |                            |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>DeCosmos,</i> | <i>Gibbs (Ontario N.)</i>   | <i>McDonald (C. Breton)</i> | <i>Robitaille,</i>         |
| <i>Dewdney,</i>  | <i>Langevin,</i>            | <i>Moffat,</i>              | <i>Rochester,</i>          |
| <i>Domville,</i> | <i>Lanthier,</i>            | <i>Plumb,</i>               | <i>Thompson (Cariboo),</i> |
| <i>Flesher,</i>  | <i>Macdonald (Kingston)</i> | <i>Pope (Compton),</i>      | <i>Tupper.—16.</i>         |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 7th to the 29th Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning ;

*Saturday, 28th April, 1877.*

The 30th and subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.  
*Ordered,* That the several Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply and concurred in by this House be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

*(In the Committee.)*

1. *Resolved,* That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending the 30th June, 1877, the sum of \$1,625,395.99 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 the 30th June, 1878, the sum of \$16,286,576.52 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *Canada*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Archibald* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered,* That the Report be now received,

Mr. *Archibald* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follow :—

1. *Resolved,* That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending the 30th June, 1877, the sum of \$1,625,395.99 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 the 30th June, 1878, the sum of \$16,286,576.52 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of *Canada*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Archibald* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

*Resolved,* That this House will, at its next sitting this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Cartwright* have leave to bring in a Bill 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, 1877, and the 30th June, 1878, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any Amendment:—

Bill intituled: An Act respecting the Act further securing the Independence of "Parliament."

Bill intituled: "An Act to amend certain Acts respecting duties of Customs and "Excise."

Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the claim of the Dominion on the Northern "Railway Company of Canada."

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act further to amend the Acts to provide for the management and improvement of the "Harbor of Quebec, and The Pilotage Act of 1873"; with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting certain Ordnance and Admiralty Lands in the Provinces of Ontario "and Quebec," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, another Message, That the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for the Inspection of Petroleum," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to provide for the Inspection of Petroleum," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting certain Ordnance and Admiralty "Lands in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Weights and "Measures," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by Mr. Cartwright,

*Resolved*, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till Two o'clock, P.M., this day.

On motion of Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by Mr. Tupper,

*Ordered*, That the Fee paid on the Bill to grant additional powers to the Albert Railway Company, be refunded.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled: "An Act further to amend the Acts to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbor of *Quebec* and 'The Pilotage Act of "1873," and the same were twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments without any amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, seconded by Mr. *MacKay* (*Cape Breton*),

*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of the suits and legal matters in which the legal firm of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, M.P., or any partner of his said firm, was instructed by his Department to act on behalf of the Crown, during his tenure of office as Minister of Justice and Attorney General of *Canada*, with the dates of such instructions and of the last action in each case; with Statements of the dates of the beginning and conclusion of such suits and legal matters

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the Clock, on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Saturday, 28th April, 1877.

Two O'Clock, P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Joliette* and *St. Hyacinthe*, for the year 1876. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 19.)

Mr. *Maackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 26th March, 1877, for a Statement showing: 1st. The names and salaries or wages of each officer composing the Government staff of the *Lachine* Canal, for each of the years 1875-6 and 1876-7; 2nd. The amount of contingencies in connection with the said staff for each of these years; 3rd. The dates of appointment of each such officer. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 189.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for a detailed Statement of the expenses during the years 1874, 1875 and 1876 in advertising on behalf of the Government or any public service in the public journals of the Dominion, the amount paid each journal respectively, and the purpose for which such money was paid; also, the amount paid in subscriptions, for what papers paid, and whether such papers were ordered for the use of the Public Departments, for circulation in Europe or otherwise. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 130.)

Also, Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 16th April, 1877, for copies of Returns of all moneys paid to *Carpenter & Co.*, together with Orders in Council recommending such payment on account of the *Dawson* Route Subsidy, from 1st January, 1877, to the 31st March, 1877. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 192.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement giving copies of any agreement, arrangement or correspondence in pursuance of which the officers of the Intercolonial Railway are insured with the Guarantee Company of *Canada*, such Statement to be accompanied by Statement showing who of the officers of such Railway have been so insured, the amount of such insurance, the premiums paid in each case and the amount of insurance paid by the said Guarantee Company on any policy. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 19th February, 1877, for copies of all papers, correspondence or telegrams relating to or in connection with coal alleged to be detained, forfeited or misappropriated, and shewing by whose authority such coal was detained, forfeited or misappropriated; and whether such action has been ratified and approved by the Inspector of Government Railways, or by the Government. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement shewing the authority under which two dwelling houses, with stables and outbuildings were erected during the past summer, at *Moncton*, for the use of the resident Engineer and Traffic Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway; the amount authorized to be expended and the amount actually expended, the Statement to be accompanied by Statements shewing in detail all charges made for such works, and the accounts to which such charges have been entered in the books of the railway; such Statement to be so made up as to show the following particulars:—

1. The quantity, kind and cost of stone used in the cellars and foundations.
2. Labor and cost of procuring the same.
3. Cost of erecting foundations and cellars.
4. Cost of foundations not used and its subsequent removal.
5. Cost of labor and material used in constructing drains and of connecting same with main sewer.
6. Amount paid for waterpipes and for laying the same, giving the size and length of such pipes, the cost of tanks, baths, pumps, sinks, closets and fixtures in connection therewith.
7. Cost each of chimnies, grates, stoves, woodwork, plastering, earth embankment and fencing.
8. Cost of Inspection.

The Statement shall give the names of places from which the stone was procured, the number of days the trackmen were employed in procuring such stone and the amount charged to the buildings therefor, and the amount allowed or charged for freight on the same. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement giving a general description and cost of each of the works of the Intercolonial Railway, not chargeable to ordinary maintenances, which have been constructed during the two years ending 31st December, 1876; by days' labor or private arrangement, giving the name of the Engineer and Inspector under whose immediate supervision the work was done. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement shewing (1st) the arrangement made for insuring the Employees of the Intercolonial Railway against accidents; (2nd) the monthly deductions made from the wages or salaries of such Employees on account of said insurance from the time the Government undertook the risks up to 31st December last; and (3rd) the particulars of all amounts paid out of the Railway on account of such insurance. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return (in part), to an Order of this House, dated 21st February, 1877, for certain Statistical information respecting the Inside and Outside Divisions of the Civil Service of Canada. (*Sessional Papers, No. 144.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement giving full particulars of all expenditure made in constructing restaurant, enlarging the store-house, erecting freight-house, altering and improving the station house, constructing sidings, erecting coal sheds and trestle works, constructing platforms, ballasting tracks and grading the yard, and other such work done in the Railway station yard at *Moncton* during the year 1876. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 15th February, 1877, for a Statement giving a full account of all charges made and expenses incurred for changing the gauge of the Intercolonial Railway, and shewing how the expenditure is classified in the Railway Accounts. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 5th March, 1877, for a Return of the names of persons appointed to office between the 1st of January and the 7th of November 1873, the names of the officials whose salaries were increased during the same period; the names of those so appointed whose appointments were cancelled subsequent to the 7th of November. A Statement shewing whether the positions which were filled up by those whose appointments were cancelled have remained unfilled or have been since filled up—and if so when and by whom—and whether the salaries of those officials which were increased during the period named have been since reduced or increased, and shewing the reduction or increase in each office respectively. (*Sessional Papers, No. 144.*)

Also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 11th April, 1877, for a copy of the Engineer's Report of the *Bonnechère* and other possible route of the *Canada Central Extension*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 193.*)

And also, Supplementary Return to an Order of this House, dated 12th March, 1877, for copies of all petitions and correspondence respecting the grant by the Dominion Government of a sum of money to assist in the construction of the Railway from *Quebec* to *Lake St. John*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 125.*)

Mr. *Mills*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, Report of Progress of the Geological Survey of *Canada*, by *Alfred R. C. Selwyn*, F.R.S., F.G.S., Director, for the year 1875-76. (*Sessional Papers, No. 194.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 28th April, 1877, for a Statement of the suits and legal matters in which the legal firm of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, M.P., or any partner of his said firm, was instructed by his Department to act on behalf of the Crown, during his tenure of office as Minister of Justice and Attorney-General of *Canada*, with the dates of such instructions and of the last action in each case; with Statements of the dates of the beginning and conclusion of such suits and legal matters. (*Sessional Papers, No. 195.*)

Mr. *Huntington*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Supplementary Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 7th March, 1877, for copies of all papers or correspondence, if any, in regard to placing the Dominion of *Canada* in as favorable a position as any Foreign Country, under the provisions of the Postal Union, made at *Berne*, on the 9th October, 1874. (*Sessional Papers, No. 96.*)

And also, Return to an Order of this House, dated 16th April, 1877; 1st. For copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Mr. *Benjamin Lagacé* as Postmaster of *Jonquière*s, in the County of *Chicoutimi*; 2nd. Copies of the latest tenders for the conveyance of the Mails between *Chicoutimi* and *Jonquière*s; 3rd. Return shewing to whom the contract for the said conveyance of the Mails was granted. (*Sessional Papers, No. 190.*)

Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered), and is as followeth:—

*Dufferin.*

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, copy of a Despatch, dated 1st September, 1876, from H. M. Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to the *North American Boundary Commission*; together with a record of the proceedings at the meeting held by the Commissioners, on the 29th of May last. (*Sessional Papers, No. 191.*)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Ottawa, 28th April, 1877.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senate by their Clerk, as followeth:—

The Senate have passed the 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, 1877, and the 30th June, 1878, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service."

Mr. *Irving*, from the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix No. 8.*)

Mr. *Irving*, from the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

The Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, have the honor to make this their Second Report that in view of the announcement to the House, made on the 26th instant, that it is the intention to prorogue Parliament on the 28th instant, thinking it impossible to conclude any one of the matters referred to them, other than that contained in the Order of the House of the 9th April, instant, deem it inexpedient to proceed to the consideration of such other matters which have been referred to them.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by *R. E. Kimber*, Esquire Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General to acquaint this Honorable House, That it is the pleasure of His Excellency that the Members thereof do forthwith attend him in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency, where His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills:—

An Act to amend the Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Salaries of certain Judges.

An Act to make provision for improvements in Prison Discipline.

An Act to make better provision respecting the Geological and Natural History Survey of *Canada*, and for the maintenance of the Museum in connection therewith.

An Act to extend to the Province of *Prince Edward Island*, certain Criminal Laws now in force in other Provinces of *Canada*.

An Act to extend the provisions of section fifty-six of the Act thirty-fourth *Victoria*, chapter five, intituled: "An Act relating to Banks and Banking," to the Bank of *British North America*.

An Act to authorize the Union Forwarding and Railway Company to reduce its paid-up capital.

An Act respecting the *Canada Southern Bridge Company*.

An Act to change the name of the *Saint Francis and Megantic International Railway Company*, to the "International Railway Company," and for other purposes respecting the same.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate "The *Globe Printing Company*."

An Act concerning the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil and Montreal Railway Company*.

An Act respecting the transfer of *Rockwood Asylum* to the Province of *Ontario*, and to amend "The Penitentiary Act of 1875."

An Act further to amend the Act to incorporate the *Canada Mutual Marine Insurance Company*.

An Act respecting "*La Banque Jacques Cartier*."

An Act to authorize and provide for the winding-up of the Metropolitan Bank.

- An Act respecting the *Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company*.
- An Act respecting Procedure and Evidence in Criminal Cases.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting Offences against the Person.
- An Act to amend the Act to make further provision in regard to the Supreme and Exchequer Courts.
- An Act to incorporate the "Dominion of *Canada Civil Service Mutual Benefit Association*."
- An Act to authorize the "*Royal Canadian Insurance Company*" to reduce its Capital Stock; and for other purposes.
- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate "*The Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company*."
- An Act to provide for the safe custody of prisoners in places where the Common Gaols become temporarily insecure.
- An Act to amend "*The Railway Act, 1868*."
- An Act to extend the Act respecting Trade Marks and Industrial Designs to the Provinces of *British Columbia* and *Prince Edward Island*.
- An Act to incorporate the Union Marine Insurance Company of *Halifax, Nova Scotia*.
- An Act to amend the Act for the suppression of Gaming Houses.
- An Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*.
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- An Act to remove doubts as to the right to vote of Shareholders in certain Banks.
- An Act to grant additional powers to the *Springhill and Farnsborough Coal and Railway Company (Limited)*.
- An Act to amend "*An Act to impose License Duties on Compounders of Spirits, to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink, and Drugs*."
- An Act to authorize the transfer of the *Truro and Pictou Branch* of the Inter-colonial Railway to the person or company constructing a line of railway from *New Glasgow* to the Strait of *Canso*, and providing a proper ferry across the Strait.
- An Act to provide for the employment without the walls of Common Gaols of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment therein.
- An Act to make further provision for the payment of the Active Militia when called out in certain cases in aid of the civil power.
- An Act to amend the law respecting appeals from convictions before or Orders by Justices of the Peace.
- An Act to amend the "*Act respecting the Canadian Engine and Machinery Company*."
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- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Bridge Company of *Rivière du Loup*, in the County of *Maskinongé*.
- An Act respecting Tolls in the Harbour of *Montreal*.
- An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *National Investment Company of Canada (Limited)*.

- An Act to make provision against the improper use of Firearms.
- An Act to repeal certain laws making Breaches of Contract of service criminal, and to provide for the punishment of certain Breaches of Contract.
- An Act to transfer the management of certain Harbours, Piers and Breakwaters from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Marine and Fisheries.
- An Act to amend the Post Office Act, 1875.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting the Culling and Measuring of Timber.
- An Act to provide for the payment of travelling allowances to the District or County Court Judges in the Province of *British Columbia*.
- An Act respecting the Measurement of Steam Ships registered under the repealed Act of the late Province of *Canada*.
- An Act to amend an "Act respecting the Inland Revenue."
- An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts respecting Insurance.
- An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Union Life and Accident Insurance Company of *Canada*, and to change the name thereof to the "Union Assurance Company of *Canada*."
- An Act respecting the Great Seals of the Provinces of *Canada*, other than *Ontario* and *Quebec*.
- An Act to amend the Act intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *London* and *Ontario* Investment Company (Limited)."
- An Act to incorporate the *Pickering* Harbour Company (Limited) and to authorize it to collect tolls.
- An Act to establish a Court of Maritime Jurisdiction in the Province of *Ontario*.
- An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the Act amending the same.
- An Act to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, chapter fifty, respecting Permanent Building Societies in *Ontario*.
- An Act to incorporate "*La Société de Construction de St. Jacques*" as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes.
- An Act to incorporate "The Canadian Securities Company (Limited)."
- An Act to amend the "Act to make further provision for the management of Permanent Building Societies carrying on business in the Province of *Ontario*."
- An Act to amend the Act incorporating "The British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited)."
- An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the Customs.
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- An Act to amend the Law respecting the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies by Letters Patent.
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- An Act respecting the claim of the Dominion on the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*.
- An Act respecting the Act further securing the Independence of Parliament.
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- An Act to amend the Pilotage Act of 1875.
- An Act to make further provision respecting the constituting and management of Building Societies in the Province of *Quebec*.
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- An Act respecting certain Ordnance and Admiralty Lands in the Province of *Ontario* and *Quebec*.
- An Act to provide for the inspection of Petroleum.
- An Act to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures.
- The Titles to the following Bills were then read:—  
 "An Act for the relief of *Mary Jane Bates*."

"An Act for the relief of *Walter Scott*."

"An Act for the relief of *Martha Jemima Hawkshaw Holiwell*."

To these Bills the Clerk of the Senate, by His Excellency's command, did thereupon say:—

"His Excellency the Governor General doth reserve these Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon."

Then the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons addressed His Excellency the Governor General, as followeth:—

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, 1877, and the 30th June, 1878, 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."

After which His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to deliver the following speech to both Houses:—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:*

In relieving you from further attendance in Parliament, I beg to convey to you my thanks for the diligence with which you have applied yourselves to the performance of your duties.

Among the numerous measures you have passed, are several of considerable public importance.

The improved provision for the incorporation of Joint Stock Companies will, I trust, tend to the establishment of such companies under the operation of sound general rules, rather than by special and exceptional legislation.

The law as to Insurance Companies will add to the existing securities of Canadian insurers.

The alteration of the duties on petroleum will confer a great boon to the masses of the population.

The vast shipping interests of our great inland seas will be benefitted by the extension to the trade on those waters of rights and remedies the utility of which has been recognized by long experience.

The law providing for the extradition of fugitive criminals will enable *Canada* to discharge efficiently her part of the engagements of the Empire in this important particular.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:*

In Her Majesty's name, I thank you for the Supplies you have so cheerfully voted. I will take care that they are expended with due regard to economy.

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*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

The Commissioners to be named under the Treaty of *Washington* having been at length appointed, the Commission will shortly be organized at *Halifax*. I have taken steps to ensure a full and fair presentation of the case of *Canada*. I trust the negotiations may realize all our expectations.

I have now only to give expression to my earnest hope that on your return to your several homes you may meet with evidences of growing prosperity, and that before you are again called upon to meet together in your representative capacity the passing cloud on our Trade and Commerce will have disappeared.

Then the Honorable the Speaker of the Senate said :—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

It is His Excellency the Governor General's will and pleasure that this Parliament be prorogued until Thursday, the seventh day of June next, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Thursday, the seventh day of June next.

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| 11. Return respecting Land along route of Rideau Canal; Copies of Leases, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 252.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 141.)  | By Order,<br>124  | 227         |
| 12. Copies of Correspondence respecting Navigation of American Canals and Rivers. ( <i>Printed</i> , 187.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 104.)  | By Address<br>21  | 159         |
| 13. Return of Names, Salaries of Officers or Employés comprising the Government Staff of the Lachine Canal, for each of the years 1875-6 and 1876-7, &c. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 189.)  | By Order,<br>180  | 354         |
| 14. Correspondence between the Government and the Proprietors of Lands in the neighborhood of the proposed enlargement of the Lachine Canal, from 1st March, 1875, to 10th March, 1877, &c.  | By Order,<br>190  | —           |
| 15. Copies of Correspondence in reference to Culbute Canal, and damages sustained by one Elizabeth Sullivan, by a dam. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 188.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 114.)   | By Order,<br>124  | 177         |

## ACCOUNTS AND PAPERS—Continued.

*Canals* :—Continued.

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| 16. Copies of Papers in relation to enlargement of St. Peter's Canal. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 310.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 158.)   | By Address<br>124                | 276              |
| 17. Report of Chief Engineer of Public Works respecting Canal enlargement between Lake Erie and Montreal.<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 6.)  | By Act.                          | 27               |
| 18. <i>Capital Offences, Convictions for</i> :—See <i>Convictions, &amp;c.</i>   | —                                | —                |
| 19. <i>Chenal Ecarté</i> :—Return of Expenditure for dredging Channel at entrance of Chenal Ecarté, River Sydenham, Johnson's Bend, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 59.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 36.) | By Order,<br>April 7th,<br>1876. | 48               |
| <i>Civil Service</i> :   |                                  |                  |
| 20. Statement of Allowances and Gratuities under Act 33 Vict., chap. 4, respecting Superannuation.<br>( <i>Printed</i> , 58.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 21.)  | By Act.                          | 28               |
| 21. Return of Names, Offices, National Origin, &c., of persons appointed since date of last return on subject.   | By Order,<br>48                  | —                |
| 22. Return respecting Employés of inside and outside Divisions of the Civil Service, &c. ( <i>Printed</i> , 334.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> No. 144.)  | By Order,<br>56                  | 234, 310,<br>355 |
| 23. Names of Persons appointed to office between the 1st January and 7th November, 1873, &c.<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 144.)   | By Order,<br>102                 | 356              |
| 24. Return of Names and number of Officials in each Department on 1st July, 1873, and on the 6th November of same year, &c.  | By Order,<br>110                 | —                |
| 25. Copies of Departmental Pay Lists for October and November, 1873, and March, 1871.  | By Order,<br>275                 | —                |
| 26. <i>Coal</i> :—Return of quantities and value of Coal imported into Canada for the six months ending 31st December, 1876. ( <i>Printed</i> , 187.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 105.)                    | By Order,<br>108                 | 159              |
| 27. <i>Consolidated Fund</i> :—Statement of Receipts and Expenditures from 1st July, 1876, to 10th February, 1877.   | —                                | 51               |
| 28. <i>Convictions for Capital Offences</i> :—Return of Convictions for Capital Offences, &c., for three years ending 31st December, 1877. ( <i>Printed</i> , 88.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 43.)        | By Order,<br>46                  | 58               |

| ACCOUNTS AND PAPERS— <i>Continued.</i>  | ORDERED.          | PRE-SENTED. |
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| 29. <i>Contingencies</i> :—Return of Contingencies voted and expended in each Department from 1st July, 1868, &c.   | By Order,<br>110  | —           |
| 30. <i>Court Houses and Jails</i> :—Statement of Debentures issued for purchase of Court House and Gaol for Kamouraska, &c. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 183.</i> )  | By Address<br>205 | 342         |
| 31. <i>Crédit Foncier</i> :—Statement of " <i>Le Crédit Foncier du Bas Canada</i> ," incorporated under chap. 102 of Statutes of Canada, 36 Vic. (1873). ( <i>Not to be printed, 335.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 95.</i> ) | By Order,<br>47   | 164         |
| 32. <i>Dawson Route</i> :—Returns of all moneys paid to Carpenter & Co. in connection therewith. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 192.</i> )   | By Order,<br>275  | 354         |
| <i>Dismissals from Office:</i>  |                   |             |
| 33. For dismissals of Postmasters, see <i>Post Office</i> , 140.  | —                 | —           |
| 34. Correspondence, &c., respecting the dismissal of William Colwell, Locker in the Custom House Department, St. John, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 155.</i> )                              | By Order,<br>180  | 257         |
| 35. Papers relative to dismissal of John Harvey as Slide Master at the village of Arnprior.   | By Order,<br>245  | —           |
| 36. Return of Correspondence relating to dismissal from office of John Blaine, Angus Morrison, and C. L. Campbell. ( <i>Printed, 113.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 63.</i> )   | By Order,<br>60   | 87          |
| 37. <i>Dominion Dam</i> :—Copies of Papers relative to Dominion Dam, on Devil Lake, Addington County. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 46.</i> )  | By Order,<br>21   | 61          |
| 38. <i>Dominion Notes</i> :—Returns of Dominion Notes of one and two dollars payable in Victoria, B.C. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers No. 80.</i> )  | By Order,<br>107  | 142         |
| 39. <i>Dupont, C. T.</i> :—Papers referring to his inspection of Customs Stations in British Columbia. ( <i>Printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 133.</i> )  | By Address<br>123 | 213         |
| <i>Elections:</i>   |                   |             |
| 40. Certificate and Report of the Glengarry Election from one of the Judges pursuant to the Controverted Elections Act, 1874.   | By Act.           | 1           |

## ACCOUNTS AND PAPERS—Continued.

*Elections*:—Continued.

41. Certified copy of judgment and decision of Supreme Court in the matter of Osée Brassard *et al* (Petitioners) and Hon. Hector Louis Langevin (Defendant).

ORDERED. PRE-SENTED.

By Act. 84

*Emigration*:

42. Correspondence between the Government or any of its Departments and the Emigration Agents stationed in Ireland respecting the sending out of Emigrants from that country to Canada, &c.; also with respect to removal of Manchester Agent to Belfast, &c.

By Address 151 —

43. Copies of all Correspondence relative to the repatriation of French Immigrants during 1876.

By Address 108 —

44. *Esquimalt*:—See *Graving Dock*, 60.

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45. *Expenditures under Orders in Council*:—Return of all Amounts carried over by Orders in Council at end of financial year, under authority of chap. 2 of Act of last session, &c. (*Not to be printed*, 252.) (*S. Papers*, No. 97.)

By Order, 90 147

46. *Financial Agents of the Dominion*:—See *Banks*, 3.

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*Fisheries*:

47. Orders in Council, &c., in relation to Smelt Fisheries in Harbour of Bathurst, &c. (*Not to be printed*, 188.) (*S. Papers*, No. 108.)

By Address 101 164

48. Return of leases of right to fish in non-tidal waters of New Brunswick. (*Not to be printed*, 252.) (*S. Papers*, No. 135.)

By Order, 183 213

49. Return showing title to land connected with Fish-breeding Establishment at Newcastle, Ont. (*Not to be printed*, 252.) (*S. Papers*, No. 134.)

By Order, 152 213

50. Commission or other document appointing John Mowat a Fishery Officer in the County of Restigouche, in the Province of New Brunswick, &c. (*Not to be printed*, 251.) (*S. Papers*, No. 127.)

By Order, 160 201

51. Returns of persons who have obtained license to erect deep-sea Weirs or Traps. (*Not to be printed*, 251.) (*S. Papers*, No. 128.)

By Order, 160 201

52. Copies of Papers respecting Fisheries in the Rapids of the Richelieu, in front of Chambly Canton. (*Not to be printed*, 310.) (*S. Papers*, No. 157.)

By Order, 205 258

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*Fisheries* :—Continued.

|   | ORDERED.          | PRE-SENTED. |
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| 53. Copies of Reports to Council in relation to the Bass and Gaspereaux Fisheries of Rivers Napan and Black River, Miramichi, &c. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 188.)            | By Address<br>274 | 343         |
| 54. <i>Fog Whistles</i> :— Correspondence relating to Fog-Whistle at Cape D'Or. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 335.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 173.)                           | By Order,<br>183  | 312         |
| 55. <i>Fort Francis Lock</i> :—Orders in Council relating to the construction of the Fort Francis Lock or Canal, &c. ( <i>Printed</i> , 141.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 88.) | By Address<br>56  | 130         |
| 56. <i>Geological Survey</i> :—Report of Progress. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 194.)   | By Act.           | 356         |

*Government Deposits* :

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| 57. Correspondence respecting the Government Deposits in the Ontario Bank from 1st December, 1873. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 179.)   | By Order,<br>182  | 334 |
| 58. Return of Government Deposits in Dominion Banks since 1st January, 1876, &c. ( <i>Printed</i> , 251.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 137.)                                      | By Order,<br>123  | 221 |
| 59. <i>Graham, Sarah</i> :—Papers respecting reduction of Salary of late William Graham, Messenger of House. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 142.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 87.) | By Order,<br>125  | 130 |
| 60. <i>Graving Dock at Esquimalt</i> :—Correspondence respecting same. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 251.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 124.)                                      | By Address<br>151 | 197 |

*Great Seal* :

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| 61. Copies of Papers respecting Great Seal of Nova Scotia. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 141.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 86.)  | By Address<br>125              | 129 |
| 62. Supplementary Return respecting the Great Seal of Nova Scotia. (Referred back to Printing Committee, 263.) ( <i>Subsequently printed</i> , 308.)                       | —                              | 263 |
| 63. <i>Gypsum</i> :—Return of all Gypsum or Plaster of Paris imported from the United States into Canada. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 114.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 64.) | By Order,<br>March 2,<br>1876. | 87  |

*Harbours* :—

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| 64. Orders in Council having reference to Goderich Harbor Works in 1874, &c. ( <i>Printed</i> , 251.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 75.) | By Address<br>55 | 106 |
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*Harbours* :—Continued.

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| 65. Returns showing cost, &c., of Lighthouse at Harbour of Refuge, at Rondeau. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 90.</i> )              | By Order,<br>108  | 135         |
| 66. Statement of extent and character of improvements on Toronto Harbour during 1876. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 112.</i> )      | By Order,<br>109  | 177         |
| 67. Engineer's Report of Survey of Eagle Harbor, Elgin Co. ( <i>Not to be printed, 141.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 84.</i> )                                     | By Order,<br>109  | 127         |
| 68. Copy of Survey, &c., of Casumpec Harbor, P. E. Island, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 252.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 139.</i> )                             | By Order,<br>204  | 234         |
| 69. Returns respecting Aspy Bay Harbor, County of Victoria, N.S. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 122.</i> )                           | By Order,<br>125  | 196         |
| 70. Return of all Tenders and Contracts for the construction of a Harbor at Ingonish, N.S. ( <i>Not to be printed, 114.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 67.</i> )  | By Order,<br>39   | 89          |
| 71. Engineer's Report of the survey of Parry Sound Harbor made by Mr. Michaud, C.E., in 1876. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 150.</i> ) | By Order,<br>183  | 250         |
| 72. Reports and Plans of Port Hood Harbor. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 115.</i> )   | By Order,<br>123  | 177         |
| 73. Plans of Contract, &c., of Ingonish Harbor, N.S. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 67.</i> )   | By Order,<br>150  | 153         |
| 74. Correspondence relating to the improvement of Harbor at mouth of Partridge Island River. ( <i>Not to be printed, 114.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 66.</i> )   | By Order,<br>46   | 89          |
| Supplementary Return relating to the improvement of Harbor at mouth of Partridge Island River. ( <i>Not to be printed, 141.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 66.</i> ) | —                 | 116         |
| <i>Harbor Masters</i> :   |                   |             |
| 75. Return of Harbour Master for Port of Little Glace Bay, C.B. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 111.</i> )                            | By Order,<br>124  | 169         |
| 76. Return of Names, &c., of Harbor Masters at Sorel, St. Johns, Three Rivers and Lachine. ( <i>Not to be printed, 335.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 174.</i> )    | By Order<br>204   | 212         |
| 77. Copies of Orders in Council relating to creation of office of Harbor Master at Port Colborne, and to the appointment of C. H. Carter, &c.                   | By Address<br>274 | —           |

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|   | ORDERED.                        | PRE-SENTED. |
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| <i>House of Commons :</i>   |                                 |             |
| 78. Account Current of Accountant for year ending 1st July, 1876.   | By Order.                       | 19          |
| 79. Statement showing Ages, Names, Salaries, length of service of each Officer, Messenger, &c.  | By Order,<br>275                | 319         |
| 80. <i>Illicit Stills</i> :—Returns of seizures of Illicit Stills by the Revenue Officers of the Dominion in 1873-4-5, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 252.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 138.</i> )  | By Order,<br>189                | 221         |
| <i>Indians :</i>  |                                 |             |
| 81. Return of Commissioners for Indian Grants in Nova Scotia. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 51.</i> )   | By Order,<br>48                 | 62          |
| 82. Copies of all papers respecting Agents for Tobique Indians. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 94.</i> )  | By Order,<br>125                | 144         |
| 83. Copies of papers with reference to adjustment of Indian Lands in British Columbia. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 153.</i> )  | By Address<br>206               | 250         |
| 84. <i>Inland Revenue</i> :—Report of the Minister of Inland Revenue for 1876. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 4.</i> )   | By Com-<br>mand.                | 20          |
| 85. <i>Insolvency</i> :—Returns relating to the number of failures, the assets and liabilities of Insolvent Estates and the number and character of the compromises which have taken place throughout Canada during the last twelve months. | By Order,<br>102                | —           |
| 86. <i>Insurance Co's.</i> :—Abstracts of Statements of Insurance Co's. in Canada for 1876. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 12.</i> )   | By Act.                         | 289         |
| 87. <i>Interior, Department of</i> :—Report of Minister for 1876. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 11.</i> )   | By Com-<br>mand.                | 55          |
| 88. <i>Intoxicating Liquors</i> :—Return to Address for correspondence as to relative jurisdiction of Dominion and Provincial Parliaments over the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 110.</i> )             | Address<br>April 10th,<br>1876. | 166         |
| <i>Judges :</i>   |                                 |             |
| 89. Correspondence respecting the appointment of a County Court Judge for the District of New Westminster, British Columbia. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 148.</i> )  | By Address<br>191               | 250         |

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| <i>Judges:—Continued.</i>   |                   |             |
| 90. Orders in Council and Correspondence since last Session between the Federal and the Quebec Governments concerning the Judicial Staff of the District of Montreal. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 118.</i> )  | By Address<br>150 | 177         |
| 91. Copies of Petitions of T. D. Latour and others, concerning Mr. Justice Loranger. ( <i>Referred, 59.</i> ) ( <i>Not to be printed, 113.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 44.</i> )   | By Address<br>36  | 58          |
| 92. Petition of J. B. Brousseau on the same subject. ( <i>Not to be printed, 113.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 44.</i> )  | By Address<br>93  | 100         |
| 93. <i>Justice, Department of:—</i> Statement of suits and legal matters in which the legal firm of Sir J. A. Macdonald, or any partner of his firm, was instructed by his Department to act on behalf of the Crown, during his tenure of office as Minister of Justice, &c. (See <i>Ordinance Lands, 130.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 195.</i> ) | By Order,<br>354  | 356         |
| 94. <i>Kidston, W. :—</i> Papers and Correspondence relative to defalcation of Ex-Collector of Customs, W. Kidston, at Baddeck. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 154.</i> )  | By Order,<br>108  | 257         |
| 95. <i>Lapsed Balances:—</i> Return showing all Amounts carried over by Orders in Council at end of financial year, and statement of such lapsed balances remaining unexpended, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 252.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 97.</i> )   | By Order,<br>90   | 147         |
| 96. <i>Library:—</i> Report of Librarian. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 16.</i> )   | —                 | 12          |
| <i>Live Stock:</i>  |                   |             |
| 97. Return of Value, &c., of Live Cattle imported into each province between 1st January, 1875, and 1st January, 1877, &c. The value of meats, fresh and cured, &c. ( <i>Printed, 334.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 170.</i> )   | By Order,<br>109  | 310         |
| 98. Classified Return of Imports and Exports of Live Stock from 1875 to 1877, and for month of January, 1877. ( <i>Printed, 113.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 61.</i> )   | By Order,<br>36   | 87          |
| 99. <i>Loan, Government:—</i> See <i>Prospectus, &amp;c., 183.</i>  | —                 | —           |
| 100. <i>Macdonald, Right Hon. Sir J. A.:—</i> See <i>Justice, Department of, 93.</i>  | —                 | —           |
| <i>Malt Duty:</i>   |                   |             |
| 101. Copies of Instructions with respect to additional Duty on Malt. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 93.</i> )  | By Order,<br>124  | 140         |

## ACCOUNTS AND PAPERS—Continued.

*Malt Duty* :—Continued.

102. Monthly Return of Malt taken out of bond, from 1st July, 1876, to 28th February, 1877. (*Not to be printed, 309.*) (*S. Papers, No. 93.*)

ORDERED. PRE-SENTED.

By Order, 250  
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103. *Manitoba* :—See *North-West*.

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104. *Manufactures* :—Return showing general Nature and Value of Manufactured Goods imported into Canada from United States in 1874, 1875, 1876. (*Printed, 58.*) (*S. Papers, No. 40.*)

By Order, 50  
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105. *Marine Hospital* :—Return of all Money expended in connection with Marine Hospital at Sydney; copies of Tenders, &c. (*Not to be printed, 114.*) (*S. Papers, No. 71.*)

By Order, 99  
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Supplementary Return of all Money expended in connection with Marine Hospital at Sydney; copies of tenders, &c.

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*Marine and Fisheries* :

106. Report of Marine and Fisheries for 1876. (*S. Papers, No. 5.*)

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mand.

107. List of Lights on Coasts, Rivers and Lakes of Canada for 1876. (*S. Papers, No. 5.*)

By Com- 13  
mand.*Militia* :

108. Report on State of Militia for 1876. (*S. Papers, No. 7.*)

By Com- 50  
mand.

109. Return of Names of Deputy Adjutant Generals and Brigade-Majors on staff of Volunteer Militia Staff on 1st January, 1876, &c. (*Not to be printed, 141.*) (*S. Papers No. 82.*)

By Order, 116  
102

110. Return of Veterans who have proved their right to partake in the grant voted last session in favor of Militiamen of 1812-15, &c. (*Not to be printed, 141.*) (*Again referred to Printing Committee, 153, 311.*) (*Printed, 334.*) (*S. Papers, No. 76.*)

By Order, 114  
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111. Copies of all Orders in Council appointing Staff Officers in the Militia since 1st January, 1875. (*Not to be printed, 141.*) (*S. Papers, No. 82.*)

By Address —  
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112. Return of Number of Candidates for admission to Military College at Kingston, &c. (*Not to be printed, 59.*) (*S. Papers, No. 34.*)

By Order, 43  
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113. *Miramichi River* :—Copies of Correspondence relative to dredging Horse Shoe Channel, *Miramichi River*. (*Not to be printed, 188.*) (*S. Papers, No. 106.*)

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| <i>Montreal Harbour Commissioners :</i>   |                                 |             |
| 114. Statement of all Salaries, Fees and Indemnity paid by Harbor Commissioners of Montreal. ( <i>Not to be printed, 89.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 33.</i> )  | By Address<br>April 7,<br>1876. | 43          |
| 115. Statement of Amounts paid by Steamers to Harbour Commissioners of Montreal for Wharfage Dues. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 120.</i> )  | By Order,<br>109                | 188         |
| 116. Copy of Order in Council approving By-law of Harbour Commissioners in reference to Tariff of Pilotage between Quebec and Montreal. ( <i>Not to be printed, 310.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 167.</i> )         | By Address<br>270               | 289         |
| 117. Copies of all Petitions, &c., relating to complaints made against the administration of the Harbour Board of Montreal in connection with the town of Sorel and the works for deepening Lake St. Francis, &c. | By Address.<br>273              | —           |
| 118. Petition complaining of conduct of Montreal Harbour Commissioners with respect to P. Charbonneau, P. Coté and others. ( <i>Not to be printed, 310.</i> )   | Senate Pa-<br>pers.             | —           |
| 119. <i>New South Wales Exhibition</i> :—Statement of Expenditure in connection with this Exhibition. ( <i>Not to be printed, 58.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 24.</i> )   | By Com-<br>mand.                | 28          |
| 120. <i>Norris, J. G.</i> :—Papers in reference to his appointment as Collector of Customs at Kootenay, B.C. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 130.</i> )                                    | By Address<br>123               | 213         |
| 121. <i>North American Boundary Commission</i> :—Despatch relative to and record of its proceedings. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 196.</i> )   | By Message                      | 356         |
| <i>North West :</i>   |                                 |             |
| 122. Copies of Papers, &c., relating to distribution of Half-breed Lands in Manitoba. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 41.</i> )  | By Order,<br>46                 | 122         |
| 123. Return of Lands surrendered by the Dominion Government to the Government of Manitoba for road purposes. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 41.</i> )                                     | By Order,<br>101                | 122         |
| 124. Return showing quantity of Wood land in Marquette Co., Manitoba. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 151.</i> )   | By Order,<br>114                | 250         |
| 125. Copies of all Orders in Council, &c., respecting relief to Settlers and others in Manitoba. ( <i>Not to be printed, 89.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 41.</i> )  | By Address<br>March 6,<br>1876. | 50          |

| ACCOUNTS AND PAPERS— <i>Continued.</i>   | ORDERED.                           | PRE-SENTED. |
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| <i>North-West</i> :—Continued.   |                                    |             |
| 126. Communications from the first Council of North-West Territories in regard to preservation of the Buffalo, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 309.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 149.)   | By Address<br>182                  | 250         |
| 127. Copies of Correspondence relative to Railway Reserves in Manitoba.  | By Order,<br>35                    | —           |
| 128. Return respecting supplies to Mounted Police Force in the North-West Territory, &c.   | By Order,<br>180                   | —           |
| 129. Orders and Instructions issued by Departments of Justice and Emigration in reference to route of travel to be followed by Mounted Police and Emigrants for Manitoba and North-West during 1874, 1875, and 1876; and Statement showing fares paid for Engineer Staff and other employees of the Pacific Railway Survey, &c., per Lake Superior line and Beatty line, &c. | By Order,<br>269                   | —           |
| <i>Ordnance Lands</i> :  |                                    |             |
| 130. Statement respecting Ordnance property at Quebec, known as the "Cove Field." ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 252.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 136.)  | By Order,<br>180                   | 213         |
| 131. Statement of all sums of Money received by Department of Justice by way of costs, &c., upon Ordnance Land. ( <i>Printed</i> , 309.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 163.)  | By Address<br>22nd April,<br>1872. | 284         |
| <i>Ottawa River</i> :  |                                    |             |
| 132. Correspondence between Government and the contractor for the construction of Dam, Lock, and Slide on Ottawa River, at Carillon.   | By Order,<br>189                   | —           |
| 133. Reports of Engineers, &c., respecting greater rise in waters of the Ottawa in the level between Chaudière Falls and Long Sault Rapids than the levels below and above those points.   | By Order,<br>189                   | —           |
| 134. Return of Slide Masters and their salaries; of Timber passed through slides in 1876. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 181.)   | By Order,<br>125                   | 342         |
| 135. <i>Penitentiaries</i> :—Report of the Minister of Justice respecting Penitentiaries. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 15.)  | By Com-<br>mand.                   | 12          |
| 136. <i>Philadelphia Exhibition</i> :—Report of Commissioners. ( <i>Not to be printed in S. Papers</i> , 310.)   | —                                  | —           |
| 137. <i>Pilotage</i> :—Returns from Pilotage Authorities in Cape Breton for 1876, showing names of Pilots, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 188.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 109.)   | By Order,<br>91                    | 163         |

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| 138. <i>Police</i> :—Return respecting Dominion Police for 1876.<br>( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 188.) (S. Papers, No. 92.)   | By Act.                           | 140             |
| 139. <i>Portage Island</i> :—Copies of Papers in relation to its<br>transfer from jurisdiction of British Admiralty, &c.<br>(S. Papers, No. 178.)<br><i>Post Office</i> :   | By Address<br>214                 | 326             |
| 140. Report of the Postmaster General for 1876.<br>(S. Papers, No. 3.)  | By Com-<br>mand.                  | 22              |
| 141. Copies of Correspondence respecting appointment of<br>B. Lagacé as Postmaster of Jonquières, Chicoutimi.<br>(S. Papers, No. 190.)  | By Order,<br>24                   | 356             |
| 142. Return of Amounts paid for Printing and Stationery<br>for Post Office Department during 1875 and 1876,<br>other than to the Parliamentary Printer and Con-<br>tractor at Ottawa, &c. ( <i>Printed</i> , 113.)<br>(S. Papers, No. 59.)        | By Order,<br>47                   | 87              |
| 143. Correspondence regarding Mr. McLeod, Postmaster at<br>Great Bras d'Or. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 113.)<br>(S. Papers, No. 62.)  | By Order,<br>46                   | 87              |
| 144. Copy of Advertisement or Notice for Tenders for Mail<br>Service of 1876 between the Ports on Lake Huron<br>and the Georgian Bay and Prince Arthur's Landing,<br>Duluth, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 187.)<br>(S. Papers, No. 70.)       | By Order,<br>46                   | 92              |
| 145. Copies of Papers respecting dismissal of J. Murray<br>Nase, at mouth of Neripis, N.B.<br>(S. Papers, No. 186.)   | By Order,<br>204                  | 343             |
| 146. Copies of Tenders, &c., in relation to carrying Mail<br>between Scott's Junction, County of Beauce, and<br>parish of St. Bernard, County of Dorchester. ( <i>Not<br/>to be printed</i> , 141.) (S. Papers, No. 85.)                          | By Order of<br>March 29,<br>1876. | 127             |
| 147. Copies of Correspondence respecting dismissal of Post-<br>master of Upper St. Francis, N.B. ( <i>Not to be<br/>printed</i> , 310.) (S. Papers, No. 168.)   | By Order,<br>150                  | 290             |
| 148. Expenditure incurred by the Post Office Department<br>for carrying the Mails below Quebec while the<br>Grand Trunk Railway was stopped by snow during<br>the winter of 1876, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 252.)<br>(S. Papers, No. 142.) | By Order,<br>152                  | 227             |
| 149. Copy of Commission appointing John Dewe P.O.<br>Inspector. (S. Papers, No. 185.)   | By Order,<br>160                  | 343             |

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| 150. Communications received by the Postmaster General or any Department of the Government from St. John Board of Trade, on the subject of the sale of Postage Stamps in the St. John Post Office. | By Order,<br>160                | —           |
| 151. Correspondence between the Council of the Quebec Board of Trade and the Dominion Government, relating to the rule in regard to underpaid letters.<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 187.</i> )           | By Address<br>191               | 343         |
| 152. Return of Newspapers and Periodicals which have paid postage on papers sent from office of publication. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 166.</i> )                  | By Order,<br>189                | 284         |
| 153. Papers on the subject of closing the Post Office in the vicinity of the Church of St. Jean l'Evangeliste de la Nouvelle.<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 184.</i> )                                    | By Address<br>189               | 343.        |
| 154. Copies of Return of Contracts for conveyance of Mails between Wallace and Grenville Station on Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )     | By Order,<br>March 24,<br>1876. | 291         |
| 155. Correspondence, &c., respecting renewal of Contract for transportation of Mail between Campbellton and Paspébiac, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 310.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 169.</i> )    | By Order,<br>189                | 290.        |
| 156. Copies of Papers in relation to appointment of a new Postmaster for parish of St. Augustin, &c.<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 175.</i> )   | By Order,<br>204                | 324.        |
| 157. Copies of Papers in reference to dismissal of W. Cornock, of Erin Village, Wellington.<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 175.</i> )  | By Order,<br>205                | 324.        |
| 158. Copies of all Correspondence respecting Ocean Mail Service between Victoria, B.C., and San Francisco, &c.   | By Order,<br>36                 | —           |
| 159. Report in reference to Postmaster of Bloomsbury, Norfolk Co.<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 58.</i> )   | By Order,<br>April 3,<br>1876.  | 87          |
| 160. Papers in reference to dismissal of Mr. Collet, Postmaster of St. Henry, Lévis Co. ( <i>Not to be printed, 113.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 60.</i> )  | By Order,<br>March 2,<br>1876.  | 87          |
| 161. Correspondence with reference to loss of Mail bag between Truro and Halifax on or about 14th December last. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 126.</i> )              | By Order,<br>182                | 200.        |

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| <i>Post Office:—Continued.</i>   |                               |             |
| 162. Copy of Tenders for carrying the Mails in British Columbia. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 180.</i> )  | By Order, 126                 | 335         |
| 163. Copies of Papers relative to Mails between Intercolonial Railway and Grenville.   | By Order, 247                 | —           |
| 164. Copy of Contract for conveyance of Mail between Wallace and Malagash, Cumberland Co., N.S. ( <i>Not to be printed, 59.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 38.</i> )                                    | By Order, March 29, 1876.     | 49          |
| 165. Copies of all Petitions respecting establishment of Post Office at Notre Dame de Grace, near Montreal, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 129.</i> )                  | By Order, 102                 | 213         |
| 166. Return of number of Post Office and Custom House Buildings owned by Dominion, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 123.</i> )   | By Order, 102                 | 196         |
| 167. Copies of Correspondence relative to change of Mail Conductors on Kennebec Railway since 1st January, 1875. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 177.</i> )  | By Address 103                | 325         |
| 168. Papers relative to Postal Union made at Berne in 1874. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 96.</i> )   | By Address 110                | 147, 356    |
| 169. Copies of Correspondence relative to diminution of number of Mails between Chicoutimi and Anse-au-Foin.   | By Order, 245                 | —           |
| <i>Prince Edward Island:</i>   |                               |             |
| 170. Copies of Contract with Mr. Sewell for building steamer "Northern Light." ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 98.</i> )  | By Order, 39                  | 289         |
| 171. Return respecting opening up of Steam Communication in the winter season between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 101.</i> ) | By Address of 2nd March, 1876 | 148         |
| 172. Copies of Papers showing amount paid by Dominion Government for purchase of Lands in Prince Edward Island.  | By Address 204                | —           |
| 173. Return showing the number of passages of "Northern Light," &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> )   | Senate.                       | —           |
| 174. Return of total cost of steamer "Northern Light," &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 188.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 98.</i> )  | By Order, 91                  | 147         |
| 175. Disbursements paid on accounts of Prince Edward Island Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed, 310.</i> )  | Senate.                       | —           |

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| <i>Prince Edward Island</i> :—Continued.   |                   |             |
| 176. Return of Moneys paid for legal expenses Prince Edward Island during 1874-'75-'76. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 309.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 172.)  | By Order,<br>189  | 311         |
| 177. Return showing Government Officials in Prince Edward Island. ( <i>Printed</i> , 309.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 146.)  | By Address<br>189 | 245         |
| <i>Printing and Advertising</i> :  |                   |             |
| 178. Order in Council of 17th December, 1875, respecting Government Advertising and Audit of Advertising Accounts, &c.   | By Address<br>160 | —           |
| 179. Return of amounts paid for Printing for all services in Prince Edward Island for 1874-'75 and '76.  | By Order,<br>189  | —           |
| 180. Detailed statement of expenses during 1874-5-6 for Advertising in public journals of the Dominion, &c. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 130.)   | By Order,<br>47   | 354         |
| 181. Statement showing the newspapers in which advertising has been done by the Government for 1872-'73-'74-'75. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 181.)  | Senate.           | —           |
| 182. Return in detail of Departmental Printing of each Department.   | By Order,<br>182  | —           |
| 183. <i>Prospectus of last Government Loan</i> :—Return of Prospectus issued by Minister of Finance in London for last Loan, &c. ( <i>Printed</i> , 88.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 39.)                 | By Order,<br>46   | 50          |
| 184. <i>Provincial Acts</i> :—Copies of Correspondence concerning Disallowance of Provincial Acts, or the action on Provincial Acts disallowed. ( <i>Printed</i> , 187.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 89.) | By Address<br>35  | 132,140     |
| 185. <i>Public Accounts</i> :—Public Accounts of Canada for year ending 30th June, 1876. ( <i>Referred</i> , 59.) ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 2.)   | By Com-<br>mand.  | 21          |
| <i>Public Works</i> :  |                   |             |
| 186. Report of the Chief Engineer of Public Works on Canal enlargement between Lake Erie and Montreal. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 6.)  | —                 | 27          |
| 187. General Report of Minister for 1876. ( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 6.)   | By Act.           | 12          |

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| <i>Quebec :</i>  |                                  |             |
| 188. Copy of Correspondence relating to Jesuits' Barracks in the City of Quebec. Supplementary Returns on same subject. ( <i>Printed, 58.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 26.</i> )                              | By Address<br>March 27,<br>1876. | 38, 42      |
| 189. Copy of Correspondence relative to Exchange of Property called Vieux Chateau de St. Louis in Quebec, &c.) ( <i>Printed, 58.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 32.</i> )                                       | By Address<br>March 29,<br>1876. | 43          |
| 190. Copy of Mr. Langmuir's Report on Quebec Marine Hospital. ( <i>Not to be printed, 89.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 56.</i> )  | By Order,<br>35                  | 76          |
| 191. Copies of Contract of work at Citadel of Quebec in 1874 and 1875, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 48.</i> )  | By Order,<br>March 27,<br>1876.  | 61          |
| 192. Copies of the Petition of Harbor Commissioners of Quebec praying for a guarantee for \$250,000. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 1&amp;2.</i> )  | By Address<br>272                | 342         |
| <i>Railways :</i>  |                                  |             |
| 193. Copies of Correspondence referring to Railway Stations at Bic and St. Octave. ( <i>Not to be printed, 114.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )  | By Order,<br>April 7,<br>1876.   | 99          |
| 194. Copies of Returns of Special Rates accorded to any Company or Individual for conveyance of Freight over the Railways in Nova Scotia. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 49.</i> ) | By Order,<br>March 29,<br>1876.  | 62          |
| 195. Correspondence in connection with Payments to J. B. McCready and others, in King's County, N.B. ( <i>Not to be printed, 88.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )                                       | By Order,<br>March 29,<br>1876.  | 62          |
| 196. Return of old Rails in possession of the Government. ( <i>Printed, 88.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 50.</i> )  | By Order,<br>March 29,<br>1876.  | 62          |
| 197. Correspondence in reference to the Pacific Railway. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 57.</i> )   | By Message                       | 80          |
| 198. Copies of all Reports and Statements with reference to the Georgian Bay Branch of Pacific Railway, under contract by Hon. A. B. Foster, &c. ( <i>Printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 57.</i> )    | By Address<br>80                 | 234         |
| 199. Return of resident Employés on the Intercolonial Railway within the County of Northumberland, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )                                    | By Order,<br>102                 | 276         |
| 200. Copies of Contracts entered into for construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway and sums expended for construction. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 57.</i> )                | By Act.                          | 176         |

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| <i>Railways :—Continued.</i>  |                                 |             |
| 201. Correspondence in reference to the killing, by one of the Trains of the Intercolonial Railway, of Cattle, the property of Mr. James Niven, of Newcastle, Miramichi, N.B., &c.  | By Order,<br>183                | —           |
| 202. Copies of arrangements made respecting Tariff of charges for Conveyance of Passengers and Freight over Grand Trunk and Intercolonial Railways, &c.   | By Order,<br>183                | —           |
| 203. Minutes of Council, &c., in connection with Section Fifteen of the Canada Pacific Railway, &c. ( <i>Printed, 250.</i> ) ( <i>Subsequently not to be printed, 335.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 57.</i> )   | By Address<br>183               | 196         |
| 204. Statement of all Claims made by individuals or Corporations in relation to the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, in the Province of Quebec. ( <i>Not to be printed, 88.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )   | By Order,<br>March 29,<br>1876. | 38          |
| 205. Return showing Names of Valuators on Intercolonial Railway in Temiscouata and Rimouski; also, List of Claims for Damages caused by the expropriation of Lands on the line of Railway through said Counties. ( <i>Not to be printed, 89.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> ) | By Order,<br>March 29,<br>1876. | 38          |
| 206. Copies of Contract for Iron Roof of Station House at Halifax, &c. ( <i>Printed, 88.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )  | By Order,<br>April 3,<br>1876.  | 55          |
| 207. Copies of tenders for erection of Passenger Station at Halifax. ( <i>Not to be printed, 88.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )   | By Order,<br>March 29,<br>1876. | 55          |
| 208. Statement showing what Bridges and Culverts, between Pictou and Halifax, received extensive Repairs and Alterations, &c.   | By Order,<br>34                 | —           |
| 209. Statement of all Claims against Intercolonial Railway for Damages or Losses, sustained by individuals from working of Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed, 141.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )   | By Order,<br>35                 | 127         |
| 210. Copies of Papers relative to damages to Property on Marsh Road, St. John Co., N.B., from Locomotives on Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )   | By Order,<br>35                 | 163         |
| 211. Statement of Accidents on Intercolonial Railway in Northumberland Co., N.B. Causes of Accidents, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 141.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )  | By Order,                       | 126         |

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| <i>Railways</i> :—Continued.  |                 |             |
| 212. Statement showing monthly sales of Season and Commutation Tickets at each station of Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 141.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 25.)  | By Order,<br>34 | 126         |
| 213. Statement of arrangement made with Pullman Palace Car Company for use of their cars on Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 187.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 25.)  | By Order,<br>34 | 163         |
| 214. Statement of any arrangement made with Grand Trunk Railway for interchange of Cars, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 114.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 72.)  | By Order,<br>34 | 99          |
| 215. Statement showing various Tariffs of carriage of Freight on Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed</i> , 187.)<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 25.)   | By Order,<br>34 | 163         |
| 216. Statement showing amounts of additions to Salaries paid to any General or Departmental Officer of Intercolonial Railway.   | By Order,<br>34 | —           |
| 217. Statement showing names, occupation, and salary of persons appointed in connection with Construction and Management of Intercolonial Railway during 1876; Amount of increase of Salaries, &c.; Statement of names, occupation and remuneration of Temporary Clerks on Railway during 1876. | By Order,<br>33 | —           |
| 218. Statement showing amounts paid to newspaper proprietors for advertising, placards, posters, maps, &c., and printing of all kinds for Intercolonial Railway.  | By Order,<br>34 | —           |
| 219. Statement of general description and cost of each of Works, not chargeable to ordinary maintenance, &c.<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 25.)   | By Order,<br>33 | 355         |
| 220. Copies of any agreement or arrangement in reference to insurance of Officers of Intercolonial Railway with Guarantee Company of Canada.<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 25.)   | By Order,<br>33 | 354         |
| 221. Statement of arrangements for insuring Employés of Intercolonial Railway against Accident.<br>( <i>S. Papers</i> , No. 25.)  | By Order,<br>33 | 355         |
| 222. Statement approximately showing number of tons of Freight forwarded to each Station of Intercolonial Railway from any Station on Grand Trunk Railway; Total Revenue arising from each source, &c.  | By Order,<br>33 | —           |

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| <i>Railways :—Continued.</i>  |                  |             |
| 223. Statement of all charges incurred in altering gauge of Intercolonial Railway, &c. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )  | By Order,<br>32  | 355         |
| 224. Statement showing Names, Ages, Denominations, Salaries, &c., of all persons, except Mechanics and Laborers, on Intercolonial Railway.  | By Order,<br>32  | —           |
| 225. Statement of all offers or Tenders for Wheels, Axles, Springs, Tools, Stoves, &c.; and also for Buildings, Snow-Sheds, for use of Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers No. 25.</i> ) | By Order,<br>32  | 177         |
| 226. Statement of Names and Addresses of all persons who have supplied Materials and Stores for use of Intercolonial Railway.   | By Order,<br>32  | —           |
| 227. Statement of all Accidents on Intercolonial Railway since 1st July, 1876. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )   | By Order,<br>31  | 203         |
| 228. Copies of all Orders in Council, &c., relative to appointment of James McAlister to the position of Cashier of Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>Not to be printed, 251.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers No. 25.</i> )                    | By Address<br>31 | 197         |
| 229. Statement showing, for each month, number of Miles run by Engines on each service; gross Working Expenses; charges made for use of Engines and Cars; Special Trains, &c.   | By Order,<br>31  | —           |
| 230. Copies of Correspondence with Phoenixville Iron Co. in relation to offers for bridge superstructure, iron roofs, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 187.</i> ) ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )                                    | By Order,<br>32  | 163         |
| 231. Statement of Quantities, Cost, and kinds of Rails, Fish-plates, &c., for use of Intercolonial Railway.   | By Order,<br>30  | —           |
| 232. Papers in reference to dwelling-houses and stables, &c., at Moncton, for use of Engineer and Traffic Superintendent of Intercolonial Railway. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )  | By Order,<br>30  | 355         |
| 233. Statement relative to Railway Water Works at Moncton.  | By Order,<br>31  | —           |
| 234. Statement of Expenditure for Restaurant, Freight-house, Station-houses, &c., at Moncton. ( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )   | By Order,<br>31  | 355         |

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| 235. Copies of all Letters and other Papers respecting transport of Rails, &c., from "Colonist," "Bessie Parker" and "Stabstadt," at Port Dalhousie, N.B., in 1875, and communications on the subject between Peter Grant and Robert Moffatt, &c. ( <i>Printed, 309.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 162.</i> ) | By Order,<br>205               | 283         |
| 236. Statement showing particulars in regard to a Main Brick Sewer constructed through station yard of Intercolonial Railway.  | By Order,<br>29                | —           |
| 237. Statement with reference to size, cost, materials, &c., of General Offices of Intercolonial Railway at Moncton.   | By Order,<br>29                | —           |
| 238. Statement of Expenditure incurred for Carpets, Curtains, and other furniture for General Offices of Intercolonial Railway at Moncton.   | By Order,<br>30                | —           |
| 239. Return showing Quantity of Iron Rails removed from the Government Railways; the Railway Companies to which they have been loaned, &c.<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 161.</i> )   | By Order,<br>35                | 276         |
| 240. Copies of Correspondence relative to non-payment of wages for work done on Section 8 of Intercolonial Railway, by direction of J. O'Donnell, agent of D. McDonald. ( <i>Not to be printed, 141.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 25.</i> )  | By Order,<br>April 7,<br>1876. | 116         |
| 241. Statement of Value, &c., of Machinery, Locomotives, Roofs, Bridges, &c., imported for the use of Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways.   | By Order,<br>125               | —           |
| 242. Copies of Papers respecting a Railway from Quebec to Lake St. John. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 125.</i> )  | By Order,<br>126               | 197         |
| Supplementary Return respecting a Railway from Quebec to Lake St. John.  | —                              | 356         |
| 243. Report of Commission appointed to enquire into the affairs of the Northern Railway Company of Canada.   | By Message                     | 37          |
| 244. Return of number of Accidents to persons caught in Railway Frogs, &c. ( <i>Not to be printed, 309.</i> )<br>( <i>S. Papers, No. 152.</i> )  | By Order,<br>45                | 250         |
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