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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

The House having met;

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

The House attended accordingly; and being returned,

Mr. *Speaker* informed The House, that during the recess he had received communications from several Members notifying him that the following places had severally become vacant, viz:—

Of the Hon. *A. W. Mc.Lelan*, Member for the Electoral District of Colchester (Nova Scotia), by being called to the Senate.

Of the Hon. *John Rose*, Member for the Electoral District of Huntingdon, by resignation.

Of *John Rankin*, Esq., Member for the North Riding of the County of Renfrew, by resignation.

Of the Hon. *Christopher Dunkin*, Member for the Electoral District of Brome, by acceptance of the office of Minister of Agriculture and Statistics.

Of the Hon. *Alexander Morris*, Member for the South Riding of the County of Lanark, by acceptance of the Office of Minister of Inland Revenue, and that he had issued his several warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out new writs for the Election of the said places respectively.

He also informed The House that during the recess the clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificates of the Election and Return of the following Members, viz:—

Of *John Lorne Mc.Dougall*, Esq., for the South Riding of the County of Renfrew.

Of *Barthelemy Pouliot*, Esq., for the Electoral District of L'Islet.

Of the Hon. *Adams George Archibald*, for the Electoral District of Colchester (Nova Scotia).

Of *Julius Scriver*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Huntingdon.

Of the Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, K.C.M.G., C.B., for the North Riding of the County of Renfrew.

Of the Hon. *Christopher Dunkin*, for the Electoral District of Brome; and

Of the Hon. *Alexander Morris*, for the South Riding of the County of Lanark.

The following Members having previously taken the Oath, according to law, took their seats in The House, viz:—

John Lorne Mc.Dougall, Esq., Member for the South Riding of the County of Renfrew,—Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, Member for the North Riding of the County of Renfrew,—Hon. *Christopher Dunkin*, Member for the Electoral District of Brome,—Hon. *Alexander Morris*, Member for the South Riding of the County of Lanark,—and *Julius Scriver*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Huntingdon.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 1.) respecting the administration of Oaths of Office.

Mr. Speaker reported His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, and read a copy thereof to The House, as follows:—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons.

I recur, with confidence, to your advice, and have much satisfaction in being enabled, on the present occasion, to summon you to the discharge of your public duties at the period of the year most convenient to yourselves.

The circumstances under which we meet are in many respects auspicious. The Bounty of Providence crowned the Harvest with abundance, and made the Fisheries unusually productive; in many districts existing industries have been enlarged, and new enterprizes have started into activity, furnishing fresh avenues for Commerce, and

additional employment for our people ; whilst every day new sections of the country are being opened to the labors of the husbandman. The trade and wealth of the Dominion are on the increase, and the equal admistration of the Laws maintains, as heretofore, the enjoyment of a general sense of security.

I have watched, with much anxiety, the course of events, in the North West Territories. Unfortunate misapprehensions of the intentions with which the country was sought to be acquired by Canada, have led to complications of a grave character. With a view to their removal, I have thought it desirable to exhaust every means of conciliation, before adopting other measures; and the latest advices lead me to expect that the groundless alarms, entertained by a portion of the inhabitants, have given place to a desire to listen to the explanations, which I have caused to be made to them. Efforts made in the spirit, which has animated my Government throughout, can scarcely fail to accomplish an equitable and peaceful solution of the existing difficulty, and thereby secure the speedy incorporation of the North West Territories with Canada, an object so earnestly desired by the Empire and the Dominion.

As the Act, for the temporary Government of the Territories when united with Canada, will expire at the close of the present Session, a measure providing for their Government, will be submitted for your consideration.

The Charters of most of the Banks of the Dominion were, last Session, extended for a limited period, with the view that during the interval the questions of Banking and Currency should receive the consideration which their importance demands. A measure intended to ensure safety to the community, without interfering with the legitimate operations of the Banks will be submitted for your consideration, and will, I trust, be found calculated to place those important interests upon a sound and stable basis.

The Laws in force on the subject of the Elective Franchise, and the regulation of Parliamentary Elections in the several Provinces of the Dominion, vary much in their operations, and it is important that uniform provision should be made, settling the Franchise, and regulating Elections to the House of Commons. A measure upon this subject will be submitted for your consideration.

Under the operation of an Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the year 1869, to amend the Laws relating to the Coasting Trade and Merchant Shipping in British Possessions, a period of two years is given to the Legislatures of the several Colonies of the Empire to make provision for the regulation of their Coasting Trade. In the absence of legislation on the subject, within the period named, the provisions of the Imperial Law will be in force. The extent and value of our internal commerce, render legislation on this subject desirable, and a measure with regard to it will be submitted for your consideration.

The creation of a Court of Appeal under the powers conferred upon you by the Union Act, is a matter deserving your attention. A measure will be submitted to you for the establishment of such a Court, and for conferring upon it certain original jurisdiction.

The year 1871 is that in which the next decennial census is fixed by law to take place. As there are different laws on the subject in the several provinces, it will, therefore, be necessary to pass a General Act, to establish a uniform and accurate system throughout the Dominion. Steps have already been taken to secure the co-operation of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island; and, I trust, a census upon one system will be made simultaneously in all Her Majesty's British North American Possessions. I need not expatiate on the importance of the information which the tables of the Census are calculated to afford, as, in addition to their interest and value on general grounds, it must be recollected that upon them depends the readjustment of the Parliamentary representation.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons.

I have directed that the accounts of the last year shall be laid before you. The estimates for the present financial year, will be also submitted. They have been framed with every regard to economy, compatible with the efficiency of the Public Service ; and you will, I trust, be of opinion that the Finances are in a satisfactory state, and that the people can, without inconvenience, afford for the service of Her Majesty, the supplies which it will be the duty of my Government to ask you to vote.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons.

The Act respecting the Militia and Defence of the Dominion, has not failed to engage my attention. The high spirit and loyalty of the people are placed in a clear light by the fact that the Active Militia have, voluntarily, come forward largely in excess of the quota required, as well as by the zealous attendance of the various Corps at the annual training in the camps, and by the promptness with which they assembled in force, at the call of duty, on more than one occasion, when Fenian Marauders threatened the peace of the country.

I have observed, with great satisfaction, the efforts which have been made in several of the Provinces of the Dominion to foster and encourage immigration to our shores. The continued progress of great public works, in many portions of the country, will afford the opportunity of early employment to intending immigrants, and I look forward with confidence to the addition of a large and valuable class of settlers to our population during the coming season.

During the Summer and Autumn, I had the opportunity of visiting different parts of the Dominion. I proceeded first to Quebec, thence to the Maritime Provinces ; and at Halifax, I had the honor of receiving His Royal Highness Prince *Arthur*. Subsequently, I attended His Royal Highness in a tour through the Province of Ontario. Everywhere the great capabilities of the Country, and the proofs of vigorous industry made themselves apparent, and it became my pleasing duty to report to Her Majesty's Government, as the result of my observations, that the Inhabitants of the Dominion are well contented with their position and prospects, and that the wish nearest their hearts, is to avail themselves of the franchises and full powers of legislation, which they possess, in order to build up, as a portion of the British Empire, institutions of their own choice, by laws of their own making.

I now leave you to the labors of the Session, with earnest aspirations for your complete success.

On motion of the Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, His Excellency's Speech was ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

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

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

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

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

That on account of the progressive augmentation of the Library additional shelving has been again required in the principal apartment, and your Librarian has been obliged to obtain permission to make use of the passages leading to the Commons' Smoking Room for the deposit of a series of volumes for which no place could be found elsewhere.

This circumstance constrains your Librarian once more to advert to the great and daily increasing necessity for the speedy completion of the structure originally intended for the reception of the Library. Every year that this work is delayed much expense has to be incurred in providing accommodation for our growing wants; added to which, the books are continually undergoing serious and irreparable injury from the heat and dust to which they are unavoidably exposed in their present quarters. Your Librarian is rejoiced to hear that steps have been taken by the Board of Works with a view to the resumption of operations upon the new Library in the ensuing Spring.

He ventures to hope that when the work is recommenced directions may be given that it shall be finished with the greatest possible despatch.

In November last, His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to deposit in the Library, copies in silver and bronze, of the Medals struck in London by order of the Canadian Government, to commemorate the Confederation of the British North American Provinces.

It is proposed to place these, and similar objects of special interest, in a glass case, for their suitable preservation and exhibition.

During the recess files of the principal Journals in the Maritime Provinces have been obtained from the Parliamentary Reading Rooms. These, together with several leading Papers in Ontario and Quebec—which have been annually collected for that purpose for several years past—have been carefully completed and bound for the use of the Library.

Such Periodicals, though difficult to collect and expensive to bind, are of inestimable value for purposes of reference.

Additions have been made to the several classes of works in the Library, within the past year, to the extent of the funds available for the purchase of books. These additions, however, are not so numerous as in former years. At the beginning of last Session, the outstanding accounts against the Library amounted to about two thousand dollars in excess of the Parliamentary grant. This was mainly attributable to the non-receipt of a like sum, applied for by the Library Committee for the service of the year ending June 30th, 1868, but which the Finance Minister did not think fit to recommend to Parliament. By careful economy in subsequent expenditure, your librarian is happy to state that all accounts due on behalf of the Library, have been liquidated, and a small balance remains on hand to defray necessary charges to the expiration of the current fiscal year.

A supplementary catalogue of books added to the Library since the last Report, exclusive of continuations, and new editions of works previously upon the shelves, has been printed for the use of members.

The number of works received through the Department of Agriculture and Statistics, under the Copyright Act, continues to increase, which is a gratifying indication of literary activity throughout the Dominion. A list of these works, and of books received by way of donation, whether from private individuals, or from official sources, is appended to this Report.

The number of books in the Library at the opening of last session, was estimated at 61,500 volumes. Since then, about 1,500 volumes have been added; making a total of 63,000.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed,) ALPHEUS TODD,
Librarian, House of Commons.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,
February 15th, 1870.

(*For the Appendix to this Report, see the Journal.*)

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit : }

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Commettee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of the Third Thursday next, after the day on which the Session of the House of Commons of this Dominion, to be holden next after the date of the said warrant shall commence to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into considération and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of commission issued to the Hon. Mr. *McDougall* as Lieutenant Governor of Rupert's Land or North West Territory ; with all instructions issued to him as governor or in anticipation of his assumption of that government; and copies of all correspondence, orders in Council or others documents, relating to the establishment of Canadian authority in said Territory ; also copies of commission or letters of appointment of subordinate officials from the Dominion Government or the Lieutenant Governor, with statement of amount of salaries proposed to be given in each case; also copies of all commissions or proclamations issued by the said Hon. *William McDougall* acting as said Lieutenant Governor, and of all correspondence between him and the government of Canada.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all despatches or correspoudence in the Imperial government or any of the Provincial governments on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia; with copies or resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbance of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangements. Also the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Reports of Superintendents of Roads from Thunder Bay to Fort Garry, on the Red River, and detailed statement showing the length of road constructed East of Lake of the Woods, and West of said Lake, the length of bridging constructed, the cubic contents of embankments made, and excavations in earth and rock respectively, with the cost in items, the number of men, foremen, superintendents, clerks, and all others employed on each section. Also, copies of Orders in Council relating to the said Works, and instructions sent to those in charge.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of accounts rendered to the Government and placed before the Dominion Arbitrators for work and materials on Parliament Buildings, with copies of the evidence taken before said Arbitrators and their award; also the official statement of account from the Public Works Office, showing the several measurements and quantities of materials, with all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the subject.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of correspondence between the Government and the Iroquois Indians of Two Mountains, or other parties, relative to the sale or surrender of the Indian Lands, with copies of all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the difficulties existing with said Indians.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor Generel for copies of instructions to Surveyors sent to North West Territory, and statement showing the number of men employed and the salaries to be paid ; also copies of all Orders in Council relating to such surveys and reports of Surveyors employed, with copies of all other documents relative thereto.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan, also the application of the proceeds thereof.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

Barthélemy Pouliot, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of L'Islet, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, took his seat in The House.

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

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House adjourned for half an hour.

4.45, P.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Hon. *Adams George Archibald*, Member for the Electoral District of Colchester, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, took his seat in The House.

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, was on motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, postponed until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit: }

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Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Copies of all Orders in Council and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Canadian and Prince Edward Island Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, touching the admission of Prince Edward Island or of British Columbia into the union and the terms of such admission.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Governments of Canada, and any of the Provinces, touching any Legislation of any of the Provinces; including any instructions to His Excellency on the subject of Provincial Legislation.

Mr. *Blake*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of Canada and Nova Scotia, touching the provisions of the Act respecting Nova Scotia, and for a statement of all monies paid thereunder, with the dates of such payments.

Mr. *Godin*—On Friday next—BILL intituled "An Act to limit the rate of Interest."

Mr. *Mills*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for any correspondence which may have passed between the Government of Canada and the Government of any of the Provinces included in the Dominion of Canada in relation to the property of intestates dying without heirs, as to whether it escheats to the Crown as represented by the Governor General, or to the Crown as represented by the Lieutenant Governors of the different Provinces.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Friday next—BILL respecting the representation of the People in the House of Commons and the Law of Election.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Friday next—BILL for the establishment of a Supreme Court for the Dominion.

Mr. *Rymal*—On Monday next—SELECT Committee to enquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of $20,000 to the late Sir *Allen Napier McNab* ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands, in or near the City of Hamilton, with power to send for persons and papers. Such Committee to consist of Messrs. *Blake, Magill, Scatcherd, Bown, Morrison* (Niagara), *Merritt* and the mover.

Mr. *Lawson*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all treaties, surrenders of lands, or agreements between the Crown and any of the Tribes of Indians located within the Provinces or Territories comprised within the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Magill*—On Thursday next—Re-appointment of the Select Committee of last Session of Parliament in reference to the Hop growing and Salt interest in Canada.

No. 2.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

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

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

Mr. *Savary* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scriver*;—

1. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session, and, further, to assure His Excellency, that we are grateful to His Excellency for the expression of his confidence in recurring to our advice, and of his satisfaction in being enabled, on the present occasion, to summon us to the discharge of our public duties at the period of the year most convenient to ourselves.

2. That we feel, with His Excellency, that the circumstances under which we meet are, in many respects, auspicious. The Bounty of Providence having crowned the Harvest with abundance, and made the Fisheries unusually productive; in many districts existing industries have been enlarged, and new enterprizes have started into activity, furnishing fresh avenues for Commerce, and additional employment for our people; whilst every day new sections of the country are being opened to the labors of the husbandman. And that we have pleasure in believing that the trade and wealth of the Dominion are on the increase, and that the equal administration of the Laws maintains, as heretofore, the enjoyment of a general sense of security.

3. That we are aware that His Excellency must have watched, with much anxiety, the course of events, in the North West Territories, unfortunate misapprehensions of the intentions with which the country was sought to be acquired by Canada, having led to complications of a grave character. That we agree with His Excellency, that, with a view to their removal, it is desirable to exhaust every means of conciliation, before adopting other measures; and that we are glad to learn that the latest advices lead His Excellency to expect that the groundless alarms, entertained by a portion of the inhabitants, have given place to a desire to listen to the explanations, which he has caused to be made to them. That we trust that the efforts made by His Excellency's Government will not fail to accomplish an equitable and peaceful solution of the existing difficulty, and thereby secure the speedy incorporation of the North West Territories with Canada, an object so earnestly desired by the Empire and the Dominion.

4. That we shall give our best attention to any measure providing for the Government of these Territories when united with Canada, which may be submitted to us in place of the present Act, which will expire at the close of the present Session.

5. That inasmuch as the Charters of most of the Banks of the Dominion were, last Session, extended for a limited period, with the view that during the interval the questions of Banking and Currency should receive the consideration which their importance demands, we shall give our earnest attention to any measure intended to ensure safety to the community, without interfering with the legitimate operations of the Banks which His Excellency may cause to be submitted for our consideration, and which, we trust, will be found calculated to place those important interests upon a sound and stable basis.

6. That we are aware that the Laws in force on the subject of the Elective Franchise, and the regulation of the Parliamentary Elections in the several Provinces of the Dominion, vary much in their operations, and that it is important that uniform provision should be made, settling the Franchise and regulating Elections to the House of Commons. And that we shall carefully consider any measure upon this subject which may be submitted to us.

7. That we thank His Excellency for reminding us, that under the operation of an Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the year 1869, to amend the Laws relating to the Coasting Trade and Merchant Shipping in British Possessions, a period of two years is given to the Legislatures of the several Colonies of the Empire to make provision for the regulation of their Coasting Trade, and that in the absence of legislation on the subject, within the period named, the provisions of the Imperial Law will be in force. The extent and value of our internal commerce, render legislation on this subject desirable, and we shall give our best attention to any measure with regard to it which may be submitted for our consideration.

8. That we agree with His Excellency, that the creation of a Court of Appeal under the powers conferred upon us by the Union Act, is a matter well deserving our attention. And that we shall not fail attentively to consider any measure submitted to us for the establishment of such a Court, and for conferring upon it certain original jurisdiction.

9. That we bear in mind that the year 1871 is that in which the next decennial census is fixed by law to take place, and that, as there are different laws on the subject in the several provinces, it will, be necessary to pass a General Act, to establish a uniform and accurate system throughout the Dominion. That we are glad to know that steps have already been taken to secure the co-operation of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island; and that we trust with His Excellency that a census upon one system will be made simultaneously in all Her Majesty's British North American Possessions. That we are sensible of the importance of the information which the tables of the Census are calculated to afford, as, in addition to their interest and value on general grounds, it must be recollected that upon them depends the readjustment of the Parliamentary representation.

10. That we shall respectfully consider the accounts of the last year, and the estimates for the present financial year which His Excellency has been pleased to direct to be submitted to us. We receive with pleasure the assurance that these estimates have been framed with every regard to economy, compatible with the efficiency of the Public Service; and we hope that the Finances will be found to be in a satisfactory state, and that the people can, without inconvenience, afford, for the service of Her Majesty, the supplies which it will be the duty of His Excellency's Government to ask us to vote.

11. That we thank His Excellency for informing us that the Act respecting the Militia and Defence of the Dominion has not failed to engage his attention. We are proud to feel, with His Excellency, that the high spirit and loyalty of the people are placed in a clear light by the fact that the Active Militia have, voluntarily, come forward largely in excess of the quota required, as well as by the zealous attendance of the various Corps at the annual training in the camps, and by the promptness with which they assembled in force, at the call of duty, on more than one occasion, when Fenian marauders threatened the peace of the country.

12. That we have observed, with great satisfaction, the efforts which have been made in several of the Provinces of the Dominion to foster and encourage immigration to our shores. That we are glad to learn that His Excellency believes that the continued progress of great public works, in many portions of the country, will afford the opportunity of early employment to intending immigrants, and that he looks forward with confidence to the addition of a large and valuable class of settlers to our population during the coming season.

13. That we learn with much satisfaction that during the Summer and Autumn His Excellency had the opportunity of visiting different parts of the Dominion, proceeding first to Quebec, and thence to the Maritime Provinces; and having, at Halifax, the honor of receiving His Royal Highness Prince Arthur; and having subsequently attended His Royal Highness in a tour through the Province of Ontario; and we are happy to be informed that everywhere the great capabilities of the Country, and the proofs of vigorous industry made themselves apparent, and that it became His Excellency's pleasing duty to report to Her Majesty's Government, as the result of his observations, that the inhabitants of the Dominion are well contented with their position and prospects, and that the wish nearest their hearts is to avail themselves of the franchises and full powers of legislation, which they possess, in order to build up, as a portion of the British Empire, institutions of their own choice, by laws of their own making.

14. That we humbly thank His Excellency for the expression of his earnest aspirations for our complete success in the labors of the Session now commenced.

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

The third paragraph of the said proposed Address being read a second time,

And a Debate arising thereon,

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said Debate was adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit : }

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Given under my hand and seal, at
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(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—BILL to repeal the 3rd section 31st Vic., Chap. 13, providing for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Simard*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government shortly to erect a new Post Office in the City of Quebec.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates an adequate sum for the construction of a Harbor of Refuge at the head of the Coteau Rapids, in accordance with the plans and specifications of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, to the great benefit of trade and navigation.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—For the reading by the Clerk of the House of the Journals of the 19th June, 1869, containing the report of the Committee to consider the returns to an Address of the 10th of May last, for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, and other papers between the Government and Mr. *Wm. Brewster*, or any other parties, respecting the claims of Mr. *Wm. Brewster* for damages, &c., on account of work done on the Lachine Canal.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates a sum for the payment of the debt due to Mr. *Brewster*, as recommended by the Committee.

Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether any statement has been transmitted to England for the purpose of being laid before the Imperial Parliament, respecting the progress which has been made in the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act 30 and 31 Vic., Chap. 16., Sec. 4.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively ; also, a statement of all monies paid on account of said arbitration, and to whom such payments were made, with all documents connected therewith.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Tuesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to extend the powers of the Official "Arbitrators to certain cases therein mentioned."

No. 3.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Municipal Corporation of the Village of Petrolia; and of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Wellington; severally praying for the abolition of the Excise Duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of the Chiefs and other Indians of Oka, in the Seigniory of the Lake of Two Mountains, District of Terrebonne; praying that their lands, composing the said Seigniory, be restored to them, and for the removal of the Priests of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice therefrom.

Of *Lucien Briand*, and others, Shipmasters, Fishermen and Mariners of the Magdalen Islands; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners at the different Sea ports of the Dominion.

Of the Municipal Council of the Magdalen, Islands, County of Gaspé; praying for the erection of a Lighthouse with a fog whistle or cannon, on Great Bird Island.

Of the Reverend *M. N. Bilodeau*, and others, of the Municipality of St. Anne des Monts, County of Gaspé; praying that measures may be adopted for clearing out the channel of the Cap Chat River.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the third paragraph of Mr. Savary's proposed Address in in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

And a further Debate arising,—the Debate was, on the motion of Hon. *John Sandfield Macdonald* adjourned.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit : }

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Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Ryan* (Kings N.B.,)—On Monday next—ENQUIRING OF MINISTRY why there is a difference between the salary of the several Judges of the Supreme Court in the Maritime Provinces and that received by the several Judges of the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

Mr. *Savary*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence conducted with other Governments and powers, and reports of all International Conventions and Committees, touching the adoption of a uniform system of Currency among the principal Commercial Nations, and correspondence with and representations made to the Government by Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, or other bodies or persons, on the subject of a uniform Currency for the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Mills*—On Tuesday next—BILL to render Members of the Legislative Councils and Legislative Assemblies of the Provinces now included, or which may hereafter be included, within the Dominion of Canada ineligible for sitting or voting in the House of Commons of Canada.

Mr. *Young*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all tenders sent in under the Act of last session for the several services of Departmental Printing, Printing the Statutes, Binding and Stationary, and also for copies of all contracts entered into, Orders in Council, and all other documents relating thereto.

Mr. *Jones*—(North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement giving the names of the contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have given up their contracts, and also showing in full the amount of money, if any, which has been recovered from said Contractors and their securities, in consequence of their failure to complete their contracts.

Mr. *Jones*—(North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a detailed Statement of all costs and charges connected with the office of the Intercolonial Railway, and all their travelling expenses in connection with said road, from the date of their appointment, up to the present time.

Mr. *Bolton*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of correspondence with the Government, touching the appointment of Mr. *L. Carvell* to the management of the Nova Scotia Railways, and his removal therefrom, with copies of Tariff in use on said Railways, prior to Mr. *Carvell's* appointment as manager, the changed tariff proposed by Mr. *Carvell*, and adopted by the Government, and the tariff enacted since Mr. *Carvell's* removal.

Mr. *Drew*—On Tuesday next—BILL to Amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Session, in relation to summary convictions and orders.

Mr. *Workman*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to adopt the necessary steps to improve the navigation of the Ottawa River, and more particularly to enlarge and deepen that most important part of our inland navigation, the Grenville and Carillon Canal.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 21st FEBRUARY, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of La Banque Nationale ; praying for a continuation of their Charter for ten years, and for certain other Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Thomas Pearson*, and others, farmers, producers, and manufacturers of Western Ontario ; praying for certain Amendments to the Tariff.

Of the Ontario Carbon Oil Company, and other manufacturers ; praying that the Import Duty on Sulphuric Acid, and the *ad valorem* duty on the packages conveying it, be abolished.

Of Messrs. *George Baptist* and Sons, merchants, and others, residing at Quebec, and on the Ottawa ; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of "The Quebec and Ottawa Timber Forwarding Company," and for other purposes.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the third paragraph of Mr. *Savary's* proposed Address in answer to His Excelleney's Speech at the opening of the Session.

Mr Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, called upon Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*, Member for the Electoral District of Levis, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

And the question being put on the third paragraph of the said proposed Address,—it was agreed to.

The fourth to the ninth paragraph (inclusive) being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The tenth paragraph being read a second time,

And a Debate arising thereon, the Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker

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Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Magill*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a measure, during the present Session of Parliament, having for its object, the enlargement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, so as to afford greater facilities for the trade and commerce of the Dominion now so rapidly on the increase.

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY why the schooner *La Canadienne* did not appear in the Bay of Chaleurs during the whole season of the Mackerel fishing, to restrain the American schooners which, to the number of nearly eight hundred, fished during the whole season without license, to the great detriment of our fisheries; why the only steamer of the Royal Navy appointed for the protection of our fisheries remained but a few days at the entrance of the Bay of Chaleurs before the season for the Mackerel fishery and why the said steamer did not remain in our waters to restrain the hundreds of American schooners that fished throughout the whole season to the great detriment of our fisheries.

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government is aware that the large number of American schooners in our waters is productive of considerable injury to our fisheries, and that during last summer depredations of all kinds were committed by American fishermen on the shores of the Bay of Chaleurs, to the great detriment of our fishermen.

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Wednesday next ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to do away with the License system and to organize for the coming spring a sufficient force to prevent American Schooners from carrying on fishing in our waters and by adopting that course extend effective protection to our fisheries.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for a statement shewing the names of the contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have thrown up their contracts, together with the names of their sureties; the length of road, the nature and description of work to be done, and the price agreed to be paid, in each contract so thrown up; the work done by each of them respectively, and the amount paid to each; the contracts resumed by the Commissioners, and the amount paid to them by the sureties, in order that they might be released from their warranty, and by what sureties paid; shewing also whether any of the work so resumed by the Commissioners has been again given out by contract, and if so, when, to whom, and at what price; also, shewing who are the sureties, where they reside, and the nature of their occupations.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for a detailed statement of the sums paid from the vote of $20,000 last Session, "To defray expenses for the Commission for "making provision for the uniformity of the laws of the Provinces," shewing the dates of payment, and to whom paid, and the nature of the services rendered for such payment.

Mr. *Merritt*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government have it in contemplation to introduce, during the present Session, any measure having in view the enlargement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, in accordance with the 69th resolution adopted at the Quebec Union Conference.

Mr. *Merritt*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether any progress has been made in the works necessary for supplying the Welland Canal with water from Lake Erie, since last Session, and whether it is the intention of the Government to complete said works in time for the opening of the Canal next year.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take into consideration the expediency of recommending to the House the imposition of an import duty of per cent on the following articles :—Wheat ; Flour ; Indian Corn ; Hops, Salt ; Bituminous Coal.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of all correspondence had between the Government of the United States or the Imperial Government and the American Government touching the question of Reciprocal Trade with the United States.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for copies of the reports, plans, and surveys of the Chief Engineer and his assistants, relating to the construction of a harbor of refuge on Lake Erie and on Lake Huron respectively.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government have decided upon any plan for the remuneration of Postmasters outside of cities beyond the plan now in operation, and, if so, what such plan is, and whether it is the intention of the Government to put it in force during the present year.

No. 5.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY, 1870.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1870.

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

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the tenth paragraph of Mr. *Savary's* proposed ADDRESS in answer to His Excellency's Speech, at the opening of the Session.

And the question being put, it was agreed to.

The eleventh to the fourteenth paragraph inclusive of the said proposed ADDRESS being read, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Resolution for an ADDRESS was referred to a Select Committee, composed of Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, Honorable Mr. *Howe*, Mr. *Savary*, Mr. *Scriver*, and the mover.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* then reported the draft of an ADDRESS and the same being read a second time, was agreed to, and is as follows :—

To His Excellency, the Right Honorable Sir *John Young*, Baronet, one of the most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor General of Canada.

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 Most Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session of Parliament.

We are grateful to Your Excellency for the expression of your confidence in recurring to our advice, and of your satisfaction in being enabled, on the present occasion, to summon us to the discharge of our public duties at the period of the year most convenient to ourselves.

We feel, with Your Excellency, that the circumstances under which we meet are, in many respects, auspicious. The Bounty of Providence having crowned the Harvest with abundance, and made the Fisheries unusually productive; in many districts existing industries have been enlarged, and new enterprizes have started into activity, furnishing fresh avenues for Commerce, and additional employment for our people; whilst every day new sections of the country are being opened to the labors of the husbandman. And we have pleasure in believing that the trade and wealth of the Dominion are on the increase, and that the equal administration of the Laws maintains, as heretofore, the enjoyment of a general sense of security.

We are aware that Your Excellency must have watched, with much anxiety, the course of events in the North West Territories, unfortunate misapprehensions of the intentions with which the country was sought to be acquired by Canada, having led to complications of a grave character. We agree with Your Excellency, that, with a view to their removal, it is desirable to exhaust every means of conciliation, before adopting other measures; and we are glad to learn that the latest

advices lead Your Excellency to expect that the groundless alarms, entertained by a portion of the inhabitants, have given place to a desire to listen to the explanations, which you have caused to be made to them. We trust that the efforts made by Your Excellency's Government will not fail to accomplish an equitable and peaceful solution of the existing difficulty, and thereby secure the speedy incorporation of the North West Territories with Canada, an object so earnestly desired by the Empire and the Dominion.

We shall give our best attention to any measure providing for the Government of these Territories when united with Canada, which may be submitted to us in place of the present Act, which will expire at the close of the present Session.

Inasmuch as the Charters of most of the Banks of the Dominion were, last Session, extended for a limited period, with the view that during the interval the questions of Banking and Currency should receive the consideration which their importance demands, we shall give our earnest attention to any measure intended to ensure safety to the community, without interfering with the legitimate operations of the Banks, which Your Excellency may cause to be submitted for our consideration, and which, we trust, will be found calculated to place those important interests upon a sound and stable basis.

We are aware that the Laws in force on the subject of the Elective Franchise, and the regulation of the Parliamentary Elections in the several Provinces of the Dominion, vary much in their operation, and that it is important that uniform provision should be made, settling the Franchise and regulating Elections to the House of Commons. And we shall carefully consider any measure upon this subject which may be submitted to us.

We thank Your Excellency for reminding us, that under the operation of an Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the year 1869, to amend the Laws relating to the Coasting Trade and Merchant Shipping in British Possessions, a period of two years is given to the Legislatures of the several Colonies of the Empire to make provision for the regulation of their Coasting Trade, and that in the absence of legislation on the subject, within the period named, the provisions of the Imperial Law will be in force. The extent and value of our internal commerce, render legislation on this subject desirable, and we shall give our best attention to any measure with regard to it which may be submitted for our consideration.

We agree with Your Excellency, that the creation of a Court of Appeal under the powers conferred upon us by the Union Act, is a matter well deserving our attention; and we shall not fail attentively to consider any measure submitted to us for the establishment of such a Court, and for conferring upon it certain original jurisdiction.

We bear in mind that the year 1871 is that in which the next decennial census is fixed by law to take place, and that, as there are different laws on the subject in the several provinces, it will be necessary to pass a General Act, to establish a uniform and accurate system throughout the Dominion. We are glad to know that steps have already been taken to secure the co-operation of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island; and we trust with Your Excellency that a census upon one system will be made simultaneously in all Her Majesty's British North American Possessions. We are sensible of the importance of the information which the tables of the Census are calculated to afford, as, in addition to their interest and value on general grounds, it must be recollected that upon them depends the readjustment of the Parliamentary representation.

We shall respectfully consider the accounts of the last year, and the estimates for the present financial year which Your Excellency has been pleased to direct to be submitted to us. We receive with pleasure the assurance that these estimates have been framed with every regard to economy, compatible with the efficiency of the Public Service; and we hope that the Finances will be found to be in a satisfactory state, and that the people can, without inconvenience, afford, for the service of Her Majesty, the supplies, which it will be the duty of Your Excellency's Government to ask us to vote.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that the Act respecting the Militia and Defence of the Dominion has not failed to engage your attention. We are proud to feel, with Your Excellency, that the high spirit and loyalty of the people are placed in a clear light by the fact that the Active Militia have, voluntarily, come forward largely in excess of the quota required, as well as by the zealous attendance of the various Corps at the annual training in the camps, and by the promptness with which they assembled in force, at the call of duty, on more than one occasion, when Fenian marauders threatened the peace of the country.

We have observed, with great satisfaction, the efforts which have been made in several of the Provinces of the Dominion to foster and encourage immigration to our shores. We are glad to learn that Your Excellency believes that the continued progress of great public works, in many portions of the country, will afford the opportunity of early employment to intending immigrants, and that you look forward with confidence to the addition of a large and valuable class of settlers to our population during the coming season.

We learn with much satisfaction that during the Summer and Autumn Your Excellency had the opportunity of visiting different parts of the Dominion, proceeding first to Quebec, and thence to the Maritime Provinces; and having, at Halifax, the honor of receiving His Royal Highness Prince

Arthur; and having subsequently attended His Royal Highness in a tour through the Province of Ontario; and we are happy to be informed that everywhere the great capabilities of the Country, and the proofs of vigorous industry made themselves apparent, and that it became Your Excellency's pleasing duty to report to Her Majesty's Government, as the result of your observations, that the inhabitants of the Dominion are well contented with their position and prospects, and that the wish nearest their hearts is to avail themselves of the franchises and full powers of legislation, which they possess, in order to build up, as a portion of the British Empire, institutions of their own choice, by laws of their own making.

We humbly thank Your Excellency for the expression of your earnest aspirations for our complete success in the labors of the Session now commenced.

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

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA,
To wit:

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of the Third Thursday next after the day on which the Session of the House of Commons of this Dominion to be holden next after the date of the said warrant, shall commence; to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Trustees or Stockholders of the Upper Canada Bank; also any reports of such trustees, and statements shewing the liability of the Bank in detail, the nature and value of its assets, the quantity and estimated value of the real estate, the sales since the last return, shewing the assumed and realized values, and the cost of maintaining the present Board of Trustees.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all amounts paid by the Government to the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, '67, '68, and '69, shewing the following particulars:—The amount of exchange bought, the interest paid, American currency converted, Debentures and Dominion Stock sold, with the dates of each transaction, the rates and commissions paid, the amount received by the Bank in lieu of circulation for old notes, &c.; and all other information necessary to shew the relations of that Bank to the Government during the years above mentioned.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following resolution:—

Resolved,—That, inasmuch as the Act 31 Victoria, chapter 44, gives the Government the power, when the public interests require it, to remove the duties imposed by the said Act, it is the opinion of this House that an Order in Council should be passed, admitting thoroughbred animals for the improvement of stock into Canada, free of duty.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Arbitrators appointed to determine the proportion of the debt of the Dominion, to be borne by the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, have been able to agree upon a report, and if not, what progress has been made by the Arbitrators, and when a final report may be expected.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Thursday next—That a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Tuesday, the 15th instant, and that the Hon. Sir *Geo. E. Cartier*, the Hon. Sir *F. Hincks;* Hon. Messieurs *Tilley, Langevin, J. S. Macdonald, Dorion, Holton, Chauveau, Smith, McKeagney;* Messieurs *Mackenzie, Walsh, A. Morrison, Dufresne, Bolton,* and the Mover do compose the said Committee.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of the expenses connected with the mission to the North West of the Hon. Secretary of State for the Provinces.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Thursday next—That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of Parliament be taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

No. 6.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1870.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the Districts of Ottawa and Saguenay, for the year 1869,—and in the Counties of Dorchester and Drummond, for the year 1868,—and in the District of Rimouski, for the years 1866, 1867, and 1868.

Also,—Statement of the Affairs of the Montreal City and District Savings Bank, for the year ending 31st December, 1869, and

Returns respecting the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company, for the year 1869.

Eleven Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, County of Grey; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the adoption of a By-law, or By-laws, for the construction and maintenance of a Harbour at the mouth of Beaver River in the said Township.

Of *William Scott*, and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company," and for other purposes.

Of *David Ferguson*, Seignior, and others, of Metis, County of Rimouski; praying that a Lighthouse may be erected on Little Metis Point.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Enniskillen; and of the Municipal Council of the City of Hamilton; severally praying for the abolition of the Excise Duty on Refined Petroleum.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency,—Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year, ending the 30th June, 1868; and

Summary and Comparative Statements of the Imports and Exports of Canada, for the fiscal year, ending the 30th June, 1869.

Mr. *Drew* introduced a Bill (No. 2) to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders.—Second Reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Godin* introduced a Bill (No. 3) to limit the rate of Interest.—Second Reading on Monday next.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented, in compliance with Chapter 12 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, General Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1869.

On Motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency for copies of all Despatches or correspondence with the Imperial Government or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia; with copies of Resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbance of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangement. Also the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence.

Also a further ADDRESS, for Reports of Superintendents of Roads from Thunder Bay to Fort Garry, on the Red River, and detailed Statement showing the length of road constructed East of Lake of the Woods, and

West of said Lake, the length of bridging constructed, the cubic contents of embankments made, and excavations in earth and rock respectively, with the cost in items, the number of men, foremen, Superintendents, clerks, and all others employed on each section. Also copies of Orders in Council relating to the said Works, and instructions sent to those in charge.

Also a further ADDRESS, for copies of accounts rendered to the Government and placed before the Dominion Arbitrators for work and materials on Parliament Buildings, with copies of the evidence taken before said Arbitrators and their award; also the official statement of accounts from the Public Works Office, showing the several measurements and quantities of materials, with all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the subject.

And a further ADDRESS for copies of instructions to Surveyors sent to North West Territory, and statement showing the number of men employed and the salaries to be paid. Also copies of all Orders in Council relating to such surveys and reports of Surveyors employed, with copies of all other documents relative thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan, and the application of the proceeds thereof.

Also a further ADDRESS, for copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Canadian and Prince Edward Island Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, touching the admission of Prince Edward Island, or of British Columbia into the Union, and the terms of such admission.

And a further ADDRESS, for copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Governments of Canada, and any of the Provinces, touching any Legislation of any of the Provinces, including any instructions to His Excellency on the subject of Provincial Legislation.

A Message was received from the Senate, naming the Hon. Messrs. *Allan*, *Blake*, *Bourinot*, *Bureau*, *Chaffers*, *Chapais*, *Ferguson*, *Flint*, *Hazen*, *Lacoste*, *Leonard*, *Leslie*, *Miller*, *Mills*, *Odell*, *Reesor*, *Ritchie*, and *Ross*, a Committee to assist His Honor, the Speaker, in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of that House are concerned, and to act on behalf of that House as Members of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, a Select Committee was appointed, composed of Messrs. *Blake*, *Magill*, *Scatcherd*, *Bown*, *Morrison* (Niagara), *Merritt*, and the Mover, to enquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of $20,000 to the late Sir *Allan Napier McNab*, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands, in or near the City of Hamilton; with power to send for persons and papers.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Tenders sent in under the Act of last Session for the several services of Departmental Printing, Printing the Statutes, Binding, and Stationary; and also for copies of all Contracts entered into, Orders in Council, and all other Documents relating thereto; the statement to be in the same form as that sent down with the Tenders for Parliamentary Printing last year.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Special Committee was appointed, composed of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, Hon. Messrs. *Tilley*, *Langevin*, *J. Sandfield Macdonald*, *Holton*, *Chauveau*, *Smith*, and *McKeagney*, and Messrs. *Geoffrion*, *Mackenzie*, *Walsh*, *Morrison* (Niagara), *Dufresne*, *Bolton*, and the Mover, to prepare and report List of Members, to compose the SELECT STANDING COMMITTEES ordered by this House, on Tuesday, the 15th instant.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit: }

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of the Third Thursday next after the day on which the Session of the House of Commons of this Dominion to be holden next after the date of the said warrant, shall commence; to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
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NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Chamberlin*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a list of all persons who have passed the examination required for employees in the Inland Revenue Department, under the Order in Council of 24th September, 1866, since 1st July 1867, and a statement of the number of meetings of the Board in the Province of Quebec, and dates of such meetings.

Mr. *Burpee*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Government during the recess, in accordance with petitions and the recommendation of the Committee on Fisheries and Navigation have taken any steps to ascertain the practicability, cost, &c., of the proposed St. Lawrence and Bay of Fundy Canal, so essential to the Intercolonial trade of the Dominion.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Tuesday next—That the House do, on the following Friday, go into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Banking and Currency.

Hon. Sir *A. T. Galt*—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Correspondence with the Imperial Government relative to the admission or exclusion of American fishing vessels from the waters of the Dominion, and all orders in Council on the subject.

Mr, *Renaud*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General, for copies of all reports and other documents of the Engineers of the Intercolonial Railway, in relation to the line or lines explored, and those which have been recommended and finally adopted, in the County of Kent, N.B., by the Commissioner and by the Government.

Mr. *Godin*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, in the present Session, a measure for the abolition of the duty imposed on the sale by the producer of Canadian leaf-tobacco, and to impose on foreign tobacco a duty high enough to protect the Canadian producer, and to encourage the cultivation of Tobacco in this country.

Mr. *Pelletier*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Judge appointed for the Administration of Justice in the Districts of Kamouraska and Rimouski, has applied for leave to retire; and if so, whether they intend to replace him, and when.

No. 7.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1870.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *John Hallam*, and others ; praying for certain Amendments to the Acts now in force, relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Lincoln,—and of the Municipal Council of the County of Oxford ; severally praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Select Committee was appointed, composed of Hon. Messrs. *Howe, Langevin, Tilley, Morris, John Sandfield Macdonald, Holton, Dunkin*, and *McDougall*, and Messrs. *Mackenzie, Blake*, and the Mover, to consider and report as to the papers connected with the North-West Territories, which it is expedient to lay before this House.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General, JOHN YOUNG :—

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the House of Commons, the accompanying papers relative to the recent occurrences in the North-West Territories, referred to in the third paragraph in the Speech from the Throne.

Government House, Ottawa, 24th February, 1870.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Message and papers, were referred to the Select Committee above-named.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Monday next.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 4.) respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons. Second reading on Tuesday next.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 5) to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators in certain cases therein mentioned. Second reading on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency, for copies of correspondence between the Government and the Iroquois Indians of Two Mountains, or other parties, relative to the sale or surrender of the Indian lands, with copies of all Orders in Council, or other documents relating to the difficulties existing with the said Indians. And also a statement shewing what reserves are available for such Indians in any other parts of the Country.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency, for any correspondence which may have passed between the Government of Canada and the Government of any of the Provinces included in the Dominion of Canada in relation to the property of intestates dying without heirs, as to whether it escheats to the Crown as represented by the Governor General, or to the Crown as represented by the Lieutenant Governors of the different Provinces.

On motion of Mr. *Stirton*, an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively; also, a statement of all monies paid on account of the arbitration, and to whom such payments were made, with all documents connected therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville), an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement of all costs and charges, connected with the Office of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, and all their travelling expenses in connection with said road, from the date of their appointment, up to the present time.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an ADDRESS was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Trustees or Stockholders of the Upper Canada Bank; also any reports of such trustees, and statements shewing the liability of the Bank in detail, the nature and value of its assets, the quantity and estimated value of the real estate, the sales since the last return, shewing the assumed and realised values, and the cost of maintaining the present Board of Trustees.

On motion of Hon. Sir Francis *Hincks* is was *Resolved*, That that part of His Excellency's Speech, at the opening of the present Session, relating to Supply, be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit: }

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Electoral District of Hochelaga.

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Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Tuesday next—BILL to amend the Patent Act of 1869.

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to authorize the extradition of persons from the Dominion of Canada, charged with having committed crimes in the United States not embraced in the existing Treaty of Extradition."

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—BILL to disqualify Members of the Provincial Legislatures from sitting or voting in the House of Commons.

Mr, *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—INQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session, to place a duty on the Agricultural produce of the United States entering Canada, for the purpose of consumption in the Dominion.

Mr. *M. C. Cameron* (Huron)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all instructions given by the Department of Public Works to the Engineers of the Department, and all Reports of such Engineers respecting the Harbors on the East Coast of Lake Huron, together with copies of all correspondence and documents on the subject of such Harbors, from the Boards of Trade of Chicago, Detroit, and Buffalo, and from ship owners and others interested in the carrying trade of the Western Lakes.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Canadian Bank of Commerce; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm an agreement made by the said Bank to amalgamate with the Gore Bank.

Of the Gore Bank; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm an agreement made by the said Bank to amalgamate with the Bank of Commerce.

Of *Henry Fry*, President of the Quebec Board of Trade, and other Merchants, Traders and others, doing business in the City of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act, making the inspection of Fish and Oil compulsory.

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the agreement between the said Company, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

Of *Ebenezer Rand*, and others of Canning, Township of Cornwallis; praying that certain parties may not be permitted to obstruct the navigation of the Canning River, by the building of dykes across the same.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Perth; of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent; and of the Municipal Council of the County of Brant; severally praying for the abolition of the Excise Duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Huron; of the London Board of Trade; and of *J. Trumner*, and others, of Western Ontario; severally praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners; praying for the passing of an Act, to remove doubts as to the claim of certain persons indebted to the Harbor Commissioners, to tender in payment interest coupons, when coupons of the like date are not payable.

Of the Honorable *John Young*; praying for the passing of an Act to revive and amend the Act, 12 Vic., Cap. 180, to incorporate a company, for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River Saint Lawrence.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* presented Supplementary Return to an Address of the 19th April, 1869; for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the survey and management of the Intercolonial Railway, since the 1st of April, 1868.

Also, Return to an Address of the 21st June, 1869, for copies of all Reports, Estimates, letters and other papers in relation to the construction of the road, called the St. Lawrence and Gaspé road.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented—Return to an an Address of the 7th June, 1869, for copies of all letters from *Thomas A. Begley*, Esquire, and his Solicitors, since the year 1858, to the Government and the Ordnance Department at Ottawa, relating to the claim of Mrs. *Begley* (formerly the widow of *Hugh Fraser*), for Dower on Ordnance Lands in Ottawa, and the replies thereto; a list of all actions of Dower commenced by the said *Thomas A. Begley* and wife, against the several purchasers from the Ordnance Department in the City of Ottawa; copies of all letters from the Defendant in those suits and their solicitors to the Government, the Secretary of State and the Minister of Justice, requesting to be defended by the Crown, or to have their costs paid,

with the replies thereto; copies of all petitions from the Defendants or any of them since the year 1858, requesting the Government to defend the said suits, or to pay the cost of defence with replies thereto; a statement of the amount paid by Government to *Thomas A. Begley* as Administrator of Mrs. *Begley*, for her release of Dower on said Ordnance Lands, when, and out of what fund, the said amount was paid; all instructions to Council to defend all or any of said suits and the amount paid therefor, together with a copy of all Orders and Minutes of Council relating to the settlement of said claim for Dower.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on the 15th instant, reported as follows:—

1. On Privileges and Elections.

Messrs. Bertrand,
Blake,
Hon. Mr. Blanchet,
Messrs. Burton,
Caldwell,
Cameron (Huron),
Hon. Mr. Cameron (Peel),
Hon. Sir Geo. E. Cartier,
Mr. Chamberlin,
Hon. Mr. Dorion,
Mr. Grant,
Hon. Mr. Gray,
Mr. Grover,
Hon. Mr. Holton,
Messrs. Killam,
Lawson,
Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald,
Mr. McDonald(Antigonish)
Messrs. Mills,
Munroe,
Redford,
Hon. Mr. Smith,
Messrs. Snider,
Stephenson,
Thompson (Ontario)
and
Wells.—26.

2. On Expiring Laws.

Messrs. Blake.
Carmichael,
Cayley,
Cheval,
Cimon,
Coffin,
Drew,
Ferris,
Mr. Godin,
Hon. M.r Gray,
Mr. Jones (Halifax),
Hon. Mr. Kierzkowski,
Mr. Lapum,
Hon. Mr. Macdonald (Cornwall),
Messrs. McCallum,
McDougall (Renfrew),
Messrs. Páquet,
Pouliot,
Power,
Simpson,
Wilson, and
Young.—22.

3. On Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Hon. Messrs. Abbott,
Anglin,
Blanchet,
Mr. Bourassa,
Hon. Mr. Carling,
Sir George E. Cartier,
Chauveau,
Messrs. Costigan,
Currier,
Hon. Messrs. Dorion,
Dunkin,
Mr. Ferguson,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,
Mr. Gendron,
Hon. Sir Francis Hincks,
Hon. Messrs. Holton,
Howe,
Irvine,
Messrs. Jackson,
Joly,
Jones (Leeds),
Hon. Messrs. Langevin,
Macdonald (Cornwall),
Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),
Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald,
Messrs. McDonald (Middlesex),
Mackenzie,
Masson (Soulanges),
Hon. Messrs. McDougall (Lanark),
McGreevy.
Messrs. Merritt.
Morrison (Niagara),
O'Connor,
Pickard,
Robitaille,
Shanly,
Street,
Sylvain,
Hon. Messrs. Tilley,
Tupper,
Messrs. Walsh,
White,
Whitehead, and
Hon. Mr. Wood. 44.

4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Messrs. Ault,
Bodwell,
Bowell,
Caron,
Daoust,
Drew,
Fortin,
Geoffrion,
Harrison,
Heath,
Messrs. Huot,
Langlois,
Lawson,
Hon. Mr. McKeagney,
Messrs. McMonies,
Merritt,
Mills,
Hon. Mr. Morris,
Messrs. Oliver,
Pinsonneault,
Messrs. Ross (Dundas),
Savary,
Scratcherd,
Scriver,
Hon. Mr. Smith,
Messrs. Stirton,
Wallace, and
Webb.—28.

5. On Standing Orders.

Messrs. Bowman.
Bown.
Burpee.
Cameron, (Inverness.)
Chipman,
Gaucher,
Gaudet,
Harrison,
Hon. Mr. Huntington,
Messrs Huot,
Kempt,
Hon. Mr. LeVesconte,
Messrs. Little,
MacFarlane,
McCarthy,
McMillan,
Morison, (Victoria O.)
Messrs. Perry,
Pouliot,
Pozer,
Ray,
Hon. Mr. Ross, (Champlain,)
Messrs. Ross, (Victoria, N. S.,)
Rymal, and
Sproat.—25.

6. On Printing.

Messrs. Beaty,
Bellerose,
Bourassa,
Bowell,
Messrs. Brousseau,
Chamberlin,
Ferguson,
McDonald (Lunenburg).
Messrs. Mackenzie,
Simard,
Stephenson, and
Young.—12.

7. On Public Accounts.

Hon. Messrs. Anglin,
Beaubien,
Messrs. Bourassa,
Crawford, (Leeds,)
Dufresne,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,
Mr. Gibbs,
Hon. Sir Francis Hincks,
Hon. Messrs. Holton,
Howe,
Messrs. Keeler,
Lapum,
Lawson,
Mackenzie,
Magill,
Masson, (Terrebonne,)
McConkey,
Messrs. Morrison, (Niagara,)
Pope,
Robitaille,
Ross, (Prince Edward)
Ryan, (Kings, N.B.)
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Messrs. Walsh, and
Young.—25.

8. On Banking and Commerce,

Hon. Messrs. Abbott,
Archibald,
Messrs. Beaty,
Blake,
Bolton,
Hon. Messrs. Cameron (Peel),
Campbell,
Sir Geo. E. Cartier,
Mr. Cartwright,
Mr. Casault,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,
Mr. Gibbs,
Hon. Sir Francis Hincks,
Hon. Mr. Holton,
Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Messrs. McDougall (Lanark),
McGreevy,
Mr. Metcalfe,
Hon. Mr. Morris,
Mr. Pope,
Hon. Mr. Read,
Messrs. Simard,
Street,
Thompson (Haldimand),
Hon. Mr. Tilley,
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9. On Immigration and Colonization.

Hon. Mr. Archambeault,
Messrs. Béchard,
Benoit,
Bolton,
Brown,
Burton,
Hon. Mr. Carling,
Messrs. Cartwright,
Chamberlin,
Hon. Mr. Chauveau.
Mr. Colby,
Hon. Mr. Connell,
Messrs. Coupal,
Crawford (Brockville)
Mr. Dobbie,
Hon. Mr. Dunkin,
Messrs. Forbes,
Fortier,
Hagar,
Holmes,
Hurdon,
Hutchison,
Jackson,
Lacerte,
Lawson,
Hon. Messrs. Macdonald (Cornwall),
McDougall (Renfrew),
Messrs. McDougall (Three
Rivers),
Pelletier,
Pope,
Renaud,
Ross (Wellington),
Ryan (Montréal),
Simpson,
Snider,
Stephenson,
Tremblay,
Hon. Mr. Tupper,
Messrs. Wright (Ottawa), and
Wright (York).—40.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*; Hon. Messieurs *John Sandfield Macdonald*, *McDougall*, *Gray*, *Dorion*, *Smith*, *Blanchet*, *Tupper*, *Morris*, *Archibald*, *Chauveau*, *Campbell*, *Anglin*, and *Kierzkowski*; and Messieurs *Dufresne*, *Chamberlin*, *Street*, *Cartwright* and *Mills*, was appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library; and a Message was sent to the Senate to acquaint them therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Magill*, a Select Committee, composed of Messieurs *Bowell*, *Colby*, *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Pope*, *Oliver*, *Ryan* (Montreal West), *Thompson* (Haldimand), *Cameron* (Huron), *Bown*, and the Mover, was appointed to inquire into and report on the extent and condition of the Hop growing and Salt interests in Canada; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of Mr. *Dufresne*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement shewing the names of the contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have thrown up their contracts, together with the names of their sureties; the length of road, the nature and description of work to be done, and the price agreed to be paid, in each contract so thrown up; the work done by each of them respectively, and the amount paid to each; the contracts resumed by the Commissioners, and the amount paid to them by the sureties, in order that they might be released from their warranty, and by what sureties paid; shewing, also, whether any of the work so resumed by the Commissioners has been again given out by contract, and if so, when, to whom, and at what price; also, shewing who are the sureties, where they reside, and the nature of their occupations.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement of the expenses connected with the mission to the North West of the Hon. the Secretary of State for the Provinces.

On motion of Mr. *Stirton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement of the sums paid from the vote of $20,000 last Session, "To defray expenses for the Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the laws of the Provinces," shewing the dates of payment, and to whom paid, and the nature of the services rendered for such payment.

On motion of Mr. *Chamberlin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a list of all persons who have passed the examination required for Employées in the Inland Revenue Department, under the Order in Council of the 24th September, 1866, since the 1st July, 1867; and a statement of the number of meetings of the Board since the former date, and dates of such meetings.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz:—

No. 6, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Fishing by Foreign Vessels."—(On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time; second reading on Friday next.)

No. 7, intituled; "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners."—On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time; second reading on Friday next.)

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the papers transmitted by His Excellency the Governor General, relative to the recent occurrences in the North-West Territories, were ordered to be printed for the use of Members.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

OMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit: }

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of the Third Thursday next after the day on which the Session of the House of Commons of this Dominion to be holden next after the date of the said warrant, shall commence; to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Ross, (Dundas)—On Thursday next.—BILL to limit the rate of Interest.

Mr. *McCallum*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence and reports of the Engineer in charge of the Welland Canal, since 30th June, 1869. First, as to feeding said Canal from Lake Erie; Second, as to the damage done to the Village of Dunnville by the freshet in April last; Third, as to building of waste weir in the embankment across the Grand River at the village of Dunnville; Fourth, as to opening what are known as the back ditches along the Welland Canal through the Township of Moulton; Fifth, as to the supply of water furnished the mills on the said Canal in the year 1869; Sixth, as to the damage done to Port Maitland Piers in April last; Seventh, also copies of all Orders in Council since the 30th of June last, in reference to said works.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence which has passed since the beginning of last Session between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government, or the British Ambassador at Washington, on the subject of Reciprocity of trade with the United States.

Mr. *Magill*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to select and send some of the most expert riflemen of the Dominion, as representatives at the next rifle match at Wimbledon Common.

Mr *.Fortin*—On Thursday next—That the Journals of last Session, of the 21st of April and 3rd of May, 1869, be read, with a view of subsequently moving the appointment of a Select Committee on the subject of

Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the Inspection of Fish; such Committee to be composed of members, of whom seven will form a quorum, notwithstanding the 79th and 80th Rules of this House, of which he will move the suspension; and that the Honorable Messieurs *Anglin, Campbell, Chauveau, Blanchet;* and Messieurs *Simpson, Mackenzie, McCallum, Keeler, Workman, Simard, Robitaille, Renaud, Bolton, Savary, Ross* (Victoria, N.S.), *Coffin, Langlois, Ross* (Prince Edward), *Jones* (Halifax), *Beaty, Cimon, Bourassa, Dufresne, Burpee,* and the Mover, do compose the said Committee, with power to report from time to time, and to send for persons, papers, and records.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the inspection "of Raw Hides and Leather."

Mr. *Harrison.*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

Mr. *Blake.*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Lists of the Cadets who have passed through the several Military Schools of the Dominion, in each year, since the first establishment of the Schools, up to June 30th, 1869; defining first and second class Cadets, and such as have passed through two or more separate schools; giving the total numbers, exclusive of double returns, and the average age of the Cadets of each year; also the total cost of the schools, including pay to Cadets, staff, clothing, and Camp of Instruction, with an estimate of the average cost of each Cadet to the country.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of the expenses connected with His Excellency Lieutenant Governor *McDougall's* Mission to the North West and back.

Mr. *McDougall, (South Renfrew)*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General of any report made by Surveyor's or others employed by the Government in the Neighbourhood of Lake Nepigon, or any portions of the Coast of Lake Superior.

No. 10.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 1st March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House—General Statements, and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the Districts of Terrebonne and Richelieu, for the year 1869.

Eleven Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent, be received.

Mr. Speaker decided that "as this Petition prays for a grant of money, it cannot be received."

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Peter G. Frazer*, and others, Farmers, Traders, and Merchants of the County of Victoria, N. B.,—and the Petition of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners, be received,

Mr. Speaker decided, that these Petitions cannot be received, "as the granting of the prayers thereof would involve the expenditure of Public Money, which cannot be granted without recommendation from the Crown."

Mr. *Mills* introduced a Bill (No. 8) to render Members of the Legislative Councils and Legislative Assemblies of the Provinces now included, or which may hereafter be included, within the Dominion of Canada ineligible for sitting or voting in the House of Commons of Canada.—Second reading on Thursday next.

Also, a Bill (No. 9) to authorize the Extradition of persons from the Dominion of Canada, charged with having committed crimes in the United States, and other Foreign Countries.—Second reading on Thursday next.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency,—Return showing the Dominion Notes in circulation, and the Securies and Cash Reserves held to meet the same on the 9th day of February, 1870; also a Return of the average circulation of Dominion Notes from July 1st, 1869, to Jan. 31st, 1870, and of the amount of such Notes held by the Chartered Banks; also a Return of the circulation of Chartered Banks for the same period.

On motion of Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Friday next, to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient that no new Bank be chartered, or the charter of any existing Bank renewed, except on the following conditions, subject to the modifications hereinafter mentioned with respect to existing Banks:—

1. The capital of any new Bank shall not be less that *one million* dollars, and the whole amount shall be subscribed for, and at least *twenty* per cent. thereof shall be *bona fide* paid up before the Bank shall issue any notes or commence the business of banking, and the whole amount shall be paid up within five years from the date of the charter, twenty per cent. at least being so paid up in each year:—the capital of any existing Bank may remain as it now is, subject to be increased, at the request of the shareholders, by the charter continuing the existence of the Bank, or by any supplemental charter as hereinafter mentioned.

2. The Bank shall satisfy the Treasury Board in such way as may be prescribed by regulations to be made by the said Board, that the conditions required in its case by the preceding paragraph, have been complied with, and shall not be held to have complied with them or to be entitled to the rights dependent on such compliance until a certificate of its having done so has been granted by the Board.

3. The amount of notes intended for circulation, issued by any Bank and outstanding at any time, shall never exceed the amount of its paid up capital, and no such note for a less sum than *four* dollars shall be issued by any New Bank, or issued or re-issued by any now existing Bank after the expiration of its present charter; all such notes then outstanding being called in and redeemed as soon as practicable.

4. In the event of the property and assets of the Bank becoming insufficient to pay its debts and liabilities, the Shareholders of the Bank, in their private or natural capacities, shall be liable for the deficiency, so far as that each Shareholder shall be so liable to an amount (over and above any amount not paid up on their respective shares) equal to the amount of their shares respectively; and if any suspension of payment in full in specie of all or any of the notes or other liabilities of the Bank shall continue for *six months*, the Directors may and shall make calls on such Shareholders to the amount they may deem necessary to pay all the debts and liabilities of the Bank, without waiting for the collection of any debts due to it, or the sale of any of its assets or property—such calls to be made at like intervals and for like amounts as calls on unpaid stock, and payment thereof to be enforced in like manner; and any failure on the part of any Stockholder liable to such call to pay the same when due, shall operate a forfeiture by such Stockholder of all claim in or to any part of the assets of the Bank, such call and any further call thereafter, being nevertheless recoverable from him, as if no such forfeiture had been incurred. Provided that if the Bank be *en commandite* and the principal partners are personally liable, then in case of such suspension, such liabilities shall at once accrue and may be enforced against such principal partners, without waiting for any sale or discussion of the property or assets of the Bank, or other preliminary proceedings whatever.

5. Persons who having been Shareholders in the Bank, have only transferred their shares or any of them to others, or registered the transfer thereof, within *three months* before the commencement of the suspension of payment by the Bank, shall be liable to calls on such shares under the next preceding paragraph, as if they had not transferred them, saving their recourse against those to whom they were transferred; and any Director who shall refuse to make or enforce, or to concur in making or enforcing any such call, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be personally responsible for any damages suffered by such default; and any assignee or other officer or person appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank in case of its insolvency, shall have the powers of the Directors with respect to such calls; Provided that if the Bank be *en commandite*, the liability of the principal partners and of the *commanditaires* shall continue for such time after their ceasing to be such, as is or may be provided in the charter of the Bank.

6. Every new Bank shall,—and every existing Bank whose charter is continued and amended in conformity to these resolutions, shall from the time such amendments take effect, be exempt from the tax now imposed on the average amount of notes in circulation, and to which other Banks will continue liable.

7. The total liabilities of the Bank shall never exceed the aggregate amount of the sum held by it in specie and Dominion notes, and three times its paid up capital; and the Directors, knowing any excess and not forthwith protesting against, it, shall be responsible for the same.

8. Any suspension by the Bank of payment of any of its liabilities as they accrue, in specie or Dominion notes, shall, if it continues for *ninety* days, constitute the Bank insolvent, and operate a forfeiture of its charter, so far as regards the issue or re-issue af notes and other banking operations, and the charter shall remain in force only for the purpose of enabling the Directors, or the Assignee or Assignees or other legal authority, (if any be appointed in such manner as may by law be provided,) to make the calls aforesaid, and wind up its business; and any such Assignee or Assignees or other legal authority, shall for such purposes have all the powers of the Directors.

9. No division of profits, either by way of dividends or bonus or both combined, exceeding the rate of *eight* per cent. per annum, shall be paid by the Bank, until it shall have a rest or reserved fund equal to at least *twenty* per cent. of its capital, deducting all bad and doubtful debts before calculating the amount of such rest.

10. Certified lists of the Shareholders with their additions and residences, and the number of shares they respectively hold, shall be laid before Parliament every year, within fifteen days after the opening of the session.

11. Each Shareholder shall have one vote for each share held by him, and no proxy for voting shall be in force for more than one year from its date.

12. The Shareholders shall have power to regulate by By-law the following matters, incident to the management and administration of the affairs of the Bank, viz :—

1st. The number and qualification of Directors, which shall not be less than *five*, nor more than *ten*; the remuneration of the President, Vice-President and other Directors; but no Director, President, or Vice-President, shall hold less than *five thousand* dollars of the stock of the Bank, nor shall the Directors (including the President and Vice-President) hold in the aggregate less than *five* per cent. of the capital stock of the Bank; and they shall be elected annually by the Shareholders, but shall be eligible for re-election.

2nd. The amount of discounts or loans which may be made to Directors, either jointly or severally, or to any one firm or person, or to any Shareholder, or to Corporations.

3rd. The number of places, and the places at which agencies or branches of the Bank may be established.

13. The monthly returns to be made by the Bank to the Government shall be in the following form, and shall be made up on the first juridical day of each month, and shall include the month next preceding, and shall be made from weekly returns made up in like form on the Monday or the first juridical day of each week; and the average amounts stated in each weekly return shall be the average of those at the close of all the days in the preceding week, and the amounts stated in the monthly returns shall be the average of those in all the weekly returns in the month to which they relate; and such monthly returns shall be signed by the President, or the Director then acting as President, and by the Cashier or other principal officer of the Bank at its chief seat of business :—

RETURN of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank during the period from to :—

CAPITAL AUTHORIZED, $.	CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, $.	CAPITAL PAID UP, $.

LIABILITIES.

	Total.	Held in the Province of Ontario.	Held in the Province of Quebec.	Held in the Province of Nova Scotia.	Held in the Province of N. Brunswick.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
1. Circulation					
2. Government Deposits, payable on demand					
3. Other Deposits, payable on demand					
4. Government Deposits, payable after notice or on a fixed day					
5. Other Deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day					
6. Due to other Banks in Canada					
7. Due to other Banks or Agents not in Canada					
8. Other Debts or Liabilities of any kind					

ASSETS.

	Total.	Held in the Province of Ontario.	Held in the Province of Quebec.	Held in the Province of Nova Scotia.	Held in the Province of N. Brunswick.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
1. Specie					
2. Provincial or Dominion Notes					
3. Notes of other Banks					
4. Balances due from other Banks in Canada					
5. Balances due from other Banks or Agents not in Canada					
6. Government Debentures or Stock					
7. Loans and Advances on Current Account, or Discounts, to the Government					
8. Loans, Discounts or Advances on Current Account to Railway Companies					
9. Loans, Discounts or Advances on Current Account to other Corporations					
10. Loans, Discounts or Advances on Current Account to Directors, or Firms of which Directors are Members					
11. Notes and Bills discounted for other Individuals, and Current					
12. Notes and Bills Discounted for other Individuals, Overdue and not specially secured					
13. Overdue Debts secured by Mortgage, or other Deed of Real Estate, or by deposit of, or lien on Stock, or by other Securities					
14. Real Estate, the Property of the Bank, other than Bank Premises					
15. Bank Premises					

The amounts of items Numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the Liabilities owing in each Province to be extended in the proper columns, and the same to be done with the amounts of items Numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Assets held in each Province.

I declare that the foregoing return is made up from weekly returns for the same month, in the books of the Bank, and that both this return and the said weekly returns have been made in the manner by law required, and are correct.

day of 18 .

A. B.—*President, &c.*
C. D.—*Cashier, &c.*

14. The making of any wilfully false or deceptive statement in any account, statement, return, report or other document, respecting the affairs of the Bank, shall, unless it amounts to a higher offence, be a misdemeanor,—and

every President, Vice-President, Director, Auditor, Cashier or other officer of the Bank, preparing, signing, approving, or concurring in such statement, return, report or document, or using the same with intent to deceive or mislead, or so as to deceive or mislead any party, shall be held to have wilfully made such false statement, and shall further be responsible for all damages sustained by such party in consequence thereof.

15. If any President, Vice-President, Director, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank, wilfully gives, or concurs in giving, any creditor of the Bank any fraudulent, undue, or unfair preference over other creditors, by giving security to such creditor, or by changing the nature of his claim, or otherwise howsoever, he shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and shall be responsible for all damages sustained by any party by such preference.

16. The Bank shall not make loans, or grant discounts on the security of its own stock, but shall have privileged lien on the shares of any of its debtors, or parties to whom advances have been made or who are responsible for such advances, and may decline to transfer the shares of any such debtor or party, until the debt or advance is paid.

17. No dividend or bonus shall ever be made so as to impair the paid-up Capital Stock, and if any dividend or bonus be so made the Directors shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount thereof, as a debt due by them to the Bank; and if any part of the paid up Capital be lost, the Directors shall, if all the stock be not paid up, forthwith make calls upon the Shareholders sufficient to make good such loss and keep the paid up Capital unimpaired; and such loss (and the calls if any) shall be mentioned in the Return then next made by the Bank.

18. The Bank shall always receive in payment its own notes at par, at any of its offices, and whether they be made payable there or not; but shall not be bound to redeem them in Specie or Dominion notes, at any place other than where they are made payable. The place or one of the places at which the notes of the Bank shall be made payable, shall always be its chief seat of business.

19. The Bank shall always hold at least fifty per cent. of its cash reserves, in Dominion notes.

20. The Bank shall always be subject to any general provisions respecting Banks, which Parliament may think necessary for the public interest.

21. The Directors of any now existing Bank, being thereunto authorized at a general meeting of the shareholders, called for that purpose, may, at any time before the expiration of its present charter, notify the Minister of Finance of their intention to apply for an extension of its charter, with such amendments as will make it conformable to these resolutions, and may apply to the Governor General for a charter granting the extension with such amendments, which charter the Governor in Council may grant on the report of the Minister of Justice and of the Treasury Board that it is in conformity with the law; and any persons desiring to establish a new Bank, may, on like conditions, apply for and obtain a charter for such Bank: any such charter to contain the usual provisions in Bank charters granted heretofore by the Parliament of Canada, (or, in the case of a now existing Bank, contained in the present Charter of the Bank,) so amended as to be in conformity with the law.

22. The charter so to be granted to any existing Bank may provide for the increase of its capital, by an amount not less than , or a supplemental charter may be granted to any Bank now existing or to be chartered as aforesaid, providing for such increase, which shall in any case be paid up within five years from the date of the charter providing for it, twenty per cent. thereof being paid up in each year.

23. No now existing Bank charter shall be extended, nor any new Bank chartered, except on the conditions above mentioned, nor shall any such charter be extended or granted beyond the end of the Session commencing next after the first day of January 1881.

24. The privileges granted by the *Act respecting Banks*, 31 Vic., cap. 11, shall not, after the first day of June, 1870, extend to any Bank which shall not have had its charter amended in accordance with the foregoing resolutions, nor if the charter of such Bank extends beyond the end of the Session next after the 1st January, 1881, unless it be limited to that date; but such Bank shall have such rights and privileges only as are given by its charter, subject to any amendments thereto which the Legislature or authority granting it may have reserved the right to make.

25. No private person or party, except a chartered Bank, shall issue or re-issue any bill, bond, note, check or other instrument, intended to circulate as money, or to be used as a substitute for money, for any amount whatever.

26. All Banks shall be subject to such provisions of any general or special winding-up Act to be passed by Parliament as may be declared to apply to Banks; and no special Act which Parliament may deem it right to pass for winding up the affairs of any insolvent Bank shall be deemed an infringement of its privileges.

On motion of Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Friday next, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., cap. 46, intituled: "An Act to enable Banks in any part of Canada to use notes of the Dominion instead of issuing notes of their own," by repealing the first seven sections thereof, except as to any arrangement with the Bank of Montreal, now existing under them, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient further to amend the said Act, by providing that Dominion notes to the amount of four million dollars, or such greater amount as may be authorised as hereinafter mentioned, may be issued and remain outstanding at any time on the security of Debentures of the Dominion to a like amount, to be held by the Receiver General for the redemption of such notes; and that the amount of such notes to be issued and outstanding at any time on the security of debentures to a like amount, may be from time to time increased to an amount not exceeding seven million dollars, by Orders in Council founded on a report of the Treasury Board, such increase being so authorised for amounts not exceeding *one million dollars* at one time, and at intervals of not less than *three* months, and no such increase being authorised unless the Receiver General then holds specie to the amount of one-fourth of the aggregate amount of such increase and of the Debentures already held by him as aforesaid.

3. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that if any amount of Dominion notes be issued and outstanding in excess of the amount then authorised to be issued and outstanding on such security as aforesaid, the Receiver General shall hold specie to the full amount of such excess for the redemption of such notes; and that any amount of such notes which the public convenience may require, may be issued and remain outstanding, provided the excess of such amount over that so authorised be represented by specie held by the Receiver General, as aforesaid.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Nine of the said Act, except as regards any existing arrangement made under it, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof, and to provide that the Governor may in his discretion establish branch offices of the Receiver General's Department in Montreal, Toronto, Halifax and St. John (N. B.) respectively, or any of them, for the redemption of Dominion notes, or may make arrangements with any chartered bank or banks for the redemption thereof, and may allow a fixed sum per annum, for such service at any or all of the said places; and that specie or debentures held at any such Branch or by any such Bank for the redemption of Dominion Notes, shall be deemed to be held by the Receiver General.

5. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend Section Ten of the said Act 31 Vict., cap. 46, in accordance with the preceding Resolutions.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Eleven of the said Act providing for the appointment of Commissioners for ascertaining the amount of Dominion notes issued and specie and debentures held for their redemption, and to provide that the Receiver General shall publish *monthly* in the *Canada Gazette* a statement of the amount of Dominion Notes outstanding on the last day of the preceding month, and of the Specie and Debentures then held by the Receiver General for the redemption thereof: distinguishing the amounts of specie and debentures so held at each of the Cities aforesaid respectively; such statements to be made up from returns to be made by the said Branch Offices or Bank to the Receiver General.

On motion of Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Friday next, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to establish one uniform currency for all Canada, and for that purpose to provide, that on and after the *First day of July*, 1870, the currency of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be the same as that of the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario, and New Brunswick, in all of which one currrency, of uniform value, is used.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that on and after the said day, the currency of Canada shall be such that the British sovereign, of lawful weight, shall be equal to and shall pass current for four dollars eighty-six cents and two-thirds of a cent of the currency of Canada, and that all public accounts throughout Canada shall be kept in such currency; and that in any statement as to money or money value, in any indictment or legal proceeding, the same shall be stated in such currency, and in all private accounts and agreements rendered or entered into on or after the said day, all sums mentioned shall be understood to be in such currency, unless some other is clearly expressed, or must, from the circumstances of the case, have been intended by the parties.

3. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that all sums of money payable on and after the said day to Her Majesty, or to any party, under any act or law in force in Nova Scotia, passed before the said day, or under any bill, note, contract or agreement made before the said day in Nova Scotia, or with reference thereto, or made after the said day out of Nova Scotia and with reference thereto, and which were intended to be, and if such alteration of the currency had not been made, would have been payable in the present currency of Nova Scotia, shall, on and after the said day, be payable, respectively, by equivalent sums in the currency of Canada, that is to say, for every seventy-five cents of Nova Scotia currency, by seventy-three cents of Canada currency, and so in proportion for any greater or less sum; and if in any such sum there be a fraction of a cent in the equivalent in Canada currency, the nearest whole cent shall be taken.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that on and after the said day, no Dominion note or bank note payable in any other currency than the currency of Canada, shall be issued or re-issued by the Government of Canada, or by any bank, and that all such notes issued before the said day, shall, as soon as practicable, be called in and redeemed, or notes payable in the currency of Canada shall be substituted or exchanged for them.

5. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that the coins now current in the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario, and New Brunswick, under the Acts now in force in the said Provinces respectively, shall continue to be current therein, and shall, on and after the said day, be current in the Province of Nova Scotia, at the rates in the said currency of Canada, now assigned to them respectively, by the said Acts, and under such conditions and provisions as are mentioned therein, subject to the provision hereinafter made with respect to British silver and copper coin; and that such other silver or copper coins as Her Majesty may cause to be struck for circulation in Canada, being of the proper weight and fineness, shall pass current in Canada, at the rates to be assigned to them respectively by Her Majesty's Royal Proclamation; all such silver coins as aforesaid being a legal tender to the amount of ten dollars, and such copper coins to the amount of twenty-five cents, in any one payment; and that Her Majesty may by Proclamation, from time to time, fix the rates at which any foreign gold or silver coins of the description, date, weight and fineness, mentioned in such Proclamation, shall pass current in Canada.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that Her Majesty may by Proclamation to be issued after the said day, fix the rates in the currency of Canada at which the silver and copper coins of the United Kingdom while lawfully current therein, shall pass current (to the amounts in one payment mentioned in the next preceding resolution) in the several Provinces of Canada, and such rates shall then be substituted for those now fixed by the law now in force in Quebec, Ontario and New Brunswick; and such Proclamation shall take effect in the several Provinces respectively, upon the day therein appointed; but the day to be fixed with respect to Nova Scotia, may be a later day than that to be fixed with respect to the other Provinces.

7. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that all Acts or Laws inconsistent with the foregoing Resolutions be repealed, and that one Act for giving effect to the same, and applying to all Canada, be passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, at the opening of the present Session, was taken into consideration.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved,—That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty;—and the said motion was referred to a Committee of the Whole for Friday next; and that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to a Supply, was referred to the said Committee.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Tilley* it was *Resolved*, that when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Thursday next.

The House then adjourned until Thursday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA,
To wit:

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of the Third Thursday next after the day on which the Session of the House of Commons of this Dominion to be holden next after the date of the said warrant, shall commence; to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal, at
Cobourg, this tenth day of July, 1869.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Huntington*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all petitions, memorials, and correspondence, relating to the appointment of a Postmaster for the Village of Waterloo, in the County of Shefford, in the place of *A. L. Robinson*, Esquire, resigned.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence not already brought down touching the demands made by *James Beaty*, M.P., or the Road Company against the Government, and the demands made by the Government against the same parties, and statement of the settlement, (if any) made of the said demands.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of statement of the Public Debt of the late Province of Canada so far as the same has been fixed and settled between the three Governments interested; and statement of the items still in dispute.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of Canada and Nova Scotia, touching the complaints of Nova Scotia, in respect of the Confederation of the Provinces.

Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburg)—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Inspector of Post Offices in Nova Scotia, touching the subject of Post Office Accommodation in the City of Halifax.

Honorable Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—Committee to report upon the subject of reporting and publishing the debates of this House.

No. 10.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 1st MARCH, 1870.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1870.

Thirteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.—

The following petitions were received and read :—

Of the Great Western Railway Company ; praying that an Act may be passed incorporating the Honorable *William McMaster*, Senator, and others, under the name of the " Detroit River Transit Company."

Of the Hon. *William McMaster*, Senator, and others ; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the " Detroit River Transit Company," and for other purposes.

Of the Great Western Railway Company ; praying for certain Amendments to their Acts of Incorporation.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Wentworth ; praying for the abolition of the Excise duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa ; praying for certain Amendments to the Tariff ; and for the exclusion of American Citizens from Canadian Fisheries, and from the free navigation of Canadian waters.

Of *Alexander Workman*, President of the Ottawa Board of Trade, and others, of the Province of Ontario ; praying for certain Amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of *Jean Giroux*, and others, Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec ; praying for certain Amendments to the Act Incorporating the Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec, and the Act amending the same.

Of *P. Wright*, and others ; and of *Edward Haycock* and others, both of the City of Ottawa, and of the Township of Hull ; severally praying for the passing of an Act declaring null and void the Letters Patent granting to *Joseph Smith*, the exclusive right of ferriage on the River Ottawa, within the limits of the City of Ottawa, and certain points in the Township of Hull.

Of *Samuel Fowle*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of East Nissouri, County of Oxford ; of *M. Hadwen*, and others ; of *Samuel Hannah*, and others ; of *James Baird*, and others ; of *William Simpson*, and others ; of Messrs. *John McHardy* and Company, and others ; of *George Strong*, and others ; of *John McClymont*, and others ; of *Francis S. Douglas*, and others ; of *James Tisdale*, and others ; of *Robert Brown*, and others ; of *Archibald Hodgert*, and others ; of *Hugh Love*, Senior, and others ; of *N. McIntyre*, and others ; of *Archibald Bishop*, Reeve, of Usborne, and others ; of *John J. Sweetman*, Merchant, and others ; and of *James Brown*, and others, all Farmers, Producers, and Manufacturers of Western Ontario ; severally praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Josiah Deacon*, of Antigonish, Province of Nova Scotia, be received.

Mr. Speaker decided that "as this petition prays for a grant of money, it cannot be received."

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Report of the Special Committee, appointed to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by The House on the 15th, ult., was concurred in.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley* laid upon the Table, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented—Return to Address of the 24th ult. for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Trustees or Stockholders of the Upper Canada Bank ; also any reports of such trustees, and statements shewing the liability of the Bank in detail, the nature and value of its assets, th quantity and estimated value of the real estate, the sales since the last return, shewing the assumed and realised values, and the cost of maintaining the present Board of Trustees.

Mr. *Harrison* introduced a Bill (No. 10) to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.—Second reading on Monday next.

Honorable Mr. *Irvine*, from the Select Committee, on the Hochelaga Election Petition, presented the following Report:—

That, at the instance of the Sitting Member, the Committee have granted a Commission for taking of evidence as to the qualification of the said Sitting Member and matters relating thereto; and, by the consent of both parties, they have appointed *Louis Bélanger*, Esq., Advocate, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, the Commissioner, to examine witnesses touching the allegations above mentioned.

The Committee, therefore, ask permission of the House, to adjourn until such time as Mr. Speaker, by his Warrant, shall direct said Committee to re-assemble and take the proceedings of said Commission into consideration.—Leave granted accordingly.

Mr. *Oliver* introduced a Bill (No. 11) to amend the Patent Act of 1869.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Ross* (Dundas) introduced a Bill (No. 12) to limit the rate of Interest. Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, a Message was ordered to 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 Legislative Printing; and informing their Honors that the Members of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, viz:—Messrs. *Beaty, Bellerose, Bourassa, Bowell, Brousseau Chamberlin, Ferguson, McDonald,* (Lunenburg,) *Mckenzie, Simard, Stephenson* and *Young* will act as Members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. *Lawson*, an Address was voted to his Excellency, for copies of all treaties, surrender of lands or agreements between the Crown and any of the Tribes of Indians located within the Provinces or Territories, comprised within the Dominion of Canada; also, between the Hudson Bay Company and any Tribe of Indians, so far as such documents may be in possession of the Government.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to his Excellency for a return of all amounts paid by the Government to the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, '67, '68, and '69, showing the following particulars:—The amount of exchange bought, the interest paid, American currency converted, Debentures and Dominion Stock sold, with the dates of each transaction, the rates and commissions paid, the amount received by the Bank in lieu of circulation, old notes, &c., and all other information necessary to show the relations of that Bank to the Government during the years above mentioned, also, a statement of any Intercolonial Loan, Exchange sold, the rate, to whom sold, and also the average monthly balances lying to the Credit of the Government in the Bank.

On motion of Hon. Sir *A. T. Galt*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government, relative to the admission or exclusion of American fishing vessels from the waters of the Dominion, and all Orders in Council on the subject.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, the Journals of last Session, of the 3rd of May, 1869, were read; and a Select Committee was appointed on the subject of the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the Inspection of Fish, composed of 25 Members, of whom 7 to be a quorum; viz:—Honorable Messrs. *Anglin, Campbell, Chauveau* and *Blanchet*; and Messrs. *Simpson, Mackenzie, McCallum, Keeler, Workman, Simard, Robitaille, Renaud, Bolton, Savary, Ross* (Victoria, N.S.), *Coffin, Langlois, Ross* (Prince Edward), *Jones* (Halifax), *Beaty, Cimon, Bourassa, Dufresne, Burpee*, and the Mover; with power to report from time to time, and to send for persons, papers, and records; and rules 79 and 80 were suspended in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for Lists of the Cadets who have passed through the several Military Schools of the Dominion, in each year, since the first establishment of the Schools, up to December 31st, 1869; defining first and second class Cadets, and such as have passed through two or more separate schools; giving the total numbers, exclusive of double returns, and the average age of the Cadets of each year; also the total cost of the schools, including pay to Cadets, staff, clothing, and Camp of Instruction, with an estimate of the average cost of each Cadet to the country, and the number also who hold Commissions in the Militia, and the number now in the Schools.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement of the expenses connected with the Hon. Mr. *McDougall's* mission to the North-West, and back.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Huntington*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Petitions, Memorials, and correspondence relating to the appointment of a Postmaster for the Village of Waterloo, in the County of Shefford, in the place of *A. L. Robinson*, Esq., resigned.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence, not already brought down, touching the demands made by *James Beaty*, M.P., or the Road Company against the Government; and the demands made by the Government against the same parties, and statement of the settlement (if any) made of the said demands.

Also, a further Address, for a copy of statement of the Public Debt of the late Province of Canada, so far as the same has been fixed and settled between the three governments interested, and statement of the items still in dispute.

And a further Address, for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of Canada and Nova Scotia, touching the complaints of Nova Scotia, in respect of the Confederation of the Provinces.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Tupper*, a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Messrs. *Anglin, Holton, Blanchet* and *Beaubien*, and Messrs. *Mackenzie, Chamberlin, Cartwright, McDonald* (Lunenburg), *O'Connor, Beaty* and the Mover, was appointed to report upon the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of this House.

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

JOHN YOUNG.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

Accept my thanks for the dutiful terms of your Address, and the assurances it conveys of attention to the various important measures which will be submitted to you.

Ottawa, 28th February, 1870.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

CORRECTED LISTS OF THE SELECT STANDING COMMITTEES AS ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE THIS DAY:—

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Hon. Mr. Blanchet,
Messrs. Burton,
Caldwell,
Cameron (Huron),
Hon. Mr. Cameron (Peel),
Hon. Sir Geo. E. Cartier,
Mr. Chamberlin,
Hon. Mr. Dorion,
Mr. Grant,
Hon. Mr. Gray,
Mr. Grover,
Hon. Mr. Holton,
Messrs. Killam,
Lawson,
Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald,
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Cayley,
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Godin,
Hon. Mr. Gray,
Mr. Jones (Halifax),
Hon. Mr. Kierzkowski,
Mr. Lapum,
Hon. Mr. Macdonald (Cornwall),
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Currier,
Hon. Messrs. Dorion,
Dunkin,
Mr. Ferguson,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,
Mr. Gendron,
Hon. Sir Francis Hincks,
Hon. Messrs. Holton,
Howe,
Irvine,
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Joly,
Jones (Leeds),
Hon. Messrs. Langevin,
Macdonald (Cornwall),
Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),
Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald,
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Mackenzie,
Masson (Soulanges),
Hon. Messrs. McDougall (Lanark),
McGreevy.
Messrs. Merritt.
Morrison (Niagara),
O'Connor,
Pickard,
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Harrison,
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Langlois,
Lawson,
Hon. Mr. McKeagney,
Messrs. McMonies,
Merritt,
Mills,
Hon. Mr. Morris,
Messrs. Oliver,
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Hon. Mr. Le Vesconte,
Messrs. Little,
MacFarlane,
McCarthy,
McMillan,
Morison, (Victoria O.)
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Hon. Messrs. Holton,
Howe,
Messrs. Keeler,
Lapum,
Lawson,
Mackenzie,
Magill,
Masson, (Terrebonne,)
McConkey,
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Campbell,
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Mr. Cartwright,
Mr. Casault,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,
Mr. Gibbs,
Hon. Sir Francis Hincks,
Hon. Mr. Holton,
Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Messrs. McDougall (Lanark),
McGreevy,
Mr. Metcalfe,
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Hon. Mr. Chauveau.
Mr. Colby,
Hon. Mr. Connell,
Messrs. Coupal,
Crawford (Brockville)
Mr. Dobbie,
Hon. Mr. Dunkin,
Messrs. Forbes,
Fortier,
Hagar,
Holmes,
Hurdon,
Hutchison,
Jackson,
Lacerte,
Lawson,
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McDougall (Renfrew),
Messrs. McDougall (Three Rivers),
Pelletier,
Pope,
Renaud,
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Messrs. Wright (Ottawa), and
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NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Connell*—When the House goes into Committee on the Bill respecting the Elections of Members of the House of Commons.—The following Amendment:—

I. Provided that the provisions of the foregoing sections, 112 to 121 inclusive, shall not apply to the Province of New Brunswick, but it is enacted that in the Province of New Brunswick all elections shall be by ballot, and

immediately after the passing of this Act the Governor in Council shall direct a sufficient number of boxes with keys to be made of some durable material, each with a convenient aperture for depositing the ballots therein, and of securing them from loss or interference when the polls close, and furnish the respective Clerks of the Peace, or of the Municipality in incorporated Counties, with the number required for the different polls in each County in the said Province, and they shall be kept under the control of the Council or General Sessions of the County, as other County property, subject to the use thereof by the Sheriff for the purpose of election. If any of the boxes are lost, or additional polling places established, new boxes shall be provided at the expense of the County.

2. The Returning Officer shall furnish the presiding officer of every polling place with a ballot box, to be obtained by such Returning Officer from the officer having the custody of the ballot boxes provided as aforesaid, and a true copy of the Register of electors of the District for which he is appointed. He shall also furnish the Clerk appointed for every polling place with a suitable book properly ruled for a check list.

3. Before any vote is taken the Presiding Officer, and Deputy Returning Officer, and the Poll Clerk, shall open the ballot box, and in the presence of the candidates, their agents and the electors, openly and publicly examine the same, and ascertain that it is empty.

4. Before any elector is permitted to vote he shall state his name and residence; the Clerk shall under the direction of the Returning Officer enter his name on the check list, and the returning Officer must find it on the Register, mark it, and be satisfied that his vote is single, and deposit the same in the ballot without reading it. Every ballot shall have the names of the persons voted for written or printed on white paper. The Officer presiding at any poll shall state the names of the Candidates to any elector requiring it who is coming to vote.

5. At the close of the poll in the different Districts, the poll Clerk under the direction and supervision of the Returning Officer, in every District shall open the ballot box, and publicly count the ballots therein deposited, and make a check list thereof in the presence of the candidates, their agents or nominees in open Court, and shall openly and publicly declare the number of votes which each candidate has received at such polling District, and shall make out and subscribe, then and there, in the presence of the said candidates, their agents and nominees, the said check list, and a written statement or declaration of the result of such poll, to which, check list and statement, or declaration, the said candidates, agents or nominees, may, if they so desire it, affix their names; and the said poll Clerk shall then and there enclose the said check list, and written statement or declaration, in an enclosure or envelope, and seal the same up and publicly deliver it to the presiding Officer so enclosed and sealed, who shall give a receipt therefor, and such presiding Officer shall forthwith deliver or transmit the same to the Sheriff, who shall receive and safely keep the same unopened until the reassembly of the Court at the Court House on the day to which it had been adjourned, and the poll clerk shall, after enclosing and sealing up such check list, and statement or declaration as aforesaid, forthwith in open Court, publicly destroy, in the presence of the said candidates, their agents or nominees, the ballots deposited at the said polling place.

6. If in counting the ballots the names of other persons than the candidates, or more persons than can be elected are found on any ballot, or if any ballot should be found not to be single, the poll clerk shall forthwith, then and there, publicly destroy the same, and no double ballot shall be counted.

7. On the day appointed for the Return, the Returning Officer shall publicly break the seals of the envelopes enclosing the check lists, and written statement or declaration, sent him as aforesaid, shall open the said lists or statements or declarations, and separately announce the votes delivered to each candidate; shall add up from all the said lists, statements or declarations, the total number of votes given to each candidate: shall ascertain and declare the state of the poll, and return the Members chosen for the County or City for which such election was held.

Hon. Mr. *Huntington*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Imperial and Dominion Governments in relation to the withdrawal of Her Majesty's troops from the Colonies, and also correspondence and despatches relating to the meeting of a Colonial Conference in London.

Hon. Mr, *Dunkin*—On Tuesday next—BILL intituled "An Act respecting the Census."

Mr. *Benoit*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to abolish, during the present Session, the duties imposed by the Tariff of 1868 on cattle imported specially for the improvement of the breed.

Mr. *Benoit*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to accede to the views of the Board of Agriculture of the Province of Quebec, by abolishing the postage charged for the transmission of agricultural journals published in the Dominion, as well as of those published in Europe.

Mr. *Savary*—on Monday next—BILL to renew and extend the Act of Incorporation of the Union Bank of Halifax.

Mr. *Savary*—On Monday next—BILL to amend the Law relating to Stamps on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

Mr. *Savary*—On Monday next—BILL respecting the Law of Usury in the Province of Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing in detail the defalcations in the Financial Departments of the Government so far as brought to light; also copies of any regulations adopted during the past past year for the auditing of the Public Accounts.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to establish an Institution of Landed Credit (*crédit Foncier*)."

Mr. *Sproat*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates for this year a sum sufficient for the construction of a Harbor or Harbors of Refuge on the East Coast of the Lake Huron, and if so, whether it is intented that such work shall be proceeded with during the current year.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Monday next— ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the expenses incurred by the Arbitrators appointed for the apportionment of the debt of the Dominion and of the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, shewing what has been paid to each Arbitrator as salary and for travelling expenses, to each witness, public officer, or other person employed by the Arbitrators, and all expenses of the Board up to this day.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Monday next—That the House do then go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:—

1. That every Inspector of raw hides and leather, now or hereafter to be appointed, shall keep a proper book or books, which shall be open to public inspection, in which he shall from time to time enter a statement or account of all green, raw, and salted hides and leather inspected by him or his Assistant Inspector or Inspectors, shewing the respective weight, quality, and condition, thereof, how the same have been classified by him, for whom they have been inspected, and the amount paid for such inspection.

2. That every such Inspector shall, twice in each year, and not later than the tenth day of January and the tenth day of July, make a return to the Board of Trade of the City or Town in respect to which he has been appointed, of the foregoing particulars.

3. That no green, raw, or salted hide, weighing more than twenty pounds *avoirdupois*, whether produced within the limits of an Inspector or Inspectors of leather and raw hides, or elsewhere out of, or beyond such limits, in Quebec or Ontario, shall be offered for sale or sold within such limits, unless it shall have been previously inspected in accordance with the law.

4. That every Inspector of raw hides and leather now, or hereafter, to be appointed, shall give security for the due performance of the duties of his office, and for the payment of any penalties which may be recovered against or imposed upon him by law, such security to be taken in the name of the President of the Board of Trade, of the City or Town, in respect to which such Inspector has been appointed, who shall approve thereof, and the same shall be available to any person injured by the default, or breach of duty, of such Inspector, or who recovers any penalty or penalties against him as aforesaid.

5. That every such Inspector, who neglects or refuses to keep such a book as mentioned in the first Resolution, or to make the entries required to be made therein, or who neglects or refuses to make the returns required by the second Resolution, shall incur a penalty not exceeding for each offence, and be liable to be dismissed from his office, be disqualified from ever after holding the same, and every person selling, or offering for sale, green, raw, or salted hide or hides, contrary to the provisions of the third Resolution, shall incur a penalty not exceeding for each offence.

6. That every fine or penalty imposed by the Acts of the late Province of Canada, 27 & 28 *Vict.* Cap 21 and 29 and 30 *Vict.* Cap. 24, or by an Act to be founded on the foregoing Resolutions when the same does not exceed shall be recoverable by any Inspector of raw hides and leather, or by any other person suing for the same in a summary way before the Police Magistrate of the City or Town within the Inspection limits of the said Inspectors, or before any two Justices of the Peace, and shall in default of payment be levied by a warrant of distress to be issued by such Police Magistrate or Justices against the goods and chattels of the offender.

7 That when such penalty or fine exceeds it may be sued for and recovered with full costs of suit by such Inspector or other person by civil action in any court having jurisdiction in civil cases to the amount and may be levied by execution as in cases of debt.

8. That the provisions of the 31st and 32nd sections of the Act of the late Province of Canada, 27 and 28 *Vict.*, Cap. 21, shall apply to all penalties and proceedings under the Act to be founded on these Resolutions.

9. That the 29th and 30th sections of the said Act, 27 and 28 *Vict.*, Cap. 21, and the first section of the Act of the late Province of Canada, 29 and 30 *Vict.*, Cap. 24, be repealed.

10. That this Act shall only apply to the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Mr. *Godin*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE of the whole on the following resolutions;

Resolved, That it is expedient to enact as follows:—

1. The rate of six per centum per annum shall continue to be the rate of interest in all cases where, by the agreement of the parties, or by law interest is payable, and no rate has been fixed by the parties or by law.

2. Any rate of interest, not exceeding eight per centum per annum, may be paid in advance, or otherwise; and, when once paid, may be retained, or the same rate may be agreed on and recovered.

3. In the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, such rate of interest shall not exceed seven per centum per annum.

4. If a higher rate than seven per centum per annum, in the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, or than eight per centum in any other part of the Dominion of Canada, be agreed upon, such rate shall, as a penalty, be *ipso facto*, reduced to six per centum per annum, and such latter rate only shall be recoverable; and if a higher rate than that authorised by these Resolutions is paid, the amount of interest paid over and above six per centum per annum shall be recoverable by the parties by whom the same was paid, provided the action is brought within the six months next after the making of the payment.

5. The foregoing shall apply to all loans or agreements for loans, or for the use of any sum of money, and to all agreements whatsoever, made and entered into, on or after the first day of July next.

6. These Resolutions shall not be construed to allow any bank or incorporated society, or any association of persons authorised to lend money, merchandize, or other commodities, to exact a higher rate of interest than that prescribed and limited by their charters, or Acts of incorporation, or any other law specially relating to them; nor to restrain the rights of any association of persons, or of any corporation who, in virtue of any special law, or of a charter, or Act of incorporation, may now legally agree for, and receive a higher rate of interest than that authorized by these Resolutions.

7. All laws and parts of laws incompatible with the foregoing provisions are here hereby repealed.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 4TH MARCH, 1870.

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

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, from the Select Committee to consider and report as to the papers connected with the North West Territories, which it is expedient to lay before this House, reported that they had examined the papers referred to them, and recommend the publication of all the documents sent down, with the exception of one Despatch from Honorable *Wm. McDougall*, to the Secretary of State for the Provinces, dated 14th January, 1870, with enclosure accompanying the same—and of portions of certain other papers, that might have a tendency to compromise private individuals.

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* on the following Petitions, viz :—of Messrs. *George Baptist* and others ; for incorporation of the Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company,—of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the Gore Bank ; for an Act to confirm an agreement made between the said Banks for amalgamation,—and of the Honorable *John Young* ; for an Act to revise and amend the Act, 12 *Victoria*, incorporating a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain, with the River St. Lawrence. Also recommending that their quorum be reduced to seven Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

Honorable Mr. *Morris* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency,—Statements of Spirits, Malt Liquor, Tobacco, Cigars, and Snuff, Petroleum, and Manufactures in Bond, the Materials used, the Manufactures therefrom, the Revenue derived thereon. Also, the Revenue from Bill Stamps in the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year, ending 39th June, 1869.

Honorable Sir *John A. MacDonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 23rd ult., for copies of all Despatches or correspondence with the Imperial Government or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia ; with copies of Resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbance of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangement. Also the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* laid before The House,—Statement of Expenditure charged to UNFORSEEN EXPENSES, from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz :—

No. 13, intituled : "An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada." (On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time ; second reading on Tuesday next.)

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved,—That it is expedient that no new Bank be chartered, or the charter of any existing Bank renewed, except on the following conditions, subject to the modifications hereinafter mentioned with respect to existing Banks :—

1. The capital of any new Bank shall not be less that *one million* dollars, and the whole amount shall be subscribed for, and at least *twenty* per cent. thereof shall be *bona fide* paid up before the Bank shall issue any

notes or commence the business of banking, and the whole amount shall be paid up within five years from the date of the charter, twenty per cent. at least being so paid up in each year :—the capital of any existing Bank may remain as it now is, subject to be increased, at the request of the shareholders, by the charter continuing the existence of the Bank, or by any supplemental charter as hereinafter mentioned.

2. The Bank shall satisfy the Treasury Board in such way as may be prescribed by regulations to be made by the said Board, that the conditions required in its case by the preceding paragraph, have been complied with, and shall not be held to have complied with them or to be entitled to the rights dependent on such compliance until a certificate of its having done so has been granted by the Board.

3. The amount of notes intended for circulation, issued by any Bank and outstanding at any time, shall never exceed the amount of its paid up capital, and no such note for a less sum than *four* dollars shall be issued by any New Bank, or issued or re-issued by any now existing Bank after the expiration of its present charter ; all such notes then outstanding being called in and redeemed as soon as practicable.

4. In the event of the property and assets of the Bank becoming insufficient to pay its debts and liabilities, the Shareholders of the Bank, in their private or natural capacities, shall be liable for the deficiency, so far as that each Shareholder shall be so liable to an amount (over and above any amount not paid up on their respective shares) equal to the amount of their shares respectively ; and if any suspension of payment in full in specie of all or any of the notes or other liabilities of the Bank shall continue for *six months*, the Directors may and shall make calls on such Shareholders to the amount they may deem necessary to pay all the debts and liabilities of the Bank, without waiting for the collection of any debts due to it, or the sale of any of its assets or property—such calls to be made at like intervals and for like amounts as calls on unpaid stock, and payment thereof to be enforced in like manner ; and any failure on the part of any Stockholder liable to such call to pay the same when due, shall operate a forfeiture by such Stockholder of all claim in or to any part of the assets of the Bank, such call and any further call thereafter, being nevertheless recoverable from him, as if no such forfeiture had been incurred. Provided that if the Bank be *en commandite* and the principal partners are personally liable, then in case of such suspension, such liabilities shall at once accrue and may be enforced against such principal partners, without waiting for any sale or discussion of the property or assets of the Bank, or other preliminary proceedings whatever.

5. Persons who having been Shareholders in the Bank, have only transferred their shares or any of them to others, or registered the transfer thereof, within *three months* before the commencement of the suspension of payment by the Bank, shall be liable to calls on such shares under the next preceding paragraph, as if they had not transferred them, saving their recourse against those to whom they were transferred ; and any Director who shall refuse to make or enforce, or to concur in making or enforcing any such call, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be personally responsible for any damages suffered by such default ; and any assignee or other officer or person appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank in case of its insolvency, shall have the powers of the Directors with respect to such calls ; Provided that if the Bank be *en commandite*, the liability of the principal partners and of the *commanditaires* shall continue for such time after their ceasing to be such, as is or may be provided in the charter of the Bank.

6. Every new Bank shall,—and every existing Bank whose charter is continued and amended in conformity to these resolutions, shall from the time such amendments take effect, be exempt from the tax now imposed on the average amount of notes in circulation, and to which other Banks will continue liable.

7. The total liabilities of the Bank shall never exceed the aggregate amount of the sum held by it in specie and Dominion notes, and three times its paid up capital ; and the Directors, knowing any excess and not forthwith protesting against, it, shall be responsible for the same.

8. Any suspension by the Bank of payment of any of its liabilities as they accrue, in specie or Dominion notes, shall, if it continues for *ninety* days, constitute the Bank insolvent, and operate a forfeiture of its charter, so far as regards the issue or re-issue af notes and other banking operations, and the charter shall remain in force only for the purpose of enabling the Directors, or the Assignee or Assignees or other legal authority, (if any be appointed in such manner as may by law be provided,) to make the calls aforesaid, and wind up its business ; and any such Assignee or Assignees or other legal authority, shall for such purposes have all the powers of the Directors.

9. No division of profits, either by way of dividends or bonus or both combined, exceeding the rate of *eight* per cent. per annum, shall be paid by the Bank, until it shall have a rest or reserved fund equal to at least *twenty* per cent. of its capital, deducting all bad and doubtful debts before calculating the amount of such rest.

10. Certified lists of the Shareholders with their additions and residences, and the number of shares they respectively hold, shall be laid before Parliament every year, within fifteen days after the opening of the session.

11. Each Shareholder shall have one vote for each share held by him, and no proxy for voting shall be in force for more than one year from its date.

12. The Shareholders shall have power to regulate by By-law the following matters, incident to the management and administration of the affairs of the Bank, viz :—

1st. The number and qualification of Directors, which shall not be less than *five*, nor more than *ten*; the remuneration of the President, Vice-President and other Directors ; but no Director, President, or Vice-President, shall hold less than *five thousand* dollars of the stock of the Bank, nor shall the Directors (including the President and Vice-President) hold in the aggregate less than *five* per cent. of the capital stock of the Bank ; and they shall be elected annually by the Shareholders, but shall be eligible for re-election.

2nd. The amount of discounts or loans which may be made to Directors, either jointly or severally, or to any one firm or person, or to any Shareholder, or to Corporations.

3rd. The number of places, and the places at which agencies or branches of the Bank may be established.

13. The monthly returns to be made by the Bank to the Government shall be in the following form, and shall be made up on the first juridical day of each month, and shall include the month next preceding, and shall be made from weekly returns made up in like form on the Monday or the first juridical day of each week ; and the average amounts stated in each weekly return shall be the average of those at the close of all the days

in the preceding week, and the amounts stated in the monthly returns shall be the average of those in all the weekly returns in the month to which they relate; and such monthly returns shall be signed by the President, or the Director then acting as President, and by the Cashier or other principal officer of the Bank at its chief seat of business:—

RETURN of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank during the period from to :—

CAPITAL AUTHORIZED, $.	CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, $.	CAPITAL PAID UP, $.

LIABILITIES.

	Total.	Held in the Province of Ontario.	Held in the Province of Quebec.	Held in the Province of Nova Scotia.	Held in the Province of N. Brunswick.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
1. Circulation					
2. Government Deposits, payable on demand					
3. Other Deposits, payable on demand					
4. Government Deposits, payable after notice or on a fixed day					
5. Other Deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day					
6. Due to other Banks in Canada					
7. Due to other Banks or Agents not in Canada					
8. Other Debts or Liabilities of any kind					

ASSETS.

	Total.	Held in the Province of Ontario.	Held in the Province of Quebec.	Held in the Province of Nova Scotia.	Held in the Province of N. Brunswick.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
1. Specie					
2. Provincial or Dominion Notes					
3. Notes of other Banks					
4. Balances due from other Banks in Canada					
5. Balances due from other Banks or Agents not in Canada					
6. Government Debentures or Stock					
7. Loans and Advances on Current Account, or Discounts, to the Government					
8. Loans, Discounts or Advances on Current Account to Railway Companies					
9. Loans, Discounts or Advances on Current Account to other Corporations					
10. Loans, Discounts or Advances on Current Account to Directors, or Firms of which Directors are Members					
11. Notes and Bills discounted for other Individuals, and Current					
12. Notes and Bills Discounted for other Individuals, Overdue and not specially secured					
13. Overdue Debts secured by Mortgage, or other Deed of Real Estate, or by deposit of, or lien on Stock, or by other Securities					
14. Real Estate, the Property of the Bank, other than Bank Premises					
15. Bank Premises					

The amounts of items Numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the Liabilities owing in each Province to be extended in the proper columns, and the same to be done with the amounts of items Numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Assets held in each Province.

I declare that the foregoing return is made up from weekly returns for the same month, in the books of the Bank, and that both this return and the said weekly returns have been made in the manner by law required, and are correct.

day of 18 .

A. B.—*President, &c.*
C. D.—*Cashier, &c.*

14. The making of any wilfully false or deceptive statement in any account, statement, return, report or other document, respecting the affairs of the Bank, shall, unless it amounts to a higher offence, be a misdemeanor,—and every President, Vice-President, Director, Auditor, Cashier or other officer of the Bank, preparing, signing, approving, or concurring in such statement, return, report or document, or using the same with intent to deceive or mislead, or so as to deceive or mislead any party, shall be held to have wilfully made such false statement, and shall further be responsible for all damages sustained by such party in consequence thereof.

15. If any President, Vice-President, Director, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank, wilfully gives, or concurs in giving, any creditor of the Bank any fraudulent, undue, or unfair preference over other creditors, by giving security to such creditor, or by changing the nature of his claim, or otherwise howsoever, he shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and shall be responsible for all damages sustained by any party by such preference.

16. The Bank shall not make loans, or grant discounts on the security of its own stock, but shall have privileged lien on the shares of any of its debtors, or parties to whom advances have been made or who are responsible for such advances, and may decline to transfer the shares of any such debtor or party, until the debt or advance is paid.

17. No dividend or bonus shall ever be made so as to impair the paid-up Capital Stock, and if any dividend or bonus be so made the Directors shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount thereof, as a debt due by them to the Bank; and if any part of the paid up Capital be lost, the Directors shall, if all the stock be not paid up, forthwith make calls upon the Shareholders sufficient to make good such loss and keep the paid up Capital unimpaired; and such loss (and the calls if any) shall be mentioned in the Return then next made by the Bank.

18. The Bank shall always receive in payment its own notes at par, at any of its offices, and whether they be made payable there or not; but shall not be bound to redeem them in Specie or Dominion notes, at any place other than where they are made payable. The place or one of the places at which the notes of the Bank shall be made payable, shall always be its chief seat of business.

19. The Bank shall always hold at least fifty per cent. of its cash reserves, in Dominion notes.

20. The Bank shall always be subject to any general provisions respecting Banks, which Parliament may think necessary for the public interest.

21. The Directors of any now existing Bank, being thereunto authorized at a general meeting of the shareholders, called for that purpose, may, at any time before the expiration of its present charter, notify the Minister of Finance of their intention to apply for an extension of its charter, with such amendments as will make it conformable to these resolutions, and may apply to the Governor General for a charter granting the extension with such amendments, which charter the Governor in Council may grant on the report of the Minister of Justice and of the Treasury Board that it is in conformity with the law; and any persons desiring to establish a new Bank, may, on like conditions, apply for and obtain a charter for such Bank: any such charter to contain the usual provisions in Bank charters granted heretofore by the Parliament of Canada, (or, in the case of a now existing Bank, contained in the present Charter of the Bank,) so amended as to be in conformity with the law.

22. The charter so to be granted to any existing Bank may provide for the increase of its capital, by an amount not less than , or a supplemental charter may be granted to any Bank now existing or to be chartered as aforesaid, providing for such increase, which shall in any case be paid up within five years from the date of the charter providing for it, twenty per cent. thereof being paid up in each year.

23. No now existing Bank charter shall be extended, nor any new Bank chartered, except on the conditions above mentioned, nor shall any such charter be extended or granted beyond the end of the Session commencing next after the first day of January 1881.

24. The privileges granted by the *Act respecting Banks*, 31 Vic., cap. 11, shall not, after the first day of June, 1870, extend to any Bank which shall not have had its charter amended in accordance with the foregoing resolutions, nor if the charter of such Bank extends beyond the end of the Session next after the 1st January, 1881, unless it be limited to that date; but such Bank shall have such rights and privileges only as are given by its charter, subject to any amendments thereto which the Legislature or authority granting it may have reserved the right to make.

25. No private person or party, except a chartered Bank, shall issue or re-issue any bill, bond, note, check or other instrument, intended to circulate as money, or to be used as a substitute for money, for any amount whatever.

26. All Banks shall be subject to such provisions of any general or special winding-up Act to be passed by Parliament as may be declared to apply to Banks; and no special Act which Parliament may deem it right to pass for winding up the affairs of any insolvent Bank shall be deemed an infringement of its privileges.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do dot now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved* that it is inexpedient to authorize the issue of legal tender Notes in the manner proposed in the said Resolution; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Cartwright, Chipman, Connell, Dorion, Geoffrion, Holton, Kempt, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McCallum, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Oliver, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Stirton, Thompson (Ont.), Wells, and Young.–29.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron, (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Cheval, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Galt Sir Alexander, T., Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald, Sir John A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson, (Terrebonne) McCarthy, McConkey, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe,

O'Connor, Pâquet, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Ray, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Simard, Simpson Smith, Snider, Sproat, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, White, Willson, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.).—110.

The House then went into Committee; and after some time spent therein, progress was reported; and the Committee obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

The House went into Committee to consider the motion proposed on the 1st instant, "That a Supply be "granted to her Majesty."

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In yesterday's Votes, page 48, Mr. *Caldwell's* name was omitted from the Select Committee appointed on the subject of the Maratime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the Inspection of Fish, composed of 26 Members, of whom 7 to be a quorum; viz:—Honorable Messrs. *Anglin, Campbell. Chauveau*, and *Blanchet;* and Messrs. *Caldwell, Simpson, Mackenzie, McCallum, Keeler, Workman, Simard, Robitaille, Renaud, Bolton, Savary, Ross*, (Victoria, N. S.), *Coffin, Langlois, Ross* (Prince Edward). *Jones* (Halifax), *Beaty, Cimon, Bourassa, Dufresne, Burpee*, and the Mover; with power to report from time to time, and to send for persons, papers, and records; and Rules 79 and 80 were suspended in relation thereto.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Chipman*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps to prevent certain parties from building a dyke across Canning River, in King's County, Province of Nova Scotia, thereby stopping the navigation of said river.

Mr. *Caldwell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the contractors on Section No. 3 of the Intercolonial Railway have been paid the full amount of their claims for work performed; and if not, whether it is the intention of the Government to retain the balance due, and appropriate the amount together with the proceeds of the property of the Contractors now in the hands of the Government, towards the liquidation of the unpaid claims of the sub-contractors and employees, who have been engaged on that section.

Mr. *Caldwell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government, now that Messrs. *Elliott* & Co have been relieved from their contract on Section No. 3 of the Intercolonial Railway, to pay the just debts due by that Company to the sub-contractors and employees, whose money and labor have been expended in the prosecution of that great public work.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—That the Committee on Printing be instructed to enquire into the causes of delay in printing the Public Accounts.

Honorable Mr. *Huntington*—On Monday next—That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General representing; that the increasing population and productions of this Dominion demand more extensive markets and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other countries.

That a continental system of free commercial intercourse, bringing under one general Customs Union with this Dominion, the Countries chiefly interested in its trade would tend to expand our commerce, develop our resources and multiply our productions.

That such a system should place in a position of commercial equality and reciprocity all the countries becoming parties thereto.

That a great advantage would result from placing the Government ot this Dominion in direct communication with the several States which might be willing to negotiate for such a Customs Union.

That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication with such foreign States as might be disposed upon terms advantageous to Canada to negotiate such Commercial regulations.

That in all cases the treaties creating such proposed Customs Union should be subject to the approval of Her Majesty.

Mr. *Magill*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government during this Session to introduce a measure by which the Laws, Rules aud practice of the Court of Admiralty now in existance in the Province of Quebec, may be applied to the Inland Lakes, Canals, and Waters of the Province of Ontario; or is it the intention of the Government to confer certain powers on our Courts by introducing the system now in existance in the United States by which the District Courts established in the different States are invested with Admiralty powers.

Mr. *Magill*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all minutes of Council, reports of Government Engineers, and correspondence generally, relating to the enlargement or improvement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, since the First day of July, 1867.

Mr. *Coffin*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the American Government have been notified by the Dominion Government, that it is their intention to place an armed force in Canadian waters for the protection of Canadian fishermen.

Mr. *Coffin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence with the American Government relative to depredations committed by American fishermen in Canadian waters and harbors.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—BILL to amend the Act Cap 83 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, respecting Weights and Measures.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—That an humble address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty; praying that she will be pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament, providing that the Parliament of Canada shall not have power to disturb the financial relations established by the British North America Act (1867) between Canada and the several Provinces, as altered by the Act respecting Nova Scotia.

Honorable Mr. *Dorion*—On Wednesday next—BILL to continue the Acts incorporating "La Banque du Peuple."

No. 12.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the Districts of Iberville and Montmagny, for the year 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *B. Pomroy*, and others, of Sherbrooke; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the "Saint Francis and Megantic International Railway Company."

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of Niagara; of *John Hall*, and others, of the Town of Niagara; of *A. M. Smith*, and others, of the City of Toronto; of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Niagara; and of *R. B. McPherson*, and others, Merchants, Shipowners, and Traders, of the Village of Thorold, and County of Welland; severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, with power to build and construct a Ship Canal from the Niagara River, at or near Fort George, in the Town of Niagara, to the Welland Canal, immediately above Lock 25, and to extend the same to Port Colborne, or to the waters of the Upper Niagara River, at or near the Village of Chippawa.

Of the Municipal Council, of the County of York; and of the Municipal Council, of the County of Peel; severally praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of the Municipal Council, of the County of York; and of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of London; severally praying for the abolition of the Excise Duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of *John Robert Martin*, of the Town of Cayuga, in the County of Haldimand, and Province of Ontario, Barrister at Law; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Sophia Stinson* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Of *Joseph Scott*, and others, of Tyrconnell, Ontario; praying that in the event of a harbor of refuge being constructed on the north shore of Lake Erie, the Bay at the Village of Tyrconnell, be the site selected.

Of the Council of the Agricultural and Arts Association of the Province of Ontario; praying for the abolition of Custom Duties on Imported Thoroughbred Animals.

Of the Union Bank of Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia; praying for an extension of their Charter.

Of the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia; praying for the passing of an Act to empower the Provincial Synod of Montreal to admit the Representatives of any Diocese in the Dominion, which may not have been hitherto represented therein, and also to empower the Synod of every such Diocese, to adopt the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada.

Of *Samuel W. Foster*, and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the "Montreal, Boston and New York Railway Company."

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Alexander Campbell*, M.P.P., and others, of Broad Cove and Broad Cove Intervalle Polling District, be received,

Mr. Speaker decided that, as this Petition prays for aid, it cannot be received.

Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, presented the first Report, recommending that their quorum be reduced to ten Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.—

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported FAVORABLY on th following Petitions, viz :—of the Detroit River Transit Company,—of the Great Western Railway Company : fo

amendments to their Acts of incorporation,—and of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in reference to the construction of a harbor at the mouth of the River Beaver.

Also, recommending that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and Reports thereon respectively, be extended for one week, in the hope that no further extension may be requisite.

Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara) introduced a Bill (No. 14) to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors, and Company of the Gore Bank.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

A Message was received from the Senate, naming Honorable Messrs. *Bureau, Burnham, Dumouchel, Holmes. Locke, Odell, Olivier, Reesor, Sanborn, Simpson, Skead,* and *Steeves* to act on behalf of that House as Members of the Joint Committee on the Printing of the Legislature.

Honorable Mr. *Carling* introduced a Bill (No. 16) to incorporate the Detroit River Transit Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin,* Messrs. *Killam* and *Sylvain* were added to the Select Committee on the subject of the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the Inspection of Fish.

On motion of Mr. *Savary,* an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence conducted with other Governments and powers, and reports of all International Conventions and Committees, touching the adoption of a uniform system of Currency among the principal Commercial Nations, and correspondence with, and representations made to the Government by Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, or other bodies or persons, on the subject of a uniform Currency for the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Oliver* moved that an Address be voted to His Excellency, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take into consideration the expediency of recommending to The House the imposition of an import duty of per cent, on the following articles, viz. :—Wheat, Flour, Indian Corn, Hops, Salt, and Bituminous Coal.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 10th May, 1869, for a Return showing the quantity of grain imported into this Country from 1st April, 1867, to 1st April, 1869, giving each year's quantity, and the Country imported from, and the quantity delivered at each port respectively in the Dominion.

Also,—Official Return of the distribution of the Statutes of Canada, 32 and 33 *Victoria,* being the second Session of the first Parliament (English and French versions) in conformity with the Act 31 *Victoria* chap. 1, sec. 14.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie,* leave of absence for one week was granted to Mr. *Kempt,* Member for the South Riding of the county of Victoria (Ontario).

On motion of Mr. *McCallum,* an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence and reports of the Engineer in charge of the Welland Canal, since 30th June, 1867. First, as to feeding said Canal from Lake Erie ; Second, as to the damage done to the Village of Dunnville by the freshet in April last ; Third, as to building of waste weir in the embankment across the Grand River at the Village of Dunnville ; Fourth, as to opening what are known as the back ditches along the Welland Canal through the Township of Moulton ; Fifth as to the supply of water furnished the mills on the said Canal in the year 1869 ; Sixth, as to the damage done to Port Maitland Piers in April last ; Seventh, also copies of all Orders in Council sine the 30th of June last, in reference to said works.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie,* an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence and despatches between the Imperial and Dominion Governments, in relation to the meeting of a Colonial Conference in London, with reference to the withdrawl of Her Majesty's Troops from the Colonies.

Also a further Address, for a statement showing in detail the defalcations in the Financial Departments of the Government, so far as brought to light ; also copies of any regulations adopted during the past year, for the auditing of the Public Accounts.

The Bill (No. 2) to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders, was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Drew,* Honorable Messrs. *Irvine, Morris, Gray, Campbell,* and *Smith,* and Messrs. *Webb, Harrison, Gendron, Savary,* and *Ferguson.*

The Bill (No. 10) to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole for Wednesday next.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa)—On Wednesday next—That the Petition of *Michael McBean* and others, be referred, with all other Petitions on the same subject, to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir *A. T. Galt,* Honorable Messrs. *Holton, Blanchett, Connell, McGreevy,* Messrs. *Mackenzie, Young, Bodwell, Oliver, Hurdon, Ray, Ryan* (King's), *Ryan* (Montreal, West), *Workman, Currier, Grant, Hagar, Holmes, Lapum, McDonald*

(Middlesex), *Burton*, *Masson* (Terrebonne), *Dufresne*, *Pope*, *Heath*, *Shanly*, *Grover*, *Simpson*, and the mover; to report from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—BILL entituled: "An Act further securing the Independence of Parliament."

Mr. *Harrison*—On Wednesday next—BILL entituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders."

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Wednesday next.—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether any despatches have been received by the Government in relation to the recent troubles at Fort Garry; whether the Government can inform the House of the nature of the said troubles; and whether there has been any blood shed or loss of life.

Honorable Mr. *Connell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates a sum for the survey of the River St. John in New Brunswick with a view of improving its navigation.

Mr. *Grant*.—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any reports or other information in the possession of the Government respecting the Neepigon Country, its physical features generally, its adaptability for the purposes of colonization and as a means of access to the Red River Territory.

Honorable Mr. *Wood*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Minutes of Council and of all opinions of the Law Officers of the Crown, and of all correspondence between the Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of Quebec and Ontario respectively, in respect of the right of the Governor in Council to direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the compensation arising to the townships under the Seigniorial Act of 1859 and the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1859, amounting to the sum of $756,710, at which the item is placed in the debt of the late Province at the rate of seventy-five per cent. of such capital equal to $567,532.50 in discharge of the whole capital.

Mr. *Savary*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter IX. intituled: 'An Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.'"

Mr. *Savary*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting the Law of Usury in the Province of Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Pope*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company."

Mr. *Forbes*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all monies expended on the public piers and wharves of the Dominion from July 1st, 1867, with the names of the parties expending the same, and the name of each public wharf or pier upon which such expenditure took place.

Mr. *Wallace*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates for the year a sum sufficient for the construction of a steam fog whistle at Cape Enragé on the northern coast of the Bay of Fundy.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Friday next—The following Resolutions: That it is expedient to provide

1st. That six per cent. per annum shall continue to be the legal rate of interest in all cases where by the agreement of the parties or by law interest is payable, and no rate has been fixed by the parties in writing or by the law.

2. Any rate of interest, not exceeding 8 per cent. per annum, may be paid in advance or otherwise, and being paid, may be retained, or may be stipulated in writing and recovered.

3. If any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum is stipulated, such rate shall be *ipso facto* reduced to 6 per cent. per annum, as a penalty, and that rate only shall be recoverable; and, if any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum be paid, the excess of the rate paid over 6 per cent. per annum shall be recoverable by the parties paying it, provided the action for recovering it be brought within six months from the payment.

4. All former laws respecting interest and usury shall be repealed.

5. The foregoing provisions shall apply to any loan, or contract for the loan or forbearance of money, made on or after the day of next.

6. These Resolutions shall not apply to any body corporate, which, by any existing law, or by the terms of any Charter, or Act of Incorporation, may now lawfully stipulate for, and receive a higher rate of interest than 8 per cent.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration on or after Friday, the 18th inst., viz.:—

Bill [No. 14] to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the Gore Bank (*Committee on Banking and Commerce*).

Bill (No. 16) to incorporate the Detroit River Transit Company (*Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines*).

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1870.

Forty-nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the First Report, recommending a reduction of their quorum to seven Members; also calling the attention of The House to the fact, that the time limited for the reception of Petitions for Private Bills expires this day,—and as there is reason to believe that there are several Petitions yet to come in, they recommend an extension for one week, of the time limited for receiving Petitions, Private Bills, and Reports thereon respectively.—Quorum reduced accordingly,

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

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the First Report, recommending a reduction of their quorum to nine Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

He also presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, recommending a reduction of the quorum to nine Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders reported FAVORABLY on the following Petitions, viz:—of *Wm. Scott* and others; for incorporation of the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company, —of *John R. Martin*; for a Divorce from his wife;—and of the Diocesan Synod of Canada, to admit the representatives of any Diocese in the Dominion.

The Committee find that no notice was given on the Petition of *Samuel W. Foster* and others; for incorporation of the Montreal, Boston and New York Railway Company; they have ascertained, however, that the Petitioners applied first to the Local Legislature of Quebec, and gave all such Notices, as are usually required by the Rules of this House in such cases, but their application failed through some technical informality. On subsequent consideration, the Petitioners would come properly within the jurisdiction of the Parliament of the Dominion, as it would form a connecting link between portions of the Intercolonial Railway system, and they have accordingly made application to this House, and ask that the Notice given by them for the Quebec Legislature may be deemed sufficient to meet the requirements of this House. The Committee have had abundant evidence that all parties likely to be affected, are fully informed of the application, and there appears to be no opposition,—and therefore recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule in this case.

On motion of Mr. *MacFarlane*, the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills was extended to the 15th instant, for receiving Private Bills, to the 22nd instant,—and Reports on Private Bills, to the 5th of April next.

Honorable Mr. *Holton*, introduced a Bill (No. 19) to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Holton*, the Statement of Expenditure charged to UNFORESEEN EXPENSES from the 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870, and laid before the House on Friday last, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Annual Report of sick and distressed Mariner's Fund, in compliance with the Act 31 *Victoria* Cap. 64.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of shipwrecked and distressed Seamen's Fund, of sick and disabled Seamen's Fund, and Montreal General Hospital, during the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1869.

Return to Address of the 28th ult.,—for a list of all persons who have passed the examination required for employés in the Inland Revenue Department, under Order in Council of 24th September, 1866, since 1st July, 1867; and a statement of the number of meetings of the Board since the former date and dates of such meetings.

Return to Address of the 23rd ult,—for copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Canadian and Prince Edward Island Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, touching the admission of Prince Edward Island or of British Columbia into the Union, and the terms of such admission.

Report of the Delegates appointed to negotiate for the acquisition of Rupert's Land, and the North-West Territory,

Return to Address of the 31st May, 1869,—for copies of all correspondence and Petitions relative to the withdrawal of the subsidy from the Steamer formally plying between Prince Edward Island, Pictou, and Port Hood, and the subsidizing of a Steamer between Prince Edward Island, Pictou, and Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia.

Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* introduced a Bill (No. 17) respecting the Census.—Second reading on Thursday next.

A Resolution, "That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty," passed in Committee of the Whole on Friday last, was reported and agreed to.

On motion of Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, the House resolved to go into Committee on Friday next, to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The House went again into Committee, to consider a certain Resolution on the subject of Banks; and further progress having been made and reported, the said Committee obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Dominion Notes.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., cap. 46, intituled: "An Act to enable Banks in any part of Canada to use notes of the Dominion instead of issuing notes of their own," by repealing the first seven sections thereof, except as to any arrangement with the Bank of Montreal, now existing under them, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient further to amend the said Act, by providing that Dominion notes to the amount of four million dollars, or such greater amount as may be authorised as hereinafter mentioned, may be issued and remain outstanding at any time on the security of Debentures of the Dominion to a like amount, to be held by the Receiver General for the redemption of such notes; and that the amount of such notes to be issued and outstanding at any time on the security of debentures to a like amount, may be from time to time increased to an amount not exceeding seven million dollars, by Orders in Council founded on a report of the Treasury Board, such increase being so authorised for amounts not exceeding *one million dollars* at one time, and at intervals of not less than *three* months, and no such increase being authorised unless the Receiver General then holds specie to the amount of one-fourth of the aggregate amount of such increase and of the Debentures already held by him as aforesaid.

3. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that if any amount of Dominion notes be issued and outstanding in excess of the amount then authorised to be issued and outstanding on such security as aforesaid, the Receiver General shall hold specie to the full amount of such excess for the redemption of such notes; and that any amount of such notes which the public convenience may require, may be issued and remain outstanding, provided the excess of such amount over that so authorised be represented by specie held by the Receiver General, as aforesaid; but except in the case of notes so held against a like amount of specie, the total amount of Dominion Notes outstanding shall never exceed seven millions; nor shall anything herein contained be construed to authorize the issue of debentures not otherwise authorized by Parliament, or any increase of the public debt.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Nine of the said Act, except as regards any existing arrangement made under it, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof, and to provide that the Governor may in his discretion establish branch offices of the Receiver General's Department in Montreal, Toronto, Halifax and St. John (N. B.) respectively, or any of them, for the redemption of Dominion notes, or may make arrangements with any chartered bank or banks for the redemption thereof, and may allow a fixed sum per annum, for such service at any or all of the said places; and that specie or debentures held at any such Branch or by any such Bank for the redemption of Dominion Notes, shall be deemed to be held by the Receiver General.

5. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend Section Ten of the said Act 31 Vict., cap. 46, in accordance with the preceding Resolutions.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Eleven of the said Act providing for the appointment of Commissioners for ascertaining the amount of Dominion notes issued and specie and debentures held for their redemption, and to provide that the Receiver General shall publish *monthly* in the *Canada Gazette* a statement of the amount of Dominion Notes outstanding on the last day of the preceding month, and of the Specie and Debentures then held by the Receiver General for the redemption thereof: distinguishing the amounts of specie and debentures so held at each of the Cities aforesaid respectively; such statements to be made up from returns to be made by the said Branch Offices or Bank to the Receiver General.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 5) to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators in certain cases therein mentioned, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole for Thursday next.

The Bill (No. 7) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment of sick and distressed Mariners," was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole for Thursday next.

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, that until otherwise ordered, Government business and Orders shall have precedence on Thursdays, and that on Government days, after the business and Orders are gone through, the other business and orders of the previous day shall be taken up, and that on Thursdays the division of time intended by Rule 19 shall not be observed.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the sum of £300,000 sterling has been paid to the Hudson's Bay Company, and when.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return in detail of all sums paid by the Government of Canada for barracks, barrack repairs, and rent for the Imperial Troops, from January 1st, 1861, to December 31st, 1869, and charged as militia expenditure or otherwise.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Authorities, the Hudson's Bay Company, or the Agents of the Canadian Government in England, in relation to the payment of the sum of £300,000 sterling, which was to have been paid to the Hudson's Bay Company for the North-West Territory.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session of Parliament, to provide for the construction of the Murray Canal.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Accounts of the House of Commons from the 1st January, to the 31st December, 1869.

Also,—Statement of the Post Office Savings' Bank, of all deposits received and paid under the authority of the Act 31 *Vict.* Cap. 10, from 1st July, 1868, to 30th June, 1869,—and of the total amount due to depositors at the latter date. Also statement of expenses incurred from 1st July, 1868, to 30th June, 1869.

And Annual Statement of the Northumberland and Durham Savings' Bank, on the 1st December, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of La Banque du Peuple ; praying for a continuance of its Charter, and the Acts amending the same.

Of *M. McBean*, and others ; praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level opened throughout.

Of *Britton Bath Osler*, of the Town of Dundas, in the County of Wentworth ; praying for the passing of an Act, granting him the exclusive right, for a term of years, to make, use, and vend, within the Dominion of Canada, an improvement known as "Carr's Improved Disintegrator."

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Hamilton ; praying that the same leniency may be shown to the City of Hamilton, as that shown to those Municipalities which have borrowed from the Municipal Loan Fund, respecting Loans for Railways.

Of the Municipality of the Township of South Norwich ; of the United Agricultural Societies of the North and South Ridings of the County of Norfolk ; of *James Laidlaw*, and others ; of *B. Seymour*, jun., and others ; and of *James Somerville*, and others, Farmers, Producers, and Manufacturers, of Western Ontario ; severally praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported in Canada from the United States.

Of the Reverend *R. F. Uniacke*, Rector of St. George's Church, Halifax, and others, Members of the Church of England, of the City of Halifax (Nova Scotia) ; praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Provincial Synod of Canada to admit into union the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, and also for a continuance of the rights and privileges solemnly guaranteed to them by the Act of their own Legislature, and to exempt from the control or jurisdiction of such Provincial Synod all persons and corporations who are not members of the said Diocesan Synod.

Of the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, assembled in Annual Session, at Halifax (Nova Scotia) ; praying that an Inebriate Asylum, or Asylums, may be established in the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed, viz :—

Supplementary Return to Address,—Detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the survey and management of the Intercolonial Railway.

Annual Report,—Secretary of State for the year ending 30th June, 1869.

Return to Address,—Statement of the expense incurred in keeping up the Departmental and Parliament Buildings.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government, and the Trustees or Stockholders of the Bank of Upper Canada.

Return to Address,—Correspondence with the Imperial Government, or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements with Nova Scotia, &c.

Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforseen Expenses, from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870.

Return to Address, shewing the quantity of Grain imported into this country, from the 1st April, 1867, to 1st April, 1869, &c.

The Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz:—

Return to Address,—Reports, Estimates, &c., and the Papers in relation to the construction of the road called the St. Lawrence and Gaspé Road.

Return to Address,—Copies of letters from *Thos. A. Begley*, Esq., and his solicitors, relating to the claim of Mrs. *Begley*, for Dower on Ordnance Lands in Ottawa.

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Petition of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, for an Act to confirm an agreement between the said Company and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company, and also for power to enter into an agreement with the International Bridge Company for the use of their bridge. They find that the usual notice was given, but it contains no mention of the last mentioned agreement, as, however, no exclusive privileges are sought in connexion therewith, the Committee deem the notice sufficient.

On the Petition of *B. Pomroy* and others, of Sherbrooke, for incorporation of the St. Francis and Mégantic International Railway Company, the Committee find that the notice in the Sherbrooke *Gazette* is somewhat deficient, having been stopped immediately after the meeting of Parliament, through a misapprehension of instructions; but the Committee are satisfied that the public in that locality are fully aware of the application, and they therefore recommend that the notice be deemed sufficient.

Mr. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville) introduced a Bill (No. 23) to amend an Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the construction of the Intercolonial Railway.—Second Reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Harrison* introduced a Bill (No. 24) to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders. Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Workman* introduced a Bill (No. 25) respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Savary* introduced a Bill (No. 26) to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*: Cap. 9, intituled: "An Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange." Second Reading on Monday next.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Supplementary Return to Address of the 23rd ult., for copies of all despatches or correspondence with the Imperial Government or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia; with copies of Resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbance of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangement. Also the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence.

Return to Address of the 23rd ult., for copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan, and the application of the proceeds thereof.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 27) further securing the Independence of Parliament. Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Savary* introduced a Bill (No. 28) respecting the Law of Usury in the Province of Nova Scotia. Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Coffin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence with the American Government, relative to depredations committed by American fishermen in Canadian waters.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of the Bill (No. 3) to limit the Rate of Interest, was discharged and the Bill withdrawn.

Mr. *Mills* moved, that the Bill (No. 8) to render Members of the Legislative Councils and Legislative Assemblies of the Provinces now included, or which may hereafter be included, within the Domion of Canada, ineligible for sitting or voting in the House of Commons of Canada, be now read the second time.

Mr. *Harrison* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

And a Debate arising, and it being 6 o'clock P.M.,

Mr. Speaker left the chair and resumed the same at ½ past 7 P.M.

Honorable Mr. *Carling* introduced a Bill (No. 20) to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The House resumed the Debate on Mr. *Harrison's* motion ; which was agreed to on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Abbott, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brown, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (Montreal West), Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Walsh, Webb, Willson, Wood, and Wright (Ottawa County)—82.

Nays :

Messrs. Anglin, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Ferris, Forbes, Fortier, Galt Sir Alexander T., Godin, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Killam, Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Antigonish), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Paquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's N. B.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young—69.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In yesterday's Votes and Proceedings, page 65, the Petition of the Diocesan Synod of Canada, as reported on *favorably* by the *Select Standing Committee* on *Standing Orders*, should have been inserted as : "and of the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, for power to the Provincial Synod of Canada to admit the Representatives of any Diocese in the Dominion."

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Colby*—On motion for concurrence with the Banking Resolutions—That the first Resolution be referred back to the Committee to be so amended that the capital of any new Bank, to be located in any incorporated City having a population of twenty thousand or more inhabitants, shall not be less than $500,000, and the capital of any Bank, to be located elsewhere in this Dominion, shall not be less than $200,000, and Banks with such smaller capital shall not be authorized to open branches or agencies for the general purposes of Banking. Also, that the words "Two hundred thousand dollars" be struck out of said first Resolution, and that the words, "Forty per cent.," be inserted instead.

Honorable Mr. *Campbell*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—whether any correspondence has taken place between the Dominion Government and the Government of Prince Edward's Island, in reference to the Protection of the Fisheries during the approaching fishing season, in accordance with the policy announced by the Government of Canada.

Mr. *Jones*, (North Leeds and Grenville)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the repairs, alterations and maintenance of Rideau Hall and Spencerwood, since the 30th June, 1868, up to the present time, including all expenses of heating and lighting the Buildings, and all expenses connected with gardening, and every item of expense, in any way, either directly or indirectly, connected with said buildings; giving the charges connected with each Department separately.

Hon. Mr. *Holton*—In amendment to the motion for concurrence in the Resolutions respecting Dominion Notes—That the said Resolutions be again referred to a Committee of the Whole House, for the purpose of so amending the same as to provide that for all legal tender Notes issued a fixed minimum reserve of specie shall at all times be held to secure the convertibility thereof.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Friday next—That the Report of the Committee of the Whole on the Resolutions respecting Dominion Notes be not received but that the same be referred back to the Committee of the Whole to consider certain amendments thereof.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Friday next—BILL relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial Causes in the Province of New Brunswick.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Friday next—That *John Crawford*, Esquire, be added to the Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Friday next—BILL to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.

Honorable Mr. *Wood*.—On Monday next—That it be resolved :—

1. That by a minute of Council dated the 3rd day of July, 1852, it appears that the then Commissioner of Crown Lands, for the late Province of Canada, Dr. *Rolph*, with the view of getting the public lands settled as rapidly as possible, proposed a reduction in the price of Common School lands from $2.50 to $2.00, and that of Crown Lands from $2.00 to $1.50, and an allowance out of the purchase money of 50 cents per acre to be expended on the local roads and harbors of the locality in which the lands are situate, and that application should be made to the Legislature, for an Act to legalize and carry out the recommendations aforesaid.

2. That in pursuance of the minute of Council aforesaid, the Government of the day introduced, and passed through the Legislature the Act 16. *Vict.* chap. 159 entituled: "An Act to amend the law for the sale and settlement of the public lands", by the 14th sec. of which it is provided, " it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to reserve out of the proceeds of the School Lands in any County a sum not exceeding one-fourth of such proceeds as a fund for public improvements within the County to be expended under the direction of the Governor in Council, and also to reserve out of the proceeds of unappropriated Crown Lands in any County, a sum not exceeding one-fifth as a fund for public improvements within the County, to be also expended under the direction of the Governor in Council", which said Act received the Royal assent on the 14th of June, 1853.

3. That at this period there were large tracts of Crown and School lands in various counties, remote from the settled portions of the Province, unsettled, and it was the policy of the country to bring about the *actual settlement* thereof, as much and as speedily as possible.

4. That one of the greatest obstacles in the way of inducing *actual settlement* was the want of roads, bridges and other local public improvements, and in order to remove these obstacles by providing the means for the construction of such works, and thereby promote the speedy settlement of the waste lands of the Crown the said Act was passed.

5. That upon the passing of the said Act a general understanding and conviction was entertained throughout the land that those who should take up and settle upon the waste lands of the Crown, and comply with the regulations and conditions of sale, would be entitled to participate in the benefit of the said Improvement Fund, consisting as aforesaid of one-fourth and one-fifth respectively of the proceeds of the purchase money of School and Crown Lands.

6. That this belief and opinion was induced by the wording of the Act, the debates in the Legislature on its passing, the declarations of the Ministers of the Crown, and of the agents of the Crown Lands Department in various parts of the Province, editorial notices in newspapers and otherwise.

7. That large numbers of settlers purchased lands on an express understanding with the agents that they would have the benefit of one-fourth and one-fifth respectively of the purchase money of School and Crown Lands expended in their localities on public improvements, and especially was this the case in the County of Bruce where the population increased from 2,837 in 1852 to 27,494 in 1861.

8. That the Government of the day by an Order in Council, dated 27th February, 1855, referred to the Improvement Fund as being established by the said Act (16 Vic. Cap 159, sec. 14) and ordered certain expenditure thereout ; and by another Order in Council, dated 27th March, 1855, further assumed the existence and availability of the said Fund-

9. That on the 7th December 1855, the Government of the day in an order in Council referred to the said Fund in the words following ; " The Minister of Agriculture also brings under your Excellency's notice that numerous applications have been made for aid from the Improvement Fund created by by the 14th section of the Land Act, 16 Vic. Cap. 159, which authorizes one-fourth of the proceeds of the sale of School lands and one-fifth of those of Crown Lands to be expended in the several counties in which the sales are effected. That none of this Fund has as yet been set apart from the sales hitherto made although an order in Council has been passed for the expenditure of £25,000 thereout. That it appears requisite that the Crown Lands Department should be directed to apprise the Inspector General of the amount at the credit of each County, for proceeds of asle of both Crown and School Lands, that the proportions accruing to the Improvement Fund may be set apart for the Receiver General for that purpose. Out of the Improvement Fund referred to, he recommends that the following sums be appropriated for the objects hereafter stated, viz :—(Stating several applications.)"

10. That on the 28th day of July, A.D. 1856, the Government of the day passed an Order in Council, in the following words :—" In reference to the Fund for Public Improvements, formed under the 14th Section of the Act 16 *Vic.* Cap 159. The Committee recommend that the funds derived from the sales of lands in each particular Township, or other Municipality, and applicable to the purposes of this Fund, and not already apportioned, be applied to the making, maintaining, altering, or improving the roads or bridges in each of these Townships, or other Municipalities respectively, and be for this purpose distributed, and disposed of, by, and through, the Municipal Council of each such Township, or other Municipality ; each such Council to report to the Bureau of Agriculture the manner of expenditure of all such moneys, on the first days of January and July in each year, and at any intermediate time within ten days after having been called on so to do by that Department."

11. That, on several occasions during the years 1857, 1858, 1859, and 1860, the Government of the day, by Orders in Council, appropriated to purposes of local improvement, moneys arising out of the Improvement Fund.

12. That books were opened in the Crown Lands Department labelled " Road Improvement Fund," with a heading to each page in the words, " Statements of the amounts available for public improvements on sales of

Crown Lands, Grammar School Lands and Common School Lands, under 16 *Vic.* Chp. 159, sec. 14, in each Township in the County of ," in which books the accounts of the Fund were kept.

13. That on the 6th of March, A.D., 1861, the Government of the day made an Order in Council in the following words :—"On the recommendation of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, the Committee advise the Order in Council of 7th December, 1855, authorizing the payment of the Improvement Fund created by the Land Act 16 *Vict.* : Cap. 159, be rescinded," but no order has been made rescinding that of 28th of July, 1856.

14. That no part of the monies from School and Crown Lands *sold* between the 14th of June, 1853, and the 6th of March, 1861, *received* by the Government of the late Province of Canada between the 6th March, 1861, and the 1st of July, 1867, were applied to or set apart for the purposes of the said Fund, but all such monies were applied to the general purposes of the said Province.

15. That the said monies so received as in the next preceding Resolution mentioned, and applicable to the said Fund, after deducting 20 per cent. for management, are from School Lands, $124,685.18; and from Crown Lands, $101,771.68.

16. That as provision was made by the said Order in Council of the 6th March, 1861, or otherwise by the Government of the late Province, for the application or appropriation of the monies belonging to the said Fund, which might be received thereafter on School and Crown Lands sold prior thereto, and under the said Act and Orders in Council, creating, recognizing the existence of, and establishing the said Fund, and in respect of which the Government of the late Province did receive between the 6th March, 1861, and 1st July, 1867, $124,685.18 from School Lands, and $101,771.68 from Crown Lands.

17. That the dealings of the Government with the said settlers should be characterized by the utmost good faith ; and that good faith required the Government of the late Province, after having passed the said rescinding Order in Council of the 6th March 1861, to make provision for the application to local improvements of the stipulated proportions of the monies remaining unpaid and which might subsequently be paid in respect of the sales made prior to the date of the said rescinding Order in Council, and during the existence of the terms of purchase as disclosed in the said Act and orders in Council, and that the Government of the late Province having omitted so to do the obligation to carry out the compact made with the said settlers to the extent of the monies belonging to that Fund within the limitations aforesaid, devolves on the Government of Canada under the British North America Act.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the *Committee* on *Railways, Canals,* and *Telegraph Lines* on or after Monday, the 22st inst., viz. :

No. 19. To incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence.

No. 25. Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

No. 20. To amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 15.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *H. Sells*, and others, of the Village of Vienna, County of Elgin ; of *H. Taylor*, and others, of the City of Montreal ; and of the Rev. *A. Labelle*, Curé, and others, of St. Jérôme, County of Terrebonne ; severally praying for certain Amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of *James Brown*, and others, of the City of Montreal ; of *John Coyne*, M.P.P., and others, of the County of Peel ; of *Frank Smith*, and others ; of *Miles Hughs*, and others ; of *Samuel H. Levallee*, and others ; of *M. Dwan*, and others ; of *William Parson*, and others ; of *John Boxall*, and others, all of the City of Toronto ; of *William Harmer*, and others, of the Township of Fullarton ; of *James Page*, and others, of the Town of St. Mary's ; of *Alexander Davidson*, and others ; of *John Gettler*, and others, both of the Town of Mitchell, all of the County of Perth ; of *Richard Shaw Wood*, and others, of the Town of Oakville, County of Halton ; of, the Municipal Council of the County of Carleton ; of *M. Twomey* and others, of the Town of Amherstburg ; of *G. W. Girdlestone*, and others, of the Town of Windsor, both of the County of Essex ; of *O. Hubbard* and others, of the Township of Dawn ; of *William Kimball*, and others, of the Township of Sombra ; of *Joseph Crowder*, and others, of the Township of Euphemia ; of *Andrew Elliott*, and others, of the Village of Oil Springs ; of *John Cameron*, and others, of the Township of Bosanquet ; of *John D. Noble*, and others, Producers of Crude Petroleum, at and near Petrolia, all of the County of Lambton ; of *Wm. McConnell*, and others, of Seaforth ; of *William Rattenbury*, and others ; of *Thomas Cooper*, and others, both of Clinton ; of *William Lehman*, and others, of Lakeview ; of *J. L. Hayes*, and others, of the Village of Exeter ; of *John P. Marshall*, and others, of the Village of Rodgerville ; of *John Cano*, and others, of the Village of Brucefield ; of *John Parsons*, and others, of the Township of Stephen ; of *Simon Pegg*, and others, of the Village of Crediton ; of *A. McGowie*, and others, of Goderich ; of *Thomas Darling*, and others, of the Townships of Hay and Seaforth ; of *Caspar Hill*, and others, of the village of Zurich, all of the County of Huron ; of *Sidney Wilter*, and others, of Yonge, County of Leeds ; of *F. A. Thompson*, and others, of the Village of Granton, County of Middlesex ; of *Henry Hall*, and others ; of *D. M. Perry*, and others, both of the Town of Woodstock ; of *James O'Neill*, and others ; and of *John B. Hill*, and others, all of the County of Oxford ; of Messrs. *Lawson, Vivian & Co.*, and others, Manufacturers, engaged in the refining of Petroleum Oil in the Province of Ontario ; and of *T. W. Smith*, and others, of the City of London ; severally praying for the abolition of the Excise Duty on refined Petroleum.

Of *John Leckie*, and others, of the Township of Grey ; and of *William Young*, Reeve, and others, of Colborne, both of the County of Huron ; severally praying that Custom; Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of the Canada Central Railway Company ; praying for an extension of their Charter for five years ; also for power to amalgamate with other Companies along the same line, and to extend their line to Lake Huron.

Of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade ; praying for the passing of an Act empowering the formation of a Company for the p irpose of constructing a Canal connecting Lake Champlain with the River St. Lawrence.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Muncipality of the Township of Ristigouche, and that of the Municipality of the Township of Mann, be received,

Mr. Speaker decided, that " as these Petitions pray for aid, they cannot be received."

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, the Select Committee appointed to report upon the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of this House, obtained leave to report from time to time.

He then presented the First Report, which is as follows :—

That in their opinion it is desirable that the Honorable the Senate be requested to appoint a Committee to act jointly with a Committee of this House, to take into consideration the subject referred to them by their Order of Reference.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, the said Report was concurred in, and a Message ordered to be sent requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament, and informing their Honors, that Honorable Messrs. *Tupper*, *Anglin*, *Holton*, *Blanchet*, and *Beaubien*, and Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Chamberlin*, *Cartwright*, *McDonald* (Lunenburg), *O'Connor*, and *Beaty*, will act as Members of a Joint Committee on the part of this House.

Honorable Mr. *Blanchet*, from the Select Committee, on the Library of Parliament, presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

That the Committee have taken into their consideration the Report of the Librarian for the two preceding years, in regard to the insufficient accommodation now available for the Library.

They find that the rooms at present assigned for the reception of books are already encumbered with shelves, to an inconvenient extent, and do not admit of any adequate provision being made for future purchases. That in numerous instances, double rows of books are unavoidably placed upon a single shelf. That a large number of volumes, for which no space can be spared in the Library Apartments, are stowed away in other parts of the Building. That those evils prevent the carrying out of a proper system of arrangement and classification, and render it difficult for the Librarians to place their hands upon Books that are not in ordinary demand, without inconvenience and loss of time.

That there appears to be an insecurity against fire occurring in the present Library, and that owing to the faulty construction of the roof, much annoyance and injury are frequently occasioned by rain or melted snow penetrating through the ceilings or sky-light to the rooms below.

Furthermore, the Committee have observed, with great regret, that many volumes have sustained damage from the close proximity of the shelves, in certain parts of the Library, to the hot-air registers, an evil which is unavoidable, and which must inevitably increase, so long as the books remain in their present quarters.

Under these circumstances, the Committee are bound to recommend that the completion of the new Library should be no longer delayed. They are unanimously agreed that it is absolutely necessary, for the proper security and preservation of the admirable collection of books belonging to the Legislature, the pecuniary value of which is estimated at £50,000, that this work should be resumed and completed with all possible despatch.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Blanchet*, the said Report was referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges), introduced a Bill (No. 29), concerning Weights and Measures. Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Scriver*, the 51st Rule was suspended, in relation to a Bill to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

He then introduced the Bill (No. 21), which was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have felt it their duty to make enquiry as to the delay in submitting the Public Accounts to Parliament, called before them the Auditor, and the Contractor for Public Printing; and after hearing their evidence, the following proceedings took place in the Committee, which they have the honor to submit for the information of The House.

" Mr. *MacKenzie* moved, that the Committee regret to find that the delay in Printing the Public Accounts " is solely due to the delay of the Departments in furnishing copy to the Printers, as it appears no copy was " furnished until the 16th December last, since which time, not one-third part of the copy has been furnished, which " the Printers could have proceeded with, thereby entailing the serious delay which has occurred in placing the " Public Accounts before Parliament."

" The said motion being put,

" The Committee deliberated and Mr. *Gibbs* moved in amendment, that all after the word " Printers " be " struck out and the following inserted, "the reasons for which have not been made apparent or investigated. The " ' first copy having been furnished to the Printers on the 16th day of December last. "

" Which amendment having been put and agreed to, it was

" *Resolved*, That the Committee regret to find that the delay in printing the Public Accounts is solely due to " the delay in furnishing copy to the Printers, the reasons for which have not been made apparent or investigated, " The first copy having been furnished to the Printers on the 16th day of December last.

" *Ordered*, That the Chairman do report the foregoing to The House."

Mr. *Pope* introduced a Bill (No. 22), to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Select Committee to whom was referred the correspondence respecting the North-West Territories, and who have already reported, was revived, with power to report upon the alleged improper publication of certain portions of such correspondence.

The Bill (No. 7) from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners," was considered in Committee, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the Bill (No. 4), respecting the Elections of Members of the House of Commons, be now read the second time.

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

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency, the Governor General, for a statement in detail of all payments made by the Government of Canada, on account of liabilities of the late Province of Canada, since the 30th June, 1869.

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—BILL to amend the Act further securing the independence of Parliament.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of Gaspé, and the County of Bonaventure, since First July, 1867; also copies of all correspondence, and of all instructions given to either of the said Judges directing them to proceed to the holding of the Court at Amherst Magdaleine Islands, at the periods fixed by law, with a statement of the number of sittings, and the date of each sitting of such Court.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency, the Governor General, for a detailed statement of the salary and expenses of the "Inspector of Drill Sheds," at Toronto, with the date of his appointment, and a copy of his instructions and other papers, shewing the nature of his duties and the Military Districts over which his powers extend; also the names of the officers, if any, performing similar duties in other districts, with amounts of salaries and expenses.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, when the House goes again into Committee, to reconsider the Resolutions respecting Dominion Notes, that the second and third Resolutions be so amended, as to read as follows:

2. That it is expedient further to amend the said Act, by providing that Dominion Notes, to the amount of five million dollars, or such greater amount as may be authorized, as hereinafter mentioned, may be issued, and remain outstanding, at any time, on the security of Debentures of the Dominion, and specie equal together, to a like amount, and of which not more than four millions shall be Debentures, such Debentures and specie to be held by the Receiver General, for the redemption of such notes; and that the amount of such notes to be issued and outstanding, may be, from time to time, increased to an amount not exceeding nine million dollars, on like security, but of which not more than seven millions shall be on the security of Debentures, by Order in Council, founded on a Report of the Treasury Board, such increase being so authorised for amounts not exceeding *one million dollars* at one time, and at intervals of not less than *three* months, and no such increase being authorised unless the Receiver General then hold specie to the amount of one fourth of the aggregate amount of such increase, and of the Debentures already held by him as aforesaid, and the Receiver General, shall always, as a rule, hold specie to the amount of at least, twenty-five per cent. of the Debentures, held by him as aforesaid, and shall, under no circumstances, hold a less amount of specie then fifteen per cent. of such Debentures, and if the amount of specie should, at any time, fall below twenty-five per cent, it shall be the duty of the Receiver General, without delay, to increase the amount of specie, to at least, twenty-five per cent. of the amount of Debentures.

3. That it is expedient to provide, that if any amount of Dominion Notes be issued and outstanding in excess of the amount then authorised to be issued, and outstanding on such security, as aforesaid, the Receiver General shall hold specie to the full amount of such excess for the redemption of such notes; and that any amount of such Notes, which the public convenience may require, may be issued, and remain outstanding, provided the excess of such amount, over that so authorised, be represented by specie, held by the Receiver General, as aforesaid; but, except in the case of notes so held against the like amount of specie, the total amount of Dominion Notes outstanding shall never exceed the amount authorised, as aforesaid; nor shall anything in these Resolutions be construed to permit the issue of debentures not authorised by Parliament, or any increase of the public debt.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, on or after Tuesday, the 23rd instant, viz;—

Bill (No. 21.) To incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

Bill (No. 22.) To incorporate the St. Lawrence and Megantic International Railway Company.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 11TH MARCH, 1870.

Eleven Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Fruit Growers' Association, of the Province of Ontario ; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon Fruit trees imported into Canada from the United States.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Elgin ; of *James S. Longhead*, and others, of the Village of Strathroy ; of *J. G. Sutherland*, and others, of the Township of Metcalfe, both of the County of Middlesex; and of the Municipal Council of the County of Lanark ; severally praying for the abolition of the Excise Duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Elgin ; praying for certain amendments to the Laws respecting Elections.

Of the Reverend *George W. Hill*, Rector, and the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of St. Paul's, Halifax ; praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Provincial Synod of Canada to admit into Union the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, and also for a continuance of the rights and privileges solemnly guaranteed to them by the Act of their own Legislature, and to exempt from the control or jurisdiction of such Provincial Synod, all persons and corporations who are not members of the said Diocesan Synod.

Of *Hugh McLennan*, and others, of the City of Montreal ; praying that the Petition of the Canada Central Railway Company, for an extension of their Charter for five years ; also for power to amalgamate with other Companies along the same line, and also to extend their line to Lake Huron, may be granted.

Of the Corn Exchange Association, of the City of Montreal ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain, and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Norfolk ; and of *George Twamley*, and others, of the Township of Ashfield, County of Huron ; severally praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada, from the United States.

Motion being made that the Petition of *William Mallough*, Reeve, and others, of Ashfield ; praying for aid to construct a Pier at Port Albert, on the East Coast of Lake Huron, be received.

Mr. Speaker decided, that " as this Petition prays for aid, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows — :

The Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the notice thereon sufficient, viz. :—of La Banque Nationale ; of La Banque du People ; of *John Hall*, and others ; for incorporation of the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company ; and of *Jean Giroux*, and others, for amendments to the Act incorporating the Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Second Supplementary Return to Address of the 23rd ult., for copies of all papers relative to new financial arrangements with Nova Scotia.

Accounts of the Decayed Pilots' Fund of the Trinity Houses of Montreal and Quebec, on the 31st December, 1869.

Mr. *Snider* introduced a Bill (No. 15) to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor Dues, and for other purposes.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee, on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Mr. *Crawford* (Leeds S.R.) was added to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House went again into Committee to consider a certain Resolution on the subject of Banks.

A Message was received from the Senate, naming the Honorable Messrs. *Allan*, *Ross*, *Simpson*, *McMaster*, *Tessier*, *Armand*, *Letellier de St. Just*, *Botsford*, *Odell*, *Ritchie*, and *Dickey* to act on behalf of that House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament.

The Committee resumed, and adopted the following Resolution :—

Resolved,—That it is expedient that no new Bank be chartered, or the charter of any existing Bank renewed except on the following conditions, subject to the modifications hereinafter mentioned with respect to existing Banks.

1. The capital of any new Bank shall not be less than five hundred thousand dollars, and the whole amount shall be subscribed for, and at least *twenty* per cent thereof shall be *bonâ fide* paid up before the Bank shall issue any notes or commence the business of banking, and the whole amount shall be paid up within five years from the date of the Charter, twenty per cent at least being so paid up in each year, provided that in no case shall a new Bank commence the business of banking until two hundred thousand dollars shall be *bonâ fide* paid up. The capital of any existing Bank may remain as it now is, subject to be increased at the request of the Shareholders, by the Charter continuing the existence of the Bank, or by any supplemental Charter as hereinafter mentioned.

2. The Bank shall satisfy the Treasury Board in such way as may be prescribed by regulations to be made by the said Board that the conditions required in its case by the preceding paragraph have been complied with, and shall not be held to have complied with them or to be entitled to the rights dependant on such compliance until a certificate of its having done so has been granted by the Board.

3. The amount of notes intended for circulation, issued by any Bank and outstanding at any time, shall never exceed the amount of its unimpaired paid up capital, and no such note for a less sum than *four* dollars shall be issued by any new Bank, or issued, or re-issued by any now existing Bank after the expiration of its present Charter, all such notes then outstanding being called in and redeemed as soon as practicable.

4. In the event of the property and assets of the Bank becoming insufficient to pay its debts and liabilities, the Shareholders of the Bank in their private or natural capacities. shall be liable for the deficiency so far as that each Shareholder shall be so liable to an amount, (over and above any amount not paid up on their respective shares,) equal to the amount of their shares respectively; and if any suspension of payment in full, in specie, of all or any of the notes or other liabilities of the Bank, shall continue for *six months*, the Directors, may and shall within *ten days* thereafter, make calls on such Shareholders, to the amount they may deem necessary, to pay all the debts and liabilities of the Bank, without waiting for the collection of any debts due to it, or the sale of any of its assets or property, such calls to be made at like intervals, and for alike amounts as calls on unpaid stock, and payment thereof to be enforced in like manner, and any failure on the part of any Stockholder liable to such call, to pay the same when due, shall operate a forfeiture by such Stockholder of all claim in or to any part of the assets of the Bank, such call and any further call thereafter, being nevertheless recoverable from him as if no such forfeiture had been incurred. Provided, that if the Bank be *en commandite* and the principal partners are personally liable, then in case of such suspension such liabilities shall at once accrue and may be enforced against such principal partners, without waiting for any sale or discussion of the property or assets of the Bank, or other preliminary proceedings whatever.

5. Persons who, having been Shareholders in the Bank, have only transferred their shares or any of them to others, or registered the transfer thereof within *one month* before the commencement of the suspension of payment by the Bank, shall be liable to calls on such shares, under the next preceding paragraph, as if they had not transferred them, saving their recourse against those to whom they were transferred; and any Director who shall refuse to make, or enforce, or to concur in making or enforcing any such call, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be personally responsible for any damages suffered by such default, and any assignee, or other officer or person appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank in case of its insolvency, shall have the powers of the Directors with respect to such calls. Provided, that if the Bank be *en commandite*, the liability of the principal partners and of the *Commanditaires* shall continue for such time after their ceasing to be such, as is or may be provided in the Charter of the Bank.

6. Every new Bank shall, and every existing Bank whose Charter is continued and amended in conformity to these Resolutions, shall from the time such amendments take effect be exempt from the tax now imposed on the average amount of Notes now in circulation and to which other Banks will continue liable.

7. Any suspension by the Bank of payment of any of its liabilities as they accrue in specie or Dominion Notes, shall, if it continues for *ninety* days, constitute the Bank insolvent, and operate a forfeiture of its Charter so far as regards the issue or re-issue of Notes and other banking operations, and the Charter shall remain in force only for the purpose of enabling the Directors, or the Assignee, or Assignees, or other legal authority (if any be appointed in such manner as may by law be provided) to make the calls aforesaid, and wind up its business, and any such Assignee, or Assignees, or other legal authority, shall for such purposes have all the powers of the Directors.

8. No division of profits, either by way of dividends, or bonus, or both combined, exceeding the rate of *eight* per cent. per annum, shall be paid by the Bank, unless it shall have a rest or reserved fund equal to at

least *twenty* per cent. of its capital, deducting all bad and doubtful debts, before calculating the amount of such rest.

9. Certified lists of the Shareholders, with their additions and residences, and the number of shares they respectively hold, shall be laid before Parliament every year, within fifteen days after the opening of the Session.

10. Each Shareholder shall have one vote for each share held by him; Shareholders in any Bank to be entitled to vote, shall hold their Stock for at least three months before the time of voting. Shareholders may vote by proxy, but no person but a Shareholder shall be permitted to vote or act as such proxy: and no Manager, Cashier, Bank Clerk, or other subordinate officer of the Bank, shall either vote in person or by proxy at any meeting for the Election of Directors, or hold a proxy for that purpose.

11. The Shareholders shall have power to regulate by by-law, the following matters incident to the management and administration of the affairs of the Bank, viz: "The qualification and number of the Directors, which shall not be less than five, nor more than ten; the method of filling up vacancies in the Board of Directors, whenever the same may occur during each year, and the remuneration of the President, Vice-President, and other Directors. But no Director shall hold less than three thousand dollars of the stock of the Bank, when the *paid up* capital thereof is one million of dollars or less; or less than four thousand dollars of Stock, when the paid up capital thereof is over one million, and does not exceed three millions, nor less than five thousand dollars of Stock, when the paid up capital thereof exceeds three millions. The Directors shall be elected annually by the Shareholders, but shall be eligible for re-election: but these provisions touching Directors, shall not apply to a Bank *en commandite*, which shall in these matters be governed by the provisions of its Charter. The Shareholders, or in the case of a Bank *en commandite*, the principal partners shall regulate, by by-law, the amount of discounts on loans which may be made to Directors, or in the case of a Bank *en commandite*, to the principal partners, either jointly or severally, or to anyone firm or person, or to any shareholder, or to corporations.

Provided always that the aggregate amount of discounts and advances, made by any Bank upon commercial paper or securities to any Director, or any firm of which such Director is a partner, shall never, at any one time, exceed one-twentieth of the total amount of the discounts and advances made by the Bank at the same time.

12. The monthly returns to be made by the Bank to the Government shall be in the following form, and shall be made up on the first juridical day of each month, and shall exhibit the condition of the Bank on the last juridical day of the month preceding; and such monthly returns shall be signed by the President, or the Director then acting as President, and by the Cashier, or other principal officer of the Bank at its chief seat of business.

RETURN of the amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank,
on the day of A.D. 18 .

CAPITAL AUTHORIZED, $.	CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, $.	CAPITAL PAID UP, $.

LIABILITIES.

		$	cts.
1	Notes in Circulation		
2	Government Deposits, payable on demand		
3	Other Deposits, payable on demand		
4	Government Deposits payable after notice, or on a fixed day		
5	Other Deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day		
6	Due to other Banks in Canada		
7	Due to other Banks or Agents not in Canada		
8	Liabilities not included under the foregoing heads		

ASSETS.

		$	cts.
1	Specie		
2	Provincial or Dominion Notes		
3	Notes of other Banks		
4	Balances due from other Banks in Canada		
5	Balances due from other Banks or Agents not in Canada		
6	Government Debentures, or Stock		
7	Loans to the Government		
8	Loans, Discount, or Advances, on Current Account to Corporations		
9	Notes and Bills discounted, and current		
10	Notes and Bills discounted, overdue, and not specially secured		
11	Overdue Debts secured by Mortgage, or other Deed on Real Estate, or by Deposit of, or lien on Stock, or by other Securities		
12	Real Estate, the property of the Bank, other than the Bank Premises, and Mortgages on Real Estate, sold by the Bank		
13	Bank Premises		
14	Other Assets not included under the foregoing heads		

We declare that the foregoing return is made up from the books of the Bank, and that it is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

day of 18

A. B.— *President, &c.*
C. D.— *Cashier, &c.*

13. The making of any wilfully false or deceptive statement in any account, statement, return, report, or other document, respecting the affairs of the Bank, shall, unless it amounts to a higher offence, be a misdemeanor, and every President, Vice-President, Director, Principal Partner *en commandite*, Auditor, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank, preparing, signing, approving, or concurring in such statement, return, report, or document, or using the same with intent to deceive or mislead any party, shall be held to have wilfully made such false statement, and shall further be responsible for all damages sustained by such party, in consequence thereof.

14. If any President, Vice-President, Director, Principal Partner *en commandite*, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank, wilfully gives, or concurs in giving, any creditor of the Bank any fraudulent, undue, or unfair preference over other creditors, by giving security to such creditor, or by changing the nature of his claim, or otherwise, howsoever, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be responsible for all damages sustained by any party by such preference.

15. The Bank shall not make loans, or grant discounts on the security of its own Stock, but shall have a privileged lien for any overdue debt on the shares and unpaid dividends of any of its debtors, for a past due debt, and may decline to transfer the shares of any such debtor, until the debt is paid.

16. No dividend or bonus shall ever be made so as to impair the paid up Capital Stock, and if any dividend or bonus be so made, the Directors knowingly and wilfully concurring therein shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount thereof, as a debt due by them to the Bank; and if any part of the paid up capital be lost the Directors shall, if all the subscribed Stock be not paid up, forthwith make calls upon the Shareholders sufficient to make good such loss ; and such loss (and the calls, if any) shall be mentioned in the Return then next made by the Bank ; and if all the subscribed capital be paid up, or the amount remaining unpaid be insufficient to make good such loss, the Directors, being thereunto authorized by a general meeting of the Shareholders, may apply to the Governor for permission to reduce the nominal value of the subscribed shares to such sum as will leave their aggregate amount at least equal to the unimpaired paid up capital, and the Governor in Council, after referring the application to the Treasury Board, and receiving its Report, may grant such permission on such terms as he may see fit, but such reduction shall not extend beyond twenty-five per cent of the nominal amount of the shares, and shall be permitted only on condition that the unimpaired capital of the Bank shall, within five years, be made up *to the sum* by which the paid up capital has been impaired, and at the rate of not less than twenty per cent in each year ; and in the case of a Bank *en commandite*, the principal partners shall in the case of such loss of capital forthwith call in any Stock held by *commanditaires* and not paid up, and shall themselves make good any deficit, within five years, at the rate of not less than twenty per cent in each year.

17. The Bank shall always receive in payment its own notes at par, at any of its offices, and whether they be made payable there or not ; but shall not be bound to redeem them in specie or Dominion Notes, at any place other than where they are made payable. The place or one of the places at which the notes of the Bank, shall be made payable, shall always be its chief seat of business.

18. The Bank shall always hold as nearly as may be practicable one half of its Cash Reserves in Dominion Notes, and the proportion of such Reserves held in Dominion Notes, shall never be less than one third thereof.

19. The Bank shall always be subject to any general provisions respecting Banks, which Parliament may think necessary for the public interest.

20. The Directors of any now existing Bank being thereunto authorized at a general meeting of the Shareholders, called for that purpose, or the principal partners of a Bank *en commandite*, may, at any time before the expiration of its present Charter, notify the Minister of Finance of their intention to apply for an extension, or modification of its Charter, with such amendments as will make it conformable to these Resolutions, and may apply to the Governor General for a charter granting the extension or modification with such amendments, which Charter the Governor in Council may grant on the report of the Minister of Justice and of the Treasury Board that it is in conformity with the law ; and any persons desiring to establish a new Bank, may, on like conditions, apply for and obtain a Charter for such Bank , any such Charter to contain the usual provisions in Bank Charters granted heretofore by the Parliament of Canada (or, in the case of a now existing Bank, contained in the present Charter of the Bank) so amended as to be in conformity with the law.

21. The Charter so to be granted to any existing Bank may provide for the increase of its Capital, or a supplemental Charter may be granted to any Bank now existing or to be chartered as aforesaid, providing for such increase, which shall in any case be paid up within five years from the date of the Charter providing for it, not less than twenty per cent. thereof being paid up in each year.

22. No now existing Bank Charter shall be extended or granted, nor any new Bank chartered, except on the conditions above, nor shall any such Charter be extended beyond the end of the Session commencing next after the 1st day of January, 1881, and the duration of any Charter modified as aforesaid, shall be limited to the same period.

23. No private person or party, except a Chartered Bank, shall issue or re-issue any bill, bond, note, check or other instrument, intended to circulate as money, or to be used as a substitute for money, for any amount whatever, except that the Halifax Banking Company may, until the end of the year 1874, continue to re-issue their notes now in circulation, but the whole of such notes shall, as far as practicable, be called in and withdrawn by the end of the said year.

24. All Banks shall be subject to such provisions of any general or special winding-up Act, to be passed by Parliament as may be declared to apply to Banks ; and no special Act, which Parliament may deem it right to pass for winding-up the affairs of any insolvent Bank, shall be deemed an infringement of its privileges.

25. The Bank of British North America, which by the terms of its present Charter, is to be subject to the general laws of the Dominion, with respect to Banks and Banking, shall not after the first day of January, 1871, issue or re-issue in Canada, any note for a less sum than four dollars, and all such notes of the said Bank, them outstanding shall be called in and redeemed as soon as practicable, and the provisions contained in *ninth, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth*, and *nineteenth* of the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to the said Bank ; those contained in the fourth Resolution shall not apply to it.

And The House, having continued to sit in Committee until twelve of the clock, midnight.

Saturday, 12th March, 1870.

Resolution to be reported.

Resolution reported,—question of concurrence thereon, on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at twelve minutes past 12 a.m., until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Merritt*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to cause a survey to be made and estimates of the cost of enlarging the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, so that they may be submitted to Parliament at its next Session.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Tuesday next—BILL intituled: "An Act further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec."

Mr. *White*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a return shewing an account in detail of the amount originally advanced, by way of loan, by the late Province of Upper Canada in connection with the Oakville Harbor, and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, and of the interest payable from time to time on the said loans, or either of them, and of any sums repaid in respect of the said loans, and of any abatement made in respect of them, and of the present state of the said loans, and of the amount due for principal and interest, with dates of various transactions, and for copies of all correspondence and Orders in Council, and securities in respect of the said loans.

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Wednesday next—Special Committee to examine into the facts respecting the tenure of lands in the Seignory of Sorel, and whether the proprietors therein are liable to *rentes constituées* hold their properties in free and common soccage; said Committee to be composed of the Hon. Mr. *Dorion*, Messrs. *Dufresne*, *Wright* (Ottawa), *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville), *Gendron*, *Fortin*, *Caron*, *McDougall* (Three Rivers), and the Mover.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Monday next—That *Michael Cayley*, Esquire, M.P., be added to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Tuesday next—on motion for concurrence in Banking Resolutions. Amendment of 13th Resolution by inserting under "*Liabilities*" in the return after the words "Promissory Notes in circulation" the words "Bills of Exchange in circulation not bearing interest."

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand)—On Monday next—BILL to confine the franking privilege of the House of Commons and Senate, to correspondence within the Dominion.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 14TH MARCH, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the Districts of Beauce, Beauharnois, Kamouraska, and St. Francis, for the year 1869.

Eight Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that no change may be made in the Currency of Canada, until means can be provided to obviate the evil resulting from such proposed plan.

Of the Sun Insurance Company of Montreal; praying for certain Amendments to this Act of Incorporation.

Of the Town Council of the Town of Belleville, in the County of Hastings; praying for the passing of an Act, authorizing them to levy Harbor Dues at the mouth of the River Moira.

Of *L. Beaubien*, M.P.P., and others; and of *Charles Legge*, and others, both of the City of Montreal; severally praying for certain Amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of the Hon. *Charles Tupper*, and others, of the City of Halifax; praying that no change may be made in the Currency of the Province of Nova Scotia.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Haldimand; of the Municipal Council of the County of Wentworth; and of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland; severally praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that no change may be made in the Tariff, as regards the natural products of the United States, and that no restrictions be imposed upon the use of the canals by American vessels.

Of *A. Nelson*, and others, landowners in the Royal Seigniory of Sorel, in the County and District of Richelieu, Province of Quebec; praying that they may be empowered to hold the lands in the said Seigniory, granted to them by the Crown, in free and common soccage, and absolutely free.

Of *Thomas Willmot*, M.D., and others, residing at Port Hastings, County of Inverness; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf, at Port Hastings, of the Steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of Messrs. *Bronson & Weston*, and others; Manufacturers of sawed lumber in the City of Ottawa, and vicinity; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to extend their line of Railway across the Suspension Bridge over the Ottawa River, and through the Village of Hull, in the Province of Quebec, and for other purposes.

Of *William Workman*, Mayor of Montreal, and others; praying that the Petition of the Canada Central Railway Company, for an extension of their Charter for five years; also, for power to amalgamate with other Companies along the same line, and also to extend their line to Lake Huron, may be granted.

Motion being made, that the Petition of Messrs. *Charles Robin* and Company, and others, of Caraquet and Shippegan, in the County of Gloucester (N.B.); praying that the Southern Entrance of Shippegan Harbor may be deepened, and that a Breakwater be constructed, so that the Harbor may serve as a Harbor of Refuge, and that of *W. H. Scott*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Peterborough; praying for aid to repair the lock at Whitlaw's Rapids, near the Town of Peterborough, be received.

Mr. Speaker decided, that "as these Petitions involve expenditure of money, they cannot be received."

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Louis Ruel* of the Parish of *Saint Joseph de la Point Levis*; praying for arrears of Pension as a Volunteer during the war of 1812, be received.

Mr. Speaker decided, that "as this Petition prays for aid, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara), introduced a Bill (No. 31) to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, Mr. *Brousseau* was added to the Joint Committee of both Houses, on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament; and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate to inform their Honors therewith.

Mr. *Mills* introduced a Bill (No. 32) to amend the Act, further securing the Independence of Parliament.—Second Reading on Wednesday next.

Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier* presented,—Return to Address of the 13th May, 1869, for the Report made by Captain *Bent*, R. E., and Mr. *Grant*, C. E., in November 1849, concerning the navigation of the River St. John, N. B.; as also the Report and plans of Admiral *Owen*, and the sketch and plan of *C. L. Hatheway*, submitted to the Legislature of New Brunswick in 1850; and all other papers, Petitions, and Reports connected with the navigation of said River St. John.

Return to Address of the 28th ult; for a detailed statement of the expenses connected with the mission to the North West, of the Honorable Secretary of State for the Provinces.

Return to Address of the 23rd ult; for copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and any of the Provinces, including any instructions to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of Provincial Legislation.

A Message was received from the Senate, informing The House that they have added the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson* to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of the reports, plans, and surveys of the Chief Engineer and his assistants, relating to the construction of a Harbor of Refuge on Lake Erie, and on Lake Huron respectively.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions, respecting raw hides and leather.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That every Inspector of raw hides and leather, now or hereafter to be appointed, shall keep a proper book or books, which shall be open to public inspection, in which he shall from time to time enter a statement or account of all green, raw, and salted hides and leather inspected by him or his Assistant Inspector or Inspectors, shewing the respective weight, quality, and condition, thereof, how the same have been classified by him, for whom they have been inspected, and the amount paid for such inspection.

2. *Resolved*, That every such Inspector shall, twice in each year, and not later than the tenth day of January and the tenth day of July, make a return to the Board of Trade of the City or Town in respect to which he has been appointed, of the foregoing particulars.

3. *Resolved*, That every Inspector of raw hides and leather now, or hereafter, to be appointed, shall give security for the due performance of the duties of his office, and for the payment of any penalties which may be recovered against or imposed upon him by law, such security to be taken in the name of the President of the Board of Trade, of the City or Town, in respect to which such Inspector has been appointed, who shall approve thereof and the same shall be available to any person injured by the default, or breach of duty, of such Inspector, or who recovers any penalty or penalties against him as aforesaid.

4. *Resolved*, That every such Inspector, who neglects or refuses to keep such a book as mentioned in the first Resolution, or to make the entries required to be made therein, or who neglects or refuses to make the returns required by the second Resolution, shall incur a penalty not exceeding $80 for each offence, and be liable to be dismissed from his office, be disqualified from ever after holding the same.

5. *Resolved*, That every fine or penalty imposed by the Acts of the late Province of Canada, 27 & 28 *Vict.* Cap. 21 and 29 and 30 *Vict.* Cap. 24, or by an Act to be founded on the foregoing Resolutions when the same does not exceed $40 shall be recoverable by any Inspector of raw hides and leather, or by any other person suing for the same in a summary way before the Recorder or Police Magistrate of the City or Town within the Inspection limits of the said Inspectors, or before any two Justices of the Peace, and shall in default of payment be levied by a warrant of distress to be issued by such Recorder or Police Magistrate or Justices against the goods and chattels of the offender.

6. *Resolved*, That when such penalty or fine exceeds $40 it may be sued for and recovered with full costs of suit by such Inspector or other person by civil action in any court having jurisdiction in civil cases to the amount and may be levied by execution as in cases of debt.

7. *Resolved*, That the provisions of the 31st and 32nd sections of the Act of the late Province of Canada, 27 and 28 *Vict.*, Cap. 21, shall apply to all penalties and proceedings under the Act to be founded on these Resolutions.

8. That the 29th and 30th sections of the said Act, 27 and 28 *Vict.*, Cap. 21, be repealed.

9. That this Act shall only apply to the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Resolutions to be reported.

Resolutions reported, question of concurrence thereon, on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Grant*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of any reports or other information in the possession of the Government, respecting the Neepigon Country, its physical features generally, its adaptability for the purposes of colonization, and as a means of access to the Red River Territory.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a return in detail of all sums paid by the Government of Canada for barracks, barrack repairs, and rent for the Imperial Troops, from 1st Januare, 1861, to 31st December, 1869, and charged as Militia expenditure or otherwise, and the present liabilities of thy Government in this connection.

On motion of Mr. *Jones*, (Leeds and Grenville), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the repairs, alterations and maintenance of Rideau Hall and Spencerwood, since the 30th June, 1868, up to the present time, including all expenses of heating and lighting the Buildings, and all expenses connected with gardening, and every item of expense, in any way, either directly or indirectly, connected with said buildings; giving the charges connected with each Department separately.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement in detail of all payments made by the Government of Canada, on account of liabilitiis of the late Province of Canada, since tho 30th June, 1869.

On motion of Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Mr. *Cayley* was added to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement of the salary and expenses of the "Inspectors of Drill Sheds," at Toronto, with the date of his appointment, and a copy of his instructions and other papers, shewing the nature of his duties and the Military Districts over which his powers extend; also the names of the officers, if any, performing similar duties in other districts, with amounts of salaries and expenses with copies of any instructions given to such officers.

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee on the Bill (No. 10) to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, was discharged, and the said Bill referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Harrison*, Honorable Messieurs *Morris*, *Smith*, *Dorion*, and *Abbott*, and Messieurs *Savary*, and *Blake*.

The Bill (No. 24) to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 2) to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders.

The Bill (No. 26) to amend the Act, 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 9, intituled: "An Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Committee on Bill No. 10.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Ross* (Prince Edward)—On the motion for concurrence in the Banking Resolution—In amendment to the amendment to be proposed by Mr. *Colby*—That the minimum capital of Banks to be located elsewhere than in Cities having a population of more than 20,000 inhabitants, be fixed at $100,000 instead of $200,000 as proposed by said amendment; also that no Banks shall commence the business of Banking until $50,000 shall have been paid up.

Mr. *Cartwright* - On Wednesday next—BILL for the better protection of Navigable streams and rivers.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*—When the Order of the Day for the question of concurrence of The House in the Resolution on Banking, passed in Committee of the whole, is called—That the question of concurrence be not now put, but that the said Resolution be again referred to a Committee of the Whole House, to consider the following amendments:

Strike out paragraph 1, and substitute the following in its stead:

No new Bank shall issue notes, or commence the business of Banking until two hundred thousand dollars of its capital shall have been *bonâ fide* paid up, nor until it shall have obtained from the Treasury Board a certificate that the said condition has been complied with, and the Treasury Board shall, before granting such, be satisfied in such way as may be prescribed by regulations, to be made by the said Board, that the said amount of the capital of the Bank has been *bonâ fide* paid up.

Strike out paragraph 2, and substitute the following instead:

2. At least twenty per cent of the subscribed capital of any such Bank, shall be paid up in each year after it shall have commenced the business of Banking, until the whole shall have been paid up.

In paragraph 16, strike out all after the word "Bank" at the beginning of the sixth line. At the end of paragraph 18, add the following words:

"And the Receiver General shall make such arrangements as may be necessary for insuring the delivery of Dominion Notes to any Bank, in exchange for an equivalent amount in specie, at the several offices at which Dominion Notes will be redeemable, in the cities of Toronto, Montreal, Halifax, and St. John, N. B., respectively.

In paragraph 20, strike out all the words after "Law" in the seventh line, and substitute the word "shall" for the word "may" in the sixth line.

Strike out paragraph 21.

Mr. *LeVesconte*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government has received a petition from the inhabitants of Grand River, respecting the removal of a bar at the entrance of said River, and whether any action is to be taken thereon.

Mr. *Workman*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government will inform this House, what has been done with the $40,000 worth of copper coin which the Government of the late Province of Canada purchased from the Bank of Upper Canada in 1862, with the view of preventing its circulation, and for which the Government paid at the rate of 84 cents in the dollar.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of all correspondence with the Militia Department touching the resignation of eight of the Company's Officers of the 7th Battalion of Militia, Ontario, and also touching the dismissal of Captain *Meredith* of Number 4 Company of said Battalion and Lieutenant and Adjutant *Green* of the same Battalion.

Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds) and Grenville—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to advertise for Tenders for the Supply of Iron for the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend Chapter 66 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, "An Act respecting Railroads."

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council and correspondence, and of all leases and surrenders of leases touching the property now leased by Government to the Cornwall Manufacturing Company, or *George Stephen*, Esquire, with a statement of the rents payable under the former leases, and of the rent (if any) payable under the present lease, and if the rents payable in respect of the other water powers in the Cornwall Canal leased by the Government to other parties.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The Bill (No. 15) to authorise the Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor dues, and for other purposes, was posted in the Lobby, on Saturday last, for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on *Miscellaneous Private Bills*, on Tuesday, the 22nd instant; and

The Bill (No. 31) to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, was posted this day for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on *Railways, Canals*, and *Telegraph Lines*, on or after Friday, the 25th instant.

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No. 19.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 15TH MARCH, 1870.

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

Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament, presented the Second Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee consider it of great importance to the best interest of the country, that a reliable and authentic record of the Debates in Parliament should be secured.

The Committee asked for tenders from Messrs. *Hunter, Rose* & Co., Mr. *Cotton*, Mr. *Taylor* and Mr. *Duvernay* for the performance of the work in the following manner :

The work to be done in a style similar to the sheets already published by Mr. *Cotton*.

All speeches to be reported in the language in which they are delivered, and the speeches delivered in French to be translated, and the English version of each French speech to appear immediately after the original French version.

Members to be furnished with reports of their speeches for revision, if desired, and in all cases the reports of speeches to be published within thirty-six hours after delivery. Contractor not expected to wait longer than six hours for revision of speech after handing report to Member.

The Contractor to furnish 2,000 copies of the work, of which 1,000 to be half-bound in calf and 1,000 to be handed daily to the distribution office, to be thence distributed as per a scale to be furnished.

Tenders to state maximum price for 2,000 pages, with rate of reduction allowed for each sheet of 16 pages, that the work may fall short of that amount; and also at what rate per 100 additional copies will be supplied to the Press or to Members of The House who may desire to obtain them.

The Contractor also to state, at what price he would be willing to publish a purely English edition of, say, 1,000 in sheets and 1,000 bound copies, and a purely French edition of say 500 in sheets and 500 bound copies.

The only tenders received were from Messrs. *Hunter, Rose* and Co., and Mr. *Cotton*, copies of which are annexed.

Mr. *Rose* and Mr. *Cotton*, were called before the Committee to make explanations.

Mr. *Rose* stated that his price for a purely English edition was greater than for one with the French translated, in addition to the French report.

Mr. *Cotton* explained that his charge for any excess over 2,000 pages and reduction for any lesser number of pages would be "*pro rata*," according to the contract price for the whole.

The Committee beg leave unanimously to recommend that the reporting and publication shall be in both languages, and that Mr. *Cotton's* Tender for the same be accepted for the present Session.

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OTTAWA, 15th March, 1870.

To the Honorable C. TUPPER, C. B.

Chairman Committee Debates of Parliament.

HONORABLE SIR,—In reply to letters addressed to us by Secretary of Committee on the 10th and 14th instant, inviting a Tender for the printing of a "*Hansard*" for the Dominion Parliament, we beg to say that

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Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Sixth Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the Notices sufficient, viz:—of the Town Council of Belleville; for authority to levy harbor dues at the mouth of the River Moira, and of the Canada Central Company; for an extension of their Charter.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on the subject of the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, presented the First Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee beg leave to recommend that Schools of Navigation be established in the principal seaports of the Dominion, in connection with the Boards of Examiners for Masters and Mates, which it is proposed to establish.

Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier* presented—Return to Address of the 24th ult.; for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the office of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, and all their travelling expenses in connection with said roads, from the date of their appointment up to the present time.

Return to Address of the 28th ult., for a statement shewing the names of the contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have thrown up their contracts, together with the names of their sureties; the length of road, the nature and description of work to be done, and the price agreed to be paid, in each contract so thrown up; the work done by each of them respectively, and the amount paid to each; the contracts resumed by the Commissioners, and the amount paid to them by the sureties, in order that they might be released from their warranty, and by what sureties paid; showing, also, whether any of the work so resumed by the Commissioners has been again given out by contract, and if so, when, to whom, and at what price; also, shewing who are the sureties, where they reside, and the nature of their occupations.

Report of the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 3rd inst.; for copy of statement of the Public Debt of the late Province of Canada, so far as the same has been fixed and settled between the three Governments interested; and statement of the items still in dispute.

Return to Address of the 9th inst.; for copies of all correspondence with the American Government, relative to depredations committed by American fishermen in Canadian waters.

Honorable Mr. *Dorion* introduced a Bill (No. 30) to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to *La Banque du Peuple*.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Honorable Mr. *Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the North-West correspondence, with power to report upon the alleged improper publication of certain portions of such correspondence, presented the following Report:—

The Committee have made inquiry into the facts connected with the publication of certain portions of the papers relating to the North-West Territories, in the Toronto "Leader" in advance of their being submitted to The House; and they have ascertained that no Officer connected with either the House of Commons, or with the Secretary of State's Department, and that no employee of the Printer's, supplied these papers to the "Leader."

They also report to The House the evidence which they have taken.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 36) further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec. Second reading on Thursday next.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 37) relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial causes in New Brunswick. Second reading on Thursday next.

On motion of Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, the Order of the Day, for the concurrence in the Resolutions, reported from the Committee of the Whole on a Resolution on the subject of Banks, on Friday last, the 8th instant, was discharged, and the said Resolutions were referred back to the Committee, to consider certain further amendments thereto.

The House then went into Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient that no new Bank be chartered, or the charter of any existing Bank renewed except on the following conditions, subject to the modifications hereinafter mentioned with respect to existing Banks.

1. No new Bank shall issue notes, or commence the business of Banking until two hundred thousand dollars of its capital shall have been *bonâ fide* paid up, nor until it shall obtain from the Treasury Board a certificate that the said condition has been complied with, and the Treasury Board shall, before granting such, be satisfied in such way as may be prescribed by regulations, to be made by the said Board, that the said amount of the capital of the Bank has been *bonâ fide* paid up.

2. At least twenty per cent. of the subscribed capital of any such bank, shall be paid up in each year after it shall have commenced the business of Banking, until the whole shall have been paid up.

3. The amount of notes intended for circulation, issued by any Bank and outstanding at any time, shall never exceed the amount of its unimpaired paid up capital, and no such note for a less sum than *four* dollars shall be issued by any new Bank, or issued, or re-issued by any now existing Bank after the expiration of its present Charter, all such notes then outstanding being called in and redeemed as soon as practicable.

4. In the event of the property and assets of the Bank becoming insufficient to pay its debts and liabilities, the Shareholders of the Bank in their private or natural capacities, shall be liable for the deficiency so far as that each Shareholder shall be so liable to an amount, (over and above any amount not paid up on their respective shares,) equal to the amount of their shares respectively; and if any suspension of payment in full, in specie, of all or any of the notes or other liabilities of the Bank, shall continue for *six months*, the Directors, may and shall within *ten days* thereafter, make calls on such Shareholders, to the amount they may deem necessary, to pay all the debts and liabilities of the Bank, without waiting for the collection of any debts due to it, or the sale of any of its assets or property, such calls to be made at like intervals, and for alike amounts as calls on unpaid stock, and payment thereof to be enforced in like manner, and any failure on the part of any Stockholder liable to such call, to pay the same when due, shall operate a forfeiture by such Stockholder of all claim in or to any part of the assets of the Bank, such call and any further call thereafter, being nevertheless recoverable from him as if no such forfeiture had been incurred. Provided, that if the Bank be *en commandite* and the principal partners are personally liable, then in case of such suspension such liabilities shall at once accrue and may be enforced against such principal partners, without waiting for any sale or discussion of the property or assets of the Bank, or other preliminary proceedings whatever.

5. Persons who, having been Shareholders in the Bank, have only transferred their shares or any of them to others, or registered the transfer thereof within *one month* before the commencement of the suspension of payment by the Bank, shall be liable to calls on such shares, under the next preceding paragraph, as if

they had not transferred them, saving their recourse against those to whom they were transferred; and any Director who shall refuse to make, or enforce, or to concur in making or enforcing any such call, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be personally responsible for any damages suffered by such default, and any assignee, or other officer or person appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank in case of its insolvency, shall have the powers of the Directors with respect to such calls. Provided, that if the Bank be *en commandite*, the liability of the principal partners and of the *Commanditaires* shall continue for such time after their ceasing to be such, as is or may be provided in the Charter of the Bank.

6. Every new Bank shall, and every existing Bank whose Charter is continued and amended in conformity to these Resolutions, shall from the time such amendments take effect be exempt from the tax now imposed on the average amount of Notes now in circulation and to which other Banks will continue liable.

7. Any suspension by the Bank of payment of any of its liabilities as they accrue in specie or Dominion Notes, shall, if it continues for *ninety* days, constitute the Bank insolvent, and operate a forfeiture of its Charter so far as regards the issue or re-issue of Notes and other banking operations, and the Charter shall remain in force only for the purpose of enabling the Directors, or the Assignee, or Assignees, or other legal authority (if any be appointed in such manner as may by law be provided) to make the calls aforesaid, and wind up its business, and any such Assignee, or Assignees, or other legal authority, shall for such purposes have all the powers of the Directors.

8. No division of profits, either by way of dividends, or bonus, or both combined, exceeding the rate of *eight* per cent. per annum, shall be paid by the Bank, unless it shall have a rest or reserved fund equal to at least *twenty* per cent. of its capital, deducting all bad and doubtful debts, before calculating the amount of such rest.

9. Certified lists of the Shareholders, with their additions and residences, and the number of shares they respectively hold, shall be laid before Parliament every year, within fifteen days after the opening of the Session.

10. Each Shareholder shall have one vote for each share held by him; Shareholders in any Bank to be entitled to vote, shall hold their Stock for at least three months before the time of voting. Shareholders may vote by proxy, but no person but a Shareholder shall be permitted to vote or act as such proxy: and no Manager, Cashier, Bank Clerk, or other subordinate officer of the Bank, shall either vote in person or by proxy at any meeting for the Election of Directors, or hold a proxy for that purpose.

11. The Shareholders shall have power to regulate by by-law, the following matters incident to the management and administration of the affairs of the Bank, viz: "The qualification and number of the Directors, which shall not be less than five, nor more than ten; the method of filling up vacancies in the Board of Directors, whenever the same may occur during each year, and the remuneration of the President, Vice-President, and other Directors. But no Director shall hold less than three thousand dollars of the stock of the Bank, when the *paid up* capital thereof is one million of dollars or less; or less than four thousand dollars of Stock, when the paid up capital thereof is over one million, and does not exceed three millions, nor less than five thousand dollars of Stock, when the paid up capital thereof exceeds three millions. The Directors shall be elected annually by the Shareholders, but shall be eligible for re-election: but these provisions touching Directors, shall not apply to a Bank *en commandite*, which shall in these matters be governed by the provisions of its Charter. The Shareholders, or in the case of a Bank *en commandite*, the principal partners may regulate, by by-law, the amount of discounts or loans which may be made to Directors, or in the case of a Bank *en commandite*, to the principal partners, either jointly or severally, or to anyone firm or person, or to any shareholder, or to corporations.

Provided always that the aggregate amount of discounts and advances, made by any Bank upon commercial paper or securities to any Director, or any firm of which such Director is a partner, shall never, at any one time, exceed one-twentieth of the total amount of the discounts and advances made by the Bank at the same time.

12. The monthly returns to be made by the Bank to the Government shall be in the following form, and shall be made up on the first juridical day of each month, and shall exhibit the condition of the Bank on the last juridical day of the month preceding; and such monthly returns shall be signed by the President, or the Director then acting as President, and by the Cashier, or other principal officer of the Bank at its chief seat of business.

RETURN of the amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank, on the day of A.D. 18 .

CAPITAL AUTHORIZED, $.	CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, $.	CAPITAL PAID UP, $.

LIABILITIES.

		$	cts.
1	Notes in Circulation		
2	Government Deposits, payable on demand		
3	Other Deposits, payable on demand		
4	Government Deposits payable after notice, or on a fixed day		
5	Other Deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day		
6	Due to other Banks in Canada		
7	Due to other Banks or Agents not in Canada		
8	Liabilities not included under the foregoing heads		

ASSETS.

		$	cts.
1	Specie		
2	Provincial or Dominion Notes		
3	Notes of other Banks		
4	Balances due from other Banks in Canada		
5	Balances due from other Banks or Agents not in Canada		
6	Cove nment Debentures, or Stock		
7	Loans to the Government		
8	Loans, Discount, or Advances, on Current Account to Corporations		
9	Notes and Bills discounted, and current		
10	Notes and Bills discounted, overdue, and not specially secured		
11	Overdue Debts secured by Mortgage, or other Deed on Real Estate, or by Deposit of, or lien on Stock, or by other Securities		
12	Real Estate, the property of the Bank, other than the Bank Premises, and Mortgages on Real Estate, sold by the Bank		
13	Bank Premises		
14	Other Assets not included under the foregoing heads		

We declare that the foregoing return is made up from the books of the Bank, and that it is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

day of 18

A. B.—*President, &c.*
C. D.—*Cashier, &c.*

13. The making of any wilfully false or deceptive statement in any account, statement, return, report, or other document, respecting the affairs of the Bank, shall, unless it amounts to a higher offence, be a misdemeanor, and every President, Vice-President, Director, Principal Partner *en commandite*, Auditor, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank, preparing, signing, approving, or concurring in such statement, return, report, or document, or using the same with intent to deceive or mislead any party, shall be held to have wilfully made such false statement, and shall further be responsible for all damages sustained by such party, in consequence thereof.

14. If any President, Vice-President, Director, Principal Partner *en commandite*, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank, wilfully gives, or concurs in giving, any creditor of the Bank any fraudulent, undue, or unfair preference over other creditors, by giving security to such creditor, or by changing the nature of his claim, or otherwise, howsoever, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be responsible for all damages sustained by any party by such preference.

15. The Bank shall not make loans, or grant discounts on the security of its own Stock, but shall have a privileged lien for any overdue debt on the shares and unpaid dividends of any of its debtors, for a past due debt, and may decline to transfer the shares of any such debtor, until the debt is paid.

16. No dividend or bonus shall ever be made so as to impair the paid up Capital Stock, and if any dividend or bonus be so made, the Directors knowingly and wilfully concurring therein shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount thereof, as a debt due by them to the Bank; and if any part of the paid up capital be lost the Directors shall, if all the subscribed Stock be not paid up, forthwith make calls upon the Shareholders sufficient to make good such loss; and such loss (and the calls, if any) shall be mentioned in the Return then next made by the Bank.

17. The Bank shall always receive in payment its own notes at par, at any of its offices, and whether they be made payable there or not; but shall not be bound to redeem them in specie or Dominion Notes, at any place other than where they are made payable. The place or one of the places at which the notes of the Bank, shall be made payable, shall always be its chief seat of business.

18. The Bank shall always hold as nearly as may be practicable one half of its Cash Reserves in Dominion Notes, and the proportion of such Reserves held in Dominion Notes, shall never be less than one third thereof, and the Receiver General shall make such arrangements as may be necessary for insuring the delivery of Dominion Notes to any Bank, in exchange for an equivalent amount in specie, at the several offices at which Dominion Notes will be redeemable, in the cities of Toronto, Montreal, Halifax and St. John, N. B., respectively.

19. The Bank shall always be subject to any general provisions respecting Banks, which Parliament may think necessary for the public interest.

20. The Directors of any now existing Bank being thereunto authorized at a general meeting of the Shareholders, called for that purpose, or the principal partners of a Bank *en commandite*, may, at any time before the expiration of its present Charter, notify the Minister of Finance of their intention to apply for an extension, or modification of its Charter, with such amendments as will make it conformable to these Resolutions, and may apply to the Governor General for a charter granting the extension or modification with such amendments, which Charter the Governor in Council shall grant on the report of the Minister of Justice and of the Treasury Board that it is in conformity with the law.

21. No now existing Bank Charter shall be extended, nor any new Bank chartered, except on the conditions above, nor shall any such Charter be extended or granted beyond the end of the Session commencing next after the 1st day of January, 1881, and the duration of any Charter modified as aforesaid, shall be limited to the same period.

22. No private person or party, except a Chartered Bank, shall issue or re-issue any bill, bond, note, check or other instrument, intended to circulate as money, or to be used as a substitute for money, for any amount whatever, except that the Halifax Banking Company may, until the end of the year 1874, continue to re-issue their notes now in circulation, but the whole of such notes shall, as far as practicable, be called in and withdrawn by the end of the said year.

23. All Banks shall be subject to such provisions of any general or special winding-up Act, to be passed by Parliament as may be declared to apply to Banks; and no special Act, which Parliament may deem it right to pass for winding-up the affairs of any insolvent Bank, shall be deemed an infringement of its privileges.

24. The Bank of British North America, which by the terms of its present Charter, is to be subject to the general laws of the Dominion, with respect to Banks and Banking, shall not after the first day of January, 1871, issue or re-issue in Canada, any note for a less sum than four dollars, and all such notes of the said Bank, them outstanding shall be called in and redeemed as soon as practicable, and the provisions contained in *ninth, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth,* and *nineteenth* of the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to the said Bank; those contained in the *fourth* Resolution shall not apply to it.

Resolutions to be reported.

Resolutions reported,—question of concurrence thereon on Thursday next.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bill of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz:—

No. 38, intituled: "An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864."

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—That the Report of the Select Committee on the subject of reporting the debates of Parliament be concurred in.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—BILL to provide for the Naturalisation of certain Aliens.

Mr. *Perry*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether any portion of the Reward offered by the Dominion Government by Proclamation for the apprehension, trial, and conviction of the murderer of the late Honorable *T. DA'rcy McGee* has been paid; and if so, to whom; and if not, why not.

Mr. *Godin*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the expenses incurred by the Department of Inland Revenue in the collection of the duty on Leaf Tobacco, of Canadian growth exclusively, shewing, besides the salaries of officers employed for that purpose, all expenses incurred for travelling expenses, correspondence, printing, &c., from the 30th June, 1868, to 30th June, 1869, and distinguishing the amount of expenses so incurred by each Province.

Honorable Sir *Alexander T. Galt*—When The House is in Committee on the Resolutions respecting Dominion Notes.—That no Fractional Paper Currency in Notes of less denomination than one dollar be issued.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Thursday next—That the Honorable Mr. *Langevin* be added to the Select Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Ferguson*—On the motion for concurrence in the Resolutions on the subject of Banks.—That the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but referred back to a Committee of the Whole House, for the purpose of amending the same, by adding to the Returns of Assets the following: "*Loans, Discounts* or *Advances* on *Current Account* to *Railway* and *Steamboat* Corporations respectively."

PRIVATE BILL.

The Bill (No. 30) to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to *La Banque du Peuple,* was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on *Banking* and *Commerce* on or after Thursday, the 26th instant.

No. 19.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1870.

On motion of Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa), the Petition of the Municipality of the Village of Hull, County of Ottawa, Province of Quebec, presented this day, was received and read; praying that the Petition of the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company, for an Act to enable them to extend their line of Railway across the Suspension Bridge over the Ottawa River, and through the Village of Hull, in the Province of Quebec, may be granted, and the said Petition was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *A. S. Page*, and others, of Oswego, State of New York, United States of America; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, may become Law.

Of the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia; praying that an Inebriate Asylum may be established in the Dominion of Canada.

Of the Council of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship at the principal seaports of the Dominion.

Of the Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company; praying that they may be exempt from the operation of the law by which they are compelled to carry Branch Pilots.

Of the Municipality of the Township of East Oxford; praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of *Charles J. Way*, and others, artists, Members of an Association of Canadian Artists, organized for the advancement of the fine arts in the Dominion of Canada; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The Society of Canadian Artists."

Of *Alexander Robertson*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Belleville, County of Hastings; praying for the passing of an Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating a Company to build a Railway from the said Town of Belleville to Peterborough, by the name of the Grand Junction Railway Company.

Of *George W. Stephens*, and others, of the City of Montreal; praying that the Petition of the Canada Central Railway Company, for an extension of their Charter for five years; also, for power to amalgamate with other Companies along the same line, and also to extend their line to Lake Huron, may be granted.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges), introduced a Bill (No. 39) to amend Cap. 66 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Railways." Second reading on Monday next.

Honorable Mr. *Abbott* introduced a Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

The said Bill was read the First Time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Brown* introduced a Bill (No. 35) to authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor Dues, and for other purposes.

The said Bill was read the First Time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand), introduced a Bill (No. 40) to amend the Act 31 *Vict.* Cap, 10, relating to Postal Service. Second Reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall* (S. R. Renfrew), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all reports made by surveyors, or others, employed by the Government in the neighbourhood of Lake Neepigon, or any portions of the Coast of Lake Superior.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 26th May, 1869, for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government and the United States Government, Orders in Council and other papers in possession of this Government of a public nature, relating to the subject of the relative duties and imports on American vessels trading at Canadian Ports, as compared with the imports and duties now imposed by the United States upon Canadian vessels trading at United States Ports, since July 1st, 1867.

Honorable Mr. *Huntington* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, representing that the increasing population and productions of this Dominion demand more extensive markets and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other countries.

That a continental system of commercial intercourse, bringing under one general Customs Union, or other desirable trade arrangement with this Dominion, the Countries chiefly interested in its trade would tend to expand our commerce, develop our resources and multiply our productions.

That such a system should place in a position of commercial equality and reciprocity all the countries becoming parties thereto.

That a great advantage would result from placing the Government of this Dominion in direct communication with the several States which might be willing to negotiate for such a commercial arrangement.

That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication with such foreign States as might be disposed upon terms advantageous to Canada to negotiate such Commercial relations.

Thar in all cases the treaties creating such proposed commercial arrangement should be subject to the approval of Her Majesty.

And a Debate arising thereon, the Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Bodwell*, adjourned until Monday next, to be then the First Order of the Day.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr *Fortin*—On Friday next—That Mr. *E. M. McDonald* be added to the Select Committee on Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the Inspection of Fish.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*—To-morrow—That the following names be added to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts: the Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Mr. *Casault*, Mr. *D. A. Macdonald*, and Mr. *Carmichael*.

Mr. *Colby*—On the motion of concurrence in the Banking Resolutions—That the House do not concur in the Report of the Committee, but that the same be referred back to the Committee of the Whole House, with instruction to amend the same by inserting the words, "In any city in the Dominion, which has a population of more than 20,000 inhabitants," after the word "Banking," in the first line of the first paragraph of said Resolution.

Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara)—On Monday next—SPECIAL COMMITTEE to enquire into the state, case and management of the monument erected on Queenston Heights to the memory of the late Major-General Sir *Isaac Brock*, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report thereon by Bill or otherwise. Said Committee to be composed of Honorable Messrs. *Langevin* and *Wood*, and Messrs. *McCallum*, *Street*, *Merritt*, *Thompson* (Haldimand), and the Mover.

Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara)—On Friday next—BILL to amend the Railway Act of 1868, so far as relates to the Incorporated Express Companies.

Mr. *Walsh*—On Friday next—That the House do go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:

Resolved—That it is expedient the Weighers of Grain be appointed, and that they be entitled to a fee not exceeding (ten cents) for each load of grain weighed by them respectively.

Mr. *Ross* (Prince Edward)—On motion of concurrence in the Banking Resolution—In amendment, That the House do not concur in the Report of the Committee, but that the same be referred back to the Committee of the Whole House, with instruction to amend said Resolution by striking out the first and second paragraphs thereof.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were posted this day for consideration on or after Monday, the 28th instant, viz.:—

Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company. (By Committee on *Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.*)

Bill (No. 35) to authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor Dues, and for other purposes. (By Committee on *Miscellaneous Private Bills.*)

No. 20.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1870.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Charles P. Treadwell*, and others, of the City of Ottawa ; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the "Canadian Pacific Railway and Navigation Company," with power to construct a Railway from Ottawa, through the Red River Territory and Rupert's Land, to the Pacific Ocean at Bute Inlet ; also, for the interposition of the House in their behalf, to assist them in obtaining a grant of wild lands in aid of their undertaking.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Pontiac ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of *G. A. Masson*, and others, of the united Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry ; and of *Charles P. Treadwell*, Sheriff, and others, of the Township of Longueuil ; severally praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of *J. Warren* and others, Mariners and Fishermen, of the Parish of Saint Etienne de la Malbaie, County of Charlevoix ; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of *William A. Shearson* and others, Farmers, Producers and Manufacturers of Western Ontario ; praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Seventh Report which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the Petition of the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company ; for authority to extend their Railway over the Suspension Bridge across the River Ottawa, to the Village of Hull, and to connect with any Railway that may be constructed to Aylmer,—they find that no Notice was published in the County of Ottawa, in which Hull is situate ; but the Notices are in other respects sufficient ; and as no paper is published in that Village, and the Ottawa papers (in which the Notice appeared) are freely circulated there,—the Committee recommend that the Notice be considered sufficient.

On the Petition of the Sun Insurance Company of Montreal ; for an Act to revise and amend their Act of incorporation, the Notices have not been published for the full length of time required ; but as no private rights are affected, the Committee recommend that the Notice in this case also be considered sufficient.

The Petition of *Charles J. Way* and others, of Montreal ; for incorporation of the Society of Canadian Artists, is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice.

Mr. *Magill*, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into, and report on the extent and condition of the Hop growing and Salt interests in Canada, presented the following Report :—

The Committee have had under consideration the Salt Manufacturing interests on the Shores of Lake Huron, in the Province of Ontario, and that the following facts have been established to the satisfaction of the Committee.

1st. That the supply of Salt in that section of the Dominion is practically unlimited ; brine of the finest quality having been found at points 75 miles apart, and at intermediate places.

2nd. That the number of wells now sunk is capable of supplying brine enough to make 3,000 barrels per day.

3rd. That during the greater portion of last year, the Goderich salt wells have been closed up, and the large capital invested in this important branch of Canadian industry, has been during that time wholly unremunerative and that unless some change take place in our trade relations with the United States, this state of things is likely to continue.

4th. The Committee further find, that the Canadian is unable to compete with the American Manufacturer, even in the Canadian Market for the following reasons.

1st. The American Manufacturers have their home Market exclusively to themselves; the duty on Salt admitted into the United States being a practical prohibition.

2nd. After supplying the home market thus secured to the American Manufacturer, by their own Government and supplying that Market at prices more than fairly remunerative, their surplus production is exported to Canada, and there sold at prices which render it impossible for the Canadian Manufacturer to retain the Canadian Market,

3rd. That the State Government supplies the Salt Companies of the State of New York, with capital estimated at $10,000,000 for the nominal sum of $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent: and thus secures to said Companies important advantages over Companies dependant on private capital alone.

4th The American Manufacturers have an advantage in return freight which is an important item in the conveyance of so bulky an article as Salt, to Market.

The Committee therefore respectfully recommend that The House speedily adopt such measures as shall tend to relieve this important industry from the depression influences to which the Committee have referred.

In reference to the Hop growing interests of the Dominion, the Committee find, that their views are fully expressed in the Report of a Special Committee upon the "Hops and Salt interests" or which was concurred in by The House at the last Session of Parliament, and consequently they do not think it necessary to make any further Report thereon.

Mr. *Drew*, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 2) to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders, and another reference, *viz*: Bill No. 24, having the same title, reported that they had combined the provisions of both Bills, into Bill No. 2, with amendments; also recommending that the Bill be re-printed, as amended.

Mr. *Savary*, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 10.) to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, and another reference, *viz*:—Bill (No. 26) to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*: Cap. 9, intituled: "An Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange," reported that they had combined the provisions of both Bills, into Bill No. 10, with amendments; also recommend that the Bills be re-printed, as amended.

Mr. *Young* introduced a Bill (No. 41) respecting the naturalization of certain Aliens. — Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Currier*, introduced a Bill (No. 42) respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committeee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 3rd instant; for a return of all amounts paid by the Government to the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, '67, '68, and '69, showing the following particulars:—The amount of exchange bought, the interest paid, American currency converted, Debentures and Dominion Stock sold, with the dates of each transaction, the rates and commissions paid, the amount received by the Bank in lieu of circulation, old notes, &c., and all other information necessary to show the relations of that Bank to the Government during the years above mentioned, also, a statement of any Intercolonial Loan, Exchange sold, the rate, to whom sold, and also the average monthly balances lying to the Credit of the Government in the Bank.

He also delivered a Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, a copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the 17th December, 1869, stating that Her Majesty will not be advised to disallow certain Acts passed by the Dominion Legislature in the last Session of Parliament, and calling attention to the third section of Cap: 23.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 16th March, 1870.

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, Hon. Messrs. *Langevin* and *Wood*, and Messrs. *Casault*, *Macdonald* (Glengarry), and *Carmichael* were added to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Hon. Mr. *Archambeault* introduced a Bill (No. 34) to incorporate the Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Resolution reported from the Committee of the Whole on Tuesday last, the 13th instant, on the subject of Banks, be now concurred in.

Mr. *Colby* moved in amendment thereto, that The House do not concur in the Report of the Committee on the Banking Resolution, but that the same be referred back to the Committee to amend the same by inserting the words "in any City in this Dominion, which has a population of more than 20,000 inhabitants," after the word "Banking" in line 1, paragraph 1 of the said Resolution; which was negatived on the followiug division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Cartwright, Cayley, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Colby, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Hagar, Huntington, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, Killam, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), O'Connor, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Savary, Senecal, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wright (Ottawa County), and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.)—68.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Metcalfe, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, and, Young—82.

Mr. *Ross* (Prince Edward) then moved in amendment, that The House do not concur in the said Resolution, but that it be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of amending the same, by striking out paragraphs 1 and 2 thereof; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Colby, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Huntington, Jones, (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, Killam, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McDougall, (Renfrew), McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), O'Connor, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross, (Victoria, N.S.), Ross, (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Sénécal, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, and Wright (Ottawa County).—64.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson, (Soulanges), Masson, (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Metcalfe, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, and Young.—86.

Mr. *Ferguson* then moved in amendment, that The House do not now concur in the said Resolution, but that it be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of amending the same, by adding to the Returns of Assets, paragraph 12, the following:—"Loans, Discounts or Advances on Current Account to Railway and Steamboat Corporations respectively;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Bowell, Drew, Ferguson, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Little, Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Lunenburg), MacFarlane, McCallum, O'Connor, Perry, Ross (Dundas), Ross (PrinceE dward), and Willson—14.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Coffin, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferris, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huntington, Huot, Hurdon, Keeler, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Sénécal, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young—133.

Mr. *Cartwright* then moved in amendment, that The House do not concur in the said Resolution, but that it be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of amending the same, by expunging the 18th paragraph thereof; which was negatived on a division.

The said Resolution was then agreed to.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* then introduced a Bill (No 43) respecting Banks and Banking. Second reading on Tuesday next.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz :—

No. 44, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Queen's Printer."—(On motion of Hon. Mr. *Morris*, read the first time ; second reading to-morrow).

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, the Order of the Day for the concurrence in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of the Whole on the subject of Dominion Notes, on Tuesday, the 8th instant, was discharged, and the said Resolutions were referred back to the Committee to consider certain amendments thereto.

(In the Committee).

The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight.

Friday, 18th March, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.* cap. 46, intituled : "An Act to enable Banks in any part of Canada to use notes of the Dominion instead of issuing notes of their own," by repealing the first seven sections thereof, except as to any arrangement with the Bank of Montreal, now existing under them, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient further to amend the said Act, by providing that Dominion Notes to the amount of five million dollars, or such greater amount as may be authorized, as hereinafter mentioned, may be issued, and remain outstanding, at any time, on the security of Debentures of the Dominion, and specie equal together, to a like amount, and of which not more than four millions shall be Debentures, such Debentures and specie to be held by the Receiver General, for the redemption of such notes ; and that the amount of such notes to be issued and outstanding, may be from time to time, increased to an amount not exceeding nine million dollars, on like security, but of which not more than seven millions shall be on the the security of Debentures, by Order in Council, founded on a Report of the Treasury Board, such increase being so authorized for amounts not exceeding *one million dollars* at one time, and at intervals of not less than *three* months, and no such increase being authorised unless the Receiver General then hold specie to the amount of one fourth of the aggregate amount of such increase, and of the Debentures already held by him as aforesaid, and the Receiver General, shall always, as a rule, hold specie to the amount of at least, twenty-five per cent. of the Debentures, held by him as aforesaid, and shall, under no circumstances, hold a less amount of specie than fifteen per cent. of such Debentures, and if the amount of specie should, at any time, fall below twenty-five per cent, it shall be the duty of the Receiver General, without delay, to increase the amount of specie, to at least, twenyt-five per cent. of the amount of Debentures.

3. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that if any amount of Dominion Notes be issued and outstanding in excess of the amount then authorised to be issued, and outstanding on such security, as aforesaid, the Receiver General shall hold specie to the full amount of such excess for the redemption of such notes ; and that any amount of such Notes, which the public convenience may require, may be issued, and remain outstanding, provided the excess of such amount, over that so authorized, be represented by specie, held by the Receiver General, as aforesaid ; but, except in the case of notes so held against the like amount of specie, the total amount of Dominion Notes outstanding shall never exceed the amount authorised, as aforesaid : nor shall anything in these Resolutions be construed to permit the issue of Debentures not authorised by Parliament, or any increase of the of the public debt.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Nine of the said Act, except as regards any existing arrangement made under it, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof, and to provide that the Governor may in his discretion establish branch offices of the Receiver General's Department in Montreal, Toronto, Halifax and St. John (N.B.) respectively, or any of them, for the redemption of Dominion notes, or may make arrangements with any chartered bank or banks for the redemption thereof, and may allow a fixed sum per annum, for such service at any or all of the said places ; and that specie or debentures held at any such Branch or by any such Bank for the redemption of Dominion Notes shall be deemed to be held by the Receiver General.

5. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend Section Ten of the said Act, 31, *Vict.*, cap. 46, in accordance with the preceding Resolutions.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Eleven of the said Act providing for the appointment of Commissioners for ascertaining the amount of Dominion notes issue and specie and debentures held for their redemption, and to provide that the Receiver General shall publish *monthly* in the *Canada Gazette* a statement of the amount of Dominion Notes outstanding on the last day of the preceding month, and of the Specie and Debentures then held by the Receiver General for the redemption thereof ; distinguishing the amounts of specie and debentures so held at each of the Cities aforesaid respectively ; such statements to be made up from returns to be made by the said Brauch Offices or Bank to the Receiver General.

Resolutions to be reported.

Resolutions reported,—question of concurrence thereon on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 12.25 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of yesterday, page 98, in Hon. *Mr. Huntington's* motion for an Address, the word "relations" was erroneously printed, instead of "regulations," and it should read as follows :—

"That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication with such foreign States, as might be disposed upon terms advantageous to Canada to negotiate such commercial regulations."

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Wood*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Minutes in Council, and Departmental Orders, and of all correspondence between the Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of Quebec and Ontario respectively, relating to the rate of interest allowed since the 4th May, 1859 on the capital of the Seigniors and the capital of compensation to the Townships in Lower Canada, and also on the compensation to Upper Canada arising out of the Seigniorial Legislation, called the Upper Canada Building Fund.

Honorable Mr. *Wood*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor for copies of all contracts and papers relating to the construction of the Court House and Gaol in the District of Algoma, and a statement of all monies, with dates, paid to the Contractor or Contractors, Architects, Overseers, and others in respect thereof by the Government of the late Province of Canada, and by the Government of the Dominion, as well on account of the late Province as also on account of the Province of Ontario.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa)—On Monday next—BILL intituled : "An Act to make provision for the registration of marks or brands used in marking Timber."

Mr. *Young*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return showing the state of the Account between *Thomas Robertson* and the Government in regard to the receipts and expenditure of the Dundas and Waterloo Macadamised Road whilst under the charge of the said *Thomas Robertson* as agent, and also what steps (if any) have been taken to effect a settlement of the said Account.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Monday next—That the Hon. Mr. *Huntington's* Resolution be amended by expunging the second and third clauses and by striking out of the fourth clause the words "*such customs union*" and inserting instead thereof the words "*for reciprocal trade*," and by striking out of the last clause the words "customs union" and inserting the words "commercial arrangements."

Mr. *Renaud*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to place the Port of Cocagne, County of Kent, N. B., on the list of Inland Ports, and to appoint a Collector of Customs for the said Port in compliance with a Petition signed by the leading inhabitants of the locality who are now compelled in order to enter their foreign dutiable goods to go to the Port of Shediac or Bouctouche.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On the question of concurrence in the Resolutions on Dominion Notes.

That the said Resolutions be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House to adopt the following :

Resolved,—That it is expedient further to amend the said Act by providing that Dominion Notes to the amount of $9,000,000 may be issued and remain outstanding at any time on the security of Debentures of the Dominion and specie equal together to a like amount, and of which not more than $7,000,000 shall be Debentures, such Debentures and Specie to be held by the Receiver General for the redemption of such Notes, and the Receiver General shall always, as a rule, hold specie to the amount of at least twenty-five per cent of the sum then issued, and shall under no circumstances hold a less amount of species than fifteen per cent of such issued, and if the amount of specie should at any time fall below twenty-five per cent, it shall be the duty of the Receiver General, without delay, to increase the amount of specie to at least twenty-five per cent of such issue. Provided always that as soon as $5,000,000 have been issued no further increase shall take place for amounts exceeding $1,000,000 at any one time, and each such increase shall be made at intervals of not less than three months.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On the question of concurrence in the Resolutions on Dominion Notes—That the said Resolutions be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House, to adopt the following :

Resolved,—That it is expedient further to amend the said Act, by providing that Dominion Notes to the amount of nine million dollars may be issued, and remain outstanding at any time, on the security of the Debentures of the Dominion, and specie equal together to a like amount, and of which not more than eighty per cent shall be Debentures, and twenty per cent in specie. The Receiver General shall always, as a rule, hold specie to the amount of, at least, twenty per cent of the Notes so issued, and shall, under no circumstances, hold a less amount of specie than thirteen per cent of such Notes ; and if the amount of specie should, at any time, fall below twenty per cent, it shall be the duty of the Receiver General, without delay, to increase the amount of specie to at least twenty per cent of the amount of the Notes issued. Any increase of the issue of Notes over five millions shall be authorized by Order in Council, founded on a Report of the Treasury Board, in amounts not exceeding one million at one time, at intervals of not less than three months.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were posted this day for consideration on and after Monday, the 28th instant, viz. :—

No. 34. To Incorporate the Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company. (By Committee on *Banking* and *Commerce*).

No. 42. Respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company. (By Committee on *Railways, Canals,* and *Telegraph Lines.*"

No. 21.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *R. W. Shepherd*, and others, interested in the navigation of the Ottawa River ; praying that no Bill may be passed granting to any parties the right to obstruct in any way whatsoever the navigation of the said River.

Of *William Pryor*, and others, Bankers and Merchants of the City of Halifax (Nova Scotia) ; praying that no change may be made in the currency of the Province of Nova Scotia.

Of *James Robertson*, L.L.D., Rector, and others, Members of the Church of England, Township of Wilmot, County of Annapolis (Nova Scotia) ; praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Provincial Synod of Canada to admit into Union the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, and also, for a continuance of the rights and privileges solemnly guaranteed to them by the Act of their own Legislature, and to exempt from the control or jurisdiction of such Provincial Synod, all persons and Corporations who are not members of the said Diocesan Synod.

Of *James Sumner*, and others, of the County of Carleton, Province of Ontario ; praying that the Petition of the Canada Central Railway Company, for an extension of their Charter for five years ; also for power to amalgamate with other Companies along the same line, and also to extend their line to Lake Huron, may be granted.

Of *John Hoffman*, and others, of the Parish of Berthier ; of *Louis Fournier*, and others, of the Parish of St. Thomas, and of the Village of Montmagny ; and of *Cyrille Bernier*, and others, of the Parish of Cap St. Ignace, all Mariners and Fishermen, of the County of Montmagny ; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Third Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed, viz :—

Return to Address,—Detailed account of the expenditures made by Government during the last five years in improvements extending from the foot of Carillon Rapids to the uppermost works on the Ottawa River.

Return to Address,—Copies of Orders in Council and correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian and Prince Edward Island Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, touching the admission of Prince Edward Island or of British Columbia into the Union.

Return to Address,—Copies of Order in Council and correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and any of the Provinces, touching any Legislation of the Provinces, including any instructions to His Excellency on the subject of Provincial Legislation.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Canadian and United States Governments, Orders in Council and other papers of a public nature, relative to the duties and imports on American Vessels trading at Canadian Ports, as compared with those now imposed by the United States upon Canadian Vessels trading at United States Ports.

Report of the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway.

Return to Address,—Statement of all costs and charges connected with the Office of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, including travelling expenses in connection with the said Road.

Return to Address,—Orders in Council and correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan and the application of the proceeds thereof.

Statement of expenditure charged to enforeseen expenses, from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February 1870.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be printed in the Sessional Papers only, viz:—

Accounts of the Decayed Pilot Fund, Montreal, for the year 1869, (condensed).

Annual Report of sick and distressed Mariners Fund (condensed).

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of shipwrecked and distressed Seamen's Fund for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, (condensed.)

The Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz:—

Return to Address,—Statement of the actions entered in each of Vice-Admiralty Courts of the Dominion.

Statements relating to the General Distribution of the Statutes of Canada.

Return to Address,—Statement of the expenses connected with the Mission to the North-West of the Honorable Secretary of State for the Provinces.

Return to Address,—Detailed account of all expenditure on the Rideau Canal since 1864, with copies of all Reports and Papers relating thereto, &c., &c.

Return to Address,—Information respecting the expenditure and repairs of the Grenville and Carillon Canal during the last three years, together with Papers and Petitions connected therewith, &c., &c.

Return to Address,—List of all persons who have passed the examination required for employees in the Inland Revenue Department.

Mr. *Dufresne* introduced a Bill (No. 46) to facilitate the incorporation of Institutions of Landed Credit (CREDIT FONCIER),—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Return to Address of the 3rd instant, and laid before The House, yesterday, of payments made by the Government to the Bank of Montreal during the years 1866, 67, 68, and 69, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 47) for the better protection of Navigable Streams and Rivers.—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, the Second Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.

On motion of Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Thursday next, to consider the following Resolutions relating to Interest:—

Resolved—That it is expedient to provide

1st. That six per cent. per annum shall continue to be the legal rate of interest in all cases where by the agreement of the parties or by law interest is payable, and no rate has been fixed by the parties in writing or by the law.

2. Any rate of interest, not exceeding 8 per cent per annum, may be paid in advance or otherwise, and being paid, may be retained, or may be stipulated in writing and recovered.

3. If any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum is stipulated, such rate shall be *ipso facto* reduced to 6 per cent per annum, as a penalty, and that rate only shall be recoverable; and, if any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum be paid, the excess of the rate paid over 6 per cent. per annum shall be recoverable by the parties paying it, provided the action for recovering it be brought within six months from the payment.

4. All former laws respecting interest and usury shall be repealed.

5. The foregoing provisions shall apply to any loan, or contract for the loan or forbearance of money, made on or after the day of next.

6. These Resolutions shall not apply to any body corporate, which, by any existing law, or by the terms of any Charter, or Act of Incorporation, may now lawfully stipulate for, and receive a higher rate of interest than 8 per cent.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 48) to establish a Supreme Court for the Dominion of Canada.—Second reading on Tuesday next.

The Bill (No. 7) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners," was read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald's* motion for the second reading of the Bill (No. 4) respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

SATURDAY, 19th March, 1870.

And the Debate continuing,—the Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Fortin* adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 12.35 A.M., until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of yesterday, page 103, in the Division on Mr. *Colby's* amendment, "to refer back to the Committee, the Resolution reported from the Committee on Tuesday last, the 13th instant on the subject of Banks, for the purpose of amending the same,"—Mr. *Killam's* name was erroneously inserted in both Yeas and Nays. He voted for the amendment, and the Division should be as follows :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Cartwright, Cayley, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Colby, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Hagar, Huntington, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, Killam, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), O'Connor, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Savary, Senecal, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wright (Ottawa County), and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.)—68.

Nays :

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Metcalfe, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, and, Young—82.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Railway Commissioners relative to the purchase of Rolling Stock and Rails for the Intercolonial Railway ; and also copies of all Orders in Council relating thereto.

Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*—On Tuesday next—BILL to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions.

Mr. *Oliver*—When the House is in Committee on the Election Bill—The following amendments : That the following sub-section be added to section 3 : "Is an enrolled resident volunteer within the Electoral District, and has been such resident enrolled volunteer for one year before the said day of ."
To section 4 :

"Is an enrolled resident volunteer within the Electoral District and has been such resident enrolled volunteer for one year before the said day of ."
To section 5.

"Is an enrolled volunteer within the Electoral District and has been such resident enrolled volunteer for one year before the said day of ."

Mr. *Snider*—On Monday next – COMMITTEE of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions :

1st. That it is expedient to authorize the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, to construct, extend, and improve a Harbor at the mouth of Beaver River in the said Township.

2nd. That it is expedient to authorize the said Municipal Corporation to levy the following Tolls to repay expenditure caused by the construction of such Harbor and to enforce the collection of such Tolls ; on

	$ cts.
Ale, Beer, or Porter, per barrel	0 05
Apples, Fish, Salt, Water-lime, or Plaster, per barrel	0 05
Brandy, Gin, Rum, Wines or Highwines, per barrel	0 10
Bricks, per M	0 05
Calves. Sheep or Swine, each	0 10
Coal per ton	0 15
Castings, Chain Cable, Nails and Spikes, per cwt	0 25
Cordwood, per Cord	0 05
Earthen or Stoneware, per Crate or Hhd	0 04
Eggs, per barrel or box	0 04
Flour or meal per barrel	0 03
Fowls of all kinds, each	0 01
Furniture, per 100 lbs	0 02½
Fanning Mills, each	0 12
Grain of all kinds, per bushel	0 01
Grindstones, per ton	0 25
Horses, or horned cattle each	0 10

Horse Rakes, Straw Cutters, Root Slices, and Ploughs, each	0 05
Hides and Skins per 100 lbs	0 05
Hay, per ton	0 10
Hops, per 100 lbs	0 10
Lard or Butter, per keg or ferkin	0 02
Lime per barrel	0 01
Leather per 100 lbs	0 02
Merchandise not herein enumerated, per ton	0 40
Nursery produce, per ton	0 40
Potatoes and other roots per bushel	0 01
Pork, Beef, Lard, or Butter, per barrel	0 05
Potash, Pearlash, Molasses Whiskey, Vinegar, per barrel	0 06
Pig, Bar, Scrap or Cast Iron, per ton	0 25
Reaping and Mowing Machines, each	0 50
Sawed Lumber per M. feet	0 12
Square or round Timber, per 100 cubic feet	0 05
Saw Logs each	0 01
Shingles and Laths per M.	0 02
Staves per M.	0 05
Stave bolts per cord	0 05
Timothy and Clover seed, per bushel	0 02
Threshing Machines, each	0 25
Vehicles of all kinds, each	0 25
Vessels of 100 tons Register and upwards	1 00
Vessels of 10 tons, and not exceeding 100 tons Register	0 50
All other articles not herein enumerated, per 100lbs	0 02½

Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to encourage Ship Building in Canada by exempting from duty materials imported for Ship Building, or by a drawback, and more especially with respect to Iron imported for the building of composite Ships.

Mr. *Magill*—On Monday next—Adoption of the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and Report on the extent and condition of the Hop growing and Salt interests of Canada.

Honorable Sir *A. T. Galt*—In amendment to the resolution proposed by the Honorable Mr. *Huntington*—That all the words after "that" be left out and the following added: "An Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General representing that the increasing population and productions of the Dominion demand more extensive markets, and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other Countries.

That great advantage would result from placing the Government of the Dominion in direct communication with all British Possesions and Foreign States, which might be willing to negociate for Commercial arrangements tending to this result.

That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication for such purpose with each British Possession and Foreign States.

That in all cases such proposed commercial arrangements should be subject to the approval of Her Majesty."

Honorable Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—That the question of concurrence in the Report of the Select Committee on the subject of reporting the Debates of Parliament be put on Wednesday next; to be then the First Order of the Day.

Mr. *Paquet*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a full statement in detail of the sum paid and to be paid in connection with the arrest, trial and conviction of the murderer and those accused of the murder of the late Honorable *Thomas D'Arcy McGee*; also a statement of sums paid by way of reward and to whom paid; the whole since 25th May, 1869.

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No. 23.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 21st March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the County of Bonaventure, for the year 1869,—and in the District of Bedford, for the years 1865, 66, 67, 68, and 69.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of Messrs. *J.* and *F. Burpee* and Company, and others, Merchants, and others, of the City of Saint John, Province of New Brunswick; praying that an Act may be passed securing uniformity of Currency throughout the Dominion.

Of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that the rates of Interest on all Loans may be left to the natural influence of supply and demand, unhampered by any Legislation thereon.

Of *James Moffat*, and others, of the Township of Nassagaweya, County of Halton; praying for certain Amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of the Municipality of the Township of Hullett, County of Huron; praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of *E. Harrington*, and others, of the Village of Arnprior, County of Renfrew; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate a Company, for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Honorable Mr. *Campbell* introduced a Bill (No. 18) to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141, to all parts of the Dominion of Canada.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal) introduced a Bill (No. 45) to incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artists."

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa) introduced a Bill (No. 50) to make provision for the registration of Marks or Brands, used in marking timber.—Second reading on Wednesday next.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 7th instant; for copies of all correspondence conducted with other Governments and powers, and reports of all International Conventions and Committees, touching the adoption of a uniform system of Currency among the principal Commercial Nations, and correspondence with, and representations made to the Government by Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, or other bodies or persons, on the subject of a uniform Currency for the Dominion of Canada.

Return to Address of the 3rd instant; for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and Nova Scotia, in respect of the Confederation of the Provinces.

Statement made by Insurance Companies, in compliance with the Act 31 *Vict* : Cap : 48, Sec : 14.

He also delivered a Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows :—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, a copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, No. 55, March 2nd, 1890, on the subject of the Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act of 1869.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 21st March, 1870.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Anglin*, the said Message was referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal) introduced a Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act to incorporate "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal."

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Honorable Mr. *Huntington's* proposed motion for an Address, and which motion was :—

That an Address be voted to His Excellency, representing that the increasing population and productions of this Dominion demand more extensive markets and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other countries.

That a Continental system of commercial intercourse, bringing under one general Customs Union, or other desirable trade arrangement with this Dominion, the Countries chiefly interested in its trade would tend to expand our commerce, develop our resources, and multiply our productions.

That such a system should place in a position of commercial equality and reciprocity all the countries becoming parties thereto.

That a great advantage would result from placing the Government of this Dominion in direct communication with the several States which might be willing to negotiate for such a commercial arrangement.

That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication with such foreign States as might be disposed upon terms advantageous to Canada to negotiate such commercial regulations.

That in all cases the treaties creating such proposed commercial arrangement should be subject to the approval of Her Majesty.

Honorable Sir *Alexander T. Galt* moved in amendment, that all the words after "That" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof :—"An Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General representing that the increasing population and productions of the Dominion demand more extensive markets, and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other Countries.

That great advantage would result from placing the Government of the Dominion in direct communication with all British Possessions and Foreign States, which might be willing to negociate for Commercial arrangements tending to this result.

That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication for such purpose with such British Possessions and Foreign States.

That in all cases such proposed commercial arrangements should be subject to the approval of Her Majesty."

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* then moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "That" in the main motion be expunged, and the following substituted :—" this House, while desirous of obtaining for the Dominion the freest access to the Markets of the World, and thus augmenting its existing prosperity—is satisfied that that object can best be obtained by the concurrent action of the Imperial and Canadian Governments,—that any attempt to enter into treaties with Foreign Powers, without the strong and direct support of the Mother Country, as a principal party, must fail, and that a Customs Union with the United States, now so heavily taxed, would be unfair to the Empire, and injurious to the Dominion, and would weaken the ties now happily existing between them."

And a Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

TUESDAY, 22nd March, 1870.

And the Debate continuing,—and the question being put on the last mentioned amendment, it was agreed to on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Irvine, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly Simpson, Stephenson, Street, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, Willson, and Wright (Ottawa County),—100.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Ferris, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Killam, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Wood, and Young.—58.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency,—Public Accounts of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1869.

He also presented,—Return showing the Amount of Dominion Notes in circulation, according to the Periodical Returns, from 1st October, 1869, to 1st February, 1870; and the Gold and Debentures held to meet the same, under the provisions of Act, 31 *Vict.*, cap 46.

Return showing the Specie and Debentures that would have been held, under the system proposed by the Government, against circulation, during the same periods included in Return 1.

The House then adjourned at 1.40 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of all unsettled claims or accounts against the Government of Canada for barracks, barrack repairs and rent, for Imperial Troops, from 1st January 1861 to the present time, and charged as Militia expenditure, and estimate of Officers of Board of Works in all such cases.

Honorable Mr. *Morris*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled: "An Act respecting Ferries."

Honorable Mr. *Morris*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the auditing of Public Accounts and the liability of Public Accountants."

Mr. *Stirton*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing the number of seizures made by the officers of the Inland Revenue Department during the years 1868 and 1869; the amount of fine or penalty imposed in each case; the amount awarded to said officers for making such seizures; the names of said officers, and the names of the persons owning (or professing to own) the property so seized.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Copy of all correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents connected with the refund to Messrs. *Goodherham* and *Worts* of Toronto, of certain Excise duties, out of the vote of Last Session for unforseen expenditure.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the number of seizures from the 1st July, 1867, to the 1st July 1869 for violations of the Revenue Laws; the name of the owner of the property seized; the amount realized from each seizure; the name of the officer or officers who made the seizures; and the reward given for each seizure and to whom given.

Mr. *Masson* (Terrebonne)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill providing that the Census of 1871 be in future the basis on which will be apportioned the amount due to the Townships in the Province of Quebec for Seigniorial Indemnity, thereby doing justice to the new Townships either organized or settled, or settled since 1861, the inhabitants of which contribute their share towards the yearly payment made to the Seigniors in the said Province.

Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*—On Tuesday next—That the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, and Messrs. *Shanly* and *Grant*, be added to the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration on and after Friday, the 1st April next, viz:—

No. 18. To extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141 to all parts of the Dominion of Canada. (By Committee on *Miscellaneous Private Bills*).

No. 45. To incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artists." (By *same Committee*).

No. 49. To amend the Act to incorporate "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal." (By Committee on *Banking* and *Commerce*).

No. 23.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1870.

Five Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Drew*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, reported the Bill (No. 15) to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor dues, and for other purposes, without amendment.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the following Bills, with amendments, viz :—

No. 16. To incorporate the Detroit River Transit Company.

No. 25. Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.—Both Bills to be reprinted, as amended.

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Eighth Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the Notices sufficient, viz :—

Of the Union Bank of Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia,—of *Charles P. Treadwell*, and others; for incorporation of the Canadian Pacific Railway and Navigation Company,—and of *Alexander Robertson*, and others; for an Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Grand Junction Railway Company.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency, the Report on the State of the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1869.

He also laid before The House,—by command of His Excellency, Regulations and Orders for the Active Militia, the Schools of Military Instruction, and the Reserve Militia (in the cases therein mentioned) of the Dominion of Canada, 1870.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bill (No. 14) to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors, and Company of the Gore Bank, with amendments.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, and Messrs. *Shanly* and *Grant* were added to the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

He also presented,—Return to Address of the 7th inst.; for a statement showing in detail the defalcations of the Financial Departments of the Government, as far as brought to light; also copies of any Regulations adopted during the past year for the auditing of the Public Accounts.

The following Resolutions were reported from the Committee of the Whole on Thursday last, the 17th instant, on the subject of Dominion Notes :—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.* cap. 46, intituled: "An Act to enable Banks in any part of Canada to use notes of the Dominion instead of issuing notes of their own," by repealing the first seven sections thereof, except as to any arrangement with the Bank of Montreal, now existing under them, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient further to amend the said Act, by providing that Dominion Notes to the amount of five million dollars, or such greater amount as may be authorized, as hereinafter mentioned, may be issued, and remain outstanding, at any time, on the security of Debentures of the Dominion, and specie equal together, to a like amount, and of which not more than four millions shall be Debentures, such Debentures and

specie to be held by the Receiver General, for the redemption of such notes; and that the amount of such notes to be issued and outstanding, may be from time to time, increased to an amount not exceeding nine million dollars, on like security, but of which not more than seven millions shall be on the the security of Debentures, by Order in Council, founded on a Report of the Treasury Board, such increase being so authorized for amounts not exceeding *one million dollars* at one time, and at intervals of not less than *three* months, and no such increase being authorised unless the Receiver General then hold specie to the amount of one fourth of the aggregate amount of such increase, and of the Debentures already held by him as aforesaid, and the Receiver General, shall always, as a rule, hold specie to the amount of at least, twenty-five per cent. of the Debentures, held by him as aforesaid, and shall, under no circumstances, hold a less amount of specie than fifteen per cent. of such Debentures, and if the amount of specie should, at any time, fall below twenty-five per cent, it shall be the duty of the Receiver General, without delay, to increase the amount of specie, to at least, twenyt-five per cent. of the amount of Debentures.

3. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide, that if any amount of Dominion Notes be issued and outstanding in excess of the amount then authorised to be issued, and outstanding on such security, as aforesaid, the Receiver General shall hold specie to the full amount of such excess for the redemption of such notes; and that any amount of such Notes, which the public convenience may require, may be issued, and remain outstanding, provided the excess of such amount, over that so authorized, be represented by specie, held by the Receiver General, as aforesaid; but, except in the case of notes so held against the like amount of specie, the total amount of Dominion Notes outstanding shall never exceed the amount authorised, as aforesaid: nor shall anything in these Resolutions be construed to permit the issue of Debentures not authorised by Parliament, or any increase of the of the public debt.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Nine of the said Act, except as regards any existing arrangement made under it, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof, and to provide that the Governor may in his discretion establish branch offices of the Receiver General's Department in Montreal, Toronto, Halifax and St. John (N.B.) respectively, or any of them, for the redemption of Dominion notes, or may make arrangements with any chartered bank or banks for the redemption thereof, and may allow a fixed sum per annum, for such service at any or all of the said places; and that specie or debentures held at any such Branch or by any such Bank for the redemption of Dominion Notes shall be deemed to be held by the Receiver General.

5. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend Section Ten of the said Act, 31, *Vict.*, cap. 46, in accordance with the preceding Resolutions.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Eleven of the said Act providing for the appointment of Commissioners for ascertaining the amount of Dominion notes issue and specie and debentures held for their redemption, and to provide that the Receiver General shall publish *monthly* in the *Canada Gazette* a statement of the amount of Dominion Notes outstanding on the last day of the preceding month, and of the Specie and Debentures then held by the Receiver General for the redemption thereof; distinguishing the amounts of specie and debentures so held at each of the Cities aforesaid respectively; such statements to be made up from returns to be made by the said Brauch Offices or Bank to the Receiver General.

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

The second Resolution being read a second time,

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that the said Resolutions be referred back to the Committee, to adopt the following:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient further to amend the said Act by providing that Dominion Notes to the amount of $9,000,000 may be issued and remain outstanding at any time on the security of Debentures of the Dominion and specie equal together to a like amount, and of which not more than $7,000,000 shall be Debentures, such Debentures and Specie to be held by the Receiver General for the redemption of such Notes, and the Receiver General shall always, as a rule, hold specie to the amount of at least twenty-five per cent of the sum then issued, and shall under no circumstances hold a less amount of specie than fifteen per cent of such issue, and if the amount of specie should at any time fall below twenty-five per cent, it shall be the duty of the Receiver General, without delay, to increase the amount of specie to at least twenty-five per cent of such issue. Provided always that as soon as $5,000,000 have been issued no further increase shall take place for amounts exceeding $1,000,000 at any one time, and each such increase shall be made at intervals of not less than three months;—which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Cameron (Peel), Cartwright, Chipman, Colby, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Holton, Huntington, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, Lapum, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton. Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, Wright (Ottawa County), and Young.—59.

Nays:

Messieurs Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Belleross, Bertrand, Blanchet Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Coffin, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Savary, Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, White, Willson, and Wood.—91.

Mr. *Blake* then moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be not concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of amending the same, so as to provide for the holding of a specie reserve, in proportion to the amount of Dominion Notes outstanding; which was negatived in the following division:—

Yeas.

Messieurs Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Colby, Connell, Currier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Geoffrion, Gibbs, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Cornwall), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Wright (Ottawa County), and Young—53.

Nays.

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Crawford, (Leeds), Daoust, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Hurdon, Irvine, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Savary, Shanly, Simpson, Sylvain, Tilley, Wallace, Webb, Willson, and Wood—62.

Mr. *Mackenzie* then moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be not concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee, for the purpose of amending the same, so as to provide that the sum to be held in specie by the Receiver General for the redemption of Dominion Notes shall be twenty per cent. upon the amount thereof in circulation, so long as such amount does not exceed five millions of dollars. For any excess over five millions, twenty five per cent of such excess shall be so held, and Debentures of the Dominion to the full amount by which such specie falls short of the total issue of Dominion Notes; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Connell, Currier, Dorion, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Cornwall), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McDougall, (Renfrew), McMonies, Merrit, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross, (Prince Edward), Ross, (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, and Young.—53.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds) Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jones (Leeds, & Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson, (Soulanges), Masson, (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McGreevy, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross, (Victoria, N.S.), Ryan, (King's N.B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Shanly, Simpson, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, White, Willson, and Wood.—92.

The second Resolution was then agreed to, on a division.

The third, fourth, and fifth Resolutions being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The sixth (and last) Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to on a division.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* then introduced a Bill (No. 51), to amend the Act 31 *Vict.* cap. 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes.—Second Reading on Thursday next.

The Bill (No. 5) to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators, in certain cases therein mentioned, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, the Public Accounts of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1869, and laid before The House, this day, were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the Return to Address of the 7th inst. for a statement showing in detail the defalcations in the Financial Departments of the Government, so far as brought to light, &c. and presented to The House this day, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Bill (No. 17) respecting the Census, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, for Thursday next.

The Bill (No. 37) relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial causes in New Brunswick, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That when The House adjourns on Thursday next, it do stand adjourned until Saturday next, at 12 o'clock, noon, and continue to sit on that day until 6 o'clock, P.M., and that the proceedings and Orders of the Day shall be the same, as if The House had sat on Friday.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Sir *George Cartier*—To refer Militia Report and Militia Regulations to Committee on Printing.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Thursday next—That when The House adjourns on that day, it shall stand adjourned until Saturday at 3 o'clock, p.m., and that the proceedings and Order of the Day shall be the same as if The House had sat on Friday.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Thursday next—That, until otherwise ordered, Government business and Orders shall have precedence on Mondays.

No. 24.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1870.

Fifteen Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Reverend *F. Aubry*, Curé. and others, of the Town of St. John, Province of Quebec ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament "to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence" may become law.

Of *Alexander Bowie*, and others, interested in the navigation of the Ottawa River ; praying that no Bill may be passed granting to any parties the right to obstruct in any way whatsoever the navigation of the said River.

Of *A. G. Hill*, and others, of the Village ef Welland ; praying for the early enlargement and deepening of the Welland and St. Lawrence Canals.

Of *I. B. Symes*, and others, praying that Light Houses may be erected on certain points and Islands in the Georgian Bay and Lake Superior.

Mr. *Keeler* introduced a Bill (No. 52) to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.—Second Reading on Monday next.

Honorable Mr. *Morris* introduced a Bill (No. 53) respecting Ferries.—Second Reading to-morrow.

Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier* introduced a Bill (Bill 54) to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions. —Second Reading on Saturday next.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 14th June, 1869 ; for a statement showing the limits of the Pilotage ground, the tariff of Pilots fees, and the number of Pilots in each Port of the Dominion ; also showing in what cases, in what Ports, and above what tonnage Pilotage is compulsory.

Return to Address of the 28th ult ; for a statement showing the sums paid from the Vote of $20,000 last Session, "to defray expenses for the Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces ;" showing the dates of payment, and to whom paid, and the nature of services rendered for such payment.

Mr. *Mayill* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Minutes of Council, Reports of Government Engineers, and correspondence generally, relating to the enlargement or improvement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, since the 1st July, 1867.

And a Debate arising thereon,—and it being 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P. M.

(At half past seven o'clock, P. M., the Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Monday next, viz :

No. 15. To authorize the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Tolls and Harbor Dues, and for other purposes.—

No. 21. To incorporate the Detroit River Transit Company.

Hon. Mr. *Carling* moved, that the Bill (No. 25) respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company, be now read the second time ; which was agreed to on a division.—

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Wednesday next.—

The Bill (No. 14) to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the Gore Bank, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 5) to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators, to certain cases therein mentioned, was read a third time, and passed.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the Bill (No. 37) relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimononial Causes in New Brunswick, be now read a third time.

Mr. *Pelletier* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be *Resolved*, That the Divorce Court in New Brunswick should be abolished.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the Debate was, on motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of yesterday, page 117, Mr. *Bertrand*'s name was left out of the Nays in the division on Mr. *Makenzie*'s amendment to the second Resolution on the subject of Dominion Notes.

The division should be as follows :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Connell, Currier, Dorion, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Cornwall), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McDougall, (Renfrew), McMonies, Merrit, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross, (Prince Edward), Ross, (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, and Young.—53.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds) Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jones (Leeds, & Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson, (Soulanges), Masson, (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McGreevy, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross, (Victoria, N.S.), Ryan, (King's N.B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Shanly, Simpson, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, White, Willson, and Wood.—93.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mills*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council, Communications, and Instructions, relating to a plan of survey determined upon for the North West Territory.

Mr. *J. S. Ross*—On Monday next—Committee of Whole to consider the following Resolutions :—

That it is expedient to enact that the rate of Interest upon all contracts and agreements written or verbal, expressed or implied for the payment of the money, shall be six per cent. per annum, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties or provided by law.

2. That in all contracts hereafter made, whether written or verbal, it shall be lawful for the parties to stipulate or agree that eight per cent. per annum, or any less sum or rate of interest, shall be taken and paid on money loaned, or in any manner due and owing from any person or corporation to any other person or corporation.

3. That if any person or corporation shall contract for or receive a greater rate of interest, directly or indirectly, than eight per cent. per annum, upon any contract, written or verbal, such person or corporation shall forfeit the whole of the interest so received, and shall be entitled only to recover the principal sum due to such person or corporation.

4. That every person who, for any loan or forbearance of any money, goods, or things, shall pay or deliver any greater sum, or rate of interest, or value than is above allowed to be received or taken, may recover at any time within one year after such payment or delivery, by action at law against the person or corporation that shall have taken or received the same, the whole amount of interest, or sum, or delivery in the nature of interest, so paid or made on the contract or agreement.

5. That any person proceeded against for any contravention of this Act may be compelled to answer on oath any complaint that may be exhibited against him in any Court for the recovery of any sum of money or rate of interest, goods, or things, taken, accepted or received in violation of the foregoing provisions or any of them.

6. That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed.

No. 25.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1870.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 24TH MARCH, 1870.

Twelve Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.—

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archibald*, the Petition of the Merchants Bank of Halifax, presented this day, was received and read; praying to be permitted to present to The House a Petition for the passing of an Act to increase their Capital Stock,—notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.—

He accordingly presented the said Petition from the Merchants Bank of Halifax, which was received and read; praying for the passing of an Act to increase their Capital Stock.—And the said Petitions were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.—

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *John Brown*, and others, of the Village of Thorold, County of Welland; praying that measures be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them until they agree to reciprocate all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of *John Brown*, and others, of the Village of Thorold, County of Welland, praying for the enlargement of the Welland Canal.

Of the Reverend *C. St. Georges*, and others, of the Town of Iberville; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to incorporate a company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of *E. B. Eddy*, and others, of the Village and Township of Hull, County of Ottawa; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to enable the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company to extend their line of Railway across the Suspension Bridge, over the Ottawa River, and through the Village of Hull, and for other purposes, may become law.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Augustin Voyer*, and others; praying for arrears of Pension due them since 1812, for services rendered during the last War with the United States, be received,

Mr. Speaker decided, that "as this Petition prays for money, it cannot be received."

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 23rd ult; for copies of all Tenders sent in under the Act of last Session for the several services of Departmental Printing, Printing the Statutes, Binding and Stationery; and also for copies of all contracts entered into, Orders in Council, and all other documents relating thereto; the statement to be in the same form, as that sent down with the Tenders for the Parliamentary Printing last year.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 23rd ult.; for copies of instructions to Surveyors sent to the North-West Territory, and statement showing the number of men employed, and the salaries to be paid; also copies of all Orders in Council relating to such Surveys and Reports of Surveyors employed, with copies of all documents relative thereto.

Return to Address of the 23rd ult.; for copies of accounts rendered to the Government and placed before the Dominion Arbitrators for work and materials on Parliament Buildings; with copies of the evidence taken before said Arbitrators and their award; also the Official statement of account from the Public Works Office, showing the several measurements and quantities of materials, with all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the subject.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Abbott*, the Bill (No. 38) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864," was read the first time.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Brown* introduced a Bill (No. 55) to restore the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the following Bills with amendments, viz:—

No. 20. To amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 22. To Incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

And the Bill (No. 21) to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company, without amendment.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bill of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz:—

No. 56, intituled: "An Act respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes." (On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* read the first time; second reading on Saturday next.)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald's* motion for the second reading of the Bill (No. 4) respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons.

And the question being put, in was agreed to on a division.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Saturday next.

The Bill (No. 36) further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking Commerce.

The House then adjourned until Saturday next at 12 o'clock noon.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Morris*—On Saturday next—That The House do go into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the following Resolution.

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to make such regulations, from time to time, as he may deem expedient in relation to Ferries over which exclusive Legislative authority is assigned to the Parliament of Canada by the British North America Act, 1867, for any of the following purposes, that is to say:

Firstly, For establishing the extent and limit of all, or any such Ferries as aforesaid;

Secondly, For defining the manner in which the conditions (including any duty or sum to be paid for the license) under which and the period for which licenses shall be granted in respect of such Ferries, or any one or more of them;

Thirdly, For determining the size and description of the vessels to be used on any such Ferries by the persons holding licenses in respect thereof, and the nature of the accomodation and conveniences to be provided for passengers carried in such vessels;

Fourthly, For fixing the tolls or rates at which persons and chattels shall be carried over such Ferries, and the manner and places at which such tolls or rates shall be published or made known;

Fifthly, For enforcing the payment of such tolls or rates, by the persons carried, or for whom chattels are carried over such Ferries;

Sixthly, For regulating the conduct of persons holding licenses, in respect of such ferries, and for fixing the tmies and hours and parts of hours during and at which vessels employed on such ferries shall cross and recross or depart from either side of any such ferry for that purpose.

Seventhly, For annulling and declaring the forfeiture of any ferry license in consequence of the conditions thereof, or any of them, not having been fulfilled.

Eighthly, For imposing penalties not exceeding ten dollars in any case, for the violation of any such regulation.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Tuesday next—BILL to amend the Law respecting the Department of Finance.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government intends expending any portion of the proposed appropriations for Harbors upon Presqu' Isle or other Harbors of Lake Ontario.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a measure during this season to assimilate the laws relating to Pilotage in all the sea ports of Canada, with a view to the adoption, in all the said ports of a uniform exemption from compulsory pilotage for all vessels of Canada, of or under 125 tons burden; thus putting the vessels of the Dominion frequenting different ports of the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick on an equal footing, as regards the said exemption, with those frequenting the Port of Quebec.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The Bill (No, 55) to restore the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company, was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Cammittee on *Railways, Canals,* and *Telegraph Lines* on and after **Monday,** the 4th of April next.

And the Bill (No. 36) further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec (By Committee on *Banking* and *Commerce.*)

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OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 26TH MARCH, 1870.

12 O'CLOCK, NOON.

Ten Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.—

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *Thomas Hodgson*, and others, of the Village of Lacolle; and of *Thomas Murray*, M. P., and others, of the Village of Pembroke, County of Renfrew; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of *G. A. Dessaulles*, Mayor, and others, of the City and Parish of St. Hyacinthe; of *James C. Hofman*, and others, of the Town of Napanee; of *G. G. Stevens*, Mayor, and others, of the Village of Waterloo, Province of Quebec; of *William Workman*, and others; of *R. Trudeau*, and others, both of the City of Montreal; of *Charles Taylor*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Sarnia; of *David Browne*, and others, of the Town of Lindsay; of *W. W. Cowan*, and others, of the Village of Oshawa; and of Messrs. *Boedecker* and *Strubing*, and others, Merchants, Traders, and others, of the Town of Berlin; severally praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of *Edward J. Dalkin* and *C. W. Wilson*, of the City of Quebec; praying that an increase duty be imposed upon all Earthenware imported into Canada.

Of *George Lake* and others, of the County of Addington; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of the Canada Screw Company; praying that an increase duty be imposed upon imported Wood Screws; and also, for the repeal of the duty upon Iron Wire imported into Canada.

Of Messrs. *P. W. Dayfoot* and Company, and others, of the City of Hamilton; of *J. M. Wellington*, and others, of the Village of Brighton; of *James Hall*, and others, of Paris, County of Brant; of *James Smart*, and others, of the Town of Brockville; of Messrs. *A. A. Erb* and Brothers, and others, of the Village of Preston, County of Waterloo; of *James Norris* and others, of St. Catharines, County of Lincoln; of Messrs. *McKechnie* and *Bertrand*, and others, of the Town of Dundas, County of Wentworth; of Messrs. *Allen*, *Taylor*, and Company, and others, of the Village of Waterloo, County of Shefford; of Messrs. *John Bain* and Son, and others, of Elora, Hespeler, and Ayr; and of Messrs. *G. J.* and *E. Walker*, and others, of Aylmer, Newbury, Walkerton, and Park Hill, all of the Province of Ontario; severally praying that measures be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them until they agree to reciprocate all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of *E. Parent*, and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of *Thomas Barron*, Warden, and others, of the County of Argenteuil, praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become Law.

Mr. *Bown*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Ninth Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Notice given on the Petition, and *Britton B. Osler*, of the Town of Dundas, and find it sufficient.

On the Petition of the Merchant's Bank of Halifax; for authority to increase the amount of their paid up capital,—the Committee find that no notice was given, but as the application appears to have been considered necessary merely on account of some ambiguity of expression in the Act of last Session incorporating the Bank, the Committee are of opinion that Notice is not necessary in this case.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of $20.000 to the late Sir *Allan Napier McNab*, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands, in or near the City of Hamilton, presented a Report.—

(For the Report and Evidence, see Appendix No. 1 to the Journals.)—

The Bill (No. 17) respecting the Census, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported.—Committee to sit again on Tuesday next :—

The Bill (No. 13) from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported and ordered for a third reading on Monday next.—

The Bill (No. 44) from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Queen's Printer," was read the second time, and ordered for a third reading on Monday next.—

The Bill (No. 54) to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions, was read the second time, and ordered for a third reading on Monday next.—

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That out of respect for the memory of the late *Thomas Kirkpatrick*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Frontenac, this House do now adjourn.

The House adjourned accordingly until Monday next at 3 P.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement giving the names of all persons who have been employed, either temporarily, or otherwise, in connection with the Public Service at Ottawa, including the House of Commons and Senate, since the 1st January, 1868, up to the present time, giving the names of those employed in each department separately, the date of each appointment, and the amount of salary or allowance to be paid to each, together with the nature of the business to be transacted by each person so appointed.

Mr. *Rymal*—To refer the Report of the Committee on *Macnab* land purchase and the evidence connected therewith to the Printing Committee.

Honorable Mr. *Connell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return showing the names of the parties who have tendered for locomotives and tenders, box and freight cars, and platform cars; the nature and price of such tenders; also the names of the parties whose tenders have been accepted, with price and quantity assigned to each.

Mr. *Walsh*—On Monday next—BILL, entituled : "An Act respecting the Weighing of Grain."

Mr. *Young*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all Orders in Council authorizing any Printing or Binding to be done without tender, with a detailed statement of all expenditure incurred under the authority of such Orders in Council in each such case.

Mr. *Renaud*—When the Bill respecting Elections is considered in Committeen of the Whole—That the 66th section be amended by striking out the words "New Brunswick" in the third and fourth lines, and adding after the word "Quebec," in the fifth line, the words, "and in the Province of New Brunswick;" Also that the 71st section be amended by adding in the fourth line, after the word "Quebec," the words, "and in the Province of New Brunswick;" also that the 72nd section be amended by adding in the fifth line, after the word "Quebec," the words, "and in the Province of New Brunswick;" also that the 82nd section be amended by adding, in the fifth line, after the word "Quebec," the words, "and in the Province of New Brunswick;" and further, by adding, in the tenth line, after the word "Quebec," the words, "and in the Province of New Brunswick."

Mr. *M. C. Cameron*—On Sir *Francis Hinck*'s Resolution respecting the rate of Interest being moved in amendment—That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following substituted :—

It is inexpedient to pass any Law regulating the rate of Interest, and fixing the price of money by Statute, without previously enquiring as to the effect of the present Law, and the probable effect which a change would produce in the present Commercial circumstances of the Country—and that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the subject, with power to send for persons and papers.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 28TH MARCH, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Births in the Districts of Arthabaska and Quebec, for the year 1869.

Seven Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *J. G. Currie*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of St. Catharines; praying for the completion of the Welland Canal by the attainment of the Lake Erie level; also that the whole line may be put in a thorough state of repair; and also for the early enlargement of the Welland and St. Lawrence Canals.

Of Messrs. *W. B. Bieton*, and Company, and others, of the Town of St. Catharines; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada, but that an adequate Metallic Coinage may be issued instead thereof.

Of *Charles P. Martell*, and others, of the County of Antigonish, Province of Nova Scotia; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the Steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of the Town Council of the Town of Port Hope; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, may become law.

Of *John Rogers*, and others, of the Township of Alfred, County of Prescott; and of *William O'Meara*, Warden, and others, of the County of Pontiac; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company may become law.

Of Messrs. *Lawson, Harrington* and Company, and others, of the City of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the abolition of the Excise duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of *J. R. Morris*, and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Province of Ontario; praying that Rond Eau, on Lake Erie, may be made a Harbor of Refuge.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Renfrew; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence may become law.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to incorporate the "Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company," may not become law.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa; of *J. M. Read*, and others; and of *Francis McDougall*, and others, all of the City of Ottawa; severally praying for certain Amendments to the Bill now before Parliament, respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

Mr. *Drew*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, reported the Bill (No. 35) to authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor dues, and for other purposes, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Currier*, all Petitions presented to this House, for or against the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Amendment Act, were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.—

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* laid before The House,—Statement of Expenditure and Receipts on account of the Harbor Police, Montreal and Quebec, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, in compliance with the Act 31 *Vict.* Chap. 62, sec. 7.

Also,—Rules and Regulations pursuant to the provisions of the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria,* Chapter 29, Section 118, to be observed on the execution of the judgment of death in every prison, etc.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 14th inst.; for copies of the Reports, Plans, and Surveys of the Chief Engineer and his Assistants, relating to the construction of a Harbor of Refuge on Lake Erie, and on Lake Huron respectively.—

The Bill (No. 15) to authorize the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect tolls and Harbor dues, and for other purposes, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a Third Reading on Wednesday next.

The Bill (No. 16) to incorporate the Detroit River Transit Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved that the Bill (No. 20) to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company, (as amended by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines,) be now read the second time.

And objection being taken by Mr. *Cameron,* Member for the Electoral District of Huron, that certain of the provisions of the said Bill, as so amended, were not contemplated in the Notice given under the Rules of the House, nor in the Petition praying for the passing of the said Bill;

Mr. Speaker decided that the Bill should be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders to report whether the powers proposed to be conferred are in excess of the Notice given, or whether they are substantially included in it.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Carling,* the Order of the Day for the second reading of the said Bill was then discharged, and the Bill referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, for the purpose above mentioned.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole on Wednesday next, viz:

No. 21. To incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

No. 22. To incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. *Wright,* (Ottawa) the Petition of *M. McBean,* and others; praying that The House will take such measures, as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterruptied line to the full capacity of the leading Channel, and the supply of water from the summit level opened throughout, with all other Petitions on the same subject, was referred to a Select Committee composed of Hon. Sir *A. T. Galt,* Hon. Messrs. *Holton, Blanchet, Connell,* and *McGreevy,* and Messrs. *Mackenzie, Young, Bodwell, Oliver, Hurdon, Ray, Ryan* (King's N. B.), *Ryan* (Montreal), *Workman, Currier, Grant, Hagar, Holmes, Lapum, McDonald* (Middlesex), *Burton, Masson* (Terrebonne), *Dufresne, Pope, Heath, Shanly, Grover, Simpson,* Hon. Mr. *Tupper,* Messrs. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville), *Pickard,* and the Mover, to report thereon; with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and Rule 79 was suspended in relation thereto.

Mr. *Blake* moved, that an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty praying that She will be pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament providing that the Parliament of Canada shall not have power to disturb the financial relations established by the British North America Act (1867) between Canada and the several Provinces, as altered by the Act respecting Nova Scotia.

And a Debate arising thereon,—The said Debate was, on motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald,* adjourned until Wednesday next, to be then the first Order of the Day next after Routine business.

On motion of Mr. *White,* an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return shewing an account in detail of the amount originally advanced, by way of loan, by the late Province of Upper Canada in connection with the Oakville Harbor, and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, and of the interest payable from time to time on the said loans, or either of them, and of any sums repaid in respect of the said loans, and of any abatement made in respect of them, and of the present state of the said loans, and of the amount due for principal and interest, with dates of various transactions, and for copies of all correpondence and Orders in Council, and securities in respect of the said loans.

On motion of Mr. *Blake,* an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Orders in Council and correspondence, and of all leases and surrenders of leases touching the property now leased by Government to the Cornwall Manufacturing Company, or *George Stephen,* Esq., with a statement of the rents payable under the former leases, and of the rent (if any) payable under the present lease, and if the rents payable in respect of the other water powers in the Cornwall Canal leased by the Government to other parties.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin,* Mr. *McDonald,* (Lunenburg), Honorable Mr. *Le Vesconte,* and Mr. *Cameron,* (Inverness), were added to the Select Committee on the subject of the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and Inspection of Fish.—

On motion of Mr. *Stirton,* an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement shewing the number of seizures from 1st July, 1867, to 1st July, 1869, for violations of the Inland Revenue Laws; the name of the owner of the property seized, the amount realized from each seizure; the name of the Officer or Officers who made the seizures; and the reward given for each seizure, and to whom given.—

Also, a further Address for a copy of all correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents connected with the refund to Messrs. *Gooderham* and *Worts,* of Toronto, of certain Excise Duties, out of the Vote of last Session for unforseen expenditure.—

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a return of all Orders in Council, authorizing any Printing or Binding to be done without tender; with a detailed statement of all expenditure incurred, under the authority of such Orders in Council in each such case.—

The House then adjonrned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal West)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the names of all persons appointed in the Montreal Post Office as clerks or letter carriers since 1866; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salaries paid the same.

Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal West)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the names of all parties appointed or employed in the Excise Office in Montreal since 1866; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salary or remuneration paid to each.

Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal West)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the names of all persons appointed or employed in the Montreal Custom House since 1866, as Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers, or Laborers in Examining Warehouse; when appointedoremployed; the salary or amount paid to each; also the names of the Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers, or Laborers, dismissed or suspended since 1866, the cause of their dismissal or suspension.

Mr. *Bertrand*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Government is informed that the Judge for the District of Kamouraska and Rimouski has recently again made his quarterly circuit, without, so to speak, taking cognizance of the cases and without holding special sittings of the Circuit Court as he has been in the habit of doing for three years past; and whether, in view of the losses entailed upon parties to suits in these Districts, from this mode of administering Justice, the Government have determined to appoint another Judge in place of the present Judge.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for correspondence between the Minister of Customs and the Collectors of Customs of the Ports of Canada relative to the Return of the number of vessels owned in the Dominion of Canada on the 1st July, 1867; and also copies of the lists of the vessels owned in Canada at the date aforesaid, furnished by the said Collectors of Customs, upon which lists the Return above referred to has been prepared.

Honorable Mr. *Connell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement shewing the names of all persons who have been appointed to office, or who have been or are now employed in connexion wih the North West Territory; with the salaries, allowances or expenses connected therewith to each, including any sums paid or allowed to delegates or persons acting for the Government, shewing the whole amount so paid or advanced up to the present date. Also, a return of any contracts or agreements for procuring boats or other appliances to be used in connexion with the North West Territory.

No. 28.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 29TH MARCH, 1870.

Nine Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.—

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Tenth Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee have considered the instruction of The House, to consider the Bill (No. 20) to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company,—as amended by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines,—and to report whether the powers to be conferred are in excess of the Notice given, or whether they are substantially included in it ;—and after an examination of the amendments, and hearing the parties, have come to the conclusion that the only amendment which calls for any remark, *viz :* that which empowers the Company to alter the gauge on their main line, is not of such a character as to have required Notice under Rule 51 of The House, but is one dictated by considerations of public policy, and within the competency of Parliament to make therein on public grounds, and the Committee beg leave to report the Bill, as amended.—

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Fourth Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the "correspondence and other papers connected with the recent occurrences in the North West Territories" be reprinted for the use of Members in such numbers as to give each Member four copies.

The Committee recommend also that the following documents be printed, viz :—

Message from the Governor General, transmitting copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act of 1869.

Return to Address, for statement of sums paid from the vote of $20,000 to defray expenses of the Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the laws of the Province, &c.

Message from the Governor General, transmitting despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, stating that Her Majesty will not be advised to disallow certain Acts passed by the Dominion Legislature in the last Session of Parliament, and calling attention to the 3rd Section of Cap : 23 (Sessional Papers only).

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., on the subject of legalizing, under certain conditions, the Re-print of British Copyright Works in Canada.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz :—

Regulations and Orders for the Active Militia of the Dominion of Canada.

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., relative to withdrawal of subsidy from the Steamer formerly plying between Prince Edward Island, Pictou and Port Hood, and the subsidizing of a Steamer between Prince Edward Island, Pictou and Port Hawkesbury, and Nova Scotia.

Return to Address For Report made by Captain *Bent*, R. E., and Mr. *Grant*, C. E., concerning navigation of River St. John, N. B.., &c., &c., and all other papers, petitions and reports connected with the navigation of the said River St. John.

Return to Address, Statement of the Public debt of the late Province of Canada, so far as the same has been fixed and settled between the Governments interested, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence &c., touching the adoption of a uniform system of Currency among the principal Commercial Nations, &c.

Return to Address, Copy of His Excellency the Governor General's Commission, and the Royal Instructions which accompanied the same, (Sessional Papers only.)

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce reported the Bill (No. 36) further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec, without amendment.

Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the Bill (No. 19) to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St, Lawrence, with amendments,—which said Bill, as amended, was ordered to be reprinted by the said Committee.—

Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved that the Bill (No. 20) to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company, reported this day by the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, be read the second time, to-morow.—

And objection being taken by Mr. *Drew*, Member for the North Riding of the County of Wellington, that it does not appear by the Report of the said Committee, that they have considered the point referred to them; that the Report does not state whether the provisions of the Bill are in excess of the Notice, or whether they are substantially included in it;

Mr. Speaker said, that he thought the Report sufficiently met the object of the reference.—The Committee, in considering the matter, were not necessarily bound by any words made use of by him, in expressing his opinion as to the scope of the reference.

The said Bill was accordingly ordered for a second reading to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz.*:—

No. 13, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada."—

No. 44, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Queen's Printer."—

No. 54. To facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions.—

The Bill (No. 17) respecting the Census, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 43) respecting Banks and Banking, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Thursday next.—

The Order of the Day for The House to go into Committee on the Bill (No. 4) respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons, being read;

Mr. *Ferguson* moved, that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole to provide, that until the Parliament shall otherwise provide, the qualification and disqualification of voters at Election of Members to the House of Commons, shall be regulated by the Laws enacted by the Local Legislatures of the several Provinces within the Dominion for Representatives to the popular branch of their respective Legislatures.

And objection being taken by Mr. *Dufresne*, Member for the Electoral District of Montcalm, that the motion is not in or order, inasmuch as an instruction cannot be given to the Committee to do that which it is already in its power to do; also that section 84 of "The British North America Act, 1867," exactly provides for the case contemplated in the Honorable Member's motion;

Mr. Speaker decided, that it is not in order; inasmuch as it is not competent for The House to instruct the Committee to do that which it is already in their power to do.—

The House accordingly went into Committee on the said Bill: and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again on Thursday next.—

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 23rd ult.; for Reports of Superintendents of Roads from Thunder Bay to Fort Garry on the Red River, and detailed statement shewing the length of Road constructed East of Lake of the Woods, and West of said Lake, the length of bridging constructed, the cubit contents of embankments made, and excavations in earth and rock respectively, with the cost in items, the number of men, foremen, Superintendents, clerks and all others employed on each section. Also copies of Orders in Council relating to the said Works, and instructions sent to those in charge.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* laid before The House, by Command of His Excellency,—First Annual Report of the Directors of Penitentiaries of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1868.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Savary*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Government propose, during the present Session, to place the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Courts of the Lower Provinces on an equality with those of Courts having the same jurisdiction in Ontario and Quebec; and if not, for what reason is it deemed right that the present distinction should be continued.

Mr. *Mills*—On Tuesday next—That The House do resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the British North America Act 1867, declares that it shall be lawful for the Queen, by, and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, on Addresses from the Houses of the Parliament of Canada, to admit Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory, or either of them, into the Union on such terms and conditions, in each case, as are in the addresses expressed, and the Queen thinks fit to approve, subject to the provisions of said Act, and the provisions of such Order in Council, shall have effect as if they had been enacted by the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

2. *Resolved*, That the four Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, are declared by the British North America Act to be Federally united, under which form of Union the powers of the Provincial Legislatures are derived from the same high source as those of the Federal Legislature, and cannot be altered or abridged by that Legislature; and it is essential to the Federal principle that the terms and conditions of admission into the Union of the remaining Provinces and Territories of British North America, should be settled and secured in like manner.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that Her Majesty's Order in Council, for the admission of the North West Territories into Canada, should contain such terms and conditions as will secure to the people of the Territories certain powers of self government, and as will create a Federal relation between Canada and any Province to be established within the Territories and give to the people of such Province, the same rights, and to its Government and Legislature, the same powers and authorities, and the same protection against encroachments as are now enjoyed by the Provinces already included in the Dominion.

No. 29.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 30TH MARCH, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Blandford ; praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of *Joseph Sirois*, Mayor, and others, of St. Anne de la Pocatière, County of Kamouraska ; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of the Reverend *William Bullock*, D.D., Rector, and the Churchwardens and Vestry of the Cathedral Church of St. Luke, Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia ; praying that the Petition of the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, for an Act to empower the Provincial Synod to admit the Representatives of any Diocese in the Dominion, which may not have been hitherto represented therein, and also to empower the Synod of every such Diocese to adopt the Provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, may be granted.

Of *G. De Lanaudière* ; Mayor, and others, of the Town of Joliette ; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may be introduced into the Dominion of Canada;

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa ; of *Allan J. Grant*, and others ; and of *John Cross*, and others, both of the County of Prescott ; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become law.

Honorable Mr. *Archibald* introduced a Bill (No. 57) to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 24th ult. ; for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively ; also a statement of all monies paid on account of the arbitration, and to whom such payments were made, with all documents connected therewith.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Blake's* proposed motion on Monday last, the 28th instant, and which said motion was :—"That an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying that She will be pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament providing that the Parliament of Canada shall not have power to disturb the financial relations established by the British North America Act (1867), between Canada and the several Provinces, as altered by the Act respecting Nova Scotia."

Honorable Mr. *Archibald* moved in amendment thereto, that all the words after "That" to the end thereof be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"this House adheres to the decision of the Parliament of Canada at its last Session, as embodied in the Act intituled: "An Act respecting Nova Scotia."—

And objection being taken by Mr. *Blake*, Member for the West Riding of the County of Durham, that the amendment is out of order, inasmuch as it is not relevant to the main motion;

And it being 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same, at half-past 7 o'clock P. M.

7.30. P. M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

A Message was received from The Senate with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, *viz*:—

No. 58. intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America."

No. 59. intituled: "An Act to amend An Act respecting Cruelty to Animals."

No. 60. intituled: "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light-Houses, Buoys and Beacons."

No. 61. intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships."

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bills were severally read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.—

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 15 To authorize the Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect tolls, or Harbor dues at the mouth of Beaver River, and for other purposes.—

No. 16 to incorporate the Detroit River Tunnel Company.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow, *viz*:—

No. 25. Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company (amended).

No. 21. To incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company:—

No. 22. To incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.—

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, *viz*:—

No. 35. To authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor dues, and for other purposes.

No. 19. To incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain, and the River St Lawrence.

Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved, that the Bill (No. 20) to amend the Act of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company, be now read the second time; which was agreed to on a division.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The objection raised by Mr. *Blake* to Honorable Mr. *Archibald's* motion in amendment thereto, being again urged; Mr. Speaker decided, that the said proposed amendment *is* relevant to the main motion.—

And a Debate arising,

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "That" in the main motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"it is the undoubted privilege of Parliament to fix and determine the amount of all expenditure chargeable on the public funds of the Dominion."

And a further Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

THURSDAY, 31ST MARCH, 1870.

And the question being put on Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald's* amendment, to the said proposed amendment,—it was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenberg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McGreevy, McKeagney, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan, (Montreal West), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—87.

Nays:

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Cheval, Connell, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortier, Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morrison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Sénécal, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, Wallace, White, Whitehead, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—60.

And the question being put on the main motion, as amended,

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment to the said motion as amended, that the following words be added thereto :—"but this House is of opinion, that no further grant or provision, beyond those made by the Union Act and the Act respecting Nova Scotia, should in future be made out of the Revenues of Canada, for the support of the Government or Legislature of any of the Provinces ;" which was agreed to on the following division :—

Yeas:

Messrs. Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Coffin, Colby, Connell, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McKeagney, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Redford, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Sénécal, Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh White, Whitehead, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.), and Young.—134.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Bellerose, Cimon, Costigan, Forbes, McDonald (Antigonish), McGreevy, Pickard, Pope, and Renaud.—10.

And the question being again put on the main motion, as amended,

Honorable Mr. *Wood* moved in amendment to the said motion as amended, that the following words be added thereto :—"and that such steps should be taken, as to render impossible any such grant or provisions."—

And objection being taken by Honorable *John S. Macdonald*, Member for the Town and Township of Cornwall, that the motion is irregular and cannot be put because of its vagueness ;

Mr. Speaker decided, that it is certainly very vague, but he cannot say that The House cannot express a vague opinion.

And the question being put on the said motion, in amendment to the main motion, as amended ; it was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Ault, Bechard, Blake, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Huron), Cheval, Connell, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortier, Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Holton, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison, (Victoria O.) Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Sénécal, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, White, Whitehead, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young—.56.

Nays :

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Brown, Brousseau, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McGreevy, McKeagney, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (Montreal West) Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Workman and Wright (Ottawa County).—85.

And the question being put on the main motion as amended, it was agreed to on a division.—

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for the issue of a Writ for the Election of a Member of this House for the Electoral District of Frontenac, in the place of *Thomas Kirkpatrick*, Esquire, deceased.

The House then adjourned at 2.20, A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Friday next—That the Commission to be shortly appointed to consider the question of Canals for the Whole Dominion be instructed, among other things, to enquire as to whether it would not be more economical, as well as more advantageous for the Dominion, in so far as regards trade, navigation and defence, not to enlarge the Beauharnois Canal, but to leave it in its present state to be used for ordinary purposes of trade, in view of the fact that it is almost impossible to enlarge it into a Ship Canal, without again incurring enormous expense, which, not including the amount expended for piers, light-houses and dams, has already reached more than $250,000 on account of damages to property alone; and whether it would not be better to construct a new Canal on the North side of the Coteau Rapids, as ought to have been done in the first place, both on the grounds of economy and for strategetical purposes.

Mr. *Savary*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all further correspondence and official documents and reports in possession of the Government on the subject of a uniform currency between the different Commercial Nations; including a copy of the Report of the Royal Commissioners on International Currency referred to in the Dispatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos to His Excellency Lord Vicount Monck, under date of 26th October, 1868.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The Bill (No. 57) to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, was posted this day for consideration on and after Monday, the 11th April next, by the Committee on *Banking* and *Commerce*.

No. 30.

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No. 31.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 31ST MARCH, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *J. A. Berthelot*, and others; praying for certain Amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of *H. J. Brown*, and others, of the Township of Niagara, County of Lincoln, and others of the State of New York, United States of America ; of the Chamber of Commerce ; and of Messrs. *West and Fowler*, and others, both of the City of Milwaukee, United States of America ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, may become law.

Of *John Whelan*, and others, of the County of Addington, Province of Ontario ; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of *John McNeil*, and others, of the County of Inverness, Province of Nova Scotia ; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of *Joseph Kaye*, and others, of the City of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia ; praying for the abolition of the Excise duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of *Henry Bulmer*, and others, of the City of Montreal; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company may become law.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the "Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company" may not become law.

Of *John Rochester*, Jr., and others, of the City of Ottawa ; praying for certain amendments to the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act to incorporate the "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal," with amendments.

Honorable Mr. *Howe* presented,—Return to Address of the 24th ult ; for copies of correspondence between the Government and the Iroquois Indians of Two Mountains, or other parties, relative to the sale or surrender of the Indian lands, with copies of all Orders in Council, or other documents relating to the difficulties existing with the said Indians. And also a statement shewing what reserves are available for such Indians in any other parts of the Country.

Mr. *MacFarlane* introduced a Bill (No. 62) to enable Railway Bridge and Tunnel Companies to settle their differences with other Companies by arbitration.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, the 3rd and 4th Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.—

The Bill (No. 17) respecting the First Census, was read a third time, and passed.—

The Bill (No. 43) respecting Banks and Banking, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and reported with amendments.—To be taken into consideration to-morrow.—

The Bill (No. 51) to amend the Act 31 *Vict.* Cap. 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, and reported with an amendment.—To be taken into consideration to-morrow.—

The Order of the Day, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* for the third reading of the Bill (No. 37) relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial causes in New Brunswick, and the motion of Mr. *Pelletier* in amendment thereto, being read;

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 36) further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of of Quebec, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow, viz:—

No. 58. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America."—

No. 59. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend an Act respecting Cruelty to Animals."—

The following Bills were severally read a third time and passed, *viz*:—

No. 25. Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

No. 21. To incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

No. 22. To incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

The Bill (No. 35) to authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor dues, and for other purposes, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and reported with amendments.—To be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow, *viz*:—

No. 20. To amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.—

No. 19. To incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship-Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence.—

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Ordered*, That during the remainder of the Session, the Order of business on Wednesdays shall be, *until the hour* of *six o'clock P.M.*, Questions put by Members; Notices of Motions; Public Bills and Orders.—*From half past seven o'clock P.M.*, Private Bills for the first hour; Government Measures.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Wood*—On Monday next—That it be resolved:—

That by the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1869, it is provided that a sum of money, bearing the same proportion "to that which, under the provisions of the said Act, will be payable yearly to the Seigniors in Lower Canada, as the populations of the Townships shall, by the census of 1861, be found to bear to that of the Seigniories, shall be payable yearly out of Provincial Funds to the credit of the Lower Canada Municipal Loan Fund, but for the benefit of the Township only," which said sum amounts to $756,710.

That by the same Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the yearly sum coming to any such townships, or to the said town (of Sherbrooke), at the rate of seventy-five per cent. of such capital in discharge of the whole."

That in the debt of the late Province of Canada, as set forth in the Public Accounts 1869, part 3, p. 2, in the item "Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships (Capital)," the said compensation to the Townships is charged against the late Province at 100 per cent. $756,710, instead of at 75 per cent. $567,532 50, at which latter sum, according to sec. 5, sub-sec. 2, of 22 *Vict.* c. 15, the Governor in Council is authorised to direct its payment, and therefore at which sum only it should be charged against the late Province.

Mr. *Workman*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce during the present Session of Parliament a Bill to assimilate the systems of Pilotage which now prevails throughout the Dominion of Canada and to remove the disabilities which vessels of the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario now labor under in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Ports;

Also, whether it is the intention of Government, if such Bill is introduced (or otherwise), to limit the present system of compulsory pilotage to vessels of 200 and 250 tons register and over.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On the motion for the third reading of the Bill (No. 43) An Act respecting Banks and Banking—That the following words be added to the 5th sub-section of the First section:

Provided always that any Bank which shall discontinue the issue of its notes and shall have duly notified Government, at least six moths in advance, of its intention so to do, shall be exempted from the operation of this sub-section.

Mr. *Rymal*—On Monday next—Adoption of Report of Select Committee appointed to enquire into the unauthorized payment of $20,000 to the late Sir *Allan N. MacNab* for a site of a Deaf and Dumb Asylum near Hamilton.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On the motion for the third reading of the Bill respecting Dominion Notes—To add the following words at the end of the Seventh Clause :

Provided always that in the event of the said Dominion Notes ceasing to be redeemed in gold on demand, as herein provided, the said Notes shall, *ipse facto*, cease to be legal tender, and no Bank shall be required to keep any portion of its cash reserves in said Notes, any provision heretofore made to the contrary in any Act affecting Banks or Banking notwithstanding.

No. 31.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 31st MARCH, 1870.

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No. 32.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 1ST APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Richard Eaton* and others, of the City of Montreal ; praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of *J. B. Guérard*, and others, of the City of Ottawa ; praying for certain amendments to the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

Of *François Armand*, and others ; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of *William A. Cooley*, and others, of Ancaster and Caledonia ; of *L. Tourje*, and others, of the Village of Orono, County of Durham ; of Messrs. *Huggert* Brothers, and others, of the Town of Brampton ; of *J. Fleury*, and others, of the Village of Aurora ; of *F. F. McArthur*, and others, of Bowmanville ; of *S. T. Willett*, and others, of Chambly, Province of Quebec ; and of Messrs. *Webster* and *Boyes*, and others, of Napanee ; severally praying that such measures may be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competit on with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them, until they agree to reciprocate, all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of *J. B. Sheldon*, and others, of Ontario ; praying that Rond Eau, on Lake Erie, may be made a Harbor of Refuge.

Of the Board of Trade, of the Town of Brantford ; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Drew*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, reported the Bill (No. 45) to incorporate the Society of Canadian Artists, with amendments.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 58. from the Senate, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting the extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America."

No. 59. from the Senate, intituled : " An Act to amend An Act respecting Cruelty to Animals."

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the amendments made in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, to the Bill (No. 43) respecting Banks and Banking, being read ;

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the said amendments be now read a second time.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now read a second time, but that the Bill be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with an instruction to amend the fifth sub-section of the first section by adding the following words thereto :—" Provided always that any Bank which shall discontinue the issue of its Notes, and shall have duly notified Government, at least six months in advance of its intention so to do, shall be exempted from the operation of this sub-section."—

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the said amendments to the Bill be not read a second time, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with an instruction to expunge the fifth sub-section of the first section ;—which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Cartwright, Cheval, Connell, Dorion, Fortier, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Joly, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, (Glengarry), Mackenzie, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Sénécal, Snider, Stirton, Wells, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—36.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Kempt, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Perry, Pinsonneault, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (Montreal West), Savary, Scatcherd, Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—103.

And the question being put on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed amendment,—it was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs. Bolton, Cartwright, Connell, Dorion, Fortier, Holton, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDougall (Renfrew), Mills, Ross (Prince Edward), Rymal and Workman.—13.

Nays :

Messieurs. Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Kempt, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Ray, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Savary, Scatcherd, Sénécal, Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—128.

The said amendments were then read a second time, and agreed to.—

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the said Bill be read a third time on Monday next.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not read a third time on Monday next, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole forthwith, to amend the sixth section by adding the following words thereto :—*Until the first day of January, in the year* 1875; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Cartwright, Connell, Crawford (Brockville), Drew, Fortier, Gibbs, Hagar, Holton, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison, (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince-Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Sénécal, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Wells, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young—46.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E. Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Cheval, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Pâquet, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (Montreal West), Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County)—93.

Mr. *Oliver* then moved, that the said Bill be not read a third time on Monday next, but that it be referred to the Committee of the Whole forthwith, with an instruction to amend the thirteenth section, by expunging therefrom the words :—"either vote in person or by proxy;"—which was negatived on a division.—

The Bill was then ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* delivered a Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows :—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits Estimates of certain of the sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1871; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA, 1st April, 1870.

On motion of Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, the said Message and Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

The amendment made in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, to the Bill (No. 51) to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes, being read the first and a second time, was agreed to.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the said Bill be read a third time, on Monday next.—

Mr. *Cartwright* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not read a third time on Monday next, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole forthwith, with an instruction to amend it by adding the following words thereto: "Provided always that in the event of the said Dominion Notes ceasing to be redeemed "in gold on demand, as herein provided, the said Notes shall, *ipso facto*, cease to be legal tender, and no Bank "shall be required to keep any portion of its cash reserves in said Notes, any provision heretofore made to the "contrary in any Act affecting Banks or Banking notwithstanding;"—which was negatived on a division.—

The Bill was then ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bill of their own (No. 63) intituled: "An Act to provide for the organization of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time; second reading on Monday next.)

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the Bill (No. 60) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light-Houses, Buoys and Beacons," be now read the second time.

And it being 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven P.M.

7. 30 P. M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill (No 20) to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company, being read;

Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, one of the Honorable the Privy Council, by His Excellency's command, acquainted The House, That His Excellency having been informed of the Bill, gives his consent as far as the interest of the Crown is concerned, that The House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Mr. *Oliver* moved, that the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to expunge section 13 referring to the Guage;—which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Cameron* (Huron) then moved, that the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to add the following thereto: "Provided always, that all freight requiring transhipment, in order to pass over the said Railway, shall be so transhipped by and at the cost of said Railway, with the same facilities, and at no greater cost than now;—which was negatived on a division.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill (No. 19) to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, being read;

Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal) moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole forthwith, for the purpose of adding to Clause 2 the following words:—"And provided also that the said Company shall at their own cost and charges, make and maintain such "works as may be necessary to secure the safest and most prompt working of the Trains upon any line of Railway, "that the said Canal may intersect; that the charges of watching any such works shall be paid for by the Canal "Company; that all works rendered necessary by the intersection of any lines of Railway shall be submitted to the "Companies owning such Railway Lines, and approved of by the Governor General in Council before being "commenced, and that full and proper compensation shall be made to the Railway Companies for the injury and "damage done to their lines by the intersection of the Canal;"—which was agreed to.

The House accordingly went again into Committee on the said Bill, and made an amendment thereto; which was reported, and agreed to.

Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal) then moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Benoit* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of amending the same by expunging the words:—"on Lake St. Louis," in line 8, page 2;—which was negatived on a division.—

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, to the Bill (No. 35) to authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor dues, and for other purposes, were taken into consideration, and agreed to, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.—

The Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act to incorporate "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 60) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light-Houses, Buoys and Beacons," was then read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.—

The Bill (No. 61) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday next.—

The House went into Committee of Supply.—

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. Governor General's Secretary's Office	$ 6,655 00
2. The Department of the Privy Council	12,933 33
3. The Department of Justice	8,192 50

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The Bill (No. 56) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes," was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday next.—

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on Monday the 14th ult., respecting Raw Hides and Leather, were reported and agreed to.

Mr. *Lawson* introduced a Bill (No. 64) to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather. Second reading on Monday next.—

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Young*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing in detail all amounts paid by any of the Departments for subscriptions to, or advertising in Newspapers during the year 1869.

Mr. *Grant*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Reports made by the Engineers of the Public Works Department, on their examination, so far as made last Fall, of Dawson's proposed line of Canal or water communication through the North West Territory.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Monday next—That the House do resolve itself in Committee of Ways and Means, on Tuesday next.

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No. 33.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *J. W. Smith*, and others, of the County of York, Province of New Brunswick; praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of *Samuel Stewart*, and others, of the County of Addington; praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of *James A. Moren*, and others, Coal Owners, interested in the Coal Trade of the Province of Nova Scotia; praying that a Custom duty may be imposed upon Coal imported into Canada from the United States.

Of *John A. McKinly*, and others, of the Township of North Plantagenet; of *William Bradley*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Caledonia; of *James H. Malloy*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of South Plantagenet; of *C. W. Hamelin*, and others, of the Townships of Alfred and West-Hawkesbury, all of the County of Prescott; and of *Patrick Devine*, and others, of the County of Renfrew; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company may become law.

Of the Municipial Council of the County of Renfrew; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become law, with certain amendments.

Of *William Cottingham*, and others, of the Village of Omemee, County of Victoria; of *H. A. Massey*, and otheras, of Newcastle, County of Durham; and of *H. Merrick*, and others, of Merrickville, County of Grenville severally praying that such measures may be adopted as will place Canadian Industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them, until they agree to reciprocate, all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of *John C. Kirkpatrick*, and others, of the Village of Chippawa, County of Welland; and of *Donald Cameron*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Windsor, County of Essex; severally praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association; praying that no Custom duties may be imposed on Grain and other articles imported from the United States, and that no restrictions be placed on the use of the Canadian Canals by United States Vessels.

Of *Charles King*; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Fifth Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed, viz :—

Rules and Regulations made by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, pursuant to the provisions of 32 and 33 *Vict.*, Chap. 29, to be observed in the execution of the judgment of death in every Prison, &c.

Return to Address,—Copies of Tenders sent in under the Act of last Session for the several services of Departmental Printing, &c., &c.

Supplementary Return to Address, for a Statement shewing the names of the Contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have thrown up their contracts, &c.

Statement of Expenditure and Receipts of Harbor Police at Montreal and Quebec, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, (Sessional Papers only).

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be *not* Printed *viz* :—

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively, &c.

Return to Address,—Information on the subject of Marriage Laws of the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported that the promoters of the Bill (No. 42) respecting the Cttawa City Passsenger Railway Company appeared before them, and signified their desire *not to proceed* with the Bill for the present Session.

He also reported the following Bills, *with amendments*, viz:—

No. 31. To incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company.

No, 55. To restore the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* introduced a Bill (No. 65) to enable *Britton Bath Osler*, to obtain Letters Patent for the invention or discovery known as "*Carr's* Disintegrator," for disintegrating, dispersing, reducing or mixing ores and other substances.

The said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Sun Insurance Company of Montreal," was read a third time and passed.

The Bill (No. 14) to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the Gore Bank, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 45) to incorporate the Society of Canadian Artists, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Forbes*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return of all monies expended on the public piers and wharves of the Dominion from July 1st, 1867, with the names of the parties expending the same, and the name of each public wharf or pier upon which such expenditure took place.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved, That it be resolved :—

1. That by a minute of Council dated the 3rd day of July, 1852, it appears that the then Commissioner of Crown Lands, for the late Province of Canada, Dr. *Rolph*, with the view of getting the public lands settled as rapidly as possible, proposed a reduction in the price of Common School lands from $2.50 to $2.00, and that of Crown Lands from $2.00 to $1.50, and an allowance out of the purchase money of 50 cents per acre to be expended on the local roads and harbors of the locality in which the lands are situate, and that application should be made to the Legislature, for an Act to legalise and carry out the recommendations aforesaid.

2. That in pursuance of the minute of Council aforesaid, the Government of the day introduced, and passed through the Legislature the Act 16 *Vict.* chap. 159, entituled : "An Act to amend the law for the sale and settlement of the public lands," by the 14th sec. of which it is provided, "it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to reserve out of the proceeds of the School Lands in any County a sum not exceeding one-fourth of such proceeds as a fund for public improvements within the County to be expended under the direction of the Governor in Council, and also to reserve out of the proceeds of unappropriated Crown Lands in any County, a sum not exceeding one-fifth as a fund for public improvements within the County, to be also expended under the direction of the Governor in Council," which said Act received the Royal assent on the 14th of June, 1853.

3. That at this period there were large tracts of Crown and School lands in various counties, remote from the settled portions of the Province, unsettled, aud it was the policy of the country to bring about th *actual settlement* thereof, as much and as speedily as possible.

4. That one of the greatest obstacles in the way of inducing *actual settlement* was the want of roads, bridges, and other local public improvements, and in order to remove these obstacles by providing the means for the construction of such works, and thereby promote the speedy settlement of the waste lands of the Crown the said Act was passed.

5. That upon the passing of the said Act a general understanding and conviction was entortained throughout the land that those who should take up and settle upon the waste lands of the Crown, and comply with the regulations and conditions of sale, would be entitled to participate in the benefit of the said Improvement Fund, consisting as aforesaid of one-fourth and one-fifth respectively of the proceeds of the purchase money of School and Crown Lands.

6. That this belief and opinion was induced by the wording of the Act, the debates in the Legislature on its passing, the declarations of the Ministers of the Crown, and of the agents of the Crown Lands Department in various parts of the Province, editorial notices in newspapers and otherwise.

7. That large numbers of settlers purchased lands on an express understanding with the agents that they would have the benefit of one-fourth and one-fifth respectively of the purchase money of School and Crown Lands expended in their localities on public improvements, and especially was this the case in the County of Bruce where the population increased from 2,837 in 1852 to 27, 494 in 1861.

8. That the Government of the day by an Order in Council, dated 27th February, 1855, referred to the Improvement Fund as being established by the said Act (16 Vic., Cap. 159, Sec. 14) and ordered certain expenditure thereout; and by an other Order in Council, dated 27th March, 1855, further assumed the existance and availability of the said Fund.

9. That on the 7th December, 1855, the Government of the day in an Order in Council referred to the said Fund in the words following: "The Minister of Agriculture also brings under your Excellency's notice that numerous applications have been made for aid from the Improvement Fund created by the 14th section of the Land Act, 16 Vic. Cap. 159, which authorizes one-fourth of the proceeds of the sale of School Lands and one-fifth

of those of Crown Lands to be expended in the several counties in which the sales are effected. That none of this Fund has as yet been set apart from the sales hitherto made, although an Order in Council has been passed for the expenditure of £25,000 thereout. That it appears requisite that the Crown Lands Department should be directed to apprise, the Inspector General of the amount at the credit of each County, for proceeds of sale of both Crown and School Lands, that the proportions accruing to the Improvement Fund may be set apart for the Receiver General for that purpose. Out of the Improvement Fund referred to, he recommends that the following sums be appropriated for the objects hereinafter stated, viz:—(Stating several applications.)"

10. That on the 28th day of July, A.D. 1856, the Government of the day passed an Order in Council, in the following words:—"In reference to the Fund for Public Improvements, formed under the 14th Section of the Act 16 *Vic.* Cap. 159. The Committee recommend that the funds derived from the sales of lands in each particular Township, or other Municipality, and applicable to the purposes of this Fund, and not already apportioned, be applied to the making, maintaining, altering, or improving the roads or bridges in each of these Townships, or other Municipalities respectively, and be for this purpose distributed, and disposed of, by, and through, the Municipal Council of each such Township, or other Municipality; each such Council to report to the Bureau of Agriculture the manner of expenditure of all such monies, on the first days of January and July in each year, and at any intermediate time within ten days after having been called on so to do by that Department.'

11. That, on several occasions during the years 1857, 1858, 1859, and 1860, the Government of the day, by Orders in Council, appropriated to purposes of local improvement, monies arising out of the Improvement Fund.

12. That books were opened in the Crown Lands Department labelled "Road Improvement Fund," with a heading to each page in the words, "Statements of the amounts available for public improvements on sales of Crown Lands, Grammar School Lands and Common School Lands under 16 Vic. Cap. 159, Sec. 14, in each Township in the County of ," in which books the accounts of the Fund were kept.

13. That on the 6th of March, A.D., 1861, the Government of the day made an Order in Council in the following words:—"On the recommendation of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, the Committee advise the Order in Council of 7th December, 1855, authorizing the payment of the Improvement Fund created by the Land Act 16 Vict: Cap. 159, be rescinded," but no Order has been made rescinding that of 28th July, 1856.

14. That no part of the monies from School and Crown Lands *sold* between the 14th June, 1853, and the 6th of March, 1861, *received* by the Government of the late Province of Canada between the 6th March, 1861, and the 1st of July, 1867, were applied to or set apart for the purposes of the said Fund, but all such monies were applied to the general purpose of the said Province.

15. That the said monies so received in the next preceding Resolution mentioned, and applicable to the said Fund, after deducting 20 per cent for management, are from School Lands, $124,685,18; and from Crown Lands, $101,771,68.

16. That as provision was made by the said Order in Council of the 6th March, 1861, or otherwise by the Government of the late Province, for the application or appropriation of the monies belonging to the said Fund, which might be received thereafter on School and Crown Lands sold prior thereto, and under the said Act and Orders in Council, creating, recognizing the existence of, and establishing the said Fund, and in respect of which the Government of the late Province did receive between the 6th March, 1861, and 1st July, 1867, $124,685,18 from School Lands, and $101,771.68 from Crown Lands

17. That the dealings of the Government with the said settlers should be characterized by the utmost good faith; and that good faith required the Government of the late Province, after having passed the said rescinding Order in Council of the 6th March, 1861, to make provision for the application to local improvements of the stipulated proportions of the monies remaining unpaid and which might subsequently be paid in respect of the sales made prior to the date of the said rescinding Order in Council, and during the existence of the terms of purchase as disclosed in the said Act and Orders in Council, and that the Government of the late Province having omitted so to do the obligation to carry out the compact, made with the said settlers to the exrent of the monies belonging to that Fund within the limitations aforesaid, devolves on the Government of Canada under the British North America Act.

And objection being taken by Mr. *Casault,* Member for the Electoral District of Bellechasse, that The House cannot consider the proposed Resolution in the manner proposed by the Mover; and that it should have originated in a Committee of the Whole House;

Mr. Speaker ruled that the objection taken by the Honorable Member for Bellechasse was good.—He thought that the Resolution should originate in Committee of the Whole. Unquestionably the Resolution involved a charge upon the Public purse of the Dominion—With regard to the point raised by the Honorable Member for Lambton, as to the Dominion Government having the power of paying this money, the very circumstance of this House being the trustee, as it were, of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, made it bound to see that every constitutional check should be interposed before any charge should be made against these Provinces. The Dominion Parliament ought therefore to be the more careful to see all proper constitutional checks interposed. He moreover was inclined to think, that there should be a Message from the Governor General, before such a motion could be entertained.—He therefore declared the motion out of order.—

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, that a Select Committee be appointed, composed of Honorable Mr. *Dorion,* Messrs. *Dufresne, Wright* (Ottawa), *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville), *Gendron, Fortin, Caron, McDougall* (Three Rivers), and the Mover, to examine into the facts respecting the tenure of lands in the Seigniory of Sorel, and whether the proprietors therein are liable to *rentes constituées,* or hold their properties in free and common soccage; with power to send for persons, papers, and records,—which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Bodwell* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for a copy of all correspondence with the Militia Department touching the resignation of eight of the Company Officers of the 7th Battalion of Militia,

Ontario ; and also touching the dismissal of Captain *Meredith*, of No. 4 Company of said Battalion, and Lieutenant and Adjutant *Green* of the same Battalion, which was negatived on a division.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of Gaspé, and the County of Bonaventure, since First July, 1863 also copies of all correspondence, and of all instructions given to either of the said Judges directing them to proceed to the holding of the Court at Amherst, Magdaleine Islands, at the periods fixed by law, with a statement of the number of sittings, and the date of each sitting of such Court.

On motion of Mr. *Godin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement of the expenses incurred by the Department of Inland Revenue in the collection of the duty on Leaf Tobacco, of Canadian growth exclusively shewing, besides the salaries of officers employed for that purpose, all expenses incurred for travelling expenses, correspondence, printing, &c., from the 30th June, 1868, to 30th June, 1869, and distinguishing the amount of expenses so incurred in each Province.

Mr. *Walsh* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go into Committee to consider a certain Resolution respecting the appointment of weighers of grain ;—which was agreed to.—

The House then went into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved, That it is expedient that weighers of grain be appointed, and that they be entitled to a fee not exceeding ten cents for each load of grain weighted by them respectively.—

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and agreed to.

Mr. *Walsh* then introduced a Bill (No. 66) respecting the weighing of grain. Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Minutes in Council, and Departmental Orders, and of all correspondence between the Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of Quebec and Ontario respectively, relating to the rate of interest allowed since the 4th May, 1859, on the capital of Seigniors and the capital of compensation to the Townships in Lower Canada, and also on the compensation to Upper Canada arising out of the Seignorial Legislation, called the Upper Canada Building Fund.

Also, a further Address, for copies of all contracts and papers relating to the construction of the Court House and Gaol in the District of Algoma, and a statement of all monies, with dates, paid to the Contractor or Contractors, Architects, Overseers, and others in respect thereof by the Government of the late Province of Canada, and by the Government of the Dominion, as well on account of the late Province as also on account of the Province of Ontario.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a return showing the state of the Account between *Thomas Robertson* and the Government in regard to the receipts and expenditure of the Dundas and Waterloo Macadamised Road whilst under the charge of the said *Thomas Robertson*, as agent ; and also, what steps (if any) have been taken to effect a settlement of the said account.

Mr. *Magill* moved, that the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report on the extent and condition of Hop growing and Salt interests of Canada be now concurred in.

And objection being taken by Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Member for the South Riding of the County of Brant, that the motion is out of order, inasmuch as its adoption would leave to the imposition of duties ;

Mr. Speaker decided, that he did not think that the adoption of this Report would beyond question involve the imposition of duties.—The recommendation is "that The House will adopt such measures as shall tend to relieve this important industry from depressing influences."—It might be argued that this recommendation involves some tax or duty to be imposed, but that result did not follow conclusively ; the measures asked for, are measures of relief, so far as The House is informed.—He overruled this objection.—

Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Member for the Eastern Division of the City of Montreal, took the objection that the subject matter of the Report, related to Trade, and would therefore originate in Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker decided, that a Bill relating to Trade must originate in Committee of the Whole, but the Rule in express terms is confined to Bills only.—He thought that The House might adopt a Report of this general character, relating to Trade, which would leave it uncommitted as to specific measures.—He overruled this objection.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

Tuesday, 5th April, 1870.

And the Debate continuing,—the Debate was, on motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, adjourned.

On motion of Mr. *Pâquet*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a full statement in detail of the sum paid and to be paid in connection with the arrest, trial, and conviction of the murderer and those accused of the murder of the late Hon. *Thomas D'Arcy McGee* ; also a statement of sums paid by way of reward and to whom paid ; the whole since 25th May, 1869.

On motion of Mr. *Bodwell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all unsettled claims or accounts against the Government of Canada for barracks, barrack repairs and rent, for Imperial troops, from 1st January, 1861 to the present time, and also the amount allowed in each case, and charged as Militia expenditure, and estimate of Officers of Board of Works in all such cases.

Mr. *Ross* (Dundas) moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider the following resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*—That it is expedient to enact that the rate of Interest upon all contracts and agreements written or verbal, expressed or implied for the payment of the money, shall be six per cent. per annum, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties or provided by law.

2. *Resolved*—That in all contracts hereafter made, whether written or verbal, it shall be lawful for the parties to stipulate or agree that eight per cent. per annum, or any less sum or rate of interest, shall be taken and paid on money loaned, or in any manner due and owing from any person or corporation to any other person or corporation.

3. *Resolved*—That if any person or corporation shall contract for or receive a greater rate of interest, directly or indirectly, than eight per cent. per annum, upon any contract, written or verbal, such person or corporation shall forfeit the whole of the interest so received, and shall be entitled only to recover the principal sum due to such person or corporation.

4. *Resolved*—That every person who, for any loan or forbearance of any money, goods, or things, shall pay or deliver any greater sum, or rate of interest, or value than is above allowed to be received or taken, may recover at any time within one year after such payment or delivery, by action at law against the person or corporation that shall have taken or received the same, the whole amount of interest, or sum, or delivery in the nature of interest, so paid or made on the contract or agreement.

5. *Resolved*—That any person proceeded against for any contravention of the above Resolution may be compelled to answer on oath any complaint that may be exhibited against him in any Court for the recovery of any sum of money or rate of interest, goods, or things taken, accepted, or received in violation of the foregoing provisions, or any of them.

6. *Resolved*—That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed.

And a Debate arising,

Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved that the Debate be adjourned until Monday next; which was agreed on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Cameron (Huron), Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Drew, Dunkin, Gibbs, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Keeler, Langevin, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Renfrew), McGreevy, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Perry, Robitaille, Scatcherd, Simpson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tuppet, White, Willson, Wood, Wright (Ottawa County), and Young.—47.

Nays :

Messieurs Ault, Bertrand, Bourassa, Bowell, Brousseau, Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Coupal, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Rymal, and Walsh.—26.

The said Debate was accordingly adjourned until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement, giving the names of all persons who have been employed, either temporarily or otherwise, in connection with the Public Services at Ottawa, including the House of Commons and Senate, since the 1st January, 1868, up to the present time, giving the names of those employed in each department separately, the date of each appointment, and the amount of salary or allowance to be paid to each, together with the nature of the business to be transacted by each person so appointed.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Connell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement, shewing the names of all persons who have been appointed to office, or who have been or are now employed in connection with the North-West Territory; with the salaries, allowances, or expenses connected therewith to each, including any sums paid or allowed to delegates or persons acting for the Government, shewing the whole amount so paid or advanced up to the present date.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges) moved that instruction be given to the Commission, to be shortly appointed to consider the question of Canals for the Whole Dominion, be instructed, among other things, to inquire as to whether it would not be more economical, as well as more advantageous for the Dominion, in so far as regards trade, navigation, and defence, not to enlarge the Beauharnois Canal, but to leave it in its present state to be used for ordinary purposes of trade, in view of the fact that it is almost impossible to enlarge it into a Ship Canal, without again incurring enormous expense, which, not including the amount expended for piers, light-houses, and dams, has already reached more than $250,000 on account of damages to property alone; and whether it would not be better to construct a new Canal on the North side of the Coteau Rapids, as ought to have been done in the first place, both on the grounds of economy and for strategical purposes.

Mr. Speaker decided, that the motion is not in order, as it purports to give an instruction to a Commission of which The House has no knowledge.—

The said motion was then, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Friday last, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows :—

1. Governor General's Secretary's Office	$ 6,655.00
2. The Department of the Privy Council	12,933.33
3. The Department of Justice	8,192.50

On motion of Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, The House resolved to go into Committee of Ways and Means, on Wednesday next.

The House then adjourned at 1.10 p.m.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Wednesday next—That The House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions, providing for a system of superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service, and of the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons:—

1. That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly peform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of *sixty* years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary—during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten-fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years, when an annual allowance of thirty-five fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years; if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years' service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order; and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made for the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards, and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty-five years of service.

4. That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of this Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

5. That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be grateful only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing herein contained shall be understood as impairing or affecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body, to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted to him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding *one month's* pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months' pay for every two years' service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to promise efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuitous superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body and mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act., S. 7.

8. That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of *sixty* years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect to do so, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. That it is expedient to provide, that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the Seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments; and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation, determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—To-morrow—BILL to amend the Law respecting the Department of Finance.

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session, to subsidize any steamer to ply between the Railroad Terminus, Pictou, Nova Scotia, and any Port on the Island of Cape Briton.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Wednesday next—That it is expedient to repeal so much of the thirteenth section of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, third series, intituled :—"Of Currency ;" or of any other Act or Law, or of the Charter of any Bank, in force in Nova Scotia, as prohibits the issue of any Bank Note by any chartered Bank for a less sum than twenty dollars ; and to provide that no chartered Bank in Nova Scotia shall issue any Bank Note for a less sum than four dollars currency of that Province, under the penalty imposed by the said thirteenth section of the said chapter eighty-three for issuing Notes for a less sum than twenty dollars.

Honorable Mr. *Wood*—On Wednesday next—SELECT COMMITTEE composed of the Honorable Mr. *Anglin*, Honorable Mr. *Archibald*, Honorable Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Savary*, Mr. *Bolton*, Mr. *Colby*, Mr. *Masson* (Terrebonne), Honorable Mr. *Dorion*, Mr. *Scatchard*, Mr. *McConkey* and Mr. *Ferguson*, to enquire into and report to this House the facts respecting the Land Improvement Fund of Upper Canada, with power to send for persons, papers and documents.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—That the House do go into Committee of the Whole on Monday next to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. That it is expedient to provide, that the salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall be dollars per annum, and that of each of the Puisne Judges dollars per annum, and so *pro ratâ* for any less period than a year during which they shall respectively hold the office, and shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, next after any sums already charged thereon.

2. That it is expedient to provide, that whenever any Judge of the said Court has held such office for fifteen years or upwards, or has held such office and the office of Judge of one or more of the Superior Courts of Law or Equity, or of the Court of Vice Admiralty, in any Province in Canada, for periods amounting together to fifteen years or upwards, or become afflicted with some permanent infirmity, disabling him for the due execution of his office, then if such Judge resign his office, Her Majesty may, by Letters Patent, under the Great Seal of Canada, reciting such fact, grant him an annuity equal to two-thirds of the salary attached to the office he held at the time of his resignation, and to commence from the date thereof, and to be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, and payable *pro ratâ* for any less period than a year.

3. That it is expedient to provide, that the Sheriff and Coroners shall receive and take to their own use, such fees as the Judges of the said Supreme Court shall, by general order, fix, and determine.

4. That it is expedient to provide, that the Registrar of the Supreme Court shall be appointed by an instrument under the Great Seal of Canada and shall hold office during pleasure, and shall be paid a salary at the rate of dollars per annum.

5. That it is expedient to provide, that all fees payable to the Registrar under the provisions of this Act shall be paid by means of stamps, which shall be issued for that purpose by the Minister or Inland Revenue, who shall regulate the sale thereof, and the proceeds of the sale of such stamps shall be paid to the Receiver General, and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

6. That it is expedient to provide, that the masters, referees, and examiners, apppointed by the Judges of the said Court, shall receive and take to their own use, such fees as the Court may, by general orders, direct

7. That it is expedient to provide, that a fit and proper person, being a Barrister or Advocate of at least five years standing, may be appointed by the Governor, to hold office during pleasure, as the Reporter of the Court, who shall, subject to the direction of the Judges of the Court, report the decisions thereof, and publish such reports, and such Reporter shall be paid a salary at the rate of dollars per annum, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

8. That in section 68 after the word "oath" in line 4, the following words be inserted, "and paying "such fees."

PRIVATE BILLS.

The Bill (No. 65) to enable *Britton Bath Osler* to obtain Letters' Patent for the invention or discovery known as "Carr's Disintegrator," for disintegrating, dispersing, reducing, or mixing ores and other substances, was this day posted for consideration by the Committee on Private Bills, on or after Friday, the 13th instant.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Northern Railway of Canada, for the year ending 31st December, 1869.

Ten Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.—

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Sixth Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed, *viz* :—

Return to Address—Reports, Plans, and Surveys of the Chief Engineer and his Assistants relating to the construction of a Harbor of Refuge on Lake Erie and on Lake Huron respectively (without the maps). Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorised payment of the sum of $20,000 to the late Sir *Allan Napier MacNab*, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands in or near the City of Hamilton. (In a condensed form and in the appendix only).

The Committee also recommend that the following Documents be not printed, *viz* :—

Return to Address—Statement showing the limits of the Pilotage grounds, tariff of Pilots' fees, and the number of Pilots in each Port of the Dominion.

Return to Address—Petitions and correspondence on the subject of Compulsory Pilotage.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Third Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee have had under their consideration the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses, from the 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870, referred to them, and beg to report their proceedings in reference thereto.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
1st April, 1870.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforseen Expenses from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved that it be resolved.

That in the opinion of the Committee, the claim of $1,170 $\frac{91}{100}$ for stone, a portion of which, at least, was declared many years ago by the verdict of a jury, to belong to the Crown, as being an asset of the defaulting York Roads Company, ought not to have been paid out of the appropriation for unforseen expenses, but, if deemed advisable by the Government, should have been reserved for the judgment of Parliament.

On which the committee divided :

Yeas :—Hon. Messrs. *Anglin*, *Holton* and *Wood*, Messrs. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), *Mackenzie*, *Ross* (P. Edward) and *Young*.—7.

Nays :—Hon. Messrs. *Langevin* and *Tilley*, Messrs. *Crawford*, (Leeds), *Dufresne*, *Gills*, *Keeler*, *Luxum*, *Masson*, *Lawson* (Terrebonne), *Robitaille*, *Ryan* (King's) and *Walsh*.—12.

MONDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1870.

The Committee resumed consideration of the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved that it be Resolved.

That in the opinion of the Committee the claim of Messrs. *Gooderham* and *Worts* for $17,892\frac{55}{100}$, the amount of duty alleged to have been paid by them on Spirits and Malt destroyed by fire, ought not, in the absence of a Statutory provision applicable to it and similar cases, to have been paid without a special vote of Parliament, and especially ought not to have been paid out of the appropriation for Unforseen Expenses, as that appropriation was not intended to authorize the discretionary remission of taxes.

On which the Committee divided:

Yeas:—Hon. Messrs. *Anglin*, *Holton*, and *Wood*, Messrs. *Carmichael*, *Mackenzie*, *McConkey*, *Masson* (Terrebonne) and *Young*.—8.

Nays:—Hon. Messrs. *Howe*, *Langevin*, and *Tilley*, Messrs. *Brousseau*, *Crawford* (Leeds), *Dufresne*, *Keeler*, *Lawson*, *Morrison* (Niagara), *Ryan* (King's) and *Walsh*.—11.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Holton*, it was Ordered, That the proceedings of the Committee respecting the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870, be reported to The House.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the Bill (No. 33) respecting the "Canada Central Railway Company," *with amendments*.—

He also reported, that the time limited for the reception of Reports from Committees on Private Bills will expire this day; they therefore recommend that it be extended to Tuesday, the 12th instant; and they also recommend that the Notice required to be given under Rule 60, prior to the consideration of Private Bills by Committees, be reduced, for the remainder of the Session, to three days.

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, the time for receiving Reports from Select Standing Commitees upon Private Bills, was extended to Tuesday, the 12th instant.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Bill (No. 43) intituled: "An Act respecting Banks and Banking," be now read a third time.

Mr. *Godin* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with instruction to amend its provisions, so that the *maximum* rate of Interest or Discount to be demanded, or recovered by Banks on all loans or contracts, be limited and fixed to *seven per centum per annum*; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Béchard, Benoit, Bertrand, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caron, Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Connell, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Ferris, Forbes, Fortier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McKeagney, McMillan, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Rymal Savary, Sénécal, Smith, and Wallace.—49.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Archibald, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Caldwel l Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Chamberlin Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Dobbie, Dunkin, Fortin, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McGreevy, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Pickard, Robitaille, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's N.B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tupper, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—82.

The Bill was then read a third time and passed.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Bill (No. 51) intituled: "An Act to amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes," be now read a third time.

Mr. *Bodwell* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with instruction to provide that no Notes of less denomination than One Dollar be issued; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Cameron (Inverness), Carmichael, Cartwright, Connell, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Geoffrion, Holton, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Mackenzie, McCallum, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Pâquet, Pickard, Pozer, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scriver, Sénécal, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Wells, Whitehead, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—38.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron,

Cartier,Sir George E. Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauvean, Cheval, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (Lunenburg), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McGreevy, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Oliver, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N.B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Willson, Wood, and Wright (Ottawa County).—105.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 5) "An Act to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators to certain cases therein mentioned," with an amendment. (The said amendment was, on motion of the Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, agreed to),

Also agreeing to the Bill (No. 54) "An Act to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions," without amendment.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the Bill (No. 60) from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light-Houses, Buoys and Beacons," be now read a third time.

Hon. Mr. *Holton*, Member for the Electoral District of Chateauguay, called attention to certain Clauses of the Bill, which make dispositions respecting Public expenditure, and authorize the incurring of obligations that could not, in his opinion, originate in the Senate.

Mr. Speaker said, that by referring to the authorities, it appeared that the Commons had accepted provisions in Bills from the Lords *creating charges* not directly imposed by the Bill, but to be defrayed out of moneys to be provided by Parliament ;—but that exception having been taken to this practice, the privilege did not appear to have been insisted upon since 1860. The present Bill fell far short of the class of Bill alluded to. The last Clause is section 1, provides that nothing in this Act shall give authority to the Minister to cause expenditure, until previously sanctioned by Parliament ; and this over-rides section 8 referred to by the Honorable Member. No contract could therefore be entered into under that section, which could bind Government, and necessitate an expenditure of Public moneys, unless it had been previously sanctioned by Parliament. He could not therefore sustain the objection of the Honorable Member for Chateauguay.—

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee to consider Resolutions relating to Interest.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

Resolved—That it is expedient to provide :—

1st. That six per cent. per annum shall continue to be the legal rate of interest in all cases where by the agreement of the parties or by law interest is payable, and no rate has been fixed by the parties in writing or by the law.

2. Any rate of interest, not exceeding 8 per cent per annum, may be paid in advance or otherwise, and being paid, may be retained, or may be stipulated in writing and recovered.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight.

Wednesday, 6th April, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

3. If any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum is stipulated, such rate shall be *ipso facto* reduced to 6 per cent. per annum, as a penalty, and that rate only shall be recoverable ; and, if any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum be paid, the excess of the rate paid over 6 per cent. per annum shall be recoverable by the parties paying it, provided the action for recovering it be brought within six months from the payment.

4. All former laws respecting interest and usury shall be repealed.

5. The foregoing provisions shall apply to any loan, or contract for the loan or forbearance of money, made on or after the first day of January next.

6. These Resolutions shall not apply to any body corporate, which, by any existing law, or by the terms of any Charter, or Act of Incorporation, may now lawfully stipulate for, and receive a higher rate of interest than 8 per cent.

Resolution to be reported.

Resolutions reported,—and Report to be received at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 12.20 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, 1st, Has the Inman Company, under the terms of their contract, the right to employ in the Transatlantic Postal Service such a slow steamer as the "City of Cork," said steamer being generally considered both in regard to her rate of speed and passenger accommodation unfit for such service?

2nd, Has the Government taken any measures to ascertain whether the Inman Steamer "City of Boston" which left Halifax, January 28, for Liverpool with the mails and a large number of passengers was overloaded and thus rendered incapable of resisting the gales experienced by the Cunard Steamer "Nemesis" and the Allan Steamer "Nestorian" and troop ship "Orontes," which vessels encountered the same weather and reached their destinations in safety whilst the fate of the "City of Boston" is still a matter of uncertainty and doubt?

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* (Peel).—On the motion of concurrence in the Report of the Committee of the whole on the Interest Resolutions—that the said Report be not now concurred in but be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with instructions to report the following Resolutions :

1. That the rate of interest recoverable by suit on contracts, where no rate of interest is agreed on, or in cases where interest is recoverable by law, shall be six per cent. per annum.

2. That on any contract where a greater rate of interest than six per cent. per annum is agreed to be paid, and is actually paid, no part of such interest shall be recoverable back by the party paying the same.

3. That whatever rate of interest may be agreed upon by the parties to a contract, no greater rate than six per cent. per annum shall be recoverable by suit in any Court.

No. 34.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1870.

Four Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *J. B. Duncan*, and others, of Acton Vale ; praying for certain Amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of *Oliver Forester*, and others, of the County of Renfrew ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become law.

Of *L. McDougall*, and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton ; praying for the establishment of a tri-weekly instead of a weekly communication between Port Hood and Pictou, and that the steamers commence running immediately on the opening of navigation, and continue till the close of the same.

Of *Murdock Matheson*, and others, of Saint Esprit, and adjacencies, in the County of Richmond, Province of Nova Scotia ; praying for the establishment of a Way Office at Saint Esprit, and that *Murdock Matheson*, Senior, may be appointed to take charge of the same.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bill (No. 30) to continue in force the provisions of divers acts relating to *La Banque du Peuple*, with amendments.

The Committee also recommend, that the Notice required to be given under Rule 60, prior to the consideration of Private Bills by Committees be reduced, for the remainder of the Session, to three days.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Abbott*, reduced accordingly.

Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara) moved, that a Select Committee be appointed, composed of Honorable Messrs. *Langevin* and *Wood*, and Messrs. *McCallum*, *Street*, *Merritt*, *Thompson* (Haldimand), and the Mover, to inquire into the state, care and management of the Monument erected on Queenston Heights to the memory of the late Major-General Sir *Isaac Brock*, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report thereon by Bill, or otherwise.

After some Debate,—the said Motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return of the names of all persons now employed in the Montreal Post Office as clerks or letter carriers; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salaries paid the same.—

Also a further Address, for a Return of the names of all parties now employed in the Excise Office in Montreal ; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salary or remuneration paid to each.—

And a further Address, for a Return of the names of all persons appointed and now employed in the Montreal Custom House, as Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers, or Laborers in Examining Warehouse; when appointed or employed; the salary or amount paid to each; also the names of the Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers, Laborers, dismissed or suspended since 1866, and the cause of their dismissal or suspension.—

Honorable Mr. *Wood* moved, That it it be resolved :—

That by the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1869, it is provided that a sum of money, bearing the same proportion "to that which, under the provisions of the said Act, will be payable yearly to the Seigniors in

Lower Canada, as the population of the Townships shall, by the census of 1861, be found to bear to that of the Seigniories, shall be payable yearly out of the Provincial Funds to the credit of the Lower Canada Municipal Loan Fund, but for the benefit of the Township only," which said sum amounts to $756,710.

That by the same Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the yearly sum coming to any such townships, or to the said town (of Sherbrooke), at the rate of seventy-five per cent. of such capital in discharge of the whole."

That in the debt of the late Province of Canada, as set forth in the Public Accounts 1869, part 3, p. 2, in the item "Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships (Capital)," the said compensation to the Townships is charged against the late Province at 100 per cent, $756,710, instead of 75 per cent, $567,532 50, at which latter sum, according to sec. 5, sub-sec. 2, of 22 *Vict.* c. 15, the Governor in Council is authorized to direct its payment, and therefore at which sum only it should be charged against the late Province.

And a Debate arising;—and it being six o'clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half past seven o'clock P. M.—

7:30 P. M.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bill of their own, (No. 67) intituled: "An Act for the better protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time; second reading to-morrow).—

The Bill (No. 14) to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President. Directors and Company of the Gore Bank, was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Workman* moved, that the Bill (No. 45) to incorporate the Society of Canadian Artists, be now read a third time.—

Mr. *Bodwell* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to expunge Clause 5, which gives power to the Society to acquire works of art, and dispose of them to contributors to its funds by lot or chance; which was negatived on a division.—

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 31) to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.—

The Bill (No. 55) to restore the Charter of the Grand Junction Railway Company, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.—

The Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.—

The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution on the subject of Ferries.—

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to make such regulations, from time to time, as he may deem expedient in relation to Ferries over which exclusive Legislative authority is assigned to the Parliament of Canada by the British North America Act, 1867, for any of the following purposes, that is to say:

Firstly, For establishing the extent and limit of all, or any such Frries as aforesaid;

Secondly, For defining the manner in which the conditions (including any duty or sum to be paid for the license) under which and the period for which licenses shall be granted in respect of such Ferries, or any one or more of them;

Thirdly, For determining the size and description of the vessels to be used on any such Ferries by the persons holding licenses in respect thereof, and the nature of the accommodation and conveniences to be provided for passengers carried in such vessels;

Fourthly, For fixing the tolls or rates at which persons and chattels shall be carried over such Ferries, and the manner and places at which such tolls or rates shall be published or made known;

Fifthly, For enforcing the payment of such tolls or rates, by the persons carried, or for whom chattels are carried over such Ferries;

Sixthly, For regulating the conduct of persons holding licenses, in respect of such ferries, and for fixing the times and hours and parts of hours during and at which vessels employed on such ferries shall cross and recross or depart from either side of any such ferry for that purpose.

Seventhly, For annulling and declaring the forfeiture of any ferry license in consequence of the conditions thereof, or any of them, not having been fulfilled.

Eighthly, For imposing penalties not exceeding ten dollars in any case, for the violation of any such regulation.

Resolution to be reported.—

The said Resolution was reported and agreed to.—

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Morris*, the Order for the second reading of the Bill (No. 53) respecting Ferries, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.—

He then introduced a Bill (No. 68) repecting Ferries.—Second reading to-morrow.—

The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution declaring it expedient to remove certain restrictions with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia.—

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the thirteenth section of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, third series, intituled:—"Of Currency," or of any other Act or Law, or of the Charter of any Bank, in force in Nova Scotia, as prohibits the issue of any Bank Note by any chartered Bank

for a less sum than twenty dollars ; and to provide that no chartered Bank in Nova Scotia shall issue any Bank Note for a less sum than four dollars currency of that Province, under the penalty imposed by the said thirteenth section of the said chapter eighty-three for issuing Notes for a less sum than twenty dollars.

Resolution to be reported.

Resolution reported,—Report to be received, to-morrow.

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House resolved to go into Committee to-morrow, to consider certain Resolutions relating to the Supreme Court.—

The Resolutions relating to Interest, and adopted in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, were reported and are, as follows:—

Resolved—That it is expedient to provide:—

1st, That six per cent. per annum shall continue to be the legal rate of interest in all cases where by the agreement of the parties or by law interest is payable, and no rate has been fixed by the parties in writing or by the law.

2. Any rate of interest, not exceeding 8 per cent. per annum, may be paid in advance or otherwise, and being paid, may be retained, or may be stipulated in writing and recovered.

3. If any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum is stipulated, such rate shall be *ipso facto* reduced to 6 per cent. per annum, as a penalty, and that rate only shall be recoverable; and, if any higher rate than 8 per cent. per annum be paid, the excess of the rate paid over 6 per cent. per annum shall be recoverable by the parties paying it, provided the action for recovering it be brought within six months from the payment.

4. All former laws respecting interest and usury shall be repealed.

5. The foregoing provisions shall apply to any loan, or contract for the loan or forbearance of money, made on or after the first day of January next.

6. These Resolutions shall not apply to any body corporate, which, by any existing law, or by the terms of any Charter, or Act of Incorporation, may now lawfully stipulate for, and receive a higher rate of interest than 8 per cent.

And the first Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.—

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the second Resolution be now read a second time.

Mr. *Young* moved in amendment, that the Resolutions be not now read a second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That it is inexpedient to allow Societies or any other Corporate bodies to charge a higher rate of Interest, than private individuals are to be allowed to charge.

And a Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, mi lnight,

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And the question being put on the said amendment,

Hon. *John S. Macdonald* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "*That*" be left out, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—"the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but they be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to expunge the sixth Resolution;" which was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Ault, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Caron, Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Cheval, Cimon, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Ferris, Forbes, Fortier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Lapum, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Lunenburg), Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Sénécal, Shanly, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—103

Nays:

Messieurs Archibald, Blanchet, Brousseau, Campbell, Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dunkin, Fortin, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Huot, Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), Morris, Robitaille, Tilley and Walsh.—21.

And the question being put on the amendment, as amended, it was agreed to.—

The House accordingly went into Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the sixth Resolution be expunged,

To be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and agreed to.—

The second Resolution was then read a second time, and agreed to.—

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the third Resolution be now read a second time.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* (Peel) moved in amendment, that the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to report the following Resolutions:—

1. "That the rate of Interest recoverable by said or contract, where no rate of Interest is agreed on, or in cases where interest is recoverable by Law, shall be six per cent. per annum, unless by agreement the rate of Interest is to be greater than six per cent., when such greater rate of Interest, but to the extent of eight per cent. only, shall be recoverable by Law.

2. That on any contract, where a rate of Interest greater than six per cent. per annum is agreed to be paid, and is actually paid, no part of such Interest shall be recoverable back by the party paying the same."

Mr. *Joly* moved in amendment, to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "That" be left out, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—"the said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to amend the Resolutions, by expunging all the words after the word "stipulated" in line 1 of the third Resolution, and inserting the following instead thereof: "the party stipulating such higher rate than eight per cent., shall *ipso facto* forfeit the whole of the Interest, as a penalty; and it any higher rate than eight per cent. per annum be paid, the whole of the amount so paid for Interest shall be recoverable by the parties paying it, provided the action for recovering it be brought within six months from the payment."

And a Debate arising,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The question being then put on Hon. Mr. *Cameron's* (Peel) motion, it was negatived on the following division:

Yeas:

Messieurs Abbott, Bodwell, Bowman, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Cartwright, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Ferris, Forbes, Gibbs, Grant, Kempt, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Oliver, Renaud, Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Webb, Wells, Willson, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York Ontario W. R.) and Young.—44.

Nays:

Messieurs Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Huot, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMillan, Morris, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria N. S.) Rymal, Savary, Scriver, Sénécal, Tilley, Walsh, White and Whitehead.—78.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* again moved in amendment, that all the words after "That" to the end thereof be left out, and the following be inserted instead thereof:—"No person or Corporation shall take or receive more than eight per cent. per annum by way of Interest on any contract, and no such rate of Interest shall be payable in advance in whole or in part; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Bodwell, Bown, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Cartwright, Currier, Dorion, Ferris, Geoffrion, Holton, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.) Oliver, Perry, Renaud, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Walsh, Wells, Whitehead, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York Ontario W. R.) and Young.—37.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Archibald, Ault, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Huot, Hutchison, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, (Cornwall,) Macdonald, (Glengarry,) Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald, (Lunenburg,) Masson, (Soulanges,) Masson, (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison, (Niagara,) Munroe, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Robitaille, Ross, (Champlain), Ross, (Victoria, N. S.), Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Sénécal, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Webb, White and Willson.—82.

The third Resolution was then read a second time, and agreed to.

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

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the fifth Resolution be now read a second time.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to provide that the Province of Ontario shall be exempt from the operation of the proposed restrictions in the rate of Interest; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Abbott, Bodwell, Bowman, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Cartwright, Chamberlin, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Dufresne, Gibbs, Holton, Kempt, Le Vesconte, McKenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall, (Renfrew), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Munroe, Oliver, Ross (Wellington C. R.), Scatcherd, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Workman Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young—40.

Nays:

Messieurs Archibald, Ault, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Brusseau, Brown, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Leeds), Drew, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Huot, Hutchison, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingson), McDonald (Lunenburg), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Kyan (Montreal West), Rymal, Savary, Scriver, Street, Tilley, Walsh, Webb, and White.—74.

Mr. *Gibbs* then moved, that The House do now adjourn; which was negatived on a division.

The fifth Resolution was then read a second time, and agreed to.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* then introduced a Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest.—Second reading after next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 2.7 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mills*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a statement of the amount paid each District Staff Officer of the Volunteer Force for supplying offices for the District Staff, the names of the officers supplied, the amount paid for each office so supplied up to 1st November, 1869; also the amount paid by order of the Militia Department for office rent directly to any members of the District Staffs, other than that authorized; and if so, to whom; together with all correspondence connected therewith, or in any way appertaining thereto.

Mr. *Casault*—On Friday next—That the Return to an Address of the House of Commons dated 24th February 1870, for copies of correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government with respect to the settlement of accounts with and between them be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville)—On Friday next—That in the opinion of this House the construction and management of the Intercolonial Railway ought to be placed under the direct control of the Government, and that so much of the Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway as provides for the appointment of Commissioners ought to be repealed.

Hon. Mr. *Archibald*—On Friday next—Suspension of the Rule requiring ten days notice previously to the consideration of a Private Bill by a Committee, so as to allow the Committee on Banking and Commerce to proceed at once to the consideration of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax.

Mr. *Metcalfe*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to his Excellency the Governor General for a Return showing the names of the Shareholders and the amount of Stock held by each in all the Banks of the Dominion.

Mr. *Gibbs*—In Committee of Whole on Bill (from Senate) intituled: "An Act respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes—To add the following to the 19th Section thereof: "and such notice may be validly addressed to the place where the Bill or Note bears date, unless the drawer or endorser shall have appended his or her place of residence to his or her signature on such Bill or Note."

No. 35.

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No. 36.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1870.

Four Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Guelph Board of Trade ; praying that Custom duties may be imposed on all Foreign products imported into Canada, and for the exclusion of Foreigners from Canadian Fisheries, and for the imposition of restrictions upon the use of the Canals by American vessels.

Of the Reverend *L. M. Lavallée*, Curé, and others, of St. Zotique; praying that the Engineer sent to fix a site for a Light House at the head of the Coteau Rapids may be instructed carefully to examine a site opposite to the village of St. Zotique, with a view to its selection.

Of the Municipality of the Township of Logan, County of Perth: praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of *Angus Cameron*, and others, by their Attorney, *E. M. Hopkins*; of *P. U. Archambault*, and others; and of *E. J. Senkler*, and others; severally praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of *William Lee Tremaine*, and others, of the County of Inverness; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the Steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of *E. P. Felton*, and others, Notaries, residing in the Town of Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec; praying for certain Amendments to the Bill respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

Of *A. S. Whiting*, and others; praying that such measures may be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them, until they agree to reciprocate all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Motion being make that the Petition of the Port Prince Harbor Company, praying that instead of erecting one large Harbor of Refuge at Rond Eau, an annual subsidy may be granted to the several Harbors on the North Shore of Lake Erie, provided they are kept in an efficient condition be received ;

Mr. Speaker decided that "as this Petition prays for aid, it cannot be received."—

The Resolution, with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia, adopted in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, was reported and agreed to.—

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* introduced a Bill (No. 70) with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia.—Second reading to-morrow.—

The Bill (No. 61) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress having been made, and reported,—the Committee obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.—

Hon. Mr. *Howe* presented,—Return to Address of the 31st May, 1869 ; for a statement of all lands sold in the Saugeen Indian Peninsula from the year 1856 to 1861 inclusive, showing the amount at which such lands were originally sold : what quantity of such lands have since been declared forfeited and been resumed by the Government ; how much money was paid thereon prior to such forfeiture ; what quantity of such forfeited lands have been resold and for what amount, also the quantity of lands now unsold.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 60) of their own, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light Houses, Buoys and Beacons," without amendment.—

The House went into Committee of Ways and Means.—

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, cap. 44, and the tariff of Duties and Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Animals, viz. :—Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep : which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum *ad valorem*, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz. :—

	$ cts.
Cigars ..... per lb.	... 45
Coal and Coke ..... per ton	... 50
Salt ; except Salt imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions, which shall be free of duty ..... per bushel of 56 lbs.	... 5
Hops ..... per lb.	... 5
Vinegar and Acetic Acid ..... per gallon.	.. 10
Rice ..... per lb.	... 1
Wheat ..... per bushel.	... 4
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other Grain, except Wheat ..... per bushel.	... 3
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye ..... per barrel of lbs.	... 25
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal of any other grain except Wheat and Rye ..... per barrel.	... 15

Spirits and Strong Waters, viz :—

Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, namely :—

	$ cts.
Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, Tafia, Whiskey, and unenumerated articles of like kind ..... per gallon.	... 80

Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, namely :—

	$ cts.
Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Old Tom Gin, Scheidam Schnapps, Bitters, and unenumerated articles of like kind ..... per gallon	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks ..... do	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks or bottles; *thirty* of such flasks or bottles not containing more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle	... 4
Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters	1 20

Spirits and Strong Waters imported into Canada, mixed with any ingredient or ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines, Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed "Spirits or Strong Waters" and subject to a duty as such.

Fruits preserved in Brandy or other Spirits, per gallon	1 20

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "goods paying ten per centum ad valorem," viz. :—

Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council,

Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Grease and Grease Scraps, Vegetables including potatoes and other roots, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by striking "Iron Wire" out of the List of "GOODS PAYING FIVE PER CENTUM AD VALOREM."

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by repealing so much thereof as imposes any Duty of Customs on Tobacco, or on Wines, or on Packages, and substituting the following in lieu thereof:—

Tobacco and Snuff, 12½ per centum *ad valorem*, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *ad valorem*, and a specific duty of *ten* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon.)

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the word "Salt," under the head "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the words "Salt, when imported" from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions:"—and—

By adding under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—Bookbinders' Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and—

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—"DRUGS, DYE STUFFS, OILS AND COLORS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED,"—the words, "Colors and other articles, when imported by room-paper makers and "stainers, to be used in their trade only; viz."

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—"Fire En- "gines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such "Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories,—not to "include Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—"Gold and Silver Leaf,"—"Emery Paper and "Emery Cloth,"—"Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—"Platers' Leaf,"—all which articles will be thereafter included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of fifteen per centum *ad valorem* under Schedule B.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the following articles, viz.:—Coal and Coke,—Flour, Wheat and Rye,—Grain of all kinds,—Grease and Grease Scrap,—Hay,—Hops,—Indian Corn,—Indian Meal,—Roots,—Shrubs,—Trees—and Vegetables, culinary,—all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.

11. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section:—

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which an *ad valorem* Duty of Customs is imposed, imported into Canada "by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods on ship-board at the last place of their shipment to Canada; and "the value of such goods for duty if imported from the United States by land or inland navigation, shall be the "actual value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into Canada, and whence "they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to Canada; and such value shall be ascertained by adding "to the value of such goods at the place of growth, production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether "by land or water, and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of growth, pro- "duction or manufacture, to the vessel in which the shipment thereof is made to Canada, or to the place where "the goods are purchased in the United States, and whence they are directly conveyed to Canada as aforesaid,— "and including also the value of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind in which such goods "are contained, and all export duties on such goods, and all costs and charges incurred in placing such goods on "shipboard, or in the vessel, cars, or carriage, in which they are conveyed to Canada."—

12. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent. of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 *Vict.*, c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the following in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31:—

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, except Cigars and common "Canada Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, 15 cents."

"7. On common Canada Twist, otherwise called *Tabac blanc en torquette*, being the unpressed leaf rolled "and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of Canada, for every pound or less quantity than "a pound, 10 cents."

"8. On Cigars for every pound, or less quantity than a pound, 30 cents."

14. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

A typographical error having occurred in the printing of yesterday's Votes [page 166] relative to Hon. Mr. *Cameron's* (Peel) motion, in amendment to the third Resolution relating to Interest, it is here repeated, and should be as follows:—

1. "That the rate of Interest recoverable by suit or contract, where no rate of Interest is agreed on, or in cases where interest is recoverable by Law, shall be six per cent. per annum, unless by agreement the rate of Interest is to be greater than six per cent.,—when, such greater rate of Interest, but to the extent of eight per cent. only,—shall be recoverable by Law.

2. That on any contract, where a rate of Interest greater than six per cent. per annum is agreed to be paid and is actually paid, no part of such Interest shall be recoverable back by the party paying the same."

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bourassa*—Upon the question of concurrence on the Bill respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons—That the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend it in such a way as to assure—(at the same time making its putting in execution less costly) to the mass of the population the exercise of universal suffrage, by providing that to take part in Elections it shall suffice:

1. To be a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization.
2. To be of the full age of 21 years.
3. To have resided for one year in the Electoral District.
4. To be in the enjoyment of all civil and political rights.

Mr. *Bourassa*—Upon the question of concurrence on the Bill respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons—That the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same in such way as to insure purity of elections by substituting the ballot for the system of voting therein provided.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*—On Monday next—INQUIRY OF MINISTRY, 1. Does the determination of the amount of the debt of the late Province of Canada with the several items, and the amount of such item, composing that debt rest with, and is it imposed upon, the Government and Parliament of Canada, or does it rest with, and is it imposed upon the Arbitrators under the British North America Act?

2. Have the Arbitrators under the British North America Act anything to do with settling and determining the several items, or any of them, and the amounts thereof which shall compose the debt of the late Province of Canada and the aggregate debt of the said Province, or is the jurisdiction of the said Arbitrators in respect of the said debt and the several items thereof limited to the apportionment of the excess of the said debt over $62,500, between the provinces of Quebec and Ontario?

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *John McAndrew*, and others, of North Renfrew; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company may become law.

Of *Louis Panet*, and others, Notaries, residing in the City of Quebec; praying for certain Amendments to the Bill respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

Of *James McLean*, Indian Commissioner; praying to be relieved from the action of Section 9 of the Act for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian Affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 42.

Of *R. K. Winslow*, and others, of Cleveland, Ohio, United States of America; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company may become law.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, reported the Bill (No. 18) to extend the operations of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada 19 and 20 *Vict.*, Cap. 141, to all parts of the Dominion of Canada, *with amendments*.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Seventh Report, which is as follows :—

Resolved, That Parliament having entered into Contracts for the Printing Services of Parliament, and the Executive Government having, under the Statute of last Session, likewise entered into Contracts for the Printing required by the several Departments, and the said several Contracts having been awarded to the same person, who now contends that under his two contracts he has a right to double charges for all printing that he may execute for the joint use of the Government and Parliament when such documents are ordered by the Government for Departmental use; that is, being paid twice for the one composition; which is not only contrary to custom, but to the spirit and intention of the Parliamentary Contract, and which, if allowed, must apply to every document, etc., printed by Parliament :—as, by the Distribution list, thirteen copies of all the Votes, Bills, Documents, etc, are for the use of the Department of the Privy Council, besides several copies for every other Department in the Service, the practical effect of which would be as exemplified in an account submitted to this Committee for printing the Report of the Public Works Department, which, under the Parliamentary Contract, amounts to $208 83 for 1870 copies, but which was also charged, under the Departmental Contract, in addition, $175 02½, for 500 copies, making the total $383 85½, being $120,35½ more than if the whole had been printed under Parliamentary Contract, which system, if not checked, will cause great loss to the public :—and, that the Government now, as heretofore, can obtain from the Contractor for Parliamentary Printing as many extra copies of any documents being printed as they may require for their own

use without other charge than the Presswork and Paper, though the two contracts are held by the one person:— and for the purpose of defining the separate Contracts, it be held that all Bills, Reports, or Documents submitted to Parliament, either in Manuscript or Print, are Parliamentary Documents, whether the Copy has been sent to the Printer either by the Departments or by Parliament, as the Public Service may require, and to bear the imprint of the Contractor as the "Parliamentary Printer" and to be paid for at Parliamentary rates, after being checked and certified as according to Contract by the Clerk of the Committee; and that Departmental work shall bear the imprint of the Contractor as "Departmental Printer," and be paid for at Departmental rates; after being checked and certified as according to Contract by Queen's Printer.

And further,

Resolved, That should the Government or any Department thereof at any time require more than the usual number of copies of any documents which they now get under the Distribution list, they do notify the Clerk of the Printing Committee in writing to that effect in sufficient time that he may add such extra number to the Distributition List.

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, The House resolved to go into Committee on Tuesday next, to consider certain Resolutions providing for a system of Superannuation of Officers of the Civil Service, and of the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment*, viz:—

No. 16. To incorporate the Detroit River Tunnel Company.

No. 35. To authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor dues, and for other puposes.

No. 25. Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

No. 20. To amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* presented,—Return to Address of the 3rd ult; for Lists of the Cadets who have passed through the several Military Schools of the Dominion, in each year, since the first establishment of the Schools, up to December 31st, 1869; defining first and second class Cadets, and such as have passed through two or more separate schools; giving the total numbers, exclusive of double returns, and the average age of the Cadets of each year; also the total cost of the schools, including pay to Cadets, staff, clothing, and Camp of Instruction, with an estimate of the average cost of each Cadet to the country, and the number also who hold Commissions in the Militia, and the number now in the Schools.

Return to Address of the 4th instant; for copies of all unsettled claims or accounts against the Government of Canada for barracks, barrack repairs, and rent, for Imperial troops, from 1st January, 1861, to the present time, and also the amount allowed in each case, and charged as Militia expenditure, and estimate of Officers of Board of Works in all such cases.

Return to Address of the 14th ult.; for a detailed statement of the salary and expenses of the "Inspectors of Drill Sheds," at Toronto, with the date of his appointment, and a copy of his instructions and other papers, shewing the nature of his duties, and the Military Districts over which his powers extend; also the names of the officers, if any, performing similar duties in other districts, with amounts of salaries and expenses with copies of any instructions given to such officers.

Return to Address of the 14th ult.; for a return in detail of all sums paid by the Government of Canada for barracks, barrack repairs, and rent for the Imperial Troops, from 1st January, 1861, to 31st December, 1869, and charged as Militia expenditure or otherwise, and the present liabilities of the Government in this connection.

The House went again into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 61) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships."

After some time spent therein,—and it being six o'clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume it at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

On motion of Mr. *Casault*, the Return to Address, for copy of correspondence between the Governments of Ontario and Quebec, and the Dominion Government with respect to settlement of Accounts with, and between them, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.—

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The Bill (No. 55) to revive the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 31) to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.—

The Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported.—Committee to sit again on Monday next.—

The Committee on Bill (No. 61) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," resumed; and after some time, it was reported with amendments, which were agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

4	The Department of Militia and Defence	$25,980 00
5	The Department of the Secretary of State	21,587 50
6	The Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces	15,670 00

7	The Department of the Receiver General	$15,700 00
8	The Finance Department	36,455 83
9	The Customs Department	20,540 00
10	The Inland Revenue Department	18,200 00
11	The Department of Public Works	37,740 00
12	The Post Office Department	49,940 00
13	The Department of Agriculture	19,705 00
14	The Department of Marine and Fisheries	14,210 00
15	The Treasury Board Office	3,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee unto 12 of the clock, midnight,

SATURDAY, 9TH APRIL, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

16,	The Finance Offices, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	$ 2,000 00
17.	The Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia	10,600 00
18.	The Dominion Offices, New Brunswick	6,500 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The House then adjourned at 12.25 A.M., until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of Wednesday last, the 6th instant, page 166, in the Division taken on Hon. Mr. *Cameron's* (Peel) motion in amendment to the third Resolution relating to Interest, Mr. *Bown's* name was erroneously printed instead of Mr. *Bowman's*, and the Division should be as follows :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Bodwell, Bowman, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Cartwright, Currier, Dorion, Ferris, Geoffrion, Holton, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.) Oliver, Perry, Renaud, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Walsh, Wells, Whitehead, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York Ontario W. R.) and Young.—37.

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Archibald, Ault, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Huot, Hutchison, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, (Cornwall,) Macdonald, (Glengarry,) Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald, (Lunenburg,) Masson, (Soulanges,) Masson, (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison, (Niagara,) Munroe, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Robitaille, Ross, (Champlain), Ross, (Victoria, N. S.), Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Sénécal, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Webb, White and Willson.—82.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Brousseau*—On Monday next—Adoption of the Seventh Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

Mr. *Béchard*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of the Report of *H. W. Austin*, in relation to certain obstructions called "Eel Weirs," existing in the river Richelieu, between St John and Iberville.

Mr. *Joly*—On the motion of concurrence in the Report of the Committee of the Whole on the "Superannuation Fund" Resolutions.—That the said Report be not now concurred in, but be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend it by adding after the words "six hundred dollars" in the fourth line of the third Resolution the words, "but such contribution to the Superannuation Fund shall not be "compulsory on any person whose life is insured, as long as his life continues to be insured."

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On the motion that the Speaker do leave the Chair for House in Committee of Supply—That this House observes with regret that His Excellency has not thought fit to recommend any appropriation of public money for the construction of Public Works in the Province of New Brunswick necessary to the promotion of Intercolonial trade, and that this House is of opinion that the purchase of a Custom House at Saint John for $75,000 as proposed in the Estimates is of no immediate consequence in comparison with the advantages to be derived from the improvement of existing channels of communication and the construction of other necessary public works.

Mr. *Godin*—Upon the concurrence with the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means—That this House do not now concur in the 14th Resolution, but that it be referred back to the Committee of Ways and Means with instructions to amend the same by adding the following words to the said Resolution: That it is also expedient to provide that leaf Tobacco of Canadian growth may be sold by the producer free of duty.

Mr. *Metcalfe*—On the concurrence in the Resolutions from the Committee of Ways and Means—That they be referred back to the Committee with an instruction to expunge that paragraph in the Fourth Resolution which imposes a duty on Coal and Coke.

Hon. Sir *A. T. Galt*, seconded by Mr. *Shanly*—On going into Committee of Supply—That the Speaker do not now leave the chair but that it be Resolved:—

That the present system under which the Intercolonial Railway is being constructed as a Public Work of the Dominion is expensive and unsatisfactory: That it is not in the Public interest that the Government should be charged with the maintenance and working of Railways—and that in the opinion of this House it is desirable that steps should be immediately taken to ascertain whether arrangements can not made with responsible parties for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway as a private enterprise—including existing contracts—and for the acquisition of existing Dominion Railways—in part payment thereof—whereby a very large sum may be saved in the cost of the former work and the Government relieved from the difficult and expensive duty of managing an extensive Railway system.

No. 37.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1870.

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No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 11TH APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Reverend *S. Tassé*, Superior of the Seminary of Ste. Thérèse, and others; and of *G. Laviolétte*, and others, of the County of Terrebonne; severally praying for increase duties on Agricultural products and manufactured goods imported from the United States, and on manufactured goods imported from Great Britain and other Countries.

Of *J. M. Fraser*, and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Village of Elora; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of *Thomas Fraser*, and others, Merchants of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act providing for the inspection of Fish by competent Officers to be appointed for that purpose.

Of the Honorable *E. P. Flynn*, M. E. C., and others, Members of the Local Legislature of Nova Scotia, for the Island of Cape Breton; praying that no change may be made in the present arrangements with respect to the Steamer running between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of *M. Middlemiss*, and others, of Elora and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that the Locks on all Canals shall be closed to traffic; that no Railway Train or Engine shall be permitted to run; and that no vessel shall leave any Inland Port from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Toronto; praying for the abolition of the Excise duty on Refined Petroleum.

Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bill (No. 57) to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax, *with amendments*.

The Committee also recommend, that as the Bill has been rendered necessary in consequence of the insertion in the Act of last Session incorporating the said Bank, of a provision which contemplated some general legislation on Banking, that did not subsequently take place, the Fee on the said Bill be remitted and Rule 58 suspended for that purpose.—

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Howe*, it was *Resolved*, That out of respect for the memory of the late *William Henry Chipman*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of King's (N.S.), this House do now adjourn.

The House adjourned accordingly.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Oliver*—On the motion for concurrence in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means—That the Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to Committee with instructions to amend the same by striking out the word "Rice" in the 4th Resolution, and also by striking out the 11th Resolution.

Mr. *Magill*—On the motion to concur in the Report of the Committee of Ways and Means—The following amendment:—That in the 10th line of Resolution No. 11 amending Section 8 of 31st *Victoria*, chap. 44, and and the Schedules annexed to said Act, the words "*and including*" be expunged, and the words "*but excluding*" substituted in lieu thereof; and that after the word "*Canada*" in the 12th line the following words be added: "Provided always that an *ad valorem* duty equivalent to the estimated amount proposed on Inland charges and cases be levied on the goods contained in such packages."

Mr. *Gibbs*—In Committee of the Whole on the Bill from the Senate, respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.—To add the following at the end of the 19th Section thereof: "And such notice may be "validly addressed to the place where the Bill or Note bears date, unless the drawer or endorser shall have "appended his place of residence to his signature on such Bill or Note, in which case notice may be validly "addressed to such drawer and endorser at such place of residence, notwithstanding any subsequent change "thereof."

Mr. *Godin*—On Wednesday next—Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Consolidated Seignorial Act, chapter 41 of the Consolidated Statutes of Lower Canada."

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1870.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Archibald*, the Fee on Bill (No. 57) to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, was ordered to be remitted, as recommended by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* introduced a Bill (No. 71) to amend the Act respecting the Department of Finance.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Hon. Sir *Alexander T. Galt* moved in amendment, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be

Resolved,—That the present system under which the Intercolonial Railway is being constructed as a Public Work of the Dominion is expensive and unsatisfactory: That it is not in the Public interest that the Government should be charged with the maintenance, and working of Railways—and that in the opinion of this House it is desirable that steps should be immediately taken to ascertain whether arrangements cannot be made with responsible parties for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway as a private enterprise—including existing contracts—and for the acquisition of existing Dominion Railways—in part payment thereof—whereby a very large sum may be saved in the cost of the former work and the Government relieved from the difficult and expensive duty of managing an extensive Railway system, which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Burpee, Carmichael, Cartwright, Colby, Connell, Currier, Dorion, Ferris, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Kierzkowski, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pickard, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Shanly, Snider, Stirton, Wells, Whitehead, Wright (York Ontario W. R.) and Young.—40.

Nays:

Messieurs Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Hurdon, Hutchison, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), Macdonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne) McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria N. S.) Ryan, (King's N. B.) Savary, Scriver, Simard, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Willson, Wood, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—97.

The House then went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight,

WEDNESDAY, 13th APRIL, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

19. Departmental Contingencies	$150,000 00
20. Stationery Office for Stationery	15,000 00
22. Micellaneous in connection with the Administration of Justice	10,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again to-morrow.—

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz. :—

No. 73. intituled : " An Act to continue and make perpetual certain Acts, and parts of Acts of the Province of New Brunswick, relative to the Police Force in the Parish of Portland, in the City and County of Saint John." (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* read the first time ; second reading to-morrow).—

No. 74. intituled : " An Act to empower the Police Court in the City of Halifax, to sentence juvenile offenders to be detained in the Halifax Industrial School." (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time ; second reading to-morrow).—

Also agreeing to the following Bills with amendments, viz. :—

No. 15. An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Harbor dues at the mouth of the Beaver River, and for other purposes. (On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the amendment was agreed to).—

No. 21. An Act to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company. (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Dunkin*, the amendments were agreed to).—

Also, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment*, viz:—

No. 36. An Act further to amend the Acts respecting the Improvement and Management of the Harbor of Quebec.—

No. 14. An Act to provide for the amalgation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the Gore Bank.

No. 22. An Act to incorportte the St. Francis and Megantic Iuternational Railway Company.—

No. 19. An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence.

No. 17. An Act respecting the First Census.

The House then adjourned at 1.07, A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA,
To wit:

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of Thursday, the twenty-first day of April instant, to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal, at Ottawa
this twelfth day of April, 1870.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN.
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—BILL respecting certain works on the Ottawa River.

Mr. *Perry*—On Thursday next—BILL to amend and extend the provisions of chapter 37, 32nd and 33rd *Victoria*, intituled : " An Act respecting contageous diseases affecting animals."

Mr. *Godin*—On the motion of concurrence in the Report of the Committee of the Whole respecting a Superannuation Fund—That the Report be not now received, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with instruction to amend the same by adding after the sixth Resolution the following :

That it is expedient to provide that any person to whom the present Resolutions apply, voluntarily retiring from the Civil Service, and not being entitled to the retiring allowance, shall receive one half of the amount which he shall have contributed to the said Fund without interest ; but if he enters the Civil Service again at any time afterwards, such amount shall be re-imbursed by him to the Fund, on his re-entering with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, otherwise his service prior to his retiring shall not be computed in his length of service in calculating the retiring allowance to which he may afterwards be entitled.

And it is expedient to provide that except as hereinafter provided, if a person to whom these Resolutions apply dies while in the Civil Service, or while he is in receipt of a retiring allowance, his widow shall be entitled during her life or until she re-marries, to an annual allowance equivalent to one half the retiring allowance which her husband received, or to which he would have been entitled at the time of his death if he had then retired.

But the widow shall not be entitled to such yearly allowance unless she was married to such person at least one year before his death ;

And the widow of any person who at the period of passing hereof is over sixty years of age, or who in any other manner is then entitled to retire with a retiring allowance, shall not be entitled to such allowance.

That it is expedient to provide that the orphan children of any person whos widow received or would have been entitled to receive an annual allowance in virtue of the preceding Resolution, may receive out of the said Fund an annual allowance which shall be determined by the Governor in Council according to the circumstances in which such orphans are left, but not exceeding in the whole the annual allowance which the widow received or to which she would have been entitled :

But such annual allowance shall in no case be paid to an orphan over Twenty-one years of age, or to any orphan whose mother is then in receipt, as a widow of an allowance in virtue of these Resolutions.

Mr. *Masson* (*Soulanges*)—In Committee of the Whole on the Supply Bill—To resolve :

That no public employee shall receive more than one salary, and that for the purposes of this Act the word "Salary" shall mean annual or temporary salary, emolument, fee, payment, compensation, or allowance of any kind whatsoever

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of the City of Toronto ; praying that Mr. *F. C. Capreol* may be appointed one of the Commissioners in connection with the subject of Canals for the Dominion.

Of *Donald McLellan*, and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton ; praying for the establishment of a tri-weekly instead of a weekly communication between Port Hood and Pictou, and that the Steamers commence running immediately on the opening of navigation, and continue till the close of the same.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Fourth Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee have had under their consideration the Return showing the transactions between the Government and the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, '67, '68 and '69, referred to them, and beg leave to report their proceedings in reference thereto.

(For the proceedings, see Appendix to the Journals)

Mr. *Godin* introduced a Bill (No. 75) to amend the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, being Chapter 41 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada. Second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency,—Second Annual Report of the Directors of Penitentiaries of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1869.

He also presented,—Return to Address of the 28th ult. ; for a Return shewing an account in detail of the amount originally advanced, by way of loan, by the late Province of Upper Canada in connection with the Oakville Harbor, and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, and of the interest payable from time to time on the said loans, or either of them, and of any sums repaid in respect of the said loans, and of any abatement made in respect of them, and of the present state of the said loans, and of the amount due for principal and interest, with dates of various transactions, and for copies of all correspondence and Orders in Council, and securities in respect of the said loans.

Return to Address of the 28th ult. ; for a copy of all correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents connected with the refund to Messrs. *Gooderham* and *Worts*, of Toronto, of certain Excise duties out of the Vote of last Session for unforseen expenditure.

Return to Address of the 3rd ult. ; for copies of all Petitions, Memorials and correspondence relating to the appointment of a Postmaster for the Village of Waterloo, in the County of Shefford, in the place of *A. L. Robinson*, Esquire, resigned.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Connell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a Return showing the names of the parties who have tendered for locomotives and tenders, box and freight cars, and platform cars ; the number and price of such tenders ; also the names of the parties whose tenders have been accepted, with the price and quantity assigned to each.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency; for copies of correspondence between the Minister of Customs and the Collectors of Customs of the Ports of Canada, relative to the Return of the number of vessels owned in the Dominion of Canada on the 1st July, 1867; and also copies of the lists of the vessels owned in Canada at the date aforesaid, furnished by the said Collectors of Customs, upon which lists the Return above referred to has been prepared.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency; for a Return showing in detail all amounts paid by any of the Departments for subscriptions to, or advertising in Newspapers during the year 1868-9.

On motion of Mr. *Grant*, an Address was voted to His Excellency; for copies of all Reports made by the Engineers of the Public Works Department, on their examination, so far as made last fall, of *Dawson's* proposed line of Canal or water communication through the North West Territory.

Honorable Mr. *Wood* moved, that a Select Committee be appointed, composed of Honorable Messrs. *Anglin*, *Archibald*, *Dorion*, *Irvine*, and *Smith*, and Messrs. *Savary*, *Bolton*, *Colby*, *Masson* (Terrebonne), *Scratcherd*, *Drew*, *Ferguson*, and the Mover, to enquire into and report to this House the facts respecting the Land Improvement Fund of Upper Canada; with power to send for persons, papers and documents.

And it being six o'clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

7.30 P. M.

The Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, and further progress reported.—Committee to sit again to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns on Thursday next, it do stand adjourned until Saturday next at 3 o'clock P. M.; and that the proceedings and Orders of the Day, shall be the same as if it were Friday.—

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the Bill (No. 61) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," be now read a third time.

And notice being taken by the Hon. Mr. *Holton*, a Member of The House, that this Bill contains provisions establishing grounds of expense, which would have to be defrayed out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and that it ought therefore to have originated in this House.

Resolved, That as the said provisions are such as this House is disposed to concur in, it does not think it necessary, at this late period of the Session, to insist on its privileges in respect to the said Bill, but that the waiver of the said privileges in this case be not however drawn into a precedent.—

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment*, viz.:—

No. 45. An Act to incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artistes."

No. 51. An Act to amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes.—

No. 43. An Act respecting Banks and Banking.

Also, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz.:—

No. 76. intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Perjury."

No. 77. intituled: "An Act to amend 'An Act respecting the security to be given by Officers of Canada.'"

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bills were severally read the first time; second reading to-morrow.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

23 Police of the Dominion	$25,000 00
24 Water Police, Montreal	8,030 00
25 River Police, Quebec	9,456 00

SENATE.

26 Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate	45,270 00

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

28 Salaries and Contingencies, per Sergeani-at-Arms' Estimate	40,468 75

The 30th Resolution being proposed, viz:

To pay the Chairman of the Commissioners, under the House of Commons Internal Economy Act, in full of all services, attendances, and travelling expenses during the year 1,000 00

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that the said Resolution do not pass; on which the Committee divided:— Yeas, 32. Nays, 25.

The 30th Resolution was accordingly negatived.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

MISCELLANEOUS.

31 Grant to Parliamentary Library	$ 6,000 00
32 Printing, Binding and distributing the Laws	10,000 00
33 Printing, Printing Paper, and Bookbinding	35,000 00

34	St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway, for two special trains daily, during Session of Parliament	$2,400 00
35	Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces	7,000 00
36	Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery	1,000 00
37	Miscellaneous Printing	2,000 00

OBSERVATORIES.

38	Observatory, Quebec	$2,400 00
39	do Toronto	4,800 00
40	do Kingston	500 00
41	do Montreal	500 00
42	do Halifax	750 00
43	do New Brunswick	800 00
44	Salaries and contingent expenses of Statistical Office, Halifax	3,890 00
45	Salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia	1,580 00
46	Prothonotaries Returns of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, Province of Quebec	700 00
47	To meet the possible amount required in the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1871, for the taking of the Census	150,000 00
48	1. Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés	18,212 00
	2. Medical Inspection, Port of Quebec	2,600 00
	3. Quarantine, Grosse Isle	12,000 00
	4. do St. John, N.B.	3,900 00
	5. do Halifax	4,060 00
	7. To meet possible expenses of Immigration	45,000 00
49	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec	21,500 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee unto 12 of the clock, midnight.

THURSDAY, 14TH APRIL, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

50	Marine Hospitals, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, Hospital at St. Catharines, and Maintenance &c. of Shipwrecked and Sick and Distressed Seamen at the several Ports of the Dominion	$18,526 00

PENSIONS.

51	Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly	400 00
52	L. Gagné, Messenger, do	72 00
53	John Bright. do do	80 00
54	Mrs. Antrobus	800 00

NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.

55	Mrs. Caroline McEachern, and 4 children	292 00
56	Jane Lakey	146 00
57	Rhoda Smith	110 00
58	Janet Alderson	110 00
59	Margaret McKenzie	80 00
60	Mary Ann Richey, and 2 children	336 00
61	Mary Morrison	80 00
62	Louise Prud'homme, and 2 children	130 00
63	Virginie Charron, and 4 children	150 00
64	Paul M. Robins	146 00
65	Chas. T. Bell	73 00
66	Alex. Oliphant	109 50
67	Chas Lugsden	91 25
68	Jno. White	109 50
69	Thos. Charters	91 25
70	Samuel McCrag	109 50
71	Charles T. Robertson	110 00
72	Percy G. Routh	400 00
73	Richard S. King	400 00
74	George A. McKenzie	73 00
75	Edward Hilder	146 00
76	Fergus Scholfield	73 00
77	John Bradley	109 50
78	Richard Penticost	91 25
79	James Bryan	109 50
80	Jacob Stubbs	73 00
81	Mary Connor	110 00
82	Mary Hodgins, and 3 children	191 00
83	John Martin	110 00
84	A. T. Marchand	110 00

85	A. W. Stevenson	$110 00
86	Mrs. J. Thorburn	150 00
87	Mrs. P. T. Worthington, and children	378 00
88	Mrs. J. H. Elliott, and children	130 00
89	Mrs. Geo. Prentice, and children	400 00
90	Ellen Kirkpatrick, and 3 children	266 00

COMPENSATION TO PENSIONERS.

91	In lieu of land	$9,000 00

DOMINION RAILWAYS.

92	Intercolonial Railway	$6,000,000 00
93	Nova Scotia Railway (Revote $20,000 00)	59,200 00
94	European and North American Railway, N.B.	5,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House this day.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* laid upon the Table—Statement of Reorganization of the Public Departments and classification of Officers, under the 15th section of "The Canada Civil Service Act, 1868."

The House then adjourned at 12.55, A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit: }

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

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Given under my hand and seal, at Ottawa
this twelfth day of April, 1870.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN.
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all sums paid to Messrs. Hunter, Rose & Co., late Parliamentary Printers, for printing Departmental Reports for the several Departments since 1st July, 1867, together with the items in detail for which said sums have been paid.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Government have arrived at any conclusion, or have as a Government any opinion as to where and in whom is the power and authority of determining the amount of the debt of the late Province of Canada, with the several items, and the amount of each item composing. If so, where and in whom, in the opinion of the Government, is that power and authority.

Mr. *Bolton*—On motion for concurrence in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means—that the Resolutions be not concurred in, but referred back to the Committee with instructions to amend the same by placing on the free list *Wheat, Flour, Indian Meal,* and Indian Corn when used for other purposes than that of distilling.

No. 40.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1870.

3rd Session, 1st Parliament, 33 Victoria, 1870

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 14TH APRIL, 1870.

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

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Fifth Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have had under their consideration the Statement in the Public Accounts for 1868-9, shewing the debt of the Province of Canada on the 30th June, 1869.

The item therein "Upper Canada Building Fund $1,472,381.41," has especially engaged their attention, and they beg leave to report their proceedings in reference thereto:—

(For the proceedings, see Appendix to the Journals.)

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 72) to authorize the apprehension and detention of such persons as shall be suspected of committing acts of hostility, or conspiring against Her Majesty's Person and Government.

The said Bill was read the first and second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 78) respecting certain Works on the River Ottawa second reading on Saturday next.

Hon. Mr. *Morris* introduced a Bill (No. 79) to amend the Act respecting the Collection and Management of the Revenue, the Auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants. Second reading on Saturday next.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 72) An Act to authorize the apprehension and detention of such persons as shall be suspected of committing acts of hostility, or conspiring against Her Majesty's Person and Government *without amendment*,

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 4th instant; for a Return showing the state of the Account between *Thomas Robertson* and the Government in regard to the receipts and expenditure of the Dundas and Waterloo Macadamised Road whilst under the charge of the said *Thomas Robertson*, as agent; and also, what steps (if any) have been taken to effect a settlement of the said account.

Return to Address of the 6th instant; for a Return of the names of all persons employed in the Montreal Post-office, Clerks or Letter Carriers; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salaries paid the same.

Return to Address of the 4th instant; for copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of Gaspé, and the County of Bonaventure, since First July, 1863; also copies of all correspondence, and of all instructions given to either of the said Judges directing them to proceed to the holding of the Court at Amherst, Magdaleine Islands, at the periods fixed by law, with a statement of the number of sittings, and the date of each sitting of such Court.

Return to Address of the 4th instant; for a detailed statement shewing the names of all persons who have been appointed to office, or who have been or are now employed in connexion with the North West Territory;

with the salaries, allowances, or expenses connected therewith to each, including any sums paid or allowed to delegates or persons acting for the Government shewing the whole amount so paid or advanced up to the present date.

Mr. *Perry* introduced a Bill (No. 80) to amend and extent the provisions of Chapter 37, 32 and 33 *Victoria*, intituled: "An Act respecting contagious diseases affecting animals."—Second reading on Saturday next.

The Bill (No. 70) with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia, was read the second and a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 67) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Saturday next.—

The Bill (No. 68) respecting Ferries, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole, to which was referred the Resolution adopted on Wednesday, ths 6th instant, on the subject of Ferries.—Progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, this day.—

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General. by *R. E. Kimber*, Esquire, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, desiring the attendance of The House in the Senate Chamber

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with all the Members present, went to the Senate Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased, in Her Majesty's Name, to give the Royal Assent to the following Bill:—

An Act to authorize the apprehension and detention of such persons as shall be suspected of committing acts of hostility, or conspiring against Her Majesty's Person and Government.

And being returned,—The House went again into Committee on the Bill (No. 68) respecting Ferries; which was then reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 71) to amend the Act respecting the Department ef Finance, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, on Saturday next.

Hon. Mr. *Howe* moved, that the Bill (No. 63) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to provide for the organization of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces," be now read the second time.—

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That the exigencies of the Public Service do not require the establishment of another Department.—

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said Debate was, on motion of the Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, adjourned.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendments made by this House to their Bill (No. 61) intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," *without amendment*.

Also, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House, was desired, viz:—

No. 81. intituled: "An Act to amend an Act for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works."—

No. 82. intituled: "An Act to amend "The Penitentiary Act of 1868."

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bills were severally read the first time; second reading on Saturday next.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:

95	*Lachine Canal*—	
	1. Supply Weir at head (Revote)	$24,000 00
	2. Culvert, River St. Pierre	16,000 00
	Welland Canal—	
	3. Deepening to Lake Erie Level (Revote $25,000 00)	86,000 00
	4. Waste Weir at Dunnville	27,000 00
	Chambly Canal—	
	5. Houses for Lock Keepers (Revote)	3,850 00
	Rideau Canal—	
	6. Increase of Water Supply (Revote $10,000 00)	12,000 00
	Carillon and Grenville Canal aad St. Ann's Lock—	
	7. (Probable Cost $250,000 00)	150,000 00
	8. Miscellaneous Works, chargeable to Construction (Revote $11,000 00)	15,150 00
96.	For opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the North West Territory (Revote)	$1,300,000 00
	Harbors and Piers—	
97	1. Lakes Erie and Huron	100,000 00
	2. Mabou Harbour	5,000 00
	3. Cotean du Lac Pier	4,000 00
	4. Piers below Quebec	2,500 00
98.	Protection to Little Hope Light House, N.S.	15,000 00
99	1. Ottawa Parliament and Departmental Buildings (Revote)	63,000 00
	2. do do Buildings, Library (Estimate $145,000 00)	100,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight,

FRIDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

99	3	Montreal Custom House	$200,000 00
	4	St. John's, N.B. do.	75,000 00
	5	London do. (Estimates $50,000 00)	25,000 00
	6	Toronto, Examining Warehouse	10,000 00
	7	do. Immigrant Sheds	10,000 00
	8	Halifax, Quarantine Station (Revote $10,000)	14,000 00
	9	Post Offices, Toronto, Quebec, and London	155,000 00
100		Slides and Booms, and Works necessary to facilitate the descent of Timber	15,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 1.10 A.M. until to-morrow.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

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NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bolton*—On motion for concurrence in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means—that the Resolutions be not concurred in, but referred back to the Committee with instructions to amend the same by placing on the free list *Flour* of *Wheat* and *Rye*, *Indian Meal*, and Indian Corn when used for other purposes than that of distilling.

Mr. *Savary*—On the motion for concurrence in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means—that the said Resolutions be not concurred in, but be referred back to the Committee with instructions to amend the same by striking out of the 4th Resolution the words "Flour of Wheat," "Flour of Rye," and "Indian Meal," and to so further amend the said Resolution, that the said articles be exempt from duty.

Hon. Mr. *Hutchison*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of the names of all persons (including paymasters) now employed on the survey of Intercolonial Railway in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, and the salaries paid to each.

Hon. Mr. *Hutchison*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for particulars of account rendered by and paid to the Sheriff of Northumberland, of $600 charged in the Public Accounts 3rd June, 1869.

Hon. Mr. *Hutchison*—On concurrence in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means—That the Resolutions be not concurred in but referred back to the Committee with instructions to place on the free list Oats, Rice, Coal and Salt.

No. 41.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 14TH APRIL, 1870.

3rd Session, 1st Parliament, 33 Victoria, 1870

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 16TH APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Reverend *George Smellie*, and others, of Fergus, and Vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that the Locks on all Canals shall be closed to traffic; that no Railway Train or Engine shall be permitted to run; and that no Vessel shall leave any Inland Port from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Of *James Daniels*, and others, of the Township of Longueuil; of *J. P. Wells*, and others, of West Hawkesbury; and of *Magloire Parent*, and others, of the Township of South Plantagenet, all of the County of Prescott; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become Law.

Of the Reverend *J. O. Normandin*, and others, of Hamilton; of the Reverend *N. Audet*, and others, of Carleton; of the Reverend *A. Audet*, and others, of Maria; of *Barnabas McGie*, Mayor, and others, of Hope; of the Reverend *Joseph H. Leonard*, and others, of Mann; and of the Reverend *N. Lévesque*, and others, of Port Daniel, all of the County of Bonaventure; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Sea Ports of the Dominion.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Aldborough, County of Elgin; praying for aid towards the construction of a Harbor of Refuge at Port Turnival, be received.

Mr. Speaker decided that "as this Petition prays for aid, it cannot be received."

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, the Fee on Bill (No. 34) to incorporate the "Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company," was ordered to be remitted, and Rule 58 suspended in relation thereto.

The Bill (No. 67) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy," was read a third time and passed.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions, providing for a system of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service, and the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned

in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of *sixty* years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary—during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten-fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years, when an annual allowance of thirty-five-fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years; if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order; and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made for the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards, and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty five years of service.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one-twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered a implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing herein contained shall be understood as imparing or affecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding *one months* pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months pay for every two years service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body or mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act S. 7.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of *sixty* years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments; and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation, determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which, they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. *Resolved*—That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received on Tuesday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Improvement of Rivers:—

101 { 2. Miscellaneous $2,600 00

Item 1 of Resolution 102 being proposed, viz:—

Road betwern Ste. Anne des Monts and Fox River..... $10,000 00

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved that it be expunged, on which the Committee divided:—Yeas 22, Nays 35.

The said Item being again proposed,

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, to add the following words:—"as a final vote"; which was agreed to.

The said Item was then adopted, as follows:—

Road between Ste. Ann des Monts and Fox River, as a final vote..... $10,000 00

And it being six o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, reported and ordered for a third reading, on Wednesday next.—

The Bill (No. 30) to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to *La Banque du Peuple*, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Wednesday next.

The Bill (No. 18) to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141, to all parts of the Dominion of Canada, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Wednesday next.—

The Bill (No. 57) to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, called upon Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*, Member for the Electoral District of Lévis, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

The House then went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

102 { 2	Miscellaneous		$5,000 00
103.	Surveys and Inspection		20,000 00
104.	Arbitrations and Awards		10,000 00
105.	Miscellaneous Works not otherwise provided for		10,000 00
106.	Rents, Repairs, Furniture	45,000 00	
	Heating Public Buildings, Ottawa	32,000 00	
			77,000 00
107.	Public Buildings generally (Re-vote)		20,000 00
108.	Richibucto Harbor (2 years)		4,000 00
109.	Amherst Harbor and House Harbor, Magdalen Islands		4,000 00
110.	Windsor and Annopolis Railway, Nova Scotia		31,600 00
111.	Western Extension, New Brunswick		70,000 00
112.	Eastern Extension, do		12,500 00
113.	Fredericton Branch do		7,500 00
	DOMINION STEAMERS.		
114.	Maintenance of Steamers, Quebec		53,700 00
	SUBSIDIES.		
115.	Moiety payable to Inman Line between Halifax and Cork		39,541 00
116.	Steam Communication between Quebec and Maritime Provinces		15,000 00
117.	Steam Communication between Prince Edward Island and the Ports of the Dominion		1,600 00
118.	Packet Communication between Pictou and the Magdalen Islands		400 00
119.	Steam Communication between New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island		1,000 00
	TUG SERVICE, UPPER ST. LAWRENCE.		
120.	Between Montreal and Kingston		12,000 00
	QUEBEC.		
145. 1.	Salaries of Light House Keepers, &c.		$12,097 00
2.	Maintenance of Light Houses, &c.		17,147 00
3.	Construction of Light Houses, Fog Trumpets, &c.		104,000 00
4.	Maintenance of New Light Houses for part of season		3,200 00
	BETWEEN QUEBEC AND MONTREAL.		
146. 1.	Salaries of Light House Keepers		3,825 00
2.	Maintenance, &c., of Light Houses		6,825 00
3.	Steamer "Richelieu"		4,200 00

TRINITY HOUSE, QUEBEC.

147. Salaries and Contingencies $7,488 00

TRINITY HOUSE, MONTREAL.

148. Salaries and Contingencies 7,614 00

REMOVAL OF WRECKS.

149. Wreck of the "Glanmore" 2,000 00

LIGHT HOUSES, ETC., ABOVE MONTREAL.

150. 1. Salaries and allowances 22,884 00
2. Maintenance 21,720 00
3. Construction 9,900 00

NOVA SCOTIA.

151. 1. Salaries and allowances 27,446 00
2. Maintenance, &c. 36,918 00
3. Construction 11,000 00

NEW BRUNSWICK.

152. 1. Salaries and allowances 11,427 00
2. Maintenance, &c. 11,325 00
3. Construction 3,200 00
4. Buoys and Beacons 4,610 00

153. Sable and Seal Islands Humane Establishments 8,000 00
154. Cape Race Light 1,000 00
155. Maintenance and repairs of Schooner "La Canadienne" 9,000 00

156. Salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens :—
1. Ontario 5,500 00
2. Quebec 7,000 00
3. New Brunswick 6,000 00
4. Nova Scotia 6,000 00

157. Fishways and Oyster Beds and for Fish Breeding 9,000 00
158. Adittional for the protection of the Fisheries, (Marine Police). 57,708 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next at 3 o'clock P.M.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 7th ult. ; for copies of all correspondence and reports of the Engineer in charge of the Welland Canal, since 30th June, 1867. First, as to feeding said Canal from Lake Erie ; Second, as to the damage done to the Village of Dunnville by the freshet in April last ; Third, as to building of waste weir in the embankment across the Grand River at the Village of Dunville ; Fourth, as to opening what are known as the back ditches along the Welland Canal through the Township of Moulton ; Fifth, as to the supply of water furnished the mills on the said Canal in the year 1869 ; Sixth, as to the damage done to Port Maitland Piers in April last ; Seventh, also Copies of all Orders in Council since the 30th of June last, in reference to said works.

The House then adjourned until Tuesday next at 3 o'clock P.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

The sum voted in item 1, Resolution 95 (as adopted in Committee of Supply on Thursday last, page 190) was erroneously printed as $24,000.00; whereas it should have been $34,000.00,—and the Resolution should read, as follows:—

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Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL to continue and amend the Act 32 and 33 *Vict.*, cap. 3, intituled: "An Act for the Temporary Government of Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory when United with Canada."

Mr. *Bolton*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all sums collected by Customs officers, or by their deputies, for Bonds, Entries, Certificates, Blanks, or for any other charges made in their respective offices since the 1st July, 1867; and a statement of what fees (if any) such officers are entitled to receive in connection with their duties.

Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburg)—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of petitions or any correspondence in possession of the Government referring to the appointment of a Harbor Master for the Port of Halifax.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley*—On Tuesday next—That The House do on next, go into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolution:

That it is expedient to amend the Act, 32-33 *Vict.* Cap. 40, so as to provide that the duty therein mentioned shall be payable once in each calendar year, on vessels not over one hundred tons burthen, and twice in each calendar year on vessels over one hundred tons burthen instead of being payable once or twice (as the case may cbe) in each fiscal year; and that such duty shall be payable on vessels entering the harbors in which it is imposed, whether such vessels are or not entered or cleared at the Custom House, and shall be payable at any harbor where there is no collector, to any officer of the Customs authorized to receive it, on pain of the detention of the vessel, and of a penalty not exceeding dollars for non-payment.

No. 42.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 19TH APRIL, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of St. Hyacinthe, and Joliette, for the year 1869.—

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *R. H. Montgomery*, and others, of New Richmond, County of Bonaventure ; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of *Hugh Campbell*, and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton ; praying for the establishment of a tri-weekly instead of a weekly communication between Port Hood and Pictou, and that the Steamers commence running immediately on the opening of Navigation, and continue to the close of the same.

Mr. *Savary* introduced a Bill (No. 83) to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Forbes*, it was *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for the issue of a Writ for the Election of a Member of this House for the Electoral District of King's, in the place of *William Henry Chipman*, Esq., deceased.

The Bill (No. 76) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Perjury," was read the second time, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 82) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Penitentiary Act of 1868," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

Ordinary.

126	Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff	$29,140 00
127	do Brigade Majors	25,000 00
128	Allowances for Drill Instruction	45,000 00
129	Military Schools, including the pay of the Superintendent and his clerk	80,000 00
130	Ammunition	54,000 00
131	Clothing	100,000 00
132	Military Stores and Storage	50,000 00

133 Public Armories and care of arms, including the pay of storekeepers and caretakers, storemen, and the rent, fuel and light of Public Armories $53,000 00
134 Drill pay and camp purposes, and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia..... 426,000 00
135 Contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations and Bands of efficient Corps 60,000 00
136 Targets 5,000 00
137 Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges..... 25,000 00

Extraordinary.

138 Enrolment..... 45,000 00
139 Barrack accomodation 25,000 00
140 Military Survey 2,607 00
141 To meet the expense of any damage to Arms 5,000 00
142 Gunboats..... 15,000 00
143 Care of properties transferred from the Ordance 2,500 00
144 For improved Fire Arms (Henry Martini and Snider Rifles) 40,000 00
159 Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Culler's Offices..... 69,990 00
160 Steamboat Inspection 8,321 00
161 Annual Grant to Indians, Quebec 400 00
162 do Nova Scotia 2,300 00
163 do New Brunswick 2,200 00
164 To Purchase Blankets for aged and infirm Indians, Ontario and Quebec 1,100 00

Miscellaneous.

165 Printing Canada "Gazette"..... 4,500 00
166 Postages of do 1,200 00

Resolution 168 being proposed, viz:

Unforseen Expenses (Expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council, and a detailed account thereof to be laid before Parliament, during the first 15 days of the next Session 75,000 00

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved to add after the word "Council" the following: "and confined to payments connected with the service of the year;" which was agreed to.—

The said Resolution was accordingly adopted, as amended, and is as follows:—

168 Unforseen Expenses (Expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council, and confined to payments connected with the service of the year, and a detailed account thereof to be laid before Parliament, during the first 15 days of the Session)..... 75,000 00
169 Shipping Master's Office, Quebec 1,200 00
170 Expenses connected with ascertaining correct time at Ottawa and firing of noon gun 400 00
171 Code of Signals and Flags for the Dominion Government..... 600 00
172 Expenses of Investigations relating to Wrecks 2,000 90
173 Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy, to be apportioned by Order in Council..... 50,000 00

Resolution 174 being proposed, viz:—

Salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports, viz:—

1 In the Province of Quebec $169,544 00
2 do Ontario 164,722 00
3 do Nova Scotia 88,507 00
4 do New Brunswick..... 61,058 00
5 Salaries and contigent expenses of Inspectors of Ports 10,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight,

WEDNESDAY, 20th APRIL, 1870.

The said Resolution was adopted:—

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

175 Contingencies of Head Office, covering Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., at the several Ports of entry..... 15,000 00

Inland Revenue.

176 Salaries of Outside Officers and Inspectors of Excise..... 104,100 00
177 Travelling expenses, rent, fuel stationery, postage, furniture, &c. 28,100 00
178 Preventive Sevice 3,000 00

Resolutions to be reported:—

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

Hon. Mr. *Morris* presented,—Return to Address of the 6th instant; for a Return of the names of all parties now employed in the Excise Office in Montreal; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salary or remuneration paid to each.

The House then adjourned at 1.40 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN.
Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit: }

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of Thursday, the twenty-first day of April instant, to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal, at Ottawa
this twelfth day of April, 1870.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN.
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Archibald*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing, so far as the same can at present be ascertained, the number of Bridges, above the size of culverts, required to be constructed on the Intercolonial Railway, the localities where the same are to be built—and the estimated cost; such return to shew the estimated cost, if the spans are constructed of Timber, and the estimated cost if constructed in Iron. Also a copy of so much of the contracts for the construction of the Road, as contains the provisions, if any, for enabling the Commissioners to substitute Iron for Wood in the construction of Bridges in case it may seem to them desirable to do so.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all correspondence referring to the appointment of Indian Commissioner and agents in the County of Victoria, Province of New Brunswick.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1870.

Five Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.—

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, the Fifth and Sixth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.

Mr. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville) moved, that it be *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House the construction and management of the Intercolonial Railway ought to be placed under the direct control of the Government and that so much of the Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway as provides for the appointment of Commissioners, ought to be repealed; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Béchard, Bertrand, Bodwell, Bowman, Brown, Carmichael, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Ferris, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Langlois, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Munroe, Oliver, Pelletier, Pickard, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—44.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Burtou, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Colby, Connell, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Hutchison, Irvine, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lawson, LeVesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Morris, O'Connor, Pâquet, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Willson, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County)—85.

Mr. *Rymal* moved, that the Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of $20,000 to the late Sir *Allan Napier McNab*, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands, in or near the City of Hamilton, be concurred in.

And a Debate arising,—and it being six o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock P.M.— 7.30 P.M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

Hon. Mr. *Abbott* moved, that the Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, be now read a third time.

Hon. *John S. Macdonald* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole to add the following Clause thereto :—" And be it enacted that no "portion of the line of Rail Road, now in the course of construction from the City of Ottawa to Carleton Place shall be held or construed to be part of the said Canada Central Rail Road;" which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Béchard, Bowell, Brown, Carling, Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Fortin, Gendron, Grover, Holmes, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McConkey, Metcalfe, Munroe, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Rymal, Snider, White, Whitehead, Willson and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.)—37.

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archibald, Beaty, Bellerose, Bertrand, Bodwell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Campbell, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dorion, Dufresne, Ferris, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gibbs, Hagar, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Kempt, Lacerte, Langevin, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Renfrew), McMillan, McMonnies, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pickard, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Scriver, Simard, Simpson, Stirton, Sylvain, Tilley, Tremblay, Wallace, Webb, Wells, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County) and Young.—74.

Hon. *John S. Macdonald* again moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, to provide that any power or privileges contained in the Bill to authorize the construction of the said Canada Central Railroad shall not extend towards Lake Huron, beyond the Village of Pembroke, in the County of Renfrew; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Bowell, Brown, Carling, Cayley, Chauveau, Coupal, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Gendron, Grover, Holmes, Kempt, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McConkey, Metcalfe, Morison (Victoria, O), Munroe, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Redford, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Rymal, Snider, Whitehead, Willson and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R).—38½

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archibald, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E, Cheval, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferris, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gibbs, Grant, Hagar, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, Huot, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Renfrew), McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pickard, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Scriver, Simard, Simpson, Stirton, Sylvain, Tilley, Tremblay, Wallace, Webb, Wells, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County) and Young.—86.

Hon. Mr. *Chauveau* then moved in amendment, that the Order of the Day for the third reading of the said Bill be discharged, and that it be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to add the following Clause :—" No Railway or part of Railway to be built, acquired, or completed before the time limited by the Act hereby amended by the said Canada Central Railway Company, or by the said Ottawa Valley Railway Company, or by any Company amalgamated or to be amalgamated with the same, shall be deemed to have been built, acquired, or completed within such time in so far as the grant of land therein mentioned is concerned."

And a Debate arising thereon,—and the hour for Private Bills having expired,

The Order for Government measures was called.—

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Friday next, to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of the duty on Vessels, imposed under the authority of the Act 32 & 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 40.

The following Bills from the Senate were severally read a third time, and passed, viz. :—

No. 76. intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting Perjury."

No. 82. intituled : " An Act to amend the Penitentiary Act of 1868."

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole on Saturday last, providing for a system of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service, and the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons, were reported, and are as follows :—

1. *Resolved*, That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of *sixty* years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary—during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say :

If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten-fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years, when an annual allowance of thirty-five-fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years; if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order; and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made for the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards, and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty five years of service.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one-twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the super annuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered a implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing herein contained shall be understood as im paring or affecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding *one months* pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months pay for every two years service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body or mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act S. 7.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of *sixty* years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, aud not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments; and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation, determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which, they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. *Resolved*—That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

The first and second Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The third Resolution being read a second time;

Hon. Mr. *Blanchet* moved in amendment, that the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to provide for a uniform abatement of two and a half per cent on all salaries.

Mr. *Godin* moved in amendment, to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "that" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof: "the Report be not now received, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with instruction to amend the same by adding after the third Resolution the following:

That it is expedient to provide that any person to whom the present Resolutions apply, voluntarily retiring from the Civil Service, and not being entitled to the retiring allowance, shall receive one half of the amount which he shall have contributed to the said Fund without interest; but if he enters the Civil Service again at

any time afterwards, such amount shall be re-imbursed by him to the Fund, on his re-entering with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, otherwise his service prior to his retiring shall not be computed in his length of service in calculating the retiring allowance to which he may afterwards be entitled.

And it is expedient to provide that except as hereinafter provided, if a person to whom these Resolutions apply dies while in the Civil Service, or while he is in receipt of a retiring allowance, his widow shall be entitled during her life or until she re-marries, to an annual allowance equivalent to one half the retiring allowance which her husband received, or to which he would have been entitled at the time of his death if he had then retired.

But the widow shall not be entitled to such yearly allowance unless she was married to such person at least one year before his death.

And the widow of any person who at the period of passing hereof is over sixty years of age, or who in any other manner is then entitled to retire with a retiring allowance, shall not be entitled to such allowance.

That it is expedient to provide that the orphan children of any person whos widow received or would have been entitled to receive an annual allowance in virtue of the preceding Resolution, may receive out of the said Fund an annual allowance which shall be determined by the Governor in Council according to the circumstances in which such orphans are left, but not exceeding in the whole the annual allowance which the widow received or to which she would have been entitled.

But such annual allowance shall in no case be paid to an orphan over Twenty-one years of age, or to any orphan whose mother is then in receipt, as a widow of an allowance in virtue of these Resolutions," which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Archambeault, Béchard, Bertrand, Bodwell, Bourassa, Caron, Casault, Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Coupal, Dorion, Forbes, Fortier, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Gray, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pouliot, Pozer, Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Savary, Sproat, White, Whitehead, and Young.—41.

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Campbell, Carling, Carmichael, Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Connell, Costigan, Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gibbs, Grant, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Jones, (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Kempt, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir A., (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morison, (Victoria, O.), Morrison, (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross, (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Scatcherd, Scriver, Simard, Snider, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wells, Willson, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County) and Wright, (York, Ontario, W. R.)—92.

And the question being put on Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*'s proposed amendment; it was negatived on a division.

The third Resolution being again read;

Mr. *Joly* moved in amendment, that the said report be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend it by adding after the words "six hundred dollars" in the fourth line of the third Resolution the words, "but such contribution to the Superannuation Fund shall not be compulsory on any person whose life is now insured, as long as his life continues to be insured; but such parties will not be entitled to any share of the Superannuation Fund;" which was negatived on the following division.

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Archambeault, Béchard, Bertrand, Bolton, Bourassa, Burpee, Caldwell, Casault, Cayley, Cimon, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Ferris, Forbes, Fortier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Godin, Grover, Hurdon, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Savary, Snider, Sproat, Stirton, Sylvain, Wallace, Webb, Wells, and Wright (Ottawa County).—55.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Campbell, Carling, Caron Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Cheval, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), McConkey, McGreevy, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Scatcherd, Scriver, Simard, Tilley, Walsh, White, Willson and Workman.—58.

The third Resolution was then agreed to, on a division.

The fourth to the eighth Resolution inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to on a division.

The ninth and tenth Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* then introduced a Bill (No. 84) for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases. — Second reading on Friday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

	Ontario and Quebec Mail Services:—	
	1. Grand Trunk Railway	$167,000 00
	2. Great Western Railway	45,000 00
	3. Other Railways	40,000 00
	4. Steamboat Service	40,000 00
179	5. Ocean Mail Service	10,000 00
	6. Military and Naval Postage refunds	6,000 00
	7. Salaries of Outside Services: Inspectors, Railway Clerks, &c.	100,000 00
	8. Payments for ordinary Mail Contract Service	215,000 00
	9. Miscellaneous	30,000 00
	10. *Nova Scotia Mail Services*	85,000 00
	11. *New Brunswick Mail Services*	80,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight.

THURSDAY, 21st April, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

	Public Works, Ontario and Quebec:—	
	1. Ordinary Repairs	$185,000 00
	2. Maintenance, Salaries of Staff, etc.	155,000 00
	Welland Canal.	
180	3. Repairs to Port Maitland Terminus	15,000 00
	Cornwall Canal.	
	4. Renewing Superstructure of Piers	6,900 00
	5. Rebuilding Superintendent's house	4,000 00
	Rideau Canal.	
	6. Renewing and enlarging Bulk Heads	10,500 00

Nova Scotia Railways.

	1. Working Expenses	$284,000 00
181	2. Relaying of Track, etc.	28,750 00
	3. Renewal of Cars	7,250 00
182	European and North American Railway and Eastern Extension Working Expenses	167,500 00
183	Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers	27,530 00
184	Collection of Slide and Boom Dues	12,172 00
185	Minor Revenues	10,000 00
21	To meet the possible amount for increases under the Civil Service Act, or for possible new appointments required by any extention of the Staff, or other charge	25,000 00

House of Commons.

27	Salaries and Contingencies per Clerk's Estimate	$ 3,065 00

Immigration and Quarantine.

48	(Item 6) To meet possible expenses of Immigration	14,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1.50 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN.

Speaker.

DOMINION OF CANADA }
To wit: }

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner appointed under section 99 of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, by the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a copy of the minutes of his proceedings under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at eleven of the clock, in the forenoon, of Thursday, the twenty-first day of April instant, to take the proceedings and return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Given under my hand and seal, at Ottawa
this twelfth day of April, 1870.

(L. S.) JAMES COCKBURN.
Speaker of the House of Commons.
Dominion of Canada.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Savary*.—In Committee of the Whole, on the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Bills of Exchange "and Promissory Notes."

That Section 18 of said Bill be amended by striking out of said Section 18, line 8, the words "in the afternoon of," and substituting the word "on." Also by adding the Section following to the said Bill:—

"31. It shall not be necessary to change any one or any Bill or Note drawn, made, accepted, or payable in Canada, that such Bill or Note should be protested for non-acceptance or non-payment, but presentment and due notice of dishonor according to the provisions of this Act, instead of protest and notice of protest shall be sufficient to charge any party on any such Bill or Note."

Also by adding the following Section:—

"32. The practice of days' of grace on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, made or drawn after this Act comes into force, is hereby abolished."

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges).—When The House will be asked to concur in the Report of the Committee of Supply, to add to the Resolution for a vote of money for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for the settlement of the North-West Territories, the following words:

"Provided no portion of the said sum, or of the Dominion funds shall be expended in employing Troops, "or the Militia of the Dominion, for the purpose of acquiring by force of arms the possession of said Territory; "nor until the peaceful possession of the same shall have been secured to this Dominion according to, and under "the terms of the agreement entered into between the Imperial anthorities and the Government of Canada."

Hon. Mr. *Tilley*—On Friday next—That The House do on a future day, go into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolution:

That it is expedient to amend the Act, 32-33 *Vict.*, Cap. 40, so as to provide that the duty therein mentioned shall be payable once in twelve months, on vessels not over one hundred tons burthen, and twice in twelve months, on vessels over one hundred tons burthen, instead of being payable once or twice (as the case may be) in each fiscal year; and that such duty shall be payable on vessels entering the harbors in which it is imposed, whether such vessels are or not entered or cleared at the Custom House, and shall be payable at any harbor where there is no collector, to any officer of the Customs authorised to receive it, on pain of the detention of the vessel, and of a penalty not exceeding dollars for non-payment; and that the said Act shall extend to Aspy Bay or Cape North Harbor, and Southern Bay, Inganiche, both in Victoria County, Nova Scotia, as well as to the Ports and Harbors mentioned in the said Act.

Mr. *Pickard*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for petitions and correspondence referring to the removal of the office of the General Post Office Inspector from the City of Fredericton to the City of St. John, N. B.

No. 44.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1870.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 21ST APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *George G. Charlton*, and others, of Lynedoch, and vicinity; praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Inventions.

Of *Henry Fry*, and others, Steamboat owners, Manufacturers, Merchants and others, of the City of Quebec, and Town of Lévis; praying that coal imported from Great Britain may be admitted free of duty.

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, a Messsage was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting to give leave to *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, their Clerk, to attend in order to his being examined before the Select Standing Committee of this House on Public Accounts, on Monday next, the 25th instant, at 11 A.M.; and produce before the said Committee an account of the sums paid to each of the Members of that House as indemnity and mileage for the last Session of the present Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, the Seventh Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was referred back to the said Committee for re-consideration.

The Resolutions, adopted in Committee of Supply, on Friday the 8th instant, were reported, and are as follows:

4	The Department of Militia and Defence	$25,980 00
5	The Department of the Secretary of State	21,587 50
6	The Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces	15,670 00
7	The Department of the Receiver General	15,700 00
8	The Finance Department	36,455 83
9	The Customs Department	20,540 00
10	The Inland Revenue Department	18,200 00
11	The Department of Public Works	37,740 00
12	The Post Office Department	49,940 00
13	The Department of Agriculture	19,705 00
14	The Department of Marine and Fisheries	14,210 00
15	The Treasury Board Office	3,000 00
16	The Finance Offices, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	2,000 00
17	The Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia	10,600 00
18	The Dominion Offices, New Brunswick	6,500 00

Resolutions 4 and 5 being read a second time, were agreed to.

Resolution 6 (Salaries of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces) being read a second time, was postponed.—

Resolutions 7 to 16, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Resolution 17 being read a second time:

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved, that the item be reduced to $6,500 00, the Service in Nova Scotia not requiring a larger appropriation than the same Service in New Brunswick; which was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Ault, Béchard, Bertrand, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Connell, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dorion, Drew, Ferris, Fortier, Gaucher, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pelletier, Pickard, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, Wallace, Webb, Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—68.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Read, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Savary, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Walsh and Workman.—66.

The said Resolution, as amended, was then agreed to and is as follows:—

17. The Dominion Officers, Nova Scotia.—$6,500.00.

Resolution 18 being read a second time;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that this House regrets that the Government should have deemed it necessary to increase the salaries of Officers in the Public Service, at a time when the utmost economy is absolutely necessary,—when there is a deficit in the Revenue,—and when this House has reduced the salaries paid to its officers.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges) moved in amendment thereto, that no Public Employée shall receive more than one salary, and that the word "Salary" shall mean annual or temporary salary, emolument, fee, payment, compensation, or allowance of any kind whatsoever.—

Objection being taken, that this motion is out of order, in asmuch as the two motions have no connection with one another;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows:—The question is on the motion for granting the sum of $6,500.00 for the Dominion Offices, New Brunswick, and the Honorable Member for Lambton moves, "that this House regrets that the Government should have deemed it necessary to increase the salaries of Officers in the Public Service, at a time when the utmost economy is absolutely necessary,—when there is a deficit in the Revenue,—and when this House has reduced the salaries paid to its Officers."

This question I must treat as a distinct substantive proposition.—It is not offered in amendment to the item; The House is not asked to reduce or recall that vote; it is not proposed to refer the item back to the Committee, but is a substantive proposition, and as proposed to The House I must treat it *per se*. Then the motion of the Honorable Member for Soulanges, who has moved an amendment respecting salaries, I think is not pertinent to the motion of the Honorable Member for Lambton, and I think cannot be said to be in order.—It seems to me to be most unreasonable, most illogical, that a general proposition, such as that of the Honorable Member for Lambton, should be amendable by the proposition of the Honorable Member for Soulanges. The latter is not in its form proposed as an amendment; it is not proposed to strike out certain words of the motion of the Honorable Member for Lambton, nor does it seek to add anything to the motion; it is a separate propositon standing alone, and quite distinct from the other. Therefore, I decide that it is not in order.—

And the question being put on Mr. *Mackenzie's* motion,—it was negatived on the following division:—

Nays:

Messieurs Anglin, Ault, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Ferris, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Oliver Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Wallace, Wells, Whitehead, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—53.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison

(Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria N.S.), Ryan (King's, N.B.), Savary, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, Wilson, Workman and Wright (Ottawa County).—92.

Resolution 18 was then agreed to.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 49) An Act to amend the Act intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal," with amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Workman*, the said amendments were agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Contested Election Committee reported, that they had fixed Thursday the 28th instant at 11 A.M. for hearing the argument of Counsel in the said case, and request leave, with consent of both parties, to adjourn until that day.—Leave granted accordingly.—

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Tuesday the 12th instant, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows:—

19.	Departmental Contingencies	$150,000 00
20.	Stationery Office for Stationery	15,000 00
22.	Miscellaneous in connection with the Administration of Justice	10,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Wednesday, the 13th instant, were reported, and are as follows:

23	Police of the Dominion	$25,000 00
24	Water Police, Montreal	8,030 00
25	River Police, Quebec	9,456 00
	SENATE.	
26	Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate	45,270 00
	HOUSE OF COMMONS.	
28	Salaries and Contingencies, per Sergeant-at-Arms' Estimate	40,468 75
	MISCELLANEOUS.	
31	Grant to Parliamentary Library	$ 6,000 00
32	Printing, Binding and distributing the Laws	10,000 00
33	Printing, Printing Paper, and Bookbinding	35,000 00
34	St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway, for two special trains daily, during Session of Parliament	2,400 00
35	Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces	7,000 00
36	Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery	1,000 00
37	Miscellaneous Printing	2,000 00
	OBSERVATORIES.	
38	Observatory, Quebec	$2,400 00
39	do Toronto	4,800 00
40	do Kingston	500 00
41	do Montreal	500 00
42	do Halifax	750 00
43	do New Brunswick	800 00
44	Salaries and contingent expenses of Statistical Office, Halifax	3,890 00
45	Salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia	1,580 00
46	Prothonotaries Returns of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, Province of Quebec	700 00
47	To meet the possible amount required in the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1871, for the taking of the Census	150,000 00
48	1. Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés	18,212 00
	2. Medical Inspection, Port of Quebec	2,600 00
	3. Quarantine, Grosse Isle	12,000 00
	4. do St. John, N.B.	3,900 00
	5. do Halifax	4,060 00
	7. To meet possible expenses of Immigration	45,000 00
49	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec	21,500 00
50	Marine Hospitals, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, Hospital at St. Catharines, and Maintenance &c. of Shipwrecked and Sick and Distressed Seamen at the several Ports of the Dominion	$18,526 00
	PENSIONS.	
51	Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly	400 00
52	L. Gagné, Messenger, do	72 00
53	John Bright. do do	80 00
54	Mrs. Antrobus	800 00
	NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.	
55	Mrs. Caroline McEachern, and 4 children	292 00
56	Jane Lakey	146 00
57	Rhoda Smith	110 00

58	Janet Alderson	$110 00
59	Margaret McKenzie	80 00
60	Mary Ann Richey, and 2 children	336 00
61	Mary Morrison	80 00
62	Louise Prud'homme, and 2 children	130 00
63	Virginie Charron, and 4 children	150 00
64	Paul M. Robins	146 00
65	Chas. T. Bell	73 00
66	Alex. Oliphant	109 50
67	Chas Lugsden	91 25
68	Jno. White	109 50
69	Thos. Charters	91 25
70	Samuel McCrag	109 50
71	Charles T. Robertson	110 00
72	Percy G. Routh	400 00
73	Richard S. King	400 00
74	George A. McKenzie	73 00
75	Edward Hilder	146 00
76	Fergus Scholfield	73 00
77	John Bradley	109 50
78	Richard Penticost	91 25
79	James Bryan	109 50
80	Jacob Stubbs	73 00
81	Mary Connor	110 00
82	Mary Hodgins, and 3 children	191 00
83	John Martin	110 00
84	A. E. Marchand	110 00
85	A. W. Stevenson	110 00
86	Mrs. J. Thorburn	150 00
87	Mrs. P. T. Worthington, and children	378 00
88	Mrs. J. H. Elliott, and children	130 00
89	Mrs. Geo. Prentice, and children	400 00
90	Ellen Kirkpatrick, and 3 children	266 00

COMPENSATION TO PENSIONERS.

91	In lieu of land	$9,000 00

DOMINION RAILWAYS.

92	Intercolonial Railway	$6,000,000 00
93	Nova Scotia Railway (Revote $20,000 00)	59,200 00
94	European and North American Railway, N.B.	5,000 00

Resolutions 23 to 26, inclusive, 28, 31, 32, 33, and 34 being read a second time, were agreed to.

Resolution 35 being read a second time;

Mr. *Mills* moved, that the Laws relating to property, civil rights and procedure in Ontario, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia cannot be assimilated without the consent of their Legislatures respectively, and that as none of the said Provinces have expressed a desire to effect such assimilation, it is not expedient to vote the sum of $7,000.00 now proposed for the said purpose, which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Carmichael, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Hutchinson, Joly, Kempt, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Wells, White, Whitehead, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—45.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bertrand, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Ferris, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (King's, N.B.), Scriver, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Willson, Workman and Wright (Ottawa County).—85

Resolution 35 was then agreed to.

Resolutions 36 to 42, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Resolution 43 being read a second time;

Honorable Mr. *Connell*, moved, to add after the words "New Brunswick" the following " and University St. John N. B.; which was negatived on a division.

Resolution 43 was agreed to.

Resolutions 44 and 45 being read a second time, were agreed to.

Resolution 46 being read a second time;
On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the said Resolution was expunged.

Resolutions 47 and 48 (items 1. 2. 3. 4. 5 and 7) being read a second time, were agreed to.

Resolutions 49 to 94, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Thursday, the 14th instant, were reported and are as follows:—

PUBLIC WORKS.

95	*Lachine Canal*—	
	1. Supply Weir at head (Revote)	$34,000 00
	2. Culvert, River St. Pierre	16,000 00
	Welland Canal—	
	3. Deepening to Lake Erie Level (Revote $25,000 00)	86,000 00
	4. Waste Weir at Dunnville	27,000 00
	Chambly Canal—	
	5. Houses for Lock Keepers (Revote)	3,850 00
	Rideau Canal—	
	6. Increase of Water Supply (Revote $10,000 00)	12,000 00
	Carillon and Grenville Canal and St. Ann's Lock—	
	7. (Probable Cost $250,000 00)	150,000 00
	8. Miscellaneous Works, chargeable to Construction (Revote $11,000 00)	15,150 00
96	For opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the North-West Territory (Revote)	$1,300,000 00
	Harbors and Piers—	
97	1. Lakes Erie and Huron	100,000 00
	2. Mabou Harbor	5,000 00
	3. Coteau du Lac Pier	4,000 00
	4. Piers below Quebec	2,500 00
98	Protection to Little Hope Light House, N.S.	15,000 00
99	1. Ottawa Parliament and Departmental Buildings (Revote)	63,000 00
	2. do. do. Buildings, Library (Estimate $145,000 00)	100,000 00
	3. Montreal Custom House	200,000 00
	4. St. John's N.B. do.	75,000 00
	5. London do. (Estimate $50,000 00)	25,000 00
	6. Toronto, Examining Warehouse	10,000 00
	7. do. Immigrant Sheds	10,000 00
	8. Halifax, Quarantine Station (Revote of $10,000)	14,000 00
	9. Post Offices, Toronto, Quebec, and London	155,000 00
100	Slides and Booms, and Works necessary to facilitate the descent of Timber	15,000 00

Resolution 95 (Items 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7 and 8) being read a second time, was agreed to.

Resolution 96 being read a second time;

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges) moved, that the following words be added thereto:—"provided no portion of the said sum, or of the Dominion funds, shall be expended in employing troops, or the Militia of the Dominion, for the purpose of regaining by force of arms, the possession of said Territory, nor until the peaceful possession the same shall have been secured to this Dominion according to, and under the terms of the agreement entered into between the Imperial authorities and the Government of Canada."

And a Debate arising thereon,—the Debate on the said Resolution was, on motion of the Honorble Sir *John A. Macdonald*, postponed.

The consideration of the remainder of the Report, was also postponed.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

PENITENTIARIES.

121	Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario	$112,800 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight-

FRIDAY, 22ND, APRIL, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

122	Rockwood Asylum, Kingston, Ontario	$68,784 12
123	Penitentiary, Halifax, N. S.	13,251 00
124	do St. John, N. B.	50,116 00
125	Directors of Penitentiaries	9,000 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

101	1 River Thames	$2,400 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 28th ult; for a Return of all Orders in Council authorizing any Printing or Binding to be done without tender; with a detailed statement of all expenditure incurred under the authority of such Orders in Council in each such case.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Saturday the 16th instant, were reported and agreed to and are as follows :—

IMPROVEMENT OF RIVERS.

101	2 Miscellaneous		$2,600 00

ROADS ANE BRIDGES.

102	1 Road between Ste. Anne des Monts and Fox River, as a final vote		10,000 00
	2 Miscellaneous		5,000 00
103.	Surveys and Inspection		20,000 00
104.	Arbitrations and Awards		10,000 00
105.	Miscellaneous Works not otherwise provided for		10,000 00
106.	Rents, Repairs, Furniture	45,000 00	
	Heating Public Buildings, Ottawa	32,000 00	
			77,000 00
107.	Public Buildings generally (Re-vote)		20,000 00
108.	Richibucto Harbor (2 years)		4,000 00
109.	Amherst Harbor and House Harbor, Magdalen Islands		4,000 00
110.	Windsor and Annopolis Railway, Nova Scotia		31,600 00
111.	Western Extension, New Brunswick		70,000 00
112.	Eastern Extension, do		12,500 00
113.	Fredericton Branch do		7,500 00

DOMINION STEAMERS.

114.	Maintenance and repairs of Steamers, Quebec	53,700 00

SUBSIDIES.

115.	Moiety payable to Inman Line between Halifax and Cork	39,541 00
116.	Steam Communication between Quebec and Maritime Provinces	15,000 00
117.	Steam Communication between Prince Edward Island and the Ports of the Dominion	1,600 00
118.	Packet Communication between Pictou and the Magdalen Islands	400 00
119.	Steam Communication between New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island	1,000 00

TUG SERVICE, UPPER ST. LAWRENCE.

120.	Between Montreal and Kingston	12,000 00

QUEBEC.

145.	1. Salaries of Light House Keepers, &c.	$12,097 00
	2. Maintenance of Light Houses, &c.	17,147 00
	3. Construction of Light Houses, Fog Trumpets, &c.	104,000 00
	4. Maintenance of New Light Houses for part of season	3,200 00

BETWEEN QUEBEC AND MONTREAL.

146.	1. Salaries of Light House Keepers	3,825 00
	2. Maintenance, &c., of Light Houses	6,825 00
	3. Steamer "Richelieu"	4,200 00

TRINITY HOUSE, QUEBEC.

147.	Salaries and Contingencies	$7,488 00

TRINITY HOUSE, MONTREAL.

148.	Salaries and Contingencies	7,614 00

REMOVAL OF WRECKS.

149.	Wreck of the "Glanmore"	2,000 00

LIGHT HOUSES, ETC., ABOVE MONTREAL.

150.	1. Salaries and allowances	22,884 00
	2. Maintenance	21,720 00
	3. Construction	9,900 00

NOVA SCOTIA.

151.	1. Salaries and allowances	27,446 00
	2. Maintenance, &c.	36,918 00
	3. Construction	11,000 00

NEW BRUNSWICK.

152.	1. Salaries and allowances	11,427 00
	2. Maintenance, &c.	11,325 00
	3. Construction	3,200 00
	4. Buoys and Beacons	4,610 00

153.	Sable and Seal Islands Humane Establishments	$8,000 00
154.	Cape Race Light	1,000 00
155.	Maintenance and repairs of Schooner "La Canadienne"	9,000 00
	Salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens :—	
156.	1. Ontario	5,500 00
	2. Quebec	7,000 00
	3. New Brunswick	6,000 00
	4. Nova Scotia	6,000 00
157.	Fishways and Oyster Beds and for Fish Breeding	9,000 00
158.	Adittional for the protection of the Fisheries, (Marine Police).	57,708 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Tuesday the 19th instant, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows :—

MILITIA.

Ordinary Services.

126	Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff	$29,140 00
127	do Brigade Majors	25,000 00
128	Allowances for Drill Instruction to extend to the 1st November, 1871 ; it being impossible to get in all the claims under these heads, before the expiration of the financial year	45,000 00
129	Military Schools, including the pay of the Superintendent and his clerk	80,000 00
130	Ammunition	54,000 00
131	Clothing	100,000 00
132	Military Stores and Storage	50,000 00
133	Public Armories and care of arms, including the pay of storekeepers and caretakers, storemen, and the rent, fuel and light of Public Armories to extend to the 1st November, 1871; it being impossible to get in all the claims under these heads before the expiration of the financial year	$53,000 00
134	Drill pay and camp purposes, and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia to extend to the 1st November, 1871 ; it being impossible to get in all the claims under these heads before the expiration of the financial year	426,000 00
135	Contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations and Bands of efficient Corps	60,000 00
136	Targets	5,000 00
137	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges	25,000 00

Extraordinary.

138	Enrolment	45,000 00
139	Barrack accomodation	25,000 00
140	Military Survey	2,607 00
141	To meet the expense of any damage to Arms	5,000 00
142	Gunboats	15,000 00
143	Care of properties transferred from the Ordnance	2,500 00
144	For improved Fire Arms (Henry Martini and Snider Rifles)	40,000 00
159	Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Culler's Offices	69,990 00
160	Steamboat Inspection	8,321 00
161	Annual Grant to Indians, Quebec	400 00
162	do Nova Scotia	2,300 00
163	do New Brunswick	2,200 00
164	To Purchase Blankets for aged and infirm Indians, Ontario and Quebec	1,100 00

Miscellaneous.

165	Printing Canada "Gazette"	4,500 00
166	Postages of do	1,200 00
168	Unforeseen Expenses (Expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council, and confined to payments connected with the service of the year, and a detailed account thereof to be laid before Parliament, during the first 15 days of the next Session)	75,000 00
169	Shipping Master's Office, Quebec	1,200 00
170	Expenses connected with ascertaining correct time at Ottawa and firing of noon gun	400 00
171	Code of Signals and Flags for the Dominion Government	600 00
172	Expenses of Investigations relating to Wrecks	2,000 90
173	Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy, to be apportioned by Order in Council	50,000 00
	Salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports, viz :—	
174	1 In the Province of Quebec	$169,544 00
	2 do Ontario	164,722 00
	3 do Nova Scotia	88,507 00
	4 do New Brunswick	61,058 00
	5 Salaries and contigent expenses of Inspectors of Ports	10,000 00

175 Contingencies of Head Office, covering Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., at the several Ports of entry $15,000 00

Inland Revenue.

176 Salaries of Outside Officers and Inspectors of Excise 104,100 00
177 Travelling expenses, rent, fuel stationery, postage, furniture, &c. 28,100 00
178 Preventive Service 3,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Wednesday the 20th instant, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows :—

179 *Ontario and Quebec Mail Services* :—

1. Grand Trunk Railway $167,000 00
2. Great Western Railway 45,000 00
3. Other Railways 40,000 00
4. Steamboat Service 40,000 00
5. Ocean Mail Service 10,000 00
6. Military and Naval Postage refunds 6,000 00
7. Salaries of Outside Services : Inspectors, Railway Clerks, &c. 100,000 00
8. Payments for ordinary Mail Contract Service 215,000 00
9. Miscellaneous 30,000 00
10. *Nova Scotia Mail Services* 85,000 00
11. *New Brunswick Mail Services* 80,000 00

180 *Public Works, Ontario and Quebec* :—

1. Ordinary Repairs $185,000 00
2. Maintenance, Salaries of Staff, etc. 155,000 00

Welland Canal.

3. Repairs to Port Maitland Terminus 15,000 00

Cornwall Canal.

4. Renewing Superstructure of Piers 6,900 00
5. Rebuilding Superintendent's house 4,000 00

Rideau Canal.

6. Renewing and enlarging Bulk Heads 10,500 00

Nova Scotia Railways.

181 1. Working Expenses $284,000 00
2. Relaying of Track, etc. 28,750 00
3. Renewal of Cars 7,250 00

182 European and North American Railway and Eastern Extension Working Expenses 167,500 00
183 Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers 27,530 00
184 Collection of Slide and Boom Dues 12,172 00
185 Minor Revenues 10,000 00
21 To meet the possible amount for increases under the Civil Service Act, or for possible new appointments required by any extention of the Staff, or other charge 25,000 00

House of Commons.

27 Salaries and Contingencies per Clerk's Estimate 30,065 00

Immigration and Quarantine.

48 (Item 6) Travelling expenses and contingencies, Europe and Canada 14,000 00

On motion of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns on Friday, it do stand adjourned until Saturday next at ½ past 7 P. M., and that Government business and orders have precedence.—

Honorable Mr. *Tilley* presented,—Return to Address of the 6th instant; for a return of the name of all persons appointed and now employed in the Montreal Custom House as Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers or Laborers in Examining Warehouse ; when appointed or employed ; the salary or amount paid to each ; also the names of the Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers or Laborers dismissed or suspended since 1866, and the cause of their dismissal or suspension.—

The House then adjourned at 2 A.M.—

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. *Sir Francis Hincks*—On Monday next—BILL to vest in Her Majesty for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada.

Mr. *Magill*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return shewing; 1stly, the amount which has accrued in each year from the sale of Clergy Reserves in Upper Canada, since the passage of the Act 18th *Victoria*, Chap. 2; 2ndly, a statement of the amount paid annually to each municipality in Upper Canada during that period; and 3rdly, the amount now due to each of them respectively under the authority thereof.

No. 45.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 22ND APRIL, 1870.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of Messrs. *Hart* and *Ingraham*, and others, of Port Hawkesbury ; praying that the proposed reduction in the subsidy to the Prince Edward Island Steam Navigation Company, may not be carried out.

Of *Allan McLean*, and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton ; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the Steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of *John McDonald*, and others, of East and West Lake Ainslie, polling district ; praying that the proposed improvements to Mabou Harbor, recommended by Mr. *Page*, Government Engineer, may be carried out.

Of the Society for the promotion of Home Industry ; and of *John Pratt*, and others ; severally praying that Coal imported from Great Britain, may be admitted free of duty.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Eighth Report, which is as follows :—

That the Contractor for the Printing of Parliament being also a Contractor for other Public Printing, it is expedient, in order to avoid errors, to Resolve.—

That the Committee are of opinion, that all papers and documents ordered to be printed by Parliament, are subject to the terms of Contract entered into between Parliament and the Contractor for the Parliamentary Printing ; and that the Annual Reports, from the Heads of the several Departments, are clearly comprised within the Parliamentary Printing, as documents to be submitted to Parliament, and also that it is within the power of Parliament to order, under its Contract, such numbers of copies of the above as may be required for the Public service ; and, to prevent any misunderstanding, it be requested that the Heads of the several Departments do communicate to this Committee what number of Printed Copies of their several Reports, or other Parliamentary Documents they may respectively require, that such number may be added to, and form part of, the Parliamentary Distribution List.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Return of the Tenders for Departmental Printing,—and the Return respecting Confidential Printing, were referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

The House resumed the further consideration of the four remaining Resolutions, reported yesterday, and which were adopted in Committee of Supply on Thursday, the 14th instant ; and being read a second time, they were agreed to, and are as follows :—

Harbors and Piers—

97	1.	Lakes Erie and Huron	$100,000 00
	2.	Mabou Harbor	5,000 00
	3.	Coteau du Lac Pier	4,000 00
	4.	Piers below Quebec	2,500 00
98		Protection to Little Hope Light House, N.S.	15,000 00
99	1.	Ottawa Parliament and Departmental Buildings (Revote)	63,000 00
	2.	do. do. Buildings, Library (Estimate $145,000 00)	100,000 00
	3.	Montreal Custom House	200,000 00
	4.	St. John's N.B. do.	75,000 00
	5.	London do. (Estimate $50,000 00)	25,000 00
	6.	Toronto, Examining Warehouse	10,000 00
	7.	do. Immigrant Sheds	10,000 00
	8.	Halifax, Quarantine Station (Revote of $10,000)	14,000 00
	9.	Post Offices, Toronto, Quebec, and London	155,000 00
100		Slides and Booms, and Works necessary to facilitate the descent of Timber	15,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, yesterday, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows:—

PENITENTIARIES.

121.	Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario	$112,831 00
122.	Rockwood Asylum, Kingston, Ontario	68,784 12
123.	Penitentiary, Halifax, N. S.	13,251 00
124.	do St. John, N. B.	50,116 00
125.	Directors of Penitentiaries	9,000 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

101	1	River Thames	$2,400 00

The Bill (No. 71) to amend the Act respecting the Department of Finance, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, read a third time and passed.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 55) An Act to revive the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company, *without amendment.*

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest, be now read the second time.—

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that it be read a second time this day six months; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Carmichael, Cartwright, Colby, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Gibbs, Grant, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Jackson, Kempt, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pope, Ray, Redford, Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Tupper, Webb, Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—65.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Joly Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMillan, Morris, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tremblay, Wallace, Walsh and White.—80.

The main motion was then agreed on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Joly, Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMillan, Morris, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N.B.), Rymal, Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tremblay, Wallace, Walsh, and White.—80.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Carmichael, Cartwright, Colby, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Gibbs, Grant, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Jackson, Kempt, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pope, Ray, Redford, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Tupper, Webb, Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County). Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—65.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 being read, was adopted.

Clause 2 being read;

Hon. Mr. *Tupper* moved to expunge the word "eight" and insert "seven" instead; on which the Committee divided:—

Yeas, 55.

Nays, 69.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburg) then moved, that Clause 2 be amended, by inserting the words "except in the Province of Nova Scotia," before the word "any," in line 1.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that Clause 2 be amended by inserting the words "except in the Provinces of Nova Scotia, Ontario, and New Brunswick," before the word "any" in line 1; on which the Committee divided:—

Yeas, 61.

Nays, 65.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Webb* moved that the Committee do now rise; on which the Committee divided:—

Yeas, 61.

Nays, 71.

So it passed in the Negative.

The question being then put on Mr. *McDonald's* (Lunenburg) motion; the Committee divided:—

Yeas, 60.

Nays, 72.

So it passed in the Negative.—

And, it being six o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

7.30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The House resumed the further consideration of Honorable Mr. *Abbott's* motion, that the Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, be now read a third time, and of Honorable Mr. *Chauveau's* proposed motion in amendment thereto,—and which amendment was, that the Order of the Day for the third reading of the said Bill be discharged, and that it be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to add the following Clause:—"No Railway or part of Railway to be built, acquired, or completed before the time limited by the Act hereby amended by the said Canada Central Railway Company, or by the said Ottawa Valley Railway Company, or by any Company amalgamated or to be amalgamated with the same, shall be deemed to have been built, acquired, or completed within such time in so far as the grant of land therein mentioned is concerned."

And a further Debate arising thereon,—and the hour for Private Bills having expired;

The Committee on Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest resumed.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 2 being again read;

Mr. *MacFarlane* moved, that the Committee do now rise; on which the Committee divided:—

Yeas, 23.

Nays, 43.

So it passed in the negative.

Clause 2 was then adopted.

Clause 3 being read, was adopted.

Mr. *Young* moved, that the following be added to the Bill, after Clause 3:—"That no Corporate body shall be allowed to charge a higher rate of Interest, than private individuals;" on which the Committee divided:—

Yeas, 33.

Nays, 44.

So it passed in the negative.

Clause 4 being read, was adopted.

The Preamble being read was adopted.

Bill to be reported.

The said Bill was accordingly reported without amendment; and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.—

The following Bills from the Senate were severally read a second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow, viz:

No. 73 intituled: "An Act to continue and make perpetual certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Province of New Brunswick, relative to the Police Force in the Parish of Portland, in the City and County of St. John" (*amended*).

No. 74 intituled: An Act to empower the Police Court of Halifax to sentence Juvenile Offenders to be detained in the Halifax Industrial School."

The Bill (No. 77) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend 'An Act respecting the security to be given by Officers of Canada,'" was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The House then adjourned until 7.30 P.M., to-morrow.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Alonzo Wright*—On Monday next—That The House do go into Committee to consider the following Resolution:

Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision for the Registration of marks or brands used for marking timber; and, for that purpose, to impose the following fees; to wit:—

On every application to register a timber mark, including certificate	$2.00
For each certificate of registration not already provided for	0.50
For each copy of any drawing, the reasonable expenses of preparing the same.	
For recording any assignment	1.00

And such fees shall be paid over by the Minister of Agriculture to the Receiver General, and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Hon. Mr. *Campbell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Instructions to officers employed in the service of the Protection of the Fisheries on the coasts of the Dominion.

Mr. *Brousseau*—On Monday next—Adoption of the Eighth Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of the sums paid for hiring of carriages in the several public Departments, with the names of those who employed them and the purposes for which they employed them.

No. 46.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1870.

7.30. P. M.

Five Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.—

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *Julien Chabot*, and others, of the Town of Lévis; praying that coal imported from Great Britain may be admitted free of duty.

Of the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society; praying for the passing of an Act, declaring that Sunday labor in all Departments of the Public Service shall be discontinued,—that the locks on all Canals shall be closed to traffic,—and that all Railway Trains shall cease to run from midnight on Saturdays, till midnight on Sundays.—

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Chauveau*, the Petition of the Hon. *R. D. Wilmot*, Senator, and others, of the Dominion of Canada, presented this day, was received and read; praying to be permitted to lay before The House their Petition for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The Quebec and New Brunswick Ralway Company," notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.—

He accordingly presented the said Petition of the Hon. *R. D. Wilmot*, Senator, and others, of the Dominion of Canada which was received and read; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The Quebec and new Brunswick Railway Company."—

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Reverend *L. Aubry, Curé*, and others, of the Parish of *Saint Antoine de la Rivière du Loup*, and other Parishes, County of *Maskinongé*; praying that the sum of $6000, may be granted for deepening the River *du Loup* at its mouth, be received;

Mr. Speaker decided, that "as this Petition prays for money, it cannot be received."—

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that the Return to an Address of the 28th ult,, shewing an account in detail of the amount originally advanced by way of loan, by the late Province of Upper Canada in connection with the Oakville Harbor, etc., be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts;

And a Debate arising;—an objection being taken by Hon. *John Sandfield Macdonald*, Member for the Town and Township of Cornwall, that no notice had been given of the said motion,—and Mr. Speaker having been appealed to by Hon. Mr. *Tupper*, Member for the Electoral District of Cumberland, whether it is not too late to take the objection, in consequence of the Debate having continued for some time;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows: "My attention being drawn to the fact that no notice has been given, I must at once declare it to be out of order."

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* introduced a Bill (No. 85) to vest in Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada.—Second reading on Tuesday next.—

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest, be now read a third time.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with instruction so to amend the same, as to provide that six per cent shall be the maximum legal rate of Interest; and that Banks and all other Corporations shall be placed in the same position, as private individuals.—

And a Debate arising thereon;

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* (Peel) moved, that the Debate be adjourned; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archibald, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Cartwright, Colby, Connell, Dufresne, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Holton, Hutchison, Irvine, Jackson, Kempt, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall, (Three Rivers), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pickhard, Pope, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Webb, Wells, Whitehead, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—59.

Nays:

Messieurs Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brown, Campbell, Carling, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Hincks Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McGreevy, McMillan, Morris, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's N. B.), Rymal, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, White, Willson and Wood.—79.

And the question being put on Hon. Mr. *Holton's* amendment; it was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archibald, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Cartwright, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Dufresne, Forbes, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Holton, Hutchison, Kempt, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Lunenburg), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pickard, Pope, Ray, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Scatcherd, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Webb, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—70.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Campbell, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Coupal, Daoust, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Grover, Hincks Sir Francis), Howe, Huot, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McGreevy, McMillan, Morris, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Sylvain, Tilley, Walsh, White and Willson.—67.

The House then went into Committee on the said Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1, being read; it was amended by expunging the words "continue to," in line 1 and all the words after "interest," in line 2.

Clause 2, being read, the word "eight" in line 1, was expunged, and the word "six" inserted instead.

Clause 3 being read, the word "eight" in line 1, was expunged, and the word "six" inserted instead; and all the words after "recoverable" in line 3 were also expunged.

Clause 4 being read, was adopted.

Preamble being read, was adopted.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

The Bill, as amended,, was accordingly reported.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved, that the amendments be now read a second time.

Mr. *Joly* moved in amendment, that the amendments be not now read a second time, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend it by expunging all the words after "stipulated" in line 2, Clause 3, and inserting instead thereof the following:—"the party stipulating such higher rate of Interest than six per cent shall *ipso facto* forfeit the whole of the Interest as a penalty;"—

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the o'clock, midnight,

SUNDAY, 24TH APRIL, 1870.

And the question being put on Mr. *Joly's* amendment; it was ageed to on the followng division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Cartwright, Casault, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Holton, Hutchison, Jackson, Joly, Langlois, Le Vesconte, MacFarlane, Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall, (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Merritt, Morison (Victoria O.), Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's N.B.), Snider, Tremblay, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County) and Wright (York Ontario W. R.).—61.

Nays:

Messieurs Blanchet, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Cheval, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gray, Grover, Howe, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald (Sir J. A. Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McGreevy, McMillan, Oliver, Perry, Pinsonneault, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Scatcherd, Shanly, Sylvain, Tilley, White and Willson.—41.

The House accordingly went again into Committee on the said Bill, and made further amendments thereto, which were reported and agreed to.

The amendments made to the Bill by the former Committee of the Whole, were then read a second time, and agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Tupper* moved, that the Bill be read a third time, on Monday next.

And a Debate arising,—

On motion of Mr. *MacFarlane*, The House adjourned at 12.30 A.M. until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—That the Return relative to Oakville Harbor be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Pâquet*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement shewing the number of Proclamations, Notices, Regulations, Calls for Tenders and other official documents, inserted by order of the Government, or of its officers, employés, or Commissioners, in the course of the last three fiscal years: 1, in the *Journal de Sorel*; 2, in *L'Echo du Richelieu*; 3, in the *Sorel Advertiser*, which Journals are published in the Town of Sorel, District of Richelieu, and Province of Quebec; also a statement of the amounts paid or to be paid for such insertions or publication.

Mr. *Pâquet*—on Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the amount in detail collected, and by whom paid, to the Government Agent for the Seigniory of Sorel, since the date of the appointment of *James Armstrong*, Esq., Q.C., as such Agent for the Seigniory of Sorel; the amount remitted to the Government upon the said collections by the said agent, and the date of each of such remittances; the amount allowed and paid or retained by the said agent as his per centage out of the total amount collected; the number of suits instituted since the appointment of the said agent in the name of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Minister of Justice, by the said agent acting as one of the Advocates or Attorneys in the said suits, for the recovery of *rentes* due in the Seigniory of Sorel, and the amount of each of suits; the amount in detail charged to the Government by the Advocates and Attorneys of the said Seigniory as their fees and disbursements in suits brought by them, and the amount so paid by the Government; the amount charged, allowed and paid by the Government to the said *James Armstrong*, Esquire, for rent of the office occupied by him as Agent for the said Seigniory; the amount charged, allowed and paid as office expenses, as well for stationery as for assistance or persons employed in the said office, or any other outlay charged by the said *James Armstrong* in relation to the said office and the said duty as agent and advocate for the said Seigniory; the amount, in detail incurred, charged, allowed or paid to the said *James Armstrong*, Esq., or to any other person for advertisements, notices, proclamations, orders and rules of Court published in the newspapers, the *Journal de Sorel*, *L'Echo du Richelieu* and the *Sorel Advertiser*, since the appointment of the said *James Armstrong* as Agent and Advocate of the said Seigniory of Sorel in relation to the said Seignoiry; the number of cases pending before the Circuit and Superior Courts in the name of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Minister of Justice against the *censitaires* of the said Seigniory, and a detailed statement of the amounts of the disbursements up to the present date by the Government in the said pending cases; the amount that the said Agent and Advocate of the said Seigniory of Sorel has now in hand belonging to the Government; such statement also to shew (in respect of the amount allowed to the said *Jomes Armstrong*, Esquire, for his per centage on the collections made by him as agent without suit) the amount charged by the said *James Armstrong* upon the collection made by him in cases in which he was engaged as one of the Advocates or Attorneys in addition to his fee as such, charged and drawn by him from the Defence.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of all sums of money paid to the Grand Trunk Railway Company, also to the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company for special Cars and special Trains; shewing the amount paid for such and for what service.

No. 47.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 25TH APRIL, 1870.

One Petition was brought up and laid on the Table.-

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *Christian Wurtele*, and others, Trustees of the Quebec Provident and Savings' Bank; praying for a renewal and extension of the Act relating to Savings' Banks, for ten years or longer.

Of the Town Council of the Town of Sorel; praying that Custom duties may not be imposed on Wheat, Flour, Coal, &c., as proposed by the Government.

Of Messrs. *B. Douglas* and Company, and others, of Amherst, County of Cumberland, Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the passing of an Act to assimilate the Currency of the Dominion.

Of *Antoine Mayrand*, and others, of Three Rivers, and vicinity; praying that Coal imported from Great Britain, may be admitted free of duty.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Ninth Report, which is as follows:—

The First and Second Reports of their Sub-Committee appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, together with the Report of the Clerk of the Committee on the Printing Services of the past year, and the Printing Account Annual Balance Sheet: which they respectfully recommend to the consideration of both Houses.

(*See Appendix No. 3 to the Journals.*)

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Eleventh Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Petition of the Hon. *R. D. Wilmot*, Senator, and others of the Dominion of Canada; for incorporation of the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company, and find that the Notices have not been given for the full time required by the Rule: but they find that the Railway will not interfere with any existing interest, and the Committee therefore beg to recommend that the Notice be deemed sufficient.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Supplementary Return to Address of the 4th inst.; for copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of Gaspé, and the County of Bonaventure, since First July, 1863; also copies of all correspondence, and of all instructions given to either of the said Judges directing them to proceed to the holding of the Court at Amherst, Magdaleine Islands, at the periods fixed by law, with a statement of the number of sittings, and the date of each sitting of such Court.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills *without amendment*, viz :—
No. 31. "An Act to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company."
No. 70. "An Act to remove certain restrictions, with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia.

The House resumed the further consideration of Honorable Mr. *Abbott's* motion, that the Bill (No. 33) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, be now read a third time, and of Honorable Mr. *Chauveau's* proposed motion in amendment thereto,—and which amendment was, that the Order of the Day for the third reading of the said Bill be discharged, and that it be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction to add the following Clause :—"No Railway or part of Railway to be built, acquired, or completed before the time limited by the Act hereby amended by the said Canada Central Railway Company, or by the said Ottawa Valley Railway Company, or by any Company amalgamated or to be amalgamated with the same, shall be deemed to have been built, acquired, or completed within such time in so far as the grant of land therein mentioned is concerned."

And the Debate continuing,—and objection being taken by Mr. *Grant*, Member for the Electoral District of Russell, that the amendment is not in order, inasmuch as one day's notice had not been given thereof, under Rule 68 of this House ;

Mr. Speaker decided, that as it had been already debated upon during two previous sittings, it was too late to take the objection.

And the question being put on Honorable Mr. *Chauveau's* proposed amendment,—it was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Benoit, Bertrand, Bowell, Cameron (Huron), Carling, Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Coupal, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Fortin, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Hurdon, Irvine, Langlois, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McConkey, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Stephenson, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, White, Whitehead, Willson and Wood.—46.

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archibald, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Campbell, Colby, Costigan, Currier, Dorion, Dunkin, Forbes Fortier, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Hincks Sir Francis), Holton, Howe, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Langevin, Le Vesconte, McDonald (Lunenburg), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pickard, Pope, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Wells, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County) and Young.—61.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Abbott*, the Bill was re-committed for the purpose of amending it, by expunging in section 9 line 6 all the words after the word "Company" and inserting instead thereof the following : "such sum of money for the same as shall be determined and fixed by the Parliament of Canada, either for the absolute purchase thereof, or for the leasing thereof, or for the making of running arrangements therewith in respect of any Railway appertaining to the Dominion of Canada.—But no claim shall be made by the said Company for any exclusive right of way. Provided always that the said Company shall not be construed to have any more power or right in respect of claiming any land grants than they would have had, if this Act had not been passed."

The Bill was accordingly re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, considered, amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 30) to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to *La Banque du Péuple*, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 18) to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141 to the Province of Nova Scotia, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.

Hon. Mr. *Tupper* moved, that the Report of the Select Committee on the subject of reporting the Debates of Parliament be now concurred in.

Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburg) moved in amendment, that the Report be referred back to the Committee with a recommendation that a plan be devised and reported, by which the efficient reporting and publishing the Debates of next Session of Parliament may be secured,

Mr. *Bodwell* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the Report be not now concurred in, but that it be *Resolved*, That it is inexpedient, at this late period of the Session, to take any action in regard to reporting the Debates of this House ; which was agreed to the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Ault, Béchard, Bertrand, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carmichael, Casault, Cheval, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Grover, Hagar, Holmes, Holton, Hurdon, Hutchison, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Kempt, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Simard, Snider, Sproat, Stirton, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Wallace, Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, and Wrght (York, Ontario, W. R.)— 97.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Brousseau, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chauveau, Currier, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Howe, Huot, Langevin, McDonald (Lunenburg), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, Morris, O'Connor, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Savary, Tremblay, Tupper, Walsh, Wright (Ottawa County) and Young.—35.

Mr. *Mills* moved, that The House do now resolve itselt into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*, That the British North America Act, 1867, declares that it shall be lawful for the Queen, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, on Addresses from the Houses of the Parliament of Canada, to admit Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory, or either of them, into the Union on such terms and conditions, in each case, as are in the addresses expressed, and the Queen thinks fit to approve, subject to the provisions of said Act, and the provisions of such Order in Council, shall have effect as if they had been enacted by the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

2. *Resolved*, That the four Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, are declared by the British North America Act to be Federally united, under which form of Union the powers of the Provincial Legislatures are derived from the same high source as those of the Federal Legislature, and cannot be altered or abridged by that Legislature ; and it is essential to the Federal principle that the terms and conditions of admission into the Union of the remaining Provinces and Territories of British North America, should be settled and secured in like manner.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that Her Majesty's Order in Council, for the admission of the North West Territories into Canada, should contain such terms and conditions as will secure to the people of the Territories certain powers of self government, and as will create a Federal relation between Canada and any Province to be established within the Territories and give to the people of such Province, the same rights, and to its Government and Legislature, the same powers and authorities, and the same protection against encroachments as are now enjoyed by the Provinces already included in the Dominion.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said Debate was, on motion of Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, adjourned.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a statement of the amount paid each District Staff Officer of the Volunteer Force for supplying offices for the District Staff, the names of the officers supplied, the amount paid for each office so supplied from October, 1868, up to 1st November, 1869 . also the amount paid by order of the Militia Department for office rent directly to any members of the District Staffs, and if so, to whom ; together with all correspondence connected therewith, or in any way appertaining thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Metcalfe*, it was *Ordered*, That a Statement be laid before this House from the several Banks of the Dominion, giving the names of the Shareholders and the amount of Stock held by each such Shareholder ; the nominal value of such shares and the amount paid up ; and also that the Clerk of The House be directed to procure the printing of such Returns for distributien and Sessional Papers, as soon as received by him.—

And the House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

TUESDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1870.

On motion of Mr. *Béchard*, and Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a copy of the Report of *H. W. Austin*, in relation to certain obstructions called "Eel Weirs," existing in the River Richelieu, between St. John and Iberville.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Cheauveau*, Rule 51 was suspended in relation to a Bill to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company.

He then introduced the Bill (No 86) ; which was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, canals, and Telegraph Lines, and Rule 60 suspended in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa), The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a Resolution, providing for the registration of marks or brands, used for marking timber.—

(*In the Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision for the Registration of marks or brands used for marking timber ; and, for that purpose, to impose the following fees ; to wit :—

On every application to register a timber mark, , including certificate	$2.00
For each certificate of registration not already provided for	0.50
For each copy of any drawing, the reasonable expenses of preparing the sams.	
For recording any assignment	1.00

And that such fees be paid over by the Minister of Agriculture to the Receiver General, and form part of Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported and agreed to.—

On motion of Mr. *Magill* an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a return shewing ; 1stly ; the amount which has accrued in each year from the sale of Clergy Reserves in Upper Canada, since the passaage of the Act 18th *Victoria*, Chap. 2 ; 2ndly, a statement of the amount paid annually to each municipality in Upper Canada during that period ; and 3rdly, the amount now due to each of them respectively under the authority thereof.

The House then adjourned at 12.25 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATA.

In the division taken on Mr. *Joly's* amendment, to refer the Bill (No 69) respecting Interest, back to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending it (see Votes of Saturday last, the 23rd instant, page 227), the name of Mr. *Ault*, and that of Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry) were omitted. They voted with the Yeas, and the division should read as follows :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Cartwright, Casault, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Geoffrion, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Holton, Hutchison, Jackson, Joly, Langlois, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall, (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Merritt, Morison (Victoria O.), Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's N.B.), Snider, Tremblay, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County) and Wright (York Ontario W. R.).—63.

Nays :

Messieurs Blanchet, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Cheval, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gray, Grover, Howe, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald (Sir J. A. Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McGreevy, McMillan, Oliver, Perry, Pinsonneault, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Scatcherd, Shanly, Sylvain, Tilley, White and Willson.—41.

And Mr. *Scatcherd's* name should have been inserted (page 227), instead of Mr. *MacFarlane's*, moving the adjournment of The House at 12.30 A.M.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *McDougall* (Lanark)—When the House goes into Committee of the Whole on the Supreme Court Bill—A series of amendments to the Bill with a view to substitute a simpler, less expensive and more efficient machinery for carrying out the objects proposed to be effected by the same, principally by constituting the said Court of the Chancellor of Ontario and the chief Justices of the respective Provinces.

Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenaille)—On Wednesday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement showing the amount of money received by *Alfred Brunell* on account of seizures made in connection with the Department of Inland Revenue, since the 1st of January, 1866, up to the present time.

Hon. Mr. *Chauveau*—On Wednesday next—Bill to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company and Suspension of 60th Rule in relation to the said Bill.

Mr. *Currier*—On Wednesday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the names, origin, breed, position and pay of all the employees of the Dominion Government.

Mr. *Brousseau*—On Wednesday next—Adoption of the 9th Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1870.

Four Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented as their Tenth Report, the Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to examine into the remuneration paid to the Employées of the Department of the Printing of Parliament, attached to the Joint Distribution Room, which is as follows :—

The Sub-Committee appointed to examine into the remuneration paid to the Employées of the Department of the Printing of Parliament, attached to the Joint Distribution Room beg leave to report :—

That the Staff employed in the Distribution Room is a Distributor, an assistant Distributor and two Messengers, the two former are paid an annual salary, the Distributor of $600 and the Assistant of $500 ; while the two messengers, employed only during the Session, each receive $2.00 *per diem*. The Distributor has been in the public service over 14 years, during the most of which time he has been employed in his present capacity, and is thoroughly efficient in the performance of his duties, which under Confederation have largely increased, entitling him in the opinion of the Committee, to an equivalent increase in his salary, which they recommend to be advanced from $600 to $800.

When the Joint Distribution Room was established, doing away with the distribution of the Printed Papers in either House, Mr. *Boulet* was transferred from the Senate to this Room as Assistant Distributor ; he has been in the Public Service some seven years, and has proved efficient in the increased duties he has been called on to perform, entitling him, in the opinion of the Committee, to have his salary advanced from $500 to $600. The two Sessional Messengers *J. Rivet* and *E. O. Botterill* perform their duties faithfully, but the Committee conceive their remuneration of $2.00 *per diem* quite sufficient. To take effect 1st July, 1870.—

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 28th ult ; for copies of all Orders in Council and correspondence, and of all leases and surrenders of leases touching the property now leased by Government to the Cornwall manufacturing Company, or *George Stephen*, Esq., with a statement of the rents payable under the former leases, and of the rent (if any) payable under the present lease, and if the rents payable in respect of the other water powers in the Cornwall Canal leased by the Government to other parties.

The following Bills from the Senate were severally read a third time, and passed, viz :—

No. 73. intituled : "An Act to continue and make perpetual certain Acts, and parts of Acts of the Province of New Brunswick, relative to the Police Force in the Parish of Portland, in the City and County of St. John." (amended)—

No. 74, intituled : " An Act to empower the Police Court of Halifax to sentence Juvenile Offenders to be detained in the Halifax Industrial School."

The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution on the subject of duty on vessels, imposed under the authority of the Act 32 and 33 *Vict:* Cap: 40.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved—That it is expedient to amend the Act, 32 and 33 *Vict.*, Cap. 40, so as to provide that the duty therein mentioned shall be payable once in twelve months, on vessels not over one hundred tons burthen, and twice in twelve months, on vessels over one hundred tons burthen, instead of being payable once or twice (as the case may be) in each fiscal year ; and that such duty shall be payable on vessels enteriug the harbors in which it is imposed, whether such vessels are or not entered or cleared at the Custom House, and shall be payable at any harbor where there is no collector, to any officer of the Customs authorised to receive it, on pain of the detention of the vessel, and of a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars for non-payment ; and that the said Act shall extend to Aspy Bay or Cape North Harbor, and Southern Bay, Inganiche, both in Victoria County, Nova Scotia, as well as to the Ports and Harbors mentioned in the said Act.

Resolution to be reported

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley* then introduced a Bill No. (87) to amend and extend the Act to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion.—Second reading to-morrow.—

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Ways and Means on Thursday, the 7th instant, were reported and are as follows :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, cap. 44, and the tariff of Duties and Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Animals, viz. :—Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep : which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum *ad valorem*, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz. :—

	$ cts.
Cigars .....per lb.	... 45
Coal and Coke .....per ton	... 50
Salt ; except Salt imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions, which shall be free of duty.....per bushel of 56 lbs.	... 5
Hops.....per lb.	... 5
Vinegar and Acetic Acid.....per gallon.	... 10
Rice .....per lb.	... 1
Wheat .....per bushel.	... 4
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other Grain, except Wheat .....per bushel.	... 3
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye.....per barrel of lbs.	... 25
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal of any other grain except Wheat and Rye.....per barrel.	... 15

Spirits and Strong Waters, viz :—

Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, namely :—

	$ cts.
Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, Tafia, Whiskey, and unenumerated articles of like kind.....per gallon.	... 80

Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, namely :—

	$ cts.
Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Old Tom Gin, Scheidam Schnapps, Bitters, and unenumerated articles of like kind.....per gallon	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks ..... do	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks or bottles; *thirty* of such flasks or bottles not containing more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle	... 4
Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters	1 20

Spirits and Strong Waters imported into Canada, mixed with any ingredient or ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines, Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed " Spirits or Strong Waters " and subject to a duty as such.

FRUITS preserved in Brandy or other Spirits, per gallon $1 20

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "GOODS PAYING TEN PER CENTUM AD VALOREM," viz. :—

Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council,

Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Grease and Grease Scraps, Vegetables including potatoes and other roots, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by striking "Iron Wire" out of the List of "GOODS PAYING FIVE PER CENTUM AD VALOREM."

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by repealing so much thereof as imposes any Duty of Customs on Tobacco, or on Wines, or on Packages, and substituting the following in lieu thereof :—

Tobacco and Snuff, 12½ per centum *ad valorem*, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *ad valorem*, and a specific duty of *ten* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon.)

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the word "Salt," under the head "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the words "Salt, when imported "from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions :"—and—

By adding under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—Bookbinders' Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and—

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—"DRUGS, DYE STUFFS, OILS AND COLORS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED,"—the words, "Colors and other articles, when imported by room-paper makers and "stainers, to be used in their trade only ; viz."

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—"Fire En- "gines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such "Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories,—not to "include Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—"Gold and Silver Leaf,"—"Emery Paper and "Emery Cloth,"—"Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—"Platers' Leaf,"—all which articles will be thereafter included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of fifteen per centum *ad valorem* under Schedule B.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the following articles, viz. :—Coal and Coke,—Flour, Wheat and Rye,—Grain of all kinds,—Grease and Grease Scrap,—Hay,—Hops,—Indian Corn,—Indian Meal,—Roots,—Shrubs,—Trees—and Vegetables, culinary,—all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.

11. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section :—

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which an *ad valorem* Duty of Customs is imposed, imported into Canada "by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods on ship-board at the last place of their shipment to Canada ; and "the value of such goods for duty if imported from the United States by land or inland navigation, shall be the "actual value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into Canada, and whence "they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to Canada ; and such value shall be ascertained by adding "to the value of such goods at the place of growth, production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether "by land or water, and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of growth, pro- "duction or manufacture, to the vessel in which the shipment thereof is made to Canada, or to the place where "the goods are purchased in the United States, and whence they are directly conveyed to Canada as aforesaid,— "and including also the value of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind in which such goods "are contained, and all export duties on such goods, and all costs and charges incurred in placing such goods on "shipboard, or in the vessel, cars, or carriage, in which they are conveyed to Canada."—

12. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent. of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 *Vict.*, c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the following in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31 :—

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, except Cigars and common "Canada Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, 15 cents."

"7. On common Canada Twist, otherwise called *Tabac blanc en torquette*, being the unpressed leaf rolled "and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of Canada, for every pound or less quantity than "a pound, 10 cents."

" 8. On Cigars for every pound, or less quantity than a pound, 30 cents."

14. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that The House do not now concur in the said Resolutions, but that they be referred back to the Committee of Ways and Means with a view to make the following amendments :—

In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 5, insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries;"—in line 19, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or." In the same Resolution line 4 expunge "Coal and Coke—per ton 50 cents"—and in line 10 expunge "Wheat per bushel 4 cents."—In the same, line 21, after the word "Gin" insert the words "including Old Tom"—and in line 25 expunge the words "Old Tom, Gin."

In Resolution 5, line 5, insert the word "Green" before the word "Fruits"—and expunge the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and in line 6, after the word "Roots" insert the word "Plants."—

In Resolution 10., line 2 expunge the words "Coal and Coke,"—and in line 3 expunge the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and after the words "Indian Meal" insert the word "Plants,"—and in line 4, after the word "Roots" insert the words "Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or manufacturing purposes."—

In Resolution 11, line 4, expunge the words "on shipboard at the last place of their shipment to Canada,"—and insert the words "at the place at which they are purchased,"—in line 10, expunge the words "to the vessel in which the shipment is made to Canada, or,"—and in line 11 expunge the words "in the United States,"—and expunge all the words after "incurred" in line 13 to the end of line 14, and insert instead the words "prior to their purchase."—

In Resolution 13, line 8, expunge "10" and insert "7," and after the word "cents" in line 9, add the words "subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council."—

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry) moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the following words be added to the motion :—"and that it be an instruction to the Committee to restore Flour and Meal to the free list."

And a Debate arising thereon,

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

WEDNESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1870.

And the Debate continuing,—it was, on motion of Mr. *Burpee*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 1.15 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, What were the exact sums standing at the credit of the Dominion at their various Bankers or Bank Agents either in Canada or in England upon the First day of March last.

2nd. Whether are there any special advances, balances or deposits made with or held by any of the Banking Agents of the Dominion for the purpose of providing funds for the completion of the Intercolonial Railroad; and also whether any and what collateral securities have been deposited with such Bank Agents as security for such advances or deposits.

ERRATUM.

In Mr. *Currier's* notice of motion given on Monday for Wednesday, with respect to a return of the employees of the Dominion Government, the word "breed" was erroneously inserted instead of "creed."

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1870.

One Petition was brought up and laid on the Table.

The Petition of the Very Reverend *Edmund Langevin*, Vicar General of the Diocese of *St. Germain de Rimouski*, and others of the Province of Quebec, was received and read; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.—

Honorable Sir *Alexander T. Galt*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the Bill (No. 86) to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company, with amendments,—and the said Bill was, on motion of Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, ordered for a second reading when the Order for Private Bills is called at half-past 7 P.M., this day.—

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Hutchison*, an Address was voted to His Excellency; for a Return of the names of all persons (including Paymasters) now employed on the survey of the Intercolonial Railway in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, and the salaries paid to each.

Also, a further Address; for particulars of account rendered by, and paid to the Sheriff of Northumberland, of $600, charged in the Public Accounts, up to the 30th June, 1869.—

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency; for a Return of all sums paid to Messrs. *Hunter, Rose* and Co., late Parliamentary Printers, for printing Departmental Reports for the several Departments since the 1st July, 1867; together with the items of work in detail, for which said sums have been paid.—

On motion of Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburg), an Address was voted to His Excellency; for a Return of the Petitions or any correspondence in possession of the Government, referring to the appointment of a Harbor Master for the Port of Halifax.

On motion of Mr. *Bolton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency; for a Return of all sums collected by Customs Officers, or by their Deputies, for Bonds, Entries, Certificates, Blanks, or for any other charges made in their respective Offices since the 1st July, 1867; and a Statement of what fees (if any) such officers are entitled to receive in connection with their duties.—

On motion of Mr. *Pickard*, an Address was voted to His Excellency; for copies of all Petitions and correspondence referring to the removal of the Office of the General Post Office Inspector, from the City of Fredericton to the City of St. John, N. B.—

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, the Eighth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliamentary, was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges), an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a detailed statement showing all sums paid for the hiring of carriages, by any persons in the several Public Departments, or by any other persons in connection with the Public Service ; the names of those who employed such carriages, and the purposes for which they employed them,—since the Federal Union of the Provinces of the Dominion.—

On motion of Mr. *Pâquet*, an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a detailed statement showing the number of Proclamations, Notices, Regulations, Calls for Tenders and other official documents, inserted by order of the Government, or of its officers, employés, or Commissioners, in the course of the last three fiscal years : 1, in the *Journal de Sorel* ; 2, in *L'Echo du Richelieu* ; 3, in the *Sorel Advertiser*, which Journals are published in the Town of Sorel, District of Richelieu, and Province of Quebec ; also a statement of the amounts paid or to be paid for such insertions or publication.

Also, a further Address ;—for a statement shewing the amount in detail collected, and by whom paid, to the Government Agent for the Seigniory of Sorel, since the date of the appointment of *James Armstrong*, Esq., Q.C., as such Agent for the Seigniory of Sorel ; the amount remitted to the Government upon the said collections by the said agent, and the date of each of such remittances ; the amount allowed and paid or retained by the said agent as his per centage out of the total amount collected ; the number of suits instituted since the appointment of the said agent in the name of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Minister of Justice, by the said agent acting as one of the Advocates or Attorneys in the said suits, for the recovery of *rentes* due in the Seigniory of Sorel, and the amount of each of suits ; the amount in detail charged to the Government by the Advocates and Attorneys of the said Seigniory as their fees and disbursements in suits brought by them, and the amount so paid by the Government ; the amount charged, allowed and paid by the Government to the said *James Armstrong*, Esquire, for rent of the office occupied by him as Agent for the said Seigniory ; the amount charged, allowed, and paid as office expenses, as well for stationery as for assistance or persons employed in the said office, or any other outlay charged by the said *James Armstrong* in relation to the said office and the said duty as agent and advocate for the said Seigniory ; the amount, in detail incurred, charged, allowed or paid to the said *James Armstrong*, Esq., or to any other person for advertisements, notices, proclamations, orders and rules of Court published in the newspapers, the *Jonrnal de Sorel*, *L'Echo du Richelieu*, and the *Sorel Advertiser*, since the appointment of the said *James Armstrong* as Agent and Advocate of the said Seigniory of Sorel in relation to the said Seigniory ; the number of and the amounts obtained in each action, as well as in all cases pending before the Circuit and Superior Courts in the name of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Minister of Justice, against the *censitaires* of the said Seigniory, and a detailed statement of the amounts of the disbursements up to the present date by the Government in the said pending cases ; the amount that the said Agent and Advocate of the said Seigniory of Sorel has now in hand belonging to the Government ; such statement also to shew (in respect of the amount allowed to the said *James Armstrong*, Esquire, for his per centage on the collections made by him as agent without suit) the amount charged by the said *James Armstrong* upon the collection made by him in cases in which he was engaged as one of the Advocates or Attorneys in addition to his fee as such, charged and drawn by him from the Defence.

On motion of Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges), an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a detailed statement of all sums paid to the Grand Trunk Railway Company, also, to the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company, for special Cars and special Trains ; shewing the amount paid for such and for what service.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 57) An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax, *without amendment*.—

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville), an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for a detailed Statement, shewing the amount of money received by *Alfred Brunell*, and other Officers of the Public Service, on account of seizures made in connection with the Department of Inland Revenue, since the 1st of January, 1866, up to the present time.—

On motion of Mr. *Savary*, an Address was voted to His Excellency ; for copies of all further correspondence and official documents and reports in possession of the Government on the subject of a uniform currency between the different Commercial Nations ; including a copy of the Report of the Royal Commissioners on International Currency referred to in the Dispatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos to His Excellency Viscount Monck, under date of 26th October, 1868.

Hon. Sir *Alexander T. Galt*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Seventh Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee have received a Report from their Clerk on the progress of the Maps of the different Provinces, comprising the Dominion, which are being prepared under their direction.

But little progress has been made in these Maps during the past year, in consequence of no provision having been made in the Estimates of last Session for the amount voted by The House for that service upon their Report. They are of opinion that the work should be proceeded with, without further delay, and as an appropriation of $2,000 will be required to defray the expenses attending the same for the years 1870-71, they beg to recommend to the Administration to submit to Parliament a vote for that amount in the Supplementary Estimates.

(For the Report of the Clerk of that Committee, see Appendix No. 4 to the Journals).—

7.30 P.M.

The Bill (No. 86) to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Savary* introduced a Bill (No. 88) to amend Section 142 of the Insolvent Act of 1869.—Second reading to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Hon. Sir *Francis. Hincks*' proposed motion of yesterday, that the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on Thursday, the 7th instant, be not concurred in, but that they be referred back to the Committee, with a view to make certain amendments thereto,—and of Mr. *Macdonald's* (Glengarry) motion in amendment, and which said amendment was : " that the following words be added to Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks'* motion : and that it be an instruction to the Committee to restore Flour and Meal to the free list."

And a further Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

THURSDAY, 28th April, 1870,

And the question being put on Mr. *Macdonald's* (Glengarry) motion in amendment ; it was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Carmichael, Caron, Cartwright, Casault, Cheval, Cimon, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Irvine, Joly, Kempt, Langlois, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—73.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brown, Burton, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Sir George E. Cartier, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Colby, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), McCallum, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Ray, Read, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County).—82.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* then moved the Previous Question, viz :—" Shall the main question be now put ? " which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Burpee, Caldwell, Carmichael, Cartwright, Casault, Cheval, Cimon, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander, T., Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—64.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Cameron, (Huron), Cameron, (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Colby, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenberg), McDonald, (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McKeagny, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Ray, Read, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County).—88.

The House then adjourned at 3.45 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. *Mills*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether any application has been made to the Government on behalf of any person or persons on account of losses sustained by him or them from the destruction of property by the insurgents in the North West Territory.

M. *Workman*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Government will inform this House if any supplementary returns of Statements made by Life and Fire Insurance Companies have been furnished to the Government, since the one contained in the Blue Book, dated Audit Office, 10th March last, which Book contains returns from twenty-six Companies only, while thirty-seven at least are doing business in Canada.

Mr. *Brousseau*—On Monday next—Adoption of the 10th Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

Mr. *Bolton*—On motion for concurrence in the Tariff Resolutions,—that "Indian Corn," when intended for other uses than that of distilling, shall be placed on the free list.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—To recommit the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means with a view to make the following amendments thereto :—

In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 5, insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries;"—in line 19, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or."—In the same, line 21, after the word "Gin" insert the words "including Old Tom"—and in line 25 expunge the words "Old Tom, Gin."

In Resolution 5, line 5, insert the word "Green" before the word "Fruits"—and expunge the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and in line 6, after the word "Roots" insert the word "Plants."—

In Resolution 10, in line 3 expunge the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and after the words "Indian Meal" insert the word "Plants,"—and in line 4, after the word "Roots" insert the words "Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or manufacturing purposes."—

In Resolution 11, line 4, expunge the words "on shipboard at the last place of their shipment to Canada,"—and insert the words "at the place at which they are purchased,"—in line 10, expunge the words "to the vessel in which the shipment is made to Canada, or,"—and in line 11, expunge the words "in the United States,"—and expunge all the words after "incurred" in line 13 to the end of line 14, and insert instead the words "prior to their purchase."—

In Resolution 13, line 8, expunge "10" and insert "7," and after the word "cents" in line 9, add the words "subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council."

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OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1870.

One Petition was brought up and laid on the Table.

The following petitions were received and read.

Of *John Campbell*, J. P., and others, of Nouvelle and Shoolbred; and of the Municipalities of Ristigouche and Matapedia, both of the County of Bonaventure; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that no law may be passed confirming the imposition of duties on Bread-stuffs, Coal and Salt, imported into Canada.

Of the New City Gas Company of Montreal; praying that no law may be passed, confirming the imposition of a duty on Coal, imported into Canada.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Eleventh Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed, viz:—

Report of a Committee of the Senate appointed on the subject of Rupert's Land, Red River and the North-West Territory with map, (5,000 Copies in the usual proportion in each language);

Return and Supplementary Return to Address.—Correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of Gaspé and the County of Bonaventure, since 1st July 1868, &c.;

Return to Address—Account in detail of the amount loaned by the late Province of Upper Canada in connection with the Oakville Harbor and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, &c.;

Return to Address—Statement shewing the defalcations in the Financial Department of the Government so far as brought to light. Also copies of any regulations during the past year for the auditing of the accounts, (Sessional papers only);

Return to Address—detailed statement of the Salary and Expenses of the Inspector of Drill Sheds at Toronto, with the date of his appointment, his instructions and other papers &c, (For distribution only);

Return to Address,—Instructions to Surveyors sent to *North-West*, and Statement shewing the number of men employed, and the Salaries to be paid, &c., &c., &c., (with 3 maps).

The Committee recommend that the following be not printed, viz:—

Return to Address,—Statement of the amount paid annually by way of Indemnity under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act for the benefit of the Township of Whitworth, Parish of St. Antoine, County Temiscouata;

Return to Address,—Observations and remarks of the Chief Justice of New Brunswick and the Bar of that Province on the proposed Bill to constitute a Court of Appeal;

Return to Address,—Unsettled claims against the Government of Canada, for Barracks, repairs, &c., for Imperial Troops from 1st January, 1861, to the present time;

Return to Address,—Sums paid by the Government of Canada for Barracks, repairs, &c., for the Imperial Troops, from January, 1861, to December, 1869, and charged as Militia Expenditure or otherwise;

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., relating to the refund to Messrs. *Gooderham* and *Worts* of Toronto of certain Excise Duties;

Return to Address,—List of the Cadets who have passed through the several Military Schools of the Dominion, &c.;

Return to Address,—Statement of all lands sold in the Saugeen Indian Peninsula, from 1856 to 1861, &c., &c.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Sixth Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have had their attention called to an apparent discrepency in the Revenue from Excise, as shewn in No. 5 of the Public Accounts, referred to them, and in Statement No. 20 of the Report of the Department of Inland Revenue, and they report their proceedings on the subject for the information of The House.—

They have also had under their consideration the indebtedness due to the Government on account of the sale of various Roads and Harbors, and have passed certain Resolutions, calling the attention of the Government to the necessity of securing immediate payment of the same, which they report herewith.

(*For the Proceedings, see Appendix No. 2 to the Journals.*)

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* laid before The House,—by command of His Excellency, the Report of *Donald A. Smith*, Esq., in relation to the affairs of the North-West Territories.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendment by this House to the Bill (No. 73) of their own, intituled: "An Act to continue and make perpetual certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Province of New Brunswick, relative to the Police force in the Parish of Portland, in the City and County of St. John," *without amendment.*"

Also with the following Bill (No. 89) of their own, intituled: "An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, read the first time; second reading to-morrow.)

Mr. Speaker informed The House. that the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificate of the Election and Return of George Aivey Kirkpatrick, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Frontenac.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* that the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on Thursday, 6th instant be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to the Committee, with a view to make the following amendments thereto:—

In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 5, insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries;"—in line 19, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or."—In the same Resolution line 4 strike out "Coal and Coke—per ton 50 cents"—and in line 10 strike out "Wheat per bushel 4 cents."—In the same, line 21, after the word "Gin" insert the words "including Old Tom"—and in line 25 expunge the words "Old Tom Gin."

In Resolution 5, line 5, insert the word "Green" before the word "Fruits"—and expunge the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and in line 6, after the word "Roots" insert the word "Plants."—

In Resolution 10, line 2, strike out the words "Coal and Coke," and in line 3 strike out the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and after the words "Indian Meal" insert the word "Plants,"—and in line 4, after the word "Roots" insert the words "Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or manufacturing purposes."—

In Resolution 11, line 4, expunge the words "on shipboard at the last place of their shipment to Canada,"—and insert the words "at the place at which they are purchased,"—in line 10, expunge the words "to the vessel in which the shipment is made to Canada, or,"—and in line 11, expunge the words "in the United States,"—and expunge all the words after "incurred" in line 13 to the end of line 14, and insert instead the words "prior to their purchase."—

In Resolution 13, line 8, expunge "10" and insert "7," and after the word "cents" in line 9, add the words "subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council."

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* moved to amend the said motion by striking out therefrom the following words: "In the same Resolution in line 4, strike out "Coal and Coke, per ton 50 cents—and in line 10, strike out "Wheat per bushel 4 cents;" and also by striking out therefrom the following: "line 2 strike out the words "Coal and Coke and"—

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment, to the said proposed amendment, that the words, "In the same Resolution in line 4, strike out "Coal and Coke per ton 50 cents" be expunged from the motion in amendment, so that the effect of the original motion do remain, to instruct the Committee to restore Coal and Coke to the free list.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

FRIDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1870.

And the question being put on Hon. Mr. *Holton's* motion in amendment; it was negatived on the following division:

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Caldwell, Carmichael, Caron, Cartwright, Casault, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander, T., Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—62.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald, (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McKeagny, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County).—90.

And the question being put on Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier's* amendment;

Mr. *Casault* moved, that the words: "In the same Resolution, line 4 strike out "Coal and Coke per ton 50 cents,'" be expunged; and that instruction be given to the Committee to substitute a duty of 10 per cent *ad valorem* to the duty of 50 cents, per ton, which it is proposed to put on Coal and Coke.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment out of order.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier's* amendment was then agreed to on a division.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks'* main motion as amended was then agreed to on a division.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, cap. 44, and the tariff of Duties and Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Animals, viz.:—Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep: which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum *ad valorem*, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz.:—

	$ cts.
Cigars .....per lb.	... 45
Coal and Coke .....per ton	... 50
Salt; except Salt imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions, or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries, which shall be free of duty per bushel of 56 lbs.	.. 5
Hops.....per lb.	... 5
Vinegar and Acetic Acid.....per gallon.	.. 10
Rice .....per lb.	... 1
Wheat .....per bushel.	... 4
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other Grain, except Wheat .....per bushel.	... 3
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye.....per barrel of lbs.	... 25
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal of any other grain except Wheat and Rye.....per barrel.	... 15

Spirits and Strong Waters, viz:—

Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, namely:—

	$ cts.
Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, including Old Tom, Tafia, Whiskey, and unenumerated articles of like kind.....per gallon.	... 80

Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, namely :—

	$ cts.
Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Scheidam Schnapps, Bitters, and unenumerated articles of like kind.....per gallon	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks ..... do	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks or bottles; *thirty* of such flasks or bottles not containing more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle	... 4
Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters	1 20

Spirits and Strong Waters imported into Canada, mixed with any ingredient or ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines, Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed "Spirits or Strong Waters" and subject to a duty as such.

FRUITS preserved in Brandy or other Spirits, per gallon $1 20

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "GOODS PAYING TEN PER CENTUM AD VALOREM," viz. :—

Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council,

Green Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Vegetables including potatoes and other roots, Plants, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by striking "Iron Wire" out of the List of "GOODS PAYING FIVE PER CENTUM AD VALOREM."

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by repealing so much thereof as imposes any Duty of Customs on Tobacco, or on Wines, or on Packages, and substituting the following in lieu thereof :—

Tobacco and Snuff, 12½ per centum *ad valorem*, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *ad valorem*, and a specific duty of *ten* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon.)

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the word "Salt," under the head "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the words "Salt, when imported "from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions :"—and—

By adding under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—Bookbinders' Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and—

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—"DRUGS, DYE STUFFS, OILS AND COLORS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED,"—the words, "Colors and other articles, when imported by room-paper makers and "stainers, to be used in their trade only ; viz."

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—"Fire En- "gines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such "Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories,—not to "include Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—"Gold and Silver Leaf,"—"Emery Paper and "Emery Cloth,"—"Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—"Platers' Leaf,"—all which articles will be thereafter included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of fifteen per centum *ad valorem* under Schedule B.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the following articles, viz. :—Coal and Coke,—Flour, Wheat and Rye,—Grain of all kinds,—Hay,—Hops,—Indian Corn,—Indian Meal,—Plants—Roots,—Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural or manufacturing purposes—Shrubs,—Trees—and Vegetables, culinary,—all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.

11. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section :—

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which an *ad valorem* Duty of Customs is imposed, imported into Canada "by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased ; and the value "of such goods for duty if imported from the United States by land or inland navigation, shall be the "actual value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into Canada, and whence "they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to Canada ; and such value shall be ascertained by adding "to the value of such goods at the place of growth, production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether "by land or water, and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of growth, pro- "duction or manufacture, to the place where the goods are purchased, and whence they are directly conveyed to "Canada as aforesaid,—and including also the value of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind "in which such goods are contained, and all export duties on such goods, and all costs and charges prior to "their purchase."

12. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent. of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 *Vict.*, c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the following in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31 :—

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, except Cigars and common "Canada Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, 15 cents."

"7. On common Canada Twist, otherwise called *Tabac blanc en torquette*, being the unpressed leaf rolled "and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of Canada, for every pound or less quantity than "a pound, 7 cents," subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be "fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council."

14. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions, and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received at the next sitting of The House, this day.—

The House according to order again resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to allow a drawback of the Duties of Customs paid on Iron and Manufactures of Iron used in the building of Composite Ships and Vessels in Canada, and on Sheet Tin or Tin Plates used in packages for articles exported from Canada, subject to Regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal Section six of the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's reign, Chapter 44, intituled, An Act to Amend an Act of the present Session, intituled "*An Act imposing Duties of Customs, with the Tariff of Duties payable under it*," and instead thereof to make the following provisions ;—

Any or all of the following articles, that is to say :

Animals of all kinds, Green Fruit, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegetables, including Potatoes and other Roots, Plants, Trees and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat, and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oat Meal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain, Butter, Cheese, Fish, salted or smoked, Lard, Tallow, Meats, fresh, salted or smoked,

May be imported into Canada free of Duty, or at a less rate of Duty than is provided by the said Act as mended by any Act of the present Session, upon proclamation of the Governor in Council, which may be issued whenever it appears to his satisfaction, that similar articles from Canada, may be imported into the United States of America free of Duty, or at a rate of Duty, not exceeding that payable on the same under such Proclamation, when imported into Canada.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, to add the articles hereinafter mentioned to those contained in Schedule D, to the said Act ; that is to say ;

Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegatables, including Potatoes and other Roots, Plants, Trees and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain,—so that any of the said articles when the growth and produce of any of the British North American Provinces, may be imported free of duty ; Provided that the Governor in Council may, by proclamation, at any time declare, that on and after a day to be therein named, all the articles in Schedule D shall be charged with the same duties when imported from British North American Provinces, as when imported from any other country.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that any molasses imported into Canada may be removed in bond without payment of the duty of customs thereon into a licensed distillery, and there used in the manufacture of spirits of any kind, subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council under the Act respecting Inland Revenue, 31 Vict. chap. 8 ; and that when so used the Bonds given in that behalf shall be cancelled : and if the spirits manufactured from such molasses, are exported under the provisions of the said Act, no duty shall be payable thereon, but if such spirits are entered for consumption in Canada, then the duty of excise on the spirits manufactured from such molasses shall be sixty-five cents. per gallon ; and the Governor in Council may, by regulations fix the quantity or the mode of determining the quantity of spirits, which shall be held to be equivalent to any assigned weight of molasses.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council, under the said Act, any Licensed Distiller who imports and receives into his distillery, and uses in the manufacture of spirits therein any foreign grain on which Duty of Customs has been paid, and exports spirits thereafter made in such distillery, shall on due proof of such use and export, be entitled to a drawback not exceeding one cent and a half of a cent per gallon of the strength of proof, on a quantity of the spirits so exported not exceeding three gallons and a half for each bushel of duty paid grain so consumed as aforesaid.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Section 31, of the said Act, by adding to the ninth subsection hereof the following Proviso :

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"Provided always, that the undermentioned article when manufactured in Bond, shall, when entered for consumption in Canada, be subject to the following duties of Excise and to no other: that is to say:

Vinegar, per gallon, three cents.

Methylated Spirits, being composed of Alcohol mixed with Wood Naptha in such proportions, and subject to such Regulations as may from time to time be made by the Treasury Board, for every gallon of the strength of proof, and so in proportion for every greater or less strength and for every less quantity than a a gallon, twelve cents.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the Governor may grant yearly coasting licenses to British vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada above Montreal, and may direct that a fee of fifty cents shall be payable for each such license, and that the master, or person in charge of any vessel navigating the said waters, and not having a coasting license, shall on entering any Port in the Dominion with such vessel, pay a fee of fifty cents if such vessel is not over fifty tons burthen, and of one dollar, if she is of more than fifty tons burthen, to the collector on each entry, and a like fee of fifty cents, or one dollar, (according to the burthen of the vessel) on each clearance of such vessel at any such port: Provided that the Governor in Council may reduce or re-adjust such fees, but may not increase them; and provided also, that vessels merely passing through any of the Canadian Canals, without breaking bulk, shall not be liable to such fees.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1.40 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Bolton—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Board of Customs, Stamps and Excise is continued, and if so, what are the duties devolving on such Board.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—For the production of copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Imperial Authorities or the United States Government, on the subject of Commercial Reciprocal relations with the United States, since the 1st day of January, 1869; with copies of all Orders in Council, reports or other documents relating to such subject.

Mr. *Ross*—(Prince Edward)—On the motion of concurrence in the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means. That the said Resolutions be not now concurred in but that they be forthwith referred back to the Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding the words "*Inland Waters*" after the words "*use of the*" in the second line of the first paragraph of the fourth Resolution, and to provide also, that American Salt for the use of the Inland Fisheries be placed on the free list.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1870.

The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Matapedia, County of Bonaventure, was received and read; praying that the main Post Road leading from Matapedia Junction to Cross Point, which is rendered impassable at certain seasons of the year by the inundation of the River, may be improved.—

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented as their Twelfth Report,-the Report of their Sub-Committee, to whom was referred Return to Address of the House of Commons relating to Departmental Printing; and also the Return respecting confidential Printing, which they submit for the consideration of both Houses, and which is as follows:—

COMMITTEE ROOM, 28th April, 1870.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament to whom was referred Return to Address of the House of Commons for a Return of the Tenders for Departmental Printing; and also, the Return respecting Confidential Printing, beg leave to Report:—

That in examining the Return of the Tenders for Departmental Printing, the Sub-Committee find on page 17, the following statement of the Queen's Printer. "Basis of Calculation.—The actual Composition and "Presswork of the Public Departments in 1866 taken from the Public Accounts and the Queen's Printer's Books, "and established by careful proportion," thus it will be seen that in calculating the several Tenders, the Queen's Printer only took into consideration the two items of Composition and Presswork, leaving out altogether the several other items of faintlining, folding, folding and stitching, and covering, and reporting as the lowest tender, the party whose prices for Composition and Presswork were the lowest, though the prices for many of the other items were higher than several other Tenders.

The Queen's Printer states, that though his books shew the Composition and Presswork, they do not shew the other items above mentioned, consequently he could not take them into his calculations,—and he further states that had he been able to do so, the result might probably have been different.

In the absence of any data shewing the amount of Departmental Printing, the Sub-Committe have calculated the three following Tenders on the same basis by which the Parliamentary Contract was awarded last Session, and with the following results:

James Cotton	$9,609 71
I. B. Taylor	10,286 01
Hunter, Rose, & Co	13,077 87

In regard to the Return respecting Confidential Printing, the Sub-Committee are surprised to find that the binding for the Departments has not been submitted to public Tender as provided for in the 6th Clause of Chapter 7, 32 and 33 *Victoria*, 1869, which provides "That the Printing, Binding, &c., shall be done and "furnished under Contracts to be entered into after such public notice or advertisement for Tenders, &c., and "the lowest Tenders received from parties of whose skill, resources, &c., the Governor in Council shall be "satisfied, shall be accepted," except as provided by the 7th Clause.

Had Tenders been asked the Committee have reason to believe the work would have been contracted for at much lower rates than those agreed upon.

The Sub-Committee also find by the above Return that Printing to a considerable amount has been done by different parties at prices largely in excess of the contract rates, some of this work being headed "Confidential." There is no certificate attached to these accounts, of their being correct or even of their having been examined, but merely the receipt of the parties obtaining the money.

There is also no Orders in Council authorizing the work as provided in the 7th Section which reads thus "The Governor may, from time to time, by Orders in Council authorize *for reasons to be stated in such Order "in Council* cause printing and binding for the Public Service to be done without tender: and such Order in "Council and the expenditure under them shall be laid before Parliament at its then next Session."

The Sub-Committee would draw attention to the fact, that the law has been infringed by paying for Printing as Confidential at high prices when no Order in Council had issued authorizing the same, and would respectfully urge the absolute necessity of all accounts for Departmental and Confidential Printing being examined and certified as correct before payment.

All which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed), J. D. Brousseau, Chairman.
James Young.
E. M. McDonald.
J. S. Sanborn.

A Message was received from the Senate, communicating a statement, laid on the Table by their Clerk, showing the sums paid to each Senator as Indemnity and Mileage for the last Session of the present Parliament.

Also, that they have agreed to the Bill (No. 71) An Act to amend the Law respecting the Department of Finance, *without amendment.*—

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Monday next, viz,:

No. 85. To vest in Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada.—

No. 79. To amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 68) respecting Ferries, *with amendments.* (On motion of Honorable Mr. *Morris*, amendments read the first time; second reading on Monday next.)

The Bill (No. 87) to amend and extend the Act to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole, (to which was referred the Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole on Tuesday last, the 26th instant, on the subject of duty on vessels, imposed under the authority of the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 40,) The Bill was then reported, read a third time and passed.—

The Bill (No. 89) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.—

The Bill (No. 77) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend an Act respecting the security to be given by Officers of Canada," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 81) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend an Act for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public works," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported read a third time and passed.—

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Ways and Means, during the earlier part of the sitting of The House, yesterday, were reported, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, cap. 44, and the Tariff of Duties and Customs, contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Animals, viz.:—Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep: which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum *ad valorem*, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz.:—

	$ cts.
Cigars .....per lb.	... 45
Coal and Coke .....per ton	... 50
Salt; except Salt imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions, or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries, which shall be free of duty, ...per bushel of 56 lbs.	.. 5
Hops.....per lb.	... 5
Vinegar and Acetic Acid.....per gallon.	... 10
Rice .....per lb.	... 1
Wheat .....per bushel.	... 4
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other Grain, except Wheat .....per bushel.	... 3
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye.....per barrel of lbs.	... 25
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal of any other grain except Wheat and Rye.....per barrel.	... 15

Spirits and Strong Waters, viz:—

Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, namely:—

	$ cts.
Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, including Old Tom, Tafia, Whiskey, and unenumerated articles of like kind.....per gallon.	... 80

Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, namely:—

	$ cts.
Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Scheidam Schnapps, Bitters, and unenumerated articles of like kind.....per gallon	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks ..... do	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks or bottles; *thirty* of such flasks or bottles not containing more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle	... 4
Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters	1 20

Spirits and Strong Waters imported into Canada, mixed with any ingredient or ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines, Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed "Spirits or Strong Waters" and subject to a duty as such.

Fruits preserved in Brandy or other Spirits, per gallon	$1 20

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "GOODS PAYING TEN PER CENTUM AD VALOREM," viz.:—

Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council,

Green Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Vegetables including potatoes and other roots, Plants, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by striking "Iron Wire" out of the List of "GOODS PAYING FIVE PER CENTUM AD VALOREM."

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by repealing so much thereof as imposes any Duty of Customs on Tobacco, or on Wines, or on Packages, and substituting the following in lieu thereof:—

Tobacco and Snuff, 12½ per centum *ad valorem*, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *ad valorem*, and a specific duty of *ten* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon.)

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the word "Salt," under the head "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the words "Salt, when imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions:"—and—

By adding under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—Bookbinders' Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and—

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—"DRUGS, DYE STUFFS, OILS AND COLORS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED,"—the words, "Colors and other articles, when imported by room-paper makers and "stainers, to be used in their trade only; viz."

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "MANUFACTURES AND PRODUCTS OF MANUFACTURES,"—"Fire En- "gines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such "Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories,—not to "include Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—"Gold and Silver Leaf,"—"Emery Paper and "Emery Cloth,"—"Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—"Platers' Leaf,"—all which articles will be thereafter

included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of fifteen per centum *ad valorem* under Schedule B.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "NATURAL PRODUCTS," the following articles, viz. :—Coal and Coke,—Flour, Wheat and Rye,—Grain of all kinds,—Hay,—Hops,—Indian Corn,—Indian Meal,—Plants—Roots,—Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural or manufacturing purposes—Shrubs,—Trees—and Vegetables, culinary,—all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.—

11. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section :—

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which an *ad valorem* Duty of Customs is imposed, imported into Canada "by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased; and the value "of such goods for duty if imported from the United States by land or inland navigation, shall be the "actual value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into Canada, and whence "they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to Canada; and such value shall be ascertained by adding "to the value of such goods at the place of growth, production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether "by land or water, and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of growth, "production or manufacture, to the place where the goods are purchased and whence they are directly conveyed "to Canada as aforesaid,—and including also the value of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind "in which such goods are contained, and all export duties on such goods, and all costs and charges incurred "prior to their purchase."

12. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent. of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty, as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 *Vict.*, c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the following in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31 :—

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, except Cigars and common "Canada Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, 15 cents."

"7. On common Canada Twist, otherwise called *Tabac blanc en torquette*, being the unpressed leaf rolled "and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of Canada, for every pound or less quantity than "a pound, 7 cents."

"8. On Cigars, for every pound or less quantity than a pound, 30 cents; subject to an abatement or allow- "ance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by regulations to be made "by the Governor in Council."

14. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions, and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

And Resolution 1 being read a second time,

Mr. *Ross* (Prince Edward), moved, that the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be recommitted forthwith, with instructions to amend the same by adding the words "Inland Waters" after the words "use of the" in line 2, paragraph 1, Resolution 4; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Brown, Carmichael, Cartwright, Cheval, Connell, Dorion, Forbes, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O), Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wells, White, Wood, Workman and Young.—48.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Le Vesconte, McDonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Scatcherd, Shanly, Simard, Stephenson, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Whitehead, Willson, and Wright (Ottawa County).—85.

Mr. *McConkey* then moved, that the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with instructions to strike out the proposed duty upon Salt; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Brown, Carmichael, Cartwright, Casault, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Forbes, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Godin, Holton, Hutchinson, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three

Rivers), McGreevy, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wells, White, Wood, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.), and Young.—52.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Burpee, Burton, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Shanly, Simard, Stephenson, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Whitehead, Willson, and Wright (Ottawa County).—82.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion* then moved, that the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of restoring Flour, Meal, Wheat, Coal, and Coke to the free list.

And a Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

SATURDAY, 30th April, 1870.

And the question being put on Hon. Mr. *Dorion's* amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Brousseau, Burpee, Carmichael, Caron, Casault, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Irvine, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Langlois, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—62.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brown, Burton, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), McCallum, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria N.S.), Ryan (King's, N.B.), Shanly, Simard, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County.)—80.

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand) then moved, that the said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with instructions to strike out the proposed increased duty upon Rice; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Carmichael, Caron, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Gaudet, Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kempt, Kierzkowski, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew, McGreevy, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—63.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Shanly, Simard, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, Willson, and Wright (Ottawa County).—76.

Mr. *Casault* then moved, that the Resolution 4 be not now concurred in, out that it be referred back to the Committee of Ways and Means to amend it by striking out the words "per ton 50 cents" and substituting the words "seven and one half per cent *ad valorem*, provided such duty shall not exceed in any case 50 cents per ton"; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Casault* again moved, that Resolution 4 be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee of Ways and Means with instruction to provide that Coal and Coke imported from Great Britain shall be free from duty; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Brousseau, Caron, Casault, Chauveau, Cheval, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Hutchinson, Joly, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langlois, McFarlane, Masson (Soulanges), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd and Tremblay.—37.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown Burpee, Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McKeagney, McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Shanly, Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—95.

Mr. *Bolton* then moved, that the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with instructions to place the article of "Indian Corn" when intended for other uses than that of distilling, on the free list; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Brousseau, Burpee, Carmichael, Caron, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Gaudet, Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Kempt, Kierzkowski, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), Metcalfe, Mills, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross, (Wellington, C.R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—50.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brown, Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Harrison, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald, (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McGreevy, McKeagney, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Shanly, Simard, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, and Willson—73.

Mr. *McConkey* then moved, that the said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with instructions to provide for the exemption of packages and charges from the proposed duty; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Ault, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Carmichael, Cheval, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Fortier, Godin, Grant, Holton, Hurdon, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Wallace, Wells, White, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario) and Young.—56.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, SirGeorge E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald, (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McKeagny, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Scatcherd, Shanly, Simard, Stephenson, Sylvain, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Walsh, Webb and Willson.—67.

Mr. *Oliver* then moved, that the said Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend the same by striking out the words "15 cents," in sub-section 6 of section 13, and inserting the following, "14 cents,"—And also, by striking out of sub-section 8, in section 13, the words "30 cents," and by inserting "25 cents;" which was negatived on a division.

Resolution 1 was then agreed to on a division.

Resolutions 2 to 12 inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to on a division.

Resolution 13 being read a second time;

Mr. *Godin* moved, that the said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend the same by adding the following words thereto: "That it is expedient to provide that leaf Tabacco of Canadian growth may be sold by the producer free of duty;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas :

Messieurs Béchard, Benoit, Bertrand, Brousseau, Caron, Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Holton, Hurdon, Hutchison, Joly, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langlois, Masson (Soulanges), McDougall (Three Rivers), Mills, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Stephenson, Sylvain, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Webbe, and Wright (Ottawa County.)—42.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown, Campbell, Carling, Carmichael, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Hincks Sir Francis, Howe, Jackson, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Lawson, McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McGreevy, McKeagney, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Shanly, Simard, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—77.

Resolution 13 was then agreed to.

Resolution 14 being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Ways and Means, during the later sitting of The House, yesterday, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to allow a drawback of the Duties of Customs paid on Iron and Manufactures of Iron used in the building of Composite Ships and Vessels in Canada, and on Sheet Tin or Tin Plates used in packages for articles exported from Canada, subject to Regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal Section six of the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's reign, Chapter 44, intituled, An Act to Amend an Act of the present Session, intituled "*An Act imposing Duties of Customs, with the Tariff of Duties payable under it*," and instead thereof to make the following provisions ;—

Any or all of the following articles, that is to say :

Animals of all kinds, Green Fruit, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegetables, including Potatoes and other Roots, Plants, Trees and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat, and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oat Meal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain, Butter, Cheese, Fish, salted or smoked, Lard, Tallow, Meats, fresh, salted or smoked,

May be imported into Canada free of Duty, or at a less rate of Duty than is provided by the said Act as mended by any Act of the present Session, upon proclamation of the Governor in Council, which may be issued whenever it appears to his satisfaction, that similar articles from Canada, may be imported into the United States of America free of Duty, or at a rate of Duty, not exceeding that payable on the same under such Proclamation, when imported into Canada.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, to add the articles hereinafter mentioned to those contained in Schedule D, to the said Act ; that is to say ;

Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegatables, including Potatoes and other Roots, Plants, Trees and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain,—so that any of the said articles when the growth and produce of any of the British North American Provinces, may be imported free of duty ; Provided that the Governor in Council may, by proclamation, at any time declare, that on and after a day to be therein named, all the articles in Schedule D shall be charged with the same duties when imported from British North American Provinces, as when imported from any other country.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that any molasses imported into Canada may be removed in bond without payment of the duty of customs thereon into a licensed distillery, and there used in the manufacture of spirits of any kind, subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council under the Act respecting Inland Revenue, 31 Vict. chap. 8 ; and that when so used the Bonds given in that behalf shall be cancelled : and if the spirits manufactured from such molasses, are exported under the provisions of the said Act, no duty shall be payable thereon, but if such spirits are entered for consumption in Canada, then the duty of excise on the spirits manufactured from such molasses shall be sixty-five cents. per gallon ; and the Governor in Council may, by regulations fix the quantity or the mode of determining the quantity of spirits, which shall be held to be equivalent to any assigned weight of molasses.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council, under the said Act, any Licensed Distiller who imports and receives into his distillery, and uses in the manufacture of spirits therein any foreign grain on which Duty of Customs has been paid, and exports spirits thereafter made in such distillery, shall on due proof of such use and export, be entitled to a drawback not exceeding one cent and a half of a cent per gallon of the strength of proof, on a quantity of the spirits so exported not exceeding three gallons and a half for each bushel of duty paid grain so consumed as aforesaid.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Section 31, of the said Act, by adding to the ninth subsection hereof the following Proviso :

" Provided always, that the undermentioned article when manufactured in Bond, shall, when entered for consumption in Canada, be subject to the following duties of Excise and to no other : that is to say :

Vinegar, per gallon, three cents.

Methylated Spirits, being composed of Alcohol mixed with Wood Naptha in such proportions, and subject to such Regulations as may from time to time be made by the Treasury Board, for every gallon of the strength of proof, and so in proportion for every greater or less strength and for every less quantity than a a gallon, twelve cents.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the Governor may grant yearly coasting licenses to British vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada above Montreal, and may direct that a fee of fifty cents shall be payable for each such license, and that the master, or person in charge of any vessel navigating the said waters, and not having a coasting license, shall on entering any Port in the Dominion with such vessel, pay a fee of fifty cents if such vessel is not over fifty tons burthen, and of one dollar, if she is of more than fifty tons burthen, to the collector on each entry, and a like fee of fifty cents, or one dollar, (according to the burthen of the vessel) on each clearance of such vessel at any such port: Provided that the Governor in Council may reduce or re-adjust such fees, but may not increase them; and provided also, that vessels merely passing through any of the Canadian Canals, without breaking bulk, shall not be liable to such fees.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* then introduced a Bill (No. 90) to amend the Acts respecting Customs and Inland Revenue; and to make certain provisions respecting Vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada above Montreal. —Second reading on Tuesday next.—

The Order for the second reading of the Bill (No. 84) for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House then adjourned at 2.45 A.M., until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Brousseau—On Monday next—Adoption of the 12th Report of the Joint Committee on Printing.

Mr. Bellerose—On Monday next—Re-printing of the Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest.

Mr. Bowman—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY why the postage on Newspapers to Germany has been raised from 6 cts. to 9 cts. while the postage on Letters has been reduced, and whether it is the intention of the Government to correct this anomaly.

Mr. Masson (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of all allowances, petty disbursements, pay of charwomen, contingent expenses, carriage hire, &c., &c., paid to one *P. St. Hill*, house keeper, shewing item by item the number, the price, and the name of everything included in such petty disbursements, contingent expenses, allowances, &c., &c.; the number and the names of the charwomen, their wages and the sums paid to each of them, and for each day, &c., since the Union of the Provinces of the Dominion.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*—On Monday next—That The House do on a future day go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person, having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of *sixty* years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary—during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten-fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years, and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years, when an annual allowance of thirty-five-fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years;—if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order in Council to be made in the case: and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made for the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per

cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards; and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty five years of service.

4. That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one-twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

5. That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing therein contained shall be understood as impairing or effecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding *one month's* pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three month's pay for every two years service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body or mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act. S. 7.

8. That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of *sixty* years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments, and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation, determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which, they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence held with any individuals or delegates from the North-West Territories, with copies of the credentials of such delegates, and copies of all correspondence and documents in the possession of the Government relating to the difficulties in the Red River Territory, or to pending negotiations respecting the future Government of that Country; also copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government relative to the disturbances in our North-West Territories.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 2ND MAY, 1870.

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

The Petition of *Pacifique Doiron*, and others, of the Township of Matapedia, County of Bonaventure, was received and read; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners at the differerent Seaports of the Dominion.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Seventh Report, which is as follows:

The Committee have had under their consideration Returns of the amount of Indemnity and Mileage paid to the Members of both Houses for the Session of 1869, and have adopted the following Resolution, in relation thereto:—

Resolved, That as it appears there are great irregularities in the payment of Mileage, in some cases amounting to a difference of over one hundred miles with Members residing in the same place, the attention of both Houses be drawn to this fact, with a view to the correction of distances, so that the actual distance necessarily travelled shall be paid and no more.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, communicating to their Honors a copy of the foregoing Seventh Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.—

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of Mr. Cayley, from the meeting this day; in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock A.M.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 27th ult; for a Return of the names of all persons (including Paymasters) now employed on the Survey of the Intercolonial Railway in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, and the salaries paid to each.—

Return to Address of the 4th ult; for copies of all Minutes in Council, and Departmental Orders, and of all correspondence between the Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of Quebec and Ontario respectively, relating to the rate of interest allowed since the 4th May, 1859, on the capital of Seigniors and the capital of compensation to the Townships in Lower Canada; and also on the compensation to Upper Canada arising out of the Seignorial Legislation, called the Upper Canada Building Fund.

Return to Address of the 14th of March last; for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the repairs, alterations and maintenance of Rideau Hall and Spencerwood, since the 30th June, 1868, up to the present time, including all expenses of heating and lighting the Buildings, and all expenses connected with gardening, and every item of expense, in any way, either directly or indirectly, connected with said buildings; giving the charges connected with each Department separately.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 33) An Act respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, *without amendment.*

George Airey Kirkpatrick, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the County of Frontenac, took the oath according to Law, and his seat in The House.—

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 91) to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.—Second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Howe* laid before The House,—by command of His Excellency, the Report of the Very Reverend *J. B. Thibault*, Vicar General, in relation to the affairs of the North West Territories.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* laid before The House,—by command of His Excellency, the Report of the Postmaster General, for the year ending 30th June, 1869.

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, The House resolved to go into Committee, to-morrow, to consider certain Resolutions providing for a system of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service, and for the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and The House of Commons.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of Friday last, the 29th April (page 252) Mr. *Masson's* (Terrebonne) name was omitted from the division taken on Mr. *Casault's* amendment, viz., "to provide that Coal and Coke imported from Great Britain shall be free from duty."—He voted with the Yeas, and the division should read, as follows :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Brousseau, Caron, Casault, Chauveau, Cheval, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Hutchinson, Joly, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langlois, McFarlane, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd and Tremblay.—38.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown Burpee, Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McKeagney, McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Shanly, Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Sylvain, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—95.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *O'Connor*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all correspondence between any party or parties and the Marine branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries on the subject of establishing or maintaining a light ship at the Colchester reef in Lake Erie, off the shore of the Township o Colchester, in the County of Essex, and Province of Ontario; and of all papers, maps, and documents in the said department relating to the said subject.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to rebuild the slides destroyed by the late high water on the River Trent.

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand)—On Wednesday next—That an an order of this House do issue directing the Postmaater General to instruct each Postmaster in the Dominion to take an accurate monthly account of all franked or free matter deposited at their respective offices for mailing for twelve months, commencing 1st July next, and te make a special report thereof to this House, embracing the following particulars, viz., the number of franked or free letters and amount of postage that would be chargeable thereon at the established rate of postage. 2nd the weight of franked or free matter other than letters, and the amount of postage that would be chargeable at the current rate of postage.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 3RD MAY, 1870.

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

The Bill (No. 89) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels," was read a third time, as amended, and passed.—

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows: —

JOHN YOUNG

The Governor General recommends to the consideration of The House of Commons the subject matter of certain Resolutions in relation to a Superannuation system for the Officers of the Civil Service and of the Parliament of Canada.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, 2nd May, 1870.

The House went inte Committee to consider certain Resolutions providing for the superannuation of persons employed in the Civil Service and in the Parliament of Canada.—

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*. That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person, having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of *sixty* years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary— during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten-fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years, and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years, when an annual allowance of thirty-five-fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years;—if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order in Council to be made in the case: and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made for the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards; and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty five years of service.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one-twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

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6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding *one month's* pay for each year of his service and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three month's pay for every two years service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

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10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 85) to vest in Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.—

The Bill (No. 79) to amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Order for The House to go into Committee on the Bill (No. 4) respecting the Election of Members of The House of Commons, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Scatcherd*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return shewing

1st. The number of appeals from all Final Judgments of the Court of Error and Appeal in the Province of Ontario, for the year 1869 ;

2nd. The number of appeals from all Final Judgments of the Court of Queen's Bench in the Province of Quebec, for the year, 1869 ;

3rd. The number of appeals from all Final Judgments of the Supreme Court in either of the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and of any other Superior Court of last resort now established in any Province of Canada for the year 1869 ;

4th. The number of cases commenced by or against the Crown in all the Courts in Canada, for the year 1869, relating to the Revenue.

Honorable Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY why in the examination of Volunteers for service at Red River, the claims to consideration of Surgeons of Militia have been ignored by the Government.

No. 54.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 4TH MAY, 1870.

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

The Petition of *A. M. Foster*, and others, of the City of Montreal, was received and read; praying for amendments to the Tariff, with a view to the protection of Manufactures and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government, relative to the Red River Territory, by Telegraph or otherwise, since the prorogation of Parliament in 1869, or with any other parties in Canada or the Territories in question may be laid before This House.—

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Archibald*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return shewing, so far as the same can at present be ascertained, the number of Bridges, above the size of culverts, required to be constructed on the Intercolonial Railway, the localities where the same are to be built—and the estimated cost; such return to shew the estimated cost, if the spans are constructed of Timber, and the estimated cost if constructed in Iron. Also a copy of so much of the contracts for the construction of the Road, as contains the provisions, if any, for enabling the Commissioners to substitute Iron for Wood in the construction of Bridges in case it may seem to them desirable to do so.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Imperial Authorities or the United States Government, on the subject of Commercial Reciprocal relations with the United States, since the 1st day of January, 1869; with copies of all Orders in Council, reports or other documents relating to such subject, not hitherto laid before Parliament; and also any correspondence concerning proposed reciprocal trade relations between the United States and Prince Edward Island, or other British Colonies.—

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, the Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest, was ordered to be re-printed, as amended.—

On motion of Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a detailed statement of all allowances, petty disbursements, pay of charwomen, contingent expenses, csrriage hire, &c., &c., paid to one *P. St. Hill*, house keeper, shewing item by item the number, the price, and the name of everything included in such petty disbursements, contingent expenses, allowances, &c., &c.; the number and the names of the charwomen, their wages and the sums paid to each of them, and for each day, &c., since the Union of the Provinces of the Dominion.

The Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest, was ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.—

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Magill's* proposed motion for the adoption of the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report on the extent and condition of the Hop growing, and Salt interests of Canada, was discharged.—

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the following Bills, was discharged, and the Bills severally withdrawn, viz:—

No. 11. To amend the Patent Act of 1869.

No. 23. To amend an Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the construction of the Intercolonial Railway."

No. 27. Further securing the Independence of Parliament.

No. 28. Respecting the law of Usury in the Province of Nova Scotia.—

No. 29. Concerning Weights and Measures.—

No. 32. To amend the Act further securing the Independence of Parliament.

No. 47. For the better protection of Navigable Streams and Rivers.

No. 62. To enable Railway, Bridge and Tunnel Companies to settle their differences with other Companies by Arbitration.

No. 66. Respecting the weighing of Grain.

No. 83. To amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.

On motion of Mr. *Currier*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return of the names, origin, creed, position and pay of all the Employés of the Dominion Government.—

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, the Ninth and Tenth Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills *without amendment*, viz.:—

No. 18. An Act to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141, concerning the Synod of the Church of England in Canada, to the Province of Nova Scotia.

No. 86. An Act to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company.—

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz.:—

No. 2. To amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders.—

No. 10. To amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.—

The Order of the Day, for the further consideration of Mr. *Magill*'s proposed motion for an Address to His Excellency, for copies of all minutes of Council, Reports of Government Engineers, and correspondence generally, relating to the enlargement or improvement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, since 1st July, 1867, was discharged.—

The following Messages were received from his Excellency the Governor General, which were read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits Supplementary Estimates of the sums required for the Service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1870; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to The House of Commons.

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On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, the said Messages and Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

A further Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

JOHN YOUNG

The Governor General recommends to the consideration of The House of Commons the subject matter of certain Resolutions in relation to the establishment and provision for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 4th May, 1870.

The House resumed the further consideration of Hon. Mr. *Wood's* proposed motion on the subject of the sum payable under the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1859, for the benefit of the Townships of Lower Canada, and which motion is as follows:—

That it be resolved:—

That by the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1869, it is provided that a sum of money, bearing the same proportion "to that which, under the provisions of the said Act, will be payable yearly to the Seigniors in Lower Canada, as the population of the Townships shall, by the census of 1861, be found to bear to that of the Seigniories, shall be payable yearly out of the Provincial Funds to the credit of the Lower Canada Municipal Loan Fund, but for the benefit of the Township only," which said sum amounts to $756,710.

That by the same Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to

direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the yearly sum coming to any such townships, or to the said town (of Sherbrooke), at the rate of seventy-five per cent. of such capital in discharge of the whole."

That in the debt of the late Province of Canada, as set forth in the Public Accounts 1869, part 3, p. 2, in the item "Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships (Capital)," the said compensation to the Townships is charged against the late Province at 100 per cent. $756,710, instead of 75 per cent, $567,532 50, at which latter sum, according to sec. 5, sub-sec. 2, of 22 *Vict.* c. 15, the Governor in Council is authorized to direct its payment, and therefore at which sum only it should be charged against the late Province.

And a further Debate arising,—

And it being six o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock P.M.

The Order for The House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of the Currency, was discharged.—

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House resolved to go into Committee, to-morrow, to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to prepare for the transfer of Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory to the Government of Canada, at the time appointed by the Queen for such admission ; and that it is expedient also to provide for the Organization of part of the said Territories into a Province, and for the establishment of a Government therefor, and to make provision for the Civil Government of such remaining part of the said Territories not included within the limits of such Province.

2. *Resolved*, That on, from, and after the day upon which the Queen, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, under the authority of the 146th Section of the British North America Act, 1867, shall, by Order in Council in that behalf, admit Rupert's Land and the North-West Territory into the Union or Dominion of Canada, there shall be formed, out of the same, a Province which shall be one of the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, and which shall be called the Province of Manitoba.

3. *Resolved*, That, inasmuch as the Province is not in debt, the said Province shall be entitled to be paid and to receive from the Government of Canada, by half-yearly payments in advance, interest at the rate of five per centum per annum on the sum of Four hundred and seventy-two thousand and ninety dollars.

4. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars shall be paid yearly by Canada to the Province for the support of its Government and Legislature, and an annual grant, in aid of the said Province, shall be made, equal to Eighty cents. per head of the Population, estimated at seventeen thousand souls ; and such grant of Eighty cents per head shall be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by the census that shall be taken thereof, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and by each subsequent decennial census until its population amounts to four hundred thousand souls, at which amount such grant shall remain thereafter, and such sum shall be in full settlement of all future demands on Canada, and shall be paid half-yearly, in advance, to the said Province.

5. *Resolved*, That Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services, viz. :—

1. Salary of Lieutenant Governor.
2. Salary and allowances of the Judges of the Superior and District or County Courts.
3. Charges in respect of the Department of the Customs.
4. Postal Department.
5. Protection of Fisheries.
6. Militia.
7. Geological Survey.
8. The Penitentiary.
9. And such further charges as may be incident to, and connected with, the services, which, by the British North America Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are, or may be, allowed to the other Province.

6. *Resolved*, That the Customs' duties now by law chargeable in Rupert's Land, shall be continued without increase for the period of three years from and after the passing of this Act.

7. *Resolved*, That all ungranted or waste lands in the Province shall be, from and after the date of the said transfer, vested in the Crown, and administered by the Government of Canada for the purposes of the Dominion, subject to and except and so far as the same may be affected by the conditions and stipulations contained in the agreement for the surrender of Rupert's Land by the Hudson's Bay Company to Her Majesty.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient towards the extinguishment of the Indian Title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands to the extent of one million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, and that under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall select such lots or tracts in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families, residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to Canada, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement and otherwise as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.

9. *Resolved*, That, for the quieting of titles, and assuring to the settlers in the Province the peaceable possession of the lands now held by them, it is expedient to provide as follows :—

1. That all grants of land in freehold made by the Hudson's Bay Company prior to the transfer to Canada, shall, if required by the owner, be confirmed by grant from the Crown.

2. That all grants of estates less than freehold in land made by the Hudson's Bay Company prior to the transfer to Canada, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

3. That all titles by occupancy with the sanction, and under the license and authority, of the Hudson's Bay Company prior to the transfer to Canada, of land in that part of the Province in which the Indian title has been extinguished, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

4. That all persons in peaceable possession of tracts of land at the time of the said transfer, in those parts of the Province in which the Indian Title has not been extinguished, shall have the right of pre-emption of the same on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Governor in Council.

5. That the Lieutenant-Governor be authorized, under regulations to be made from time to time by the Governor General in Council, to make all such provisions for ascertaining and adjusting, on fair and equitable terms, the rights of Common, and rights of cutting Hay held and enjoyed by the settlers in the Province, and for the commutation of the same by grants of land from the Crown.

10. *Resolved*, The Governor General in Council shall from time to time settle and appoint the mode and form of Grants of Land from the Crown, and any Order in Council for that purpose when published in the *Canada Gazette*, shall have the same force and effect as if it were a portion of the Act to be passed in this behalf.

11. *Resolved*, Nothing in this Act shall in any way prejudice or affect the rights or properties of the Hudson's Bay Company, as contained in the conditions under which that Company snrrendered Rupert's Land to Her Majesty.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Bill (No. 85) to vest in Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada, be now read a third time, which was agreed to on a division.—

The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed on a division.—

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, providing for the superannuation of persons employed in the Civil Service and in the Parliament of Canada, were reported, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*. That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person, having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of *sixty* years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary—during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten-fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years, and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years, when an annual allowance of thirty-five-fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years;—if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order in Council to be made in the case: and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made for the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards; and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty five years of service.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one-twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing therein contained shall be understood as impairing or effecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding *one month's* pay for each year of his service and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him

a gratuity not exceeding three month's pay for every two years service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body or mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act. S. 7.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of *sixty* years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments, and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation, determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which, they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions 1 and 2 being read a second time, were agreed to.—

Resolution 3 being read a second time;

Mr. *Joly* moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend it by striking out the word "four" in line 3 and substituting the word "two;" and by striking out all the words between the word "salary" in line 3 and the word "and" in line 4; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Béchard, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Carmichael, Cayley, Chamberlin, Cheval, Currier, Daoust, Forbes, Fortier, Grant, Gray, Hagar, Holmes, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langlois, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Lunenburg), MacFarlane, Magill, McCarthy, McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Pelletier, Pouliot, Pozer, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria N. S.), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Rymal, Savary, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Whitehead, Workman and Wright (Ottawa County)—49.

Nays :

Messieurs Archibald, Ault, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Hutchison, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Langevin, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir A. J. (Kingston), McDonald, (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria O.), Munroe, O'Connor, Pinsonneault, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Snider, Stephenson, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Wells, White, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario W. R.) and Young.—80.

The said Resolution was then agreed to.—

The remaining Resolutions being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* then introduced a Bill (No. 92) for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases.—Second reading to-morrow.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 68) respecting Fines, were read a second time and agreed to.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the Bill (No. 91) to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba, be now read the second time.

And a Debate arising,—it was, on motion of Hon. Mr. *Gray*, adjourned.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

186	1	To pay various members of the Civil Service the increases which would have accrued under the old Civil Service Act for the year 1867-8	$2,480 00

POLICE.

Dominion Police.

187	1	To meet current expenditure for the remainder of the year.....	7,500 00

LEGISLATION.

189 { 2 Printing, Ruling, Paper, &c. $10,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight.

THURSDAY, 5TH MAY, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted:

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

190 { 1 To pay expenses of photographs and report on the Eclipse of the Sun..... 200 00

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

191 { 1 Salaries of agents *(a)* $3,668 00
2 Further in aid of Immigration (balance unexpended June 30th to be available for 1870-71) 9,000 00
——— 12,668 00

OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM SERVICE.

192 To reimburse the Government of New Brunswick, for payment made by them to the Prince Edward Island Steam Navigation Company, for services, from 1st July, 1867, to end of season, 1867 (lapsed vote) 500 00

MILITIA.

193 To cover an over expenditure for Drill Instruction for 1868-9, paid out of the vote for 1869-70, that amount having been under estimated in the vote of the previous year, the said over expenditure being in consequence of the great increase to the Volunteer Force during that period 20,000 00

194 To meet expenditure incurred in repelling the threatened invasion by the Fenians 200,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1.25 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Gaucher*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to grant an amnesty in favor of those persons who took part in the Insurrection in the North West.

Mr. *Gaucher*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to enroll compulsory Militiamen, who are not disposed to volunteer for the expedition to the North West.

Mr. *Gaucher*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to cause the Statutes of the Dominion Parliament to be distributed to the representatives of the people in the Local Legislatures.

Mr. *Renaud*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Imperial Government has approved of the conduct of Mr. *McDougall* in taking possession of the North West Territory before Her Majesty's Proclamation, and in unlawfully organizing an armed force to invade the said Territory.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a statement of all accounts and sums of money paid by Dominion Government for the Throne (Royal seat) constructed by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of the North West, and for the vehicle he caused to be constructed at Pembina.

Mr. *Masson*, (Soulanges)—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Dominion Government has paid for, or is to pay for, the Throne constructed by order and for the service of the Hon. Mr. *McDougall*, as Governor of the North West Territory, for his *quasi vice regal* entry into his new domains; whether the said Ex-Governor Mr. *McDougall* abandoned the said Throne and the said vehicle for the use of one *Louis Riel*, residing at Fort Garry, in the said Territory, and whether the latter has repaid him the amount or value of the said objects. If not, what has become of the said Throne and the said vehicle of His Excellency.

Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*—On Friday next—To resolve:—That the Speaker of this House be authorized in concert with the Commissioners under the Act for regulating the Internal Economy of The House, to effect a more just equalization of the salaries of the officers and servants of this House; providing for any additional expenditure that may be required for this purpose out of the unexpended moneys at their disposal; the same not to exceed the amount already specified on this behalf in the Estimates submitted to The House during the present Session.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY by what authority the Hon. Mr. *McDougall* organized an armed force to invade the North West Territory.

Mr. *Pinsonneault*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of all sums of money paid in the name of Government by one *Darby Bergin*, of the Town of Cornwall (Ont.), for service and use, for provisions purchased and furnished to a Company of Volunteer Militia, being Company No. 5 stationed at Laprairie (Quebec) in the year 1865, then under the command of the said *Darby Bergin*; also for copies of all accounts and vouchers furnished by him to the Militia Department, and shewing the prices of the articles and provisions by him purchased, from whom purchased, and to whom such sums were paid.

No. 55.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 5TH MAY, 1870.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *James Hacquoil*, and others, of Paspebiac ; and of *Simon Cyr*, and others, of the Township of Hope both of the County of Bonaventure ; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of *William Workman*, Mayor, and *Andrew Robertson*, Secretary, on behalf of the Merchants and Citizens of Montreal, assembled in public meeting ; praying that no law may be passed confirming the imposition of duties on Bread-stuffs and Coal, imported into Canada.

Of the Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto ; praying that no law may be passed confirming the imposition of a duty on Coal, imported into Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Brousseau*, the Eleventh Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

LEGISLATION.

188. To meet amount required to cover expenditure for Printing, Binding, and distributing the Laws for the remainder of the year $2,146 41

LIGHT HOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

Quebec.

195. To meet expenditure on account of construction of Light House, River St. Lawrence (in advance of $104,000 in the Estimates for 1870-71) 25,000 00

New Brunswick.

196.

1. To meet balance of expenditure on Point Lepreau Fog Alarm	800 00	
2. To re-imburse expenditure in repairing damage to Light Houses, caused by the tidal wave and gale of 4th October last, at Quaco, Partridge Island, Beacon Light, St. John Harbor, Swallow Tail Head Harbor, St. Andrew's, and Point Lepreau.....	2,666 00	
3. Revote Beacon Lights, St. John River	600 00	
4. Lantern and Apparatus, Paspebiac Light	400 00	
5. Repairing damaged French Dioptric Light, freight to Seal Island, and erecting same.....	450 00	
		4,916 00
		29,916 00

FISHERIES.

197. 1. Additional for the protection of the Fisheries (Marine Police) in advance of the vote for 1870-71 ..... $20,000 00
2. To cover expenditure required for Fishery service, Ontario. 1,891 00
3. To cover expenditure required for Fishery service, Nova-Scotia..... 3,540 00
4. To cover expenditure required for Fishery Service, New Brunswick 1,532 00
——— 6,963 00
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CULLERS.

199. To provide for amount required for the current year..... 10,000 00

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

Customs.

200. Amount required to complete the services..... 20,000 00

Post Office.

201. Amount required during the current year to cover expenditure on account of Money Order and Savings Bank Branches not specially included in Estimate 6,000 00

Public Works.

202. Welland Canal Loan Company, amount paid by them, for rent on their lease of water power, the Government having resumed possession..... 6,480 00

203. 1. Award and costs in the case of Peter Stewart against Nova Scotia Railway..... 2,486 78
2. Award and cost in the case of Mrs. E. A. Jones against Nova Scotia Railway 3,597 00
3. Gratuity to Ellen and Catherine McCarron, relatives of an Engine-Driver killed on Nova Scotia Railway,. .. 6,000 00
——— 6,683 78

204. Eastern Extension Railway, maintenance and repairs from date of purchase of line to the close of the fiscal year 6,000 00
——— 21,163 73

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again this day.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 87) An Act to amend and extend the Act to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion, *without amendment.*

Also, agreeing to the amendments made by this House, to the Bill (No. 89) of their own, intituled: "An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels," *without amendment.*

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* laid before The House,—Miscellaneous Statistics of Canada, for the year 1868, Part 1 (Municipal Returns, Ontario).

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Bill (No. 90) to amend the Acts respecting Customs and Inland Revenue, and to make certain provisions respecting Vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada, above Montreal, be now read the second time.—

Hon. Mr. *Dorion* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That in view of the large increase in the ordinary expenditure of the Dominion, it is expedient before new and increased taxation on the necessaries of life, to inquire into the causes of such increased expenditure, in order to ascertain the extent to which the adoption of a stringent measure of retrenchment would meet any anticipated deficiency, and avert the necessity of additional taxation: which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Caldwell, Cartwright, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaudet, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario) and Young.—55.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Ault, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin,

Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McDougall (Three Rivers), McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Scriver, Shanly, Simard, Stephenson, Tilley, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County).—86.

Mr. *Workman* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That it is not in the Public interest to impose taxes on the articles of Coal, Coke, Flour, and Wheat, inasmuch as said taxation will press with peculiar and exceptional severity on certain sections of the Dominion; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Béchard, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Cartwright, Casault, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Irvine, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Langlois, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Pâquet, Pelletier, Picard, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario W. R.) and Young.—66.

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The Bill was then read the second, and a third time on a division, and passed on a division.—

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion for the second reading of the Bill (No. 91) to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3; and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba; which was agreed to.—

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.—

The Bill (No. 78) respecting certain works on the River Ottawa, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 92) for better securing the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases, was read the second time, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:

UNPROVIDED ITEMS.

206. *Vide* part 2, page 60 in the Public Accounts for the year ending, the 30th June 1869 ..... $51,232 53

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight,

FRIDAY, 6th, MAY, 1870.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

LEGISLATION.

208. To pay for Preparation of Maps for Railway Committee.....	2,000 00		
209. Additional Stationery, House of Commons.....	800 00		
		2,800 00	

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210. Excavations at Port Dalhousie 10,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

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Kingston Buildings, etc.

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	2. Penal Prison and Wardens' House	1,500 00	
	3. Steam Boiler for Heating Water and Steam Cooking Range	2,110 00	
			4,523 92

MILITIA.

214. To meet the expense of Artillery, Guns, &c. 2,000 00

LIGHT HOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

Trinity House, Quebec.

215. To provide for rent of Trinity House, Quebec, and expenses connected with re-organization of the Department, and construction of Light at Saguenay.... 5,000 00

Nova Scotia.

216. Protection of Bird Island Light House..... 300 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

217. To provide for Examination and Classification of Masters and Mates (Mercantile Marine)..... 6,000 00

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

Inland Revenue.

220. To provide for additions to the Outside Service of the Excise Department 5,600 00

Post Office.

221.	1. Increase in ordinary Mail Service.....	6,000 00	
	2. To meet expenditure on account of Money Order Branch	4,000 00	
			10,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* it was *Resolved*, That when The House adjourns, at its next sitting, it do stand adjourned till Saturday at 3 o'clock. P. M.; and that Government Orders have precedence.

The House then adjourned at 1:05. A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

No. 56.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, MAY 5TH, 1870.

3rd Session, 1st Parliament, 33 Victoria, 1

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No. 57.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 6TH MAY, 1870.

The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Toronto, was received and read; praying that no Law may be passed confirming the imposition of a duty on Coal imported into Canada.—

Hon. Mr. *Gray*, from the Select Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, presented the following Report:—

The Committee have carefully examined the List of Expiring Laws, prepared by the Law Clerk, and have arrived at the conclusion that it is desirable to continue in force the Act intituled: "An Act to encourage the establishment of, and regulate Savings Banks in this Province."

He then introduced the Bill (No. 93) to continue for a limited time the Act therein mentioned. Second reading to-morrow.

Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, that the Bill (No. 92) for better securing the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases, be now read a third time.—

Mr. *Joly* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole with an instruction to add at the end of Clause 3, the following words:—"and shall not be compulsory on any person whose life is now insured, as long as his life continues to be insured; but such person, from whose salary the said abatement is not made, shall not be intituled to any share of the Superannuation Fund;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Burpee, Casault, Cayley, Cimon, Connell, Daoust, Forbes, Fortier, Gaudet, Godin, Grover, Hagar, Holmes, Holton, Hurdon, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Lacerte, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), Merritt, Metcalfe, Morison (Victoria O.), Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Rymal, Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Workman and Wright (Ottawa County).—58.

Nays:

Messieurs Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier Sir George E., Cartwright, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Costigan, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Harrison, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald, (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McMillan, Mills, Morris, Munroe, O'Connor, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ryan (King's N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Tilley, Walsh, Willson, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—69.

Mr. *Godin* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend the same, so as to provide:—

1. That the Superannuation Fund shall be a special fund, created and maintained by the contributions of the Public Officers only, and without any connection with the Public Revenues.

2. That the fund shall be administered by the Finance Department of the Dominion.

3. That no Public Officer shall be entitled to any Superannuation allowance, unless he has contributed to the said fund for at least five years.

4. That the Superannuation allowances to be hereinafter paid in virtue of this Act shall be so paid out of such fund only, upon a scale to be calculated upon the system of life insurance, and so as to provide that the amount of the allowances to be paid shall not exhaust the said fund.

5. That the widow of any person to whom this Act applies, and who may die while employed in the Civil Service, or while receiving Superannuation allowance, shall be entitled during her life time, or until she marries again, to an annual allowance equal to one half the allowance received by her husband, or to which he would be entitled at the time of his decease if he had been then superannuated.

6. That the orphan children of such person shall be collectively entitled to receive from the said fund, until they attain the age of eighteen years, the same allowance as the widow, their mother, received or would be entitled to receive under this Act.—

And objection being taken, that the said motion was out of order, inasmuch as by section 54 of the Imperial Act 32 Victoria, Chapter 3 it is enacted, that "It shall not be lawful for the House of Commons to adopt or pass any Vote, Resolution, Address, or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the Public Revenue, or of any tax or impost, to any purpose that has not been first recommended to that House by Message of the Governor General in the Session in which such Vote, Resolution, Address, or Bill is proposed:" and that the subject matter of the said motion had not been recommended by such Message.

Mr. Speaker said:—"This amendment proposes a substantial change from the proposal recommended in the "Message of His Excellency the Governor General of the 2nd of May instant. It involves a public charge, "different from that which has been so recommended to The House, and though I have some doubt on the "question, I shall decide that the amendment is out of order."

Honorable Mr. *Holton* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of so amending the same, as to provide that the Officers of this House shall not be subject to its operation; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Burpee, Cayley, Cimon, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Godin, Grover, Hagar, Holton, Hurdon, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Savary, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wright (Ottawa County) and Young.—49.

Nays:

Messieurs Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brousseau, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Harrison, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morris, Munroe, O'Connor, Pinsonneault, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Tilley, Wallace, Walsh, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.)—81.

Mr. *Godin* again moved in amendment, that the Bill be recommitted with power to amend it by providing that the Pensions secured by this Bill shall be paid exclusively out of the fund created by the abatements from the salaries of the Public Officers provided by this Bill, without any contribution from the Consolidated Funds of the Dominion; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Burpee, Cameron (Huron), Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Coupal, Dorion, Fortier, Gaucher, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hurdon, Hutchison, Kempt, Lawson, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Oliver, Paquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Rymal, Savary, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario W. R.) and Young.—49.

Nays:

Messieurs Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bolton, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Connell, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Hincks Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengary), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne) McCarthy, McDougall, (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (King's N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Simard, Tilley, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, White and Workman.—83.

Mr. *Costigan* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be read the third time, this day three months ; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Benoit, Bowell, Burpee, Cayley, Cheval, Connell Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Gaudet Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kierzkowski, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Tremblay, Wood, and Wright (Ottawa County.)—38.

Nays :

Messieurs Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman Brousseau, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler Kempt, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Walsh, Webb, White, Willson, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—87.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 30) to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to *La Banque du Peuple, with amendments.* (On motion of Honorable Mr. *Dorion,* the said amendments were agreed to.)

Also with the following Bill (No. 94) of their own, intituled : " An Act to remedy the inconvenience which would arise from the expiration of the Acts and parts of Acts herein mentioned before the passing of the Act of this Session to continue the same ;" to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Tilley* read the first time ; second reading to-morrow.)

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* delivered a Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows :

JOHN YOUNG.

No. 94. 19th April 1870. The Governor General communicates to the House of Commons, the accompanying copy of a Despatch received by him from the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of the protection of the Fisheries.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA,
6th May, 1870.

Copy, Canada, No. 94.

Downing-street, 19th April, 1870.

SIR,—With reference to previous correspondence, with respect to the protection of the Canadian Fisheries, I have the honor to inform you, that the Board of Admiralty have been requested to send to the Canadian Waters a force sufficient to protect Canadian Fishermen and to maintain Order.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) H. T. HOLLAND,
For EARL GRANVILLE.

Governor General,
The Right Honorable Sir JOHN YOUNG, Bart.,
G.C.B., G.C.M.G.

The Bill (No. 78) respecting certain Works on the River Ottawa, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.—

The Resolutions, adopted in Committee of Supply on Wednesday last, the 4th instant, were reported, and agreed to, and are as follows :—

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

186 To pay various members of the Civil Service the increases which would have accrued under the old Civil Service Act for the year 1867–8 ..... $2,480 00

POLICE.

Dominion Police.

187 To meet current expenditure for the remainder of the year..... 7,500 00

LEGISLATION.

189 Printing, Ruling, Paper, &c. $10,000 00

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

190 To pay expenses of photographs and report on the Eclipse of the Sun..... 200 00

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

191 { 1 Salaries of agents $3,668 00
2 Further in aid of Immigration (balance unexpended June 30th to be available for 1870-71) 9,000 00
12,668 00

OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM SERVICE.

192 To reimburse the Government of New Brunswick, for payment made by them to the Prince Edward Island Steam Navigation Company, for services, from 1st July, 1867, to end of season, 1867 (lapsed vote) 500 00

MILITIA.

193 To cover an over expenditure for Drill Instruction for 1868–9, paid out of the vote for 1869–70, that amount having been under estimated in the vote of the previous year, the said over expenditure being in consequence of the great increase to the Volunteer Force during that period 20,000 00

194 To meet expenditure incurred in repelling the threatened invasion by the Fenians 200,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, yesterday, during the earlier part of the sitting of The House, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows :—

LEGISLATION.

188. To meet amount required to cover expenditure for Printing, Binding, and distributing the Laws for the remainder of the year $2,146 41

LIGHT HOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

Quebec.

195. To meet expenditure on account of construction of Light Houses, River St. Lawrence (in advance of $104,000 in the Estimates for 1870-71) 25,000 00

New Brunswick.

196. { 1. To meet balance of expenditure on Point Lepreau Fog Alarm 800 00
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	2. Penal Prison and Wardens' House	1,500 00	
	3. Steam Boiler for Heating Water and Steam Cooking Range	2,110 00	
			4,523 92

MILITIA.

214. To meet the expense of Artillery, Guns, &c. 2,000 00

LIGHT HOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

Trinity House, Quebec.

215. To provide for rent of Trinity House, Quebec, and expenses connected with re-organization of the Department, and construction of Light at Saguenay.... 5,000 00

Nova Scotia.

216. Protection of Bird Island Light House..... 300 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

217. To provide for Examination and Classification of Masters and Mates (Mercantile Marine)..... 6,000 00

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

Inland Revenue.

220. To provide for additions to the Outside Service of the Excise Department 5,600 00

Post Office.

221.	1. Increase in ordinary Mail Service	6,000 00	
	2. To meet expenditure on account of Money Order Branch	4,000 00	
			10,000 00

Mr. *Bellerose* moved, that the Bill (No. 69) respecting Interest, be now read a third time.—

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be read the third time, this day three month ; on which The House divided :

Yeas :

Messieurs Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Carling, Connell, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Holmes, Holton, Jackson, Kempt, Killam, Kirkpatrick,

Lawson, McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Redford, Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Shanly, Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright, (Ottawa County), Wright (York Ontario W. R.) and Young.—56.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Campbell, Caron, Cartier Sir George E., Casault, Chauveau, Cheval, Costigan, Daoust, Dufresne, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Heath, Hincks Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Hutchison, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Macdonald (Glengarry), Masson (Soulanges), Masson, (Terrebonne), McMillan, Morris, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's N. B.), Rymal, Scriver, Tilley, Tremblay, Wallace and Walsh.—56.

And the Votes being equally divided, Mr. Speaker gave his casting Vote in the affirmative.—

The Bill was acordingly ordered for a third reading, this day three months.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Ross'* (Dundas) proposed motion, and which motion was, "that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Interest."

And a further Debate arising,—Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved that The House do proceed to the next Order of the Day; which was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carling, Chamberlin, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Forbes, Gibbs, Gray, Hagar, Harrison, Hincks, Sir Francis, Hutchison, Jackson, Kempt, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pickard, Pope, Ray, Redford, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—69.

Nays:

Messieurs Ault, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Brousseau, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chauveau, Cheval, Costigan, Daoust, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Heath, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McMillan, Morris, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Scriver, Shanly, Tilley, and Walsh.—53.

The Order of the Day, for the further consideration of the proposed motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, for the appointment of a Select Committee on the subject of the Land Improvement Fund of Upper Canada, was discharged.

Mr. *Ross* (Dundas) moved, that the Bill (No. 12) to limit the rate of Interest, be now read the second time.

And objection being taken by Mr. *Mackenzie*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of Lambton, that the Bill should have originated in Committee of the Whole, inasmuch as it relates to Trade;—

Mr. Speaker decided, as follows:—

I still entertain the view I expressed some time ago, in defining the term "Trade" upon a question before The House relating to Insurance Companies. I then defined the word as follows:—

"I hold that the term, "Trade" does not, in its general and popular sense, apply to Insurance. Trade means buying and selling, importing and exporting goods to market. Banking, Railways, Navigation, and Telegraphs all assist Trade and are its auxiliaries, but are not branches of Trade in the popular sense: yet, certainly, the first: "Banking," is more intimately connected with Trade than Insurance.

I do not find that Bills relating to these subjects must necessarily be considered in Committee of the Whole; sometimes it may have been done, but the practice is not uniform, and I see no rule which requires it."

Now, I must give the same effect to the term "Trade" on this occasion. I have to consider that this is an objection restraining this House in its powers, and the rule under which the objection is taken ought not to be carried by any implication one step farther than its words clearly indicate. Therefore, I think I am quite right in holding to the definition of the term which I formerly expressed. I find that one of my predecessors, Mr. Speaker Wallbridge, gave a decision in precisely the same spirit with regard to the definition of the term "Trade." I have further to say that so far as the hasty search I have been able to make can permit, I understand that from the year 1851 there has been no Bill introduced into The House by Resolutions in Committee on the subject of Interest on money, until this present Session, so that we have no practice of our own in that direction. I see that in England the Bill for regulating the rate of Interest in 1839 and which virtually abolished the Usury Laws in England and made money free, was introduced on motion without going into Committee in the the first instance. So that in accordance with the spirit in which I formerly defined the term "Trade" and in accordance with the precedent which I have mentioned, I hold that the Honorable Member can proceed with his Bill.

And objection being taken by Mr. *Mills*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of Bothwell, that

the same question having already been brought before The House, and postponed "till this day three months," cannot again be proposed at the present time.—

Mr. Speaker decided, that "substantially the present question is the same, and cannot be put."

The Bill (No. 39) to amend Chapter 66 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Railways," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Bill (No. 46) to facilitate the incorporation of Institutions of Landed Credit (*Crédit Foncier*), was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Bill (No. 50) to made provision for the registration of Marks or Brands used in marking timber, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole (to which was referred the Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole on Monday, the 25th ult., providing for the registration of Marks or Brands used for marking timber). The Bill was then amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.—

The Bill (No. 52) to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869, was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Keeler*, Hon. Messrs. *Abbott*, *Irvine*, and *Wood*, and Messrs. *Bolton*, *Morrison* (Niagara), *Savary* and *Harrison*.

The Bill (No. 38) respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act 1864, was read the second time, and referred to the above Committee on Bill (No. 52).—

The Bill (No. 64) to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole (to which was referred the Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole on Monday the 14th March last, respecting Raw Hides and Leather).—The Bill was then amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 88) to amend section 142 of the Insolvent Act of 1869, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 52.)

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *McDougall*—When the question of concurrence is put on the report of the Committe of the Whole on the Bill providing for Government of Manitoba, will move that it be recommitted with a view to substitute the following clauses for the provisions of said Bill.

1. The said Rupert's Land and North Western Territory shall henceforth be styled and known as the "North West Territories."

2. There shall be an Officer, styled the Lieutenant Governor, appointed for the North West Territories, by the Governor General in Council by Instrument under the Great Seal, who shall hold Office during the pleasure of the Governor General and shall receive a salary of $ *per annum.*

3. Before assuming the duties of his Office, he shall make and subscribe before the Governor General, or some person authorized by him, Oaths of Allegiance and Office similar to those taken by the Governor General.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Act, and to such instructions, conditions, and restrictions as the Governor General may from time to time by any order or orders in Council prescribe; it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor to make provision for the administration of justice in the North West Territories, and generally to make, ordain, and establish all such Laws, Institutions and Ordinances, as may be necessary for the Peace, Order, and Government of Her Majesty's subjects therein, provided that all such orders in Council, and all Laws and Ordinances so to be made as aforesaid, shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as conveniently, may be after the making and enactment thereof respectively.

5. The Lieutenant-Governor shall administer the Government under instructions from time to time given him by Order in Council.

6. The Governor may, with the advice of the Privy Council, constitute and appoint by Warrant under his Sign Manual, a Council of not exceeding fifteen nor less than seven persons, to aid the Lieutenant Governor in the administration of affairs with such powers as may be from time to time conferred upon them by Order in Council.

7. All the laws in force in Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory at the time of their admission into the Union shall, so far as they are consistent with "The British North America Act of 1867," with the terms and conditions of such admission approved of by the Queen, under the 146th Section thereof—and with this Act,—remain in force until altered by the Parliament of Canada, or by the Lieutenant Governor under the authority of this Act.

8. All public officers and functionaries holding office in Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory, at the time of their admission into the Union, excepting the public officer or Functionary at the head of the administration of affairs, shall continue to be public officers and functionaries of the North West Territories with the same duties and powers as before, until otherwise ordered by the Lieutenant Governor, under the authority of this Act.

9. And whereas it is expedient to provide for the immediate organization of a local House of Assembly in

the District of Assiniboia within the said Territories, for the better control and management of the local affairs of the people of the said District, it is hereby declared and enacted that all that portion of the said North West Territories, comprised in a certain grant to Lord *Selkirk* in 18 , bounded as follows, to wit :

Beginning on the Western shore of the Lake Winnipeg, at a point in 52° and 30 minutes North Latitude, and thence running due West to the Lake Winnipigashish, otherwise called Little Winnipeg ; thence in a Southerly direction through the said Lake, so as to strike its Western Shore, in Latitude 52°, then due West to the place where the parallel of 52° North Latitude intersects the Western Branch of Red River, otherwise called the Assinaboine River ; then due South from that point of intersection to the forty-ninth parallel or boundary between the Territories of Her Majesty and the United States of America, thence along the said parallel or boundary to the Lake of the Woods, thence through the middle of the said Lake to the main stream of the waters flowing therefrom to the mouth of the Winnipeg River, and thence in a Northerly direction through the middle of the Lake Winnipeg to the place of beginning, shall be called and known as the District of Assinaboia, and the people residing within the said District shall be entitled to representation in a local House of Assembly as hereinafter provided.

10. The Lieutenant-Governor shall, within months after he has assumed office, divide the said District into 24 Electoral Divisions, containing as nearly as may be equality of population, each of which shall be represented by one member in the House of Assembly.

11. Every male white person, and every male person one of whose parents was white, above the age of twenty-one years, who has resided within the said District for at least months previous to the election, and who is a natural-born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, shall be entitled to vote in the electoral division in which he resides at the time of the election, provided he shall have resided therein for one month next before the election.

12. No person shall be eligible to be elected a member of the House of Assembly who is under the age of 21 years, or who is not a British subject by birth or naturalization, or who is unable to read and write intelligibly the English or French language, or who has been convicted of any felony, or against whom any prosecution for felony is pending at the time of the election.

13. The Lieutenant Governor shall appoint a day, which shall be within one month from the making of the said Electoral Divisions, for the holding of the Election, and it shall be the same day for all the Electoral Divisions, and he shall appoint the Returning Officer, and shall make such other provisions for the proper and orderly holding of the elections as to him shall seem meet.

14. The members elected as aforesaid, shall constitute a House of Assembly for the District of Assinaboia, for the period of two years from the date of the election, and may elect one of their number to be their Chairman or Speaker. Ten members shall be a quorum.

15. The Lieutenant Governor shall summon and call together the House of Assembly for the despatch of business at least once in each year, and may prorogue or dissolve the same as to him shall seem meet.

16. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Assembly, to make laws for the purposes, and relating to the subjects following, that is to say :

1. The rules of procedure and regulations for the conduct of business in the House of Assembly, and the trial of controverted elections.
2. The establishment and maintenance of public schools.
3. The laying out and improvement of roads, the construction of bridges, and regulation of ferries.
4. The granting of licenses to auctioneers and pedlars, and to the keepers of taverns, saloons, and places of public entertainment, and prescribing the conditions on which spirituous liquors may be sold within the district.
5. The laying of taxes upon the residents and non-residents of the district, in respect of their property therein, provided that the same be assessed equally upon all persons and classes in proportion to the value of their property.
6. The management and sale of school lands, and such other lands, as may from time to time be placed under the control of the Lieutenant Governor and House of Assembly.
7. The incorporation of Companies for carrying on business of any kind within the district.
8. The imposition of punishment by fine, penalty, or imprisonment for enforcing any law of Assinaboia, made in pursuance of the powers hereby granted.
9. And generally for all purposes of a municipal, local, or private nature of which the Lieutenant Governor shall signify his approval.

17. It shall be lawful for any member of the Executive Council, who is also head of a Department, to sit in the House of Assembly and speak on any question, in the same manner as any other member, but he shall not be entitled to vote thereon, unless elected for one of the Electoral Divisions.

18. The power of assenting to and reserving Bills, and disallowing Acts, passed by the House of Assembly, shall be exercisable in the same way, and under the same conditions by the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor General as in the case of Bills and Acts passed by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

19. The survey, management, and disposition of lands in the North West Territories and in the said District (except school lands and such other lands as may be placed under the control of the Lieutenant Governor and House of Assembly) shall be under the direction and at the expense of the Government of the Dominion.

20. In every Township surveyed in the North West Territories, there shall be reserved for the support of Public Schools, sections twenty, forty, and sixty ; but if under the agreement with the Hudson Bay Company any section or part of a section so reserved shall be allotted to the said Company, the next section or corresponding part of the section, shall be reserved in lieu thereof.

21. Any person above the age of 21 years who is a natural born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who has taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty, before the proper local authority, and filed with the said officer a declaration of his intention to become a naturalized subject of Her Majesty on the expiry of the term of

residence which may be prescribed for that purpose, by any law in force in the North West Territories, shall be entitled to enter one quarter section or a less quantity of unappropriated public lands upon which such person may have filed a pre-emption claim, and which at the time of such filing shall be subject to pre-emption by the laws then in force. The said land to be in one parcel according to the legal sub-divisions of the public lands and after the same shall have been surveyed.

22. The person applying to enter land under this Act as aforesaid, shall, upon application to the proper officer, make affidavit before such officer, that he is of the age of twenty-one years, that he is a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, or that he has taken the oath of allegiance and filed the declaration mentioned in the previous section ; that his application to enter the land is made for his own exclusive use and benefit, and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, and upon filing the said affidavit with the proper officer, and on payment of five dollars, he shall be entitled to enter the quantity of land applied for and hold possession thereof.

23. If at the expiration of three years from the date of such entry, or at any time within two years after such expiration of three years, the person making such entry, or if he be dead his widow, or in case of her death his heirs or devisee, shall prove by two credible witnesses, that he, or in case of his death before the expiration of the said three years, his widow, resided upon or cultivated the same for three years continuously from the date of the entry aforesaid, and that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to Her Majesty, he shall, if at that time a subject of Her Majesty, or if he be dead, his widow, heirs or devisee, shall be entitled to a Patent from the Crown for the land so entered as aforesaid.

Mr. *Bellerose*—In amendment to Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*'s motion on the subject of the equalization of the salaries of the officers and servants of this House : That all the words after servants of this House be struck out and the following inserted instead thereof : but it is the opinion of this House that in the existing condition of the finances of the Dominion no sum should be drawn from the public funds, on account of sums either already voted or otherwise, so to equalize the said salaries ; and consequently that the total amount of the salaries so equalized ought not to exceed the total amount now paid to the said officers and servants.

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OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 7TH MAY, 1870.

The Hon. Mr. *Tilley* laid before The House,—Final Report of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 4th ult.; for a Return of all monies expended on the Public Piers and Wharves of the Dominion from 1st July, 1867, with the names of the parties expending the same, and the name of the Wharf or Pier upon which such expenditure took place.—

On motion of the Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, it was *Resolved*, That Government Orders have precedence on every day during the remainder of the Session.—

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* delivered the following Message from His Excellency, which was read by Mr Speaker:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1870; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Ottawa, 7th May, 1870.

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, the said Message and Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.—

Hon. Mr. *Tilley* laid before The House,—by command of His Excellency, Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1869.

The Bill (No. 91) to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba, was considered in Committee of the Whole; and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again on Monday next,—

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee to take into consideration certain Resolutions respecting the establishment of the Government of Manitoba, being read;

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* informed The House, that His Excellency recommends the subject matter of the said Resolutions to the consideration of The House.—

The House then went into Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to prepare for the transfer of Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory to the Government of Canada, at the time appointed by the Queen for such admission; and that it is expedient also to provide for the Organization of part of the said Territories into a Province, and for the establishment of a Government therefore, and to make provision for the Civil Government of such remaining part of the said Territories not included within the limits of such Province.

2. *Resolved*, That on, from, and after the day upon which the Queen, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, under the authority of the 146th Section of the British North America Act, 1867, shall, by Order in Council in that behalf, admit Rupert's Land and the North-West Territory into the Union or Dominion of Canada, there shall be formed, out of the same, a Province which shall be one of the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, and which shall be called the Province of Manitoba.

3. *Resolved*, That, inasmuch as the Province is not in debt, the said Province shall be entitled to be paid and to receive from the Government of Canada, by half-yearly payments in advance, interest at the rate of five per centum per annum on the sum of Four hundred and seventy-two thousand and ninety dollars.

4. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty thousand dollars shall be paid yearly by Canada to the Province for the support of its Government and Legislature, and an annual grant, in aid of the said Province, shall be made, equal to Eighty cents. per head of the Population, estimated at seventeen thousand souls; and such grant of Eighty cents per head shall be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by the census that shall be taken thereof, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and by each subsequent decennial census until its population amounts to four hundred thousand souls, at which amount sueh grant shall remain thereafter, and such sum shall be in full settlement of all future demands on Canada, and shall be paid half-yearly, in advance, to the said Province.

5. *Resolved*, That Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services, viz. :—

1. Salary of Lieutenant Governor.
2. Salary and allowances of the Judges of the Superior and District or County Courts.
3. Charges in respect of the Department of the Customs.
4. Postal Department.
5. Protection of Fisheries.
6. Militia.
7. Geological Survey.
8. The Penitentiary.
9. And such further charges as may be incident to, and connected with, the services, which, by the British North America Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are, or may be allowed to the other Province.

6. *Resolved*, That the Custom's duties now by law chargeable in Rupert's Land, shall be continued without increase for the period of three years from and after the passing of this Act, and the proceeds of such duties shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

1. Such provisions of the Custom Laws of Canada (other than such as prescribe the rate of duties payable) as may be from time to time declared by the Governor General in Council, to apply to the Province of Manitoba, shall be applicable thereto, and in force therein accordingly.

2. Such provisions of the Laws of Canada respecting the Inland Revenue, including those fixing the amount of duties, as may be from time to time declared by the Governor General in Council, applicable to the said Province, shall apply thereto, and be in force therein accordingly.—

7. *Resolved*, That all ungranted or waste lands in the Province shall be, from and after the date of the said transfer, vested in the Crown, and administered by the Government of Canada for the purposes of the Dominion, subject to and except and so far as the same may be affected by the conditions and stipulations contained in the agreement for the surrender of Rupert's Land by the Hudson's Bay Company to Her Majesty.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient towards the extinguishment of the Indian Title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands to the extent of one million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, and that under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall select such lots or tracts in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families, residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to Canada, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement and otherwise as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.

9. *Resolved*, That, for the quieting of titles, and assuring to the settlers in the Province the peaceable possession of the lands now held by them, it is expedient to provide as follows :—

1. That all grants of land in freehold made by the Hudson's Bay Company up to the eighth day of March in the year 1869 shall, if required by the owner, be confirmed by grant from the Crown.

2. That all grants of estates less than freehold in land made by the Hudson's Bay Company up to the eighth day of March aforesaid shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

3. That all titles by occupancy with the sanction, and under the license and authority, of the Hudson's Bay Company, up to the eighth day of March aforesaid, of land in that part of the Province in which the Indian title has been extinguished, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

4. That all persons in peaceable possession of tracts of land at the time of the transfer to Canada in those parts of the Province in which the Indian Title has not been extinguished, shall have the right of pre-emption of the same on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Governor in Council.

5. That the Lieutenant-Governor be authorized, under regulations to be made from time to time by the Governor-General in Council, to make all such provisions for ascertaining and adjusting, on fair and equitable terms, the rights of Common, and rights of cutting Hay held and enjoyed by the settlers in the Province, and for the commutation of the same by grants of land from the Crown.

10. *Resolved*, The Governor General in Council shall from time to time settle and appoint the mode and form of Grants of Land from the Crown, and any Order in Council for that purpose when published in the *Canada Gazette*, shall have the same force and effect as if it were a portion of the Act to be passed in this behalf.

11. *Resolved*, Nothing in this Act shall in any way prejudice or effect the rights or properties of the Hudsons's Bay Company, as contained in the conditions under which that Company surrendered Rupert's Land to Her Majesty.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received on Monday next.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of yesterday, page 279, Mr. *Stirton*'s name was omitted in the division taken on Mr. *Costigan*'s motion, that the Bill for the Superannuation of persons in the Civil Service of Canada, be read a third time that day three months. He voted with the Yeas, and the division should read, as follows :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Benoit, Bowell, Burpee, Cayley, Cheval, Connell Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Gaudet, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kierzkowski, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrew), Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Stirton, Tremblay, Wood, and Wright (Ottawa County.)—39.

Nays :

Messieurs Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman Brousseau, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Crawford (Brockville), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Galt, Sir Alexander T., Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler Kempt, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Simard, Snider, Stepnenson, Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Walsh, Webb, White, Willson, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—87.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 9TH MAY, 1870.

Mr. *Keeler*, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 52) to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869, and other references, reported that they had examined the several Bills referred to them, and agreed to combine the provisions of the same into one Bill, and to report the Bill (No. 38) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act "respecting Official Assignees appointed under Insolvent Act of 1864," *with amendments.*

Hon. Mr. *Morris* presented,—Return to Address of the 28th of March, last; for a statement shewing the number of seizures from 1st the July 1867, to 1st July 1869, for violation of the Inland Revenue Laws. The name of the owner of the property seized, the amount realized from such seizure, and the reward given for each seizure, and to whom given.

Return to Address of the 27th ult.; for a detailed statement shewing the amount of money received by *Alfred Brunel* and other officers of the Public Service on account of seizures made in connection with the Department of Inland Revenue, since the 1st January 1866, up to the present time.—

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return (in part) of the 25th ult.; for a return shewing; 1stly; the amount which has accrued in each year from the sale of Clergy Reserves in Upper Canada, since the passing of the Act 18th *Victoria*, Chap. 2; 2ndly, a statement of the amount paid annually to each municipality in Upper Canada during that period; and 3rdly, the amount now due to each of them respectively under the authority thereof.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on Saturday last, respecting the establishment of the Government of Manitoba, were reported, and agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 91) to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3; and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.—

The House then went again into Committee on the said Bill.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee resumed the consideration of the Bill.

The Resolutions referred to the Committee, were proposed to form part of the Bill as Clauses 22 to 30.

Clauses 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26 being severally proposed, were adopted.—

Clause 27 being proposed, as follows:—

27. And whereas it is expedient towards the extinguishment of the Indian Title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands to the extent of one million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, it is hereby enacted, that under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall select such lots or tracts in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families, residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to Canada, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement and otherwise, as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.—

Mr. *Ferguson* moved, that the said Clause do not form part of the Bill.

On which the Committee divided:

Yeas 37,

Nays 67.

So it passed in the Negative.

Clause 27 was then adopted,—also the remaining Clauses of the Bill.

Bill as amended, to be reported.

The Bill, as amended, was accordingly reported, and the Amendments ordered to be taken into consideration, this day.—

The Bill (No. 94) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to remedy the inconvenience which would arise from the expiration of the Acts and parts of Acts herein mentioned before the passing of the Act of this Session to continue the same," was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, this day.—

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Eighth Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have had under their consideration the mode of preparing the Public Accounts, and have taken evidence with a view of obtaining suggestions for an improved system.—They are of opinion that it is desirable that the principal statement of the affairs of the Dominion should be so constructed as to show clearly the amount of ordinary revenue for the year—the receipts from extraordinary sources—the ordinary and extraordinary expenditure of the year—and the increase or diminution of the Public Debt resulting from the financial movement of the year.

The Committee beg to report their proceedings, with the evidence taken on this subject.

(*For the proceedings and evidence to this Report, see Appendix No. 2 to the Journals.*)

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill (No. 91) to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3; and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba, were reported and read the first time.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* moved, that the said amendments be now read the second time.—

Hon. Mr. *McDougall* (Lanark) moved in amendment, that they be not now read the second time, and that the Bill be recommitted, with a view to substitute the following Clauses to the provisions of the said Bill:—

1. The said Rupert's Land and North Western Territory shall henceforth be styled and known as the "North West Territories."

2. There shall be an Officer, styled the Lieutenant Governor, appointed for the North West Territories, by the Governor General in Council by Instrument under the Great Seal, who shall hold Office during the pleasure of the Governor General and shall receive a salary of $ *per annum.*

3. Before assuming the duties of his Office, he shall make and subscribe before the Governor General, or some person authorized by him, Oaths of Allegiance and Office similar to those taken by the Governor General.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Act, and to such instructions, conditions, and restrictions as the Governor General may from time to time by any order or orders in Council prescribe; it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor to make provision for the administration of justice in the North West Territories, and generally to make, ordain, and establish all such Laws, Institutions and Ordinances, as may be necessary for the Peace, Order, and Government of Her Majesty's subjects therein, provided that all such orders in Council, and all Laws and Ordinances so to be made as aforesaid, shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as conveniently, may be after the making and enactment thereof respectively.

5. The Lieutenant-Governor shall administer the Government under instructions from time to time given him by Order in Council.

6. The Governor may, with the advice of the Privy Council, constitute and appoint by Warrant under his Sign Manual, a Council of not exceeding fifteen nor less than seven persons, to aid the Lieutenant Governor in the administration of affairs with such powers as may be from time to time conferred upon them by Order in Council.

7. All the laws in force in Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory at the time of their admission into the Union shall, so far as they are consistent with "The British North America Act of 1867," with the terms and conditions of such admission approved of by the Queen, under the 146th Section thereof—and with this Act,—remain in force until altered by the Parliament of Canada, or by the Lieutenant Governor under the authority of this Act.

8. All public officers and functionaries holding office in Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory, at the time of their admission into the Union, excepting the public officer or Functionary at the head of the administration of affairs, shall continue to be public officers and functionaries of the North West Territories with the same duties and powers as before, until otherwise ordered by the Lieutenant Governor, under the authority of this Act.

9. And whereas it is expedient to provide for the immediate organization of a local House of Assembly in the District of Assiniboia within the said Territories, for the better control and management of the local affairs of the people of the said District, it is hereby declared and enacted that all that portion of the said North West Territories, comprised in a certain grant to Lord *Selkirk* in 18 , bounded as follows, to wit:

Beginning on the Western shore of the Lake Winnipeg, at a point in 52° and 30 minutes North Latitude, and thence running due West to the Lake Winnipigashish, otherwise called Little Winnipeg; thence in a Southerly direction through the said Lake, so as to strike its Western Shore, in Latitude 52°, then due West to the place where the parallel of 52° North Latitude intersects the Western Branch of Red River, otherwise called the Assinaboine River; then due South from that point of intersection to the forty-ninth parallel or boundary between the Territories of Her Majesty and the United States of America, thence along the said parallel or boundary to the Lake of the Woods, thence through the middle of the said Lake to the main stream of the waters flowing therefrom to the mouth of the Winnipeg River, and thence in a Northerly direction through the middle of the Lake Winnipeg to the place of beginning, shall be called and known as the District of Assinaboia, and the people residing within the said District shall be entitled to representation in a local House of Assembly as hereinafter provided.

10. The Lieutenant-Governor shall, within months after he has assumed office, divide the said District into 24 Electoral Divisions, containing as nearly as may be equality of population, each of which shall be represented by one member in the House of Assembly.

11. Every male person, above the age of twenty-one years, who has resided within the said District for at least months previous to the election, and who is a natural-born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, shall be entitled to vote in the electoral division in which he resides at the time of the election, provided he shall have resided therein for one month next before the election.

12. No person shall be eligible to be elected a member of the House of Assembly who is under the age of 21 years, or who is not a British subject by birth or naturalization, or who is unable to read and write intelligibly the English or French language, or who has been convicted of any felony, or against whom any prosecution for felony is pending at the time of the election.

13. The Lieutenant Governor shall appoint a day, which shall be within one month from the making of the said Electoral Divisions, for the holding of the Election, and it shall be the same day for all the Electoral Divisions, and he shall appoint the Returning Officer, and shall make such other provisions for the proper and orderly holding of the elections as to him shall seem meet.

14. The members elected as aforesaid, shall constitute a House of Assembly for the District of Assiniboia, for the period of two years from the date of the election, and may elect one of their number to be their Chairman or Speaker. Ten members shall be a quorum.

15. The Lieutenant Governor shall summon and call together the House of Assembly for the despatch of business at least once in each year, and may prorogue or dissolve the same as to him shall seem meet.

16. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Assembly, to make laws for the purposes, and relating to the subjects following, that is to say :

1. The rules of procedure and regulations for the conduct of business in the House of Assembly, and the trial of controverted elections.
2. The establishment and maintenance of public schools.
3. The laying out and improvement of roads, the construction of bridges, and regulation of ferries.
4. The granting of licenses to auctioneers and pedlars, and to the keepers of taverns, saloons, and places of public entertainment, and prescribing the conditions on which spirituous liquors may be sold within the district.
5. The laying of taxes upon the residents and non-residents of the district, in respect of their property therein, provided that the same be assessed equally upon all persons and classes in proportion to the value of their property.
6. The management and sale of school lands, and such other lands, as may from time to time be placed under the control of the Lieutenant Governor and House of Assembly.
7. The incorporation of Companies for carrying on business of any kind within the district.
8. The imposition of punishment by fine, penalty, or imprisonment for enforcing any law of Assiniboia, made in pursuance of the powers hereby granted.
9. And generally for all purposes of a municipal, local, or private nature of which the Lieutenant Governor shall signify his approval.

17. It shall be lawful for any member of the Executive Council, who is also head of a Department, to sit in the House of Assembly and speak on any question, in the same manner as any other member, but he shall not be entitled to vote thereon, unless elected for one of the Electoral Divisions.

18. The power of assenting to and reserving Bills, and disallowing Acts, passed by the House of Assembly, shall be exercisable in the same way, and under the same conditions by the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor General as in the case of Bills and Acts passed by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

19. The survey, management, and disposition of lands in the North West Territories and in the said District (except school lands and such other lands as may be placed under the control of the Lieutenant Governor and House of Assembly) shall be under the direction and at the expense of the Government of the Dominion.

20. In every Township surveyed in the North West Territories, there shall be reserved for the support of Public Schools, sections twenty, forty, and sixty ; but if under the agreement with the Hudson Bay Company any section or part of a section so reserved shall be allotted to the said Company, the next section or corresponding part of the section, shall be reserved in lieu thereof.

21. Any person above the age of 21 years who is a natural born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who has taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty, before the proper local authority, and filed with the said officer a declaration of his intention to become a naturalized subject of Her Majesty on the expiry of the term of residence which may be prescribed for that purpose, by any law in force in the North West Territories , shall be entitled to enter one quarter section or a less quantity of unappropriated public lands upon which such person may have filed a pre-emption claim, and which at the time of such filing shall be subject to pre-emption by the laws then in force. The said land to be in one parcel according to the legal sub-divisions of the public lands and after the same shall have been surveyed.

22. The person applying to enter land under this Act as aforesaid, shall, upon application to the proper officer, make affidavit before such officer, that he is of the age of twenty-one years, that he is a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, or that he has taken the oath of allegiance and filed the declaration mentioned in the previous section ; that his application to enter the land is made for his own exclusive use and benefit, and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, and upon filing the said affidavit with the proper officer, and on payment of five dollars, he shall be entitled to enter the quantity of land applied for and hold possession thereof.

23. If at the expiration of three years from the date of such entry, or at any time within two years after such expiration of three years, the person making such entry, or if he be dead his widow, or in case of her death his heirs or devisee, shall prove by two credible witnesses, that he, or in case of his death before the expiration of

the said three years, his widow, resided upon or cultivated the same for three years continuously from the date of the entry aforesaid, and that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to Her Majesty, he shall, if at that time a subject of Her Majesty, or if he be dead, his widow, heirs or devisee, shall be entitled to a Patent from the Crown for the land so entered as aforesaid.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment that the said amendments be not now read the second time, but that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole with a view to the adoption in the Bill of a temporary or territorial form of Government, with a Legislative Assembly chosen by the popular voice, and a Representative in the Dominion Parliament; thus combining a due regard for the rights of the people, and the promotion of an economical administration of local affairs, and also securing a legitimate mode of obtaining a knowledge of the popular will regarding the form of a Provincial constitution and the boundaries of the proposed Province, and thus avoid the risk of imposing on the inhabitants of the territory a form of Government to which they might entertain serious objections.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

TUESDAY, 10th MAY, 1870.

And the question being put on Mr. *Mackenzie's* motion in amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Drew, Hagar, Holton, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Munroe, Oliver, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Wright (York, Ontario W. R.) and Young.—35.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville) Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria N. S.), Ryan (King's N. B.), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay, Walsh, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County).—95.

And the question being put on Hon. Mr. *McDougall's* (Lanark) amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Bolton, Connell, Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Rymal, Wallace, Wells and White.—11.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers), McMillan, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's N. B.), Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand). Tilley, Tremblay, Walsh, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—120.

Mr. *Ferguson* then moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now read the second time, but that the Bill be re-committed for the purpose of amending the same, by omitting all the words, after the word "commencing" in line 25, section 1 in the said Bill, and inserting the following in lieu thereof:—"beginning at a point where the meridian of 96 degrees West Longitude from Greenwich intersects the parallel of 52 degrees North Latitude,—thence due West along said parallel of 52 degrees North Latitude to the intersection of the meridian of 100 West Longitude. Then due South from that point of intersection to the 49th parallel or boundary between the territories of Her Majesty and the United States of America, thence along the said parallel or boundary to the Lake of the Woods.—Thence through the middle of the said Lake to the main stream of the waters flowing therefrom to the mouth of the Winnipeg River. And thence in a northerly direction through the said Lake Winnipeg to the place of beginning."

Mr. *Cartwright* moved in amendmendt to the said proposed amendment, that the Bill be amended by adding the following words to the end of section 3: "Provided always that it shall be lawful for the Parliament of Canada to enlarge and make such further and other additions to the boundaries of the said Province of Manitoba, as may appear expedient from time to time;" which was negatived on the following division:

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Cartwright, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Forbes, Gibbs, Grant, Grover, Hagar, Holmes, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kirkpatrick, Lawson, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Seatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—52.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Gray, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, McDonald, (Lunenburg,) McDonald (Middlesex,) Masson, (Soulanges,) Masson, (Terrebonne,) McDougall, (Three Rivers,) McKeagney, McMillan, Morris, Morrison, (Niagara,) O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan, (King's, N. B.), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay and Wright, (Ottawa County.)—72.

Mr. *Mackenzie* then moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the said amendments be not now concurred in, but that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of amending Clause 1, by striking out the word "ninety six," line 26, and inserting the words "one hundred and two" instead thereof; and that all after the word "the" in line 38 be omitted, and the following inserted instead thereof, "Lake of the Woods, thence Easterly along the international boundary line to the Western boundary of the Province of Ontario, thence due North to the parallel of 52 degrees North Latitude thence due West along said parallel of 52 degrees North Latitude to its intersection with the before mentioned meridian of 102 degrees West Longitude; thence due south along said meridian of 102 degrees West Longitude, to the place of beginning;" which was negatived on the following division :

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Cartwright, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Forbes, Gibbs, Grant, Grover, Hagar, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Macdenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—47.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N.B.), Scriver, Shanley, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay and Walsh.—74.

And the question being put on Mr. *Ferguson's* proposed amendment; it was negatived on the following division :

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Cartwright, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Forbes, Gibbs, Grant, Grover, Hagar, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Lawson, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalf, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Walsh, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—49.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N.B.), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley and Tremblay.—73.

Mr. *Mills* moved in amendment, that the said amendment be not now concurred in, but that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of amending section 5, by adding the following :—"nor shall any one be eligible who is now disqualified by law from sitting or voting in the House of Commons by reason of any office of profit or emolument, held under the Crown."

And to add as section (A) the following : "If any one so disqualified does nevertheless sit and vote, he shall be subject to the penalties imposed upon persons elected from any other Province sitting or voting in the House of Commons;" which was negatived on the following division :

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Geoffrion, Godin, Grover, Hagar, Holton, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kierzkowski, Killam, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pelletier, Perry, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—45.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Joly, Keeler, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor. Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N.B.), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay, Walsh and Willson.—72.

Mr. *Ferguson* again moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now concurred in, but that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of striking out section 27; which was negatived on the following division:

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Grant, Hagar, Holmes, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (York Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—40.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N. B.), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, and Walsh.—77.

Mr. *Mackenzie* again moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now concurred in, but that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of amending the same, as follows:—

4. Any person above the age of 21 years who is a natural born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who has taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty, before the proper local authority, and filed with the said Officer a declaration of his intention to become a naturalized subject of Her Majesty on the expiry of the term of residence which may be prescribed for that purpose, by any law in force in the North West Territories, shall be entitled to enter one quarter section or a less quantity of unappropriated public lands upon which such person may have filed a pre-emption claim, and which at the time of such filing shall be subject to pre-emption by the laws then in force. The said land to be in one parcel according to the legal sub-divisions of the public lands and after the same shall have been surveyed.

1. The person applying to enter land under this Act as aforesaid, shall, upon application to the proper officer, make affidavit before such officer, that he is of the age of twenty-one years, that he is a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, or that he has taken the oath of allegiance and filed the declaration mentioned in the previous section; that his application to enter the land is made for his own exclusive use and benefit, and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, and upon filing the said affidavit with the proper officer, and on payment of five dollars, he shall be entitled to enter the quantity of land applied for and hold possession thereof.

2. At the expiration of three years from the date of such entry, or at any time within two years after such expiration of three years, the person making such entry, or if he be dead his widow, or in case of her death his heirs or devisee, shall prove, by two credible witnesses, that he, or in case of his death before the expiration of the said three years, his widow, resided upon or cultivated the same for three years continuously from the date of the entry aforesaid, and that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to Her Majesty, he shall, if at that time a subject of Her Majesty, or if he be dead, his widow, heirs or devisee, shall be entitled to a patent from the Crown for the land so entered as aforesaid, which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Grover, Hagar, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—38.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan,

Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N. B.), Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley and Walsh.—74.

Mr. *Drew* then moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now concurred in, but that the Bill be re-committed with instructions to add to section 17, the following words :—" except the first Parliament, which shall continue for four years from the date of the Return of the Writ, unless sooner dissolved by the Lieutenant Governor ;" which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Grover, Hagar, Lawson, Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison, (Victoria, O.) Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Pope, Redford, Ross, (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Wallace, Wells, White, Whitehead, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.— 41.

Nays :

Messieurs. Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Joly, Keeler, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N. B.), Savary, Tilley, Walsh, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County).—66.

On motion of Mr. *Ferguson.* the Debate was adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 3.05. A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

No. 59.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 9TH MAY, 1870.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 10TH MAY, 1870.

One Petition was brought up and laid on the Table.

Hon. Mr. *Morris* presented,—Return to an Address of the 27th, ult.; for the particulars of the account rendered by, and paid to the Sheriff of Northumberland, of $600, charged in the Public Accounts up to 30th June, 1869.

Hon. Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, presented the Second Report,—

(For the said Report, see Appendix No. 6 to the Journals.)

He also laid before The House,—by command of His Excellency, the Report of the Minister of Agriculture, for the calendar year, 1869.

He also presented,—Return to Address of the 3rd March, last; for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government, relative to the admission or exclusion of American fishing vessels from the waters of the Dominion, and all Orders in Council on the subject.—

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*'s motion, that the amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill (No. 91,) to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3; and establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba, be now read a second time.

Mr. *Ferguson* moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now read a second time, but that the Bill be re-committed with instructions to amend sub-section 3 of section 16, by striking out all the words after "same" in the said sub-section.

Mr. *Bodwell* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the Bill be re-committed with instructions to expunge sub-section 3, and substitute the following:—"and a *bonâ fide* resident within the Electoral Division at the date of the Writ of Election for the same, and has been a *bonâ fide* resident for one month next before the said date;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Currier, Dobbie, Holton, Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wallace, Wells, White, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—35.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's N. B.), Savary, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay, Walsh, and Willson.—83.

And the question being put on Mr. *Ferguson*'s proposed amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Holmes, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Lunenburg), Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wallace, Wells, White, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.) and Young.—41.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N.B.), Savary, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay and Walsh.—76.

Hon. Mr. *McDougall* (Lanark) moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now read a second time, but that the Bill be re-committed for the purpose of amending it, as follows:—"But no person who has been convicted, or is then under arrest for the commission of any felony, shall be eligible to be elected as a Member of the said Legislative Assembly;" which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that the said amendmends be not now read a second time, but that the Bill be re-committed with instructions to expunge section 27, and substitute the following:—"Whereas it is expedient to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, it is hereby enacted that the children of such half-breed residents in the Province, shall be entitled to receive a grant of not more than 200 acres each, on attaining the age of 18 years, in such mode, and on such conditions as to the settlement and otherwise, as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Grover, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morrison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wallace, Wells, White, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—37.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier Sir George, Casault, Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Daoust, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Le Vesconte, McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's N. B.), Savary, Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay, Walsh and Willson.—80.

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now read a second time, but that the Bill be re-committed with instructions to strike out that part of the Bill which refers to, and provides for Education in the Province of Manitoba; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Connell, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Kirkpatrick, Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark),, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison, (Victoria, O.) Oliver, Redford, Ross, (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wallace, Wells, White, Wright, (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—34.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Archibald, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley,

Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Holmes, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Le Vesconte, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Renaud, Robitaille, Ryan (King's N. B), Savary, Scatchard, Scriver, Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay, Walsh and Willson.—81.

The amendments were then read a second time, and agreed to.—

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, the Bill was referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instruction to amend the same by inserting at the end of Clause 16, the following: "Who being of the full age of 21 years, and not subject to any legal incapacity, and a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, was at any time within 12 months prior to the passing of this Act, and though, in the *interim*, temporarily absent, is at the time of such election a *bonâ fide* householder, resident within the Electoral Division, at the date of the Writ of Election for the same.—But this sub-section shall apply only to the first Election to be held under this Act for Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly aforesaid."—

The Bill was accordingly re-committed, re-considered, further amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.—

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of concurrence on Resolution 96, adopted in Committee of Supply, on Thursday the 14th ult., and which Resolution is as follows:—

96. For opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the North-West Territory (Revote).....$1,300,000 00;

and Mr. *Masson*'s (Soulanges) proposed motion in amendment that the following words be added thereto:—"provided no portion of the said sum, or of the Dominion funds, shall be expended in employing troops, or the Militia of the Dominion, for the purpose of regaining by force of arms, the possession of said Territory, nor until the peaceful possession of the same shall have been secured to this Dominion according to, and under the terms of the agreement entered into between the Imperial authorities and the Government of Canada."

Hon. Mr. *Dunkin* moved in amendment, to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "that" be struck out, and the following substituted: "said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be referred back to the Committee of Supply for re-consideration in connection with the Message of his Excellency the Governor General, transmitting Supplementary Estimates for the year ending 30th June, 1870, and with such Estimates, presently under reference to said Committee."

Hon. Mr. *Holton*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of Chateauguay raised the point of Order inasmuch as this was a Revote of an appropriation of last year, and the Committee of Supply had already before it a second Message accompanying the Supplementary Estimates recommending a Revote in another form—one or other must be withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker decided as follows:—"I do not agree with the Honorable Member for Chateauguay in his objection to the motion.—The House can know nothing of what goes on before the Committee of Supply until it reports. The Resolution which stands for concurrence and which is proposed to be referred back to that Committee may or may not in point of fact be intended for the same sum of money as that in the Supplementary Estimates which have also been referred to the same Committee.—If two Resolutions are reported for two distinct sums, The House can then deal with the question by refusing to concur in one or other of them."—

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight,

WEDNESDAY, 11th May, 1870.

Hon. Mr. *Dunkin*'s motion in amendment, was agreed to.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolution 96, which was referred back to the Committee was reconsidered, and on motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, it was *Resolved*, That the said Resolution be not adopted.

North West Territories.

Item 205. For opening communication with, establishing Government in and providing for settlement of such territories, including expedition to Red River (Revote) (This vote to cover the amounts expended to the current date, and the unexpended balance on 30th June, to be applicable to service of 1870-71)—$1,460,000.00 being proposed;

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* moved that it be amended by striking out therefrom the word "Revote," and by inserting after the words "This vote to" the words "be in lieu of that for same amount granted on credit of unguaranteed loan by Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 1, and hereby cancelled, and to"—which was agreed to.

The item was then adopted, and is as follows:—

205. For opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of such territories, including expedition to Red River. (This vote to be in lieu of that for same amount granted on credit of unguaranteed loan by Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 1, and hereby cancelled and to cover the amount expended to the current date, and the unexpended balance on 30th June to be applicable to service of 1870-71).....$1,460,000 00

Item 218. To provide for Secret Service 100,000 00,

being read,

On motion of Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks*, reduced to $75,000, was agreed to.

The item was then adopted, and is as follows:—

218. To provide for Secret Service $75,000 00

The following Resolutions were adopted :

219. Miscellaneous Printing 5,000 00

222. To repair damages to the works connected with the descent of timber on the Madawaska and other rivers in the Ottawa District 25,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 1.50. A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATA.

In the Votes of yesterday, page 296, Mr. *Mackenzie's* amendment to the Government of Manitoba Bill, should have been inserteed, as follows :

Mr. *Mackenzie* again moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now concurred in, but that they be re-committed for the purpose of striking out Clause 27, and substituting the following in lieu thereof :

Clause 27—Any person above the age of 21 years who is a natural born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who has taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty, before the proper local authority, and filed with the said Officer a declaration of his intention to become a naturalized subject of Her Majesty on the expiry of the term of residence which may be prescribed for that purpose, by any law in force in the North West Territories, shall be entitled to enter one quarter section or a less quantity of unappropriated public lands upon which such person may have filed a pre-emption claim, and which at the time of such filing shall be subject to pre-emption by the laws then in force. The said land to be in one parcel according to the legal sub-divisions of the public lands and after the same shall have been surveyed.

1. The person applying to enter land under this Act as aforesaid, shall, upon application to the proper officer, make affidavit before such officer, that he is of the age of twenty-one years, that he is a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, or that he has taken the oath of allegiance and filed the declaration mentioned in the previous section ; that his application to enter the land is made for his own exclusive use and benefit, and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, and upon filing the said affidavit with the proper officer, and on payment of five dollars, he shall be entitled to enter the quantity of land applied for and hold possession thereof.

2. At the expiration of three years from the date of such entry, or at any time within two years after such expiration of three years, the person making such entry, or if he be dead his widow, or in case of her death his heirs or devisee, shall prove, by two credible witnesses, that he, or in case of his death before the expiration of the said three years, his widow, resided upon or cultivated the same for three years continuously from the date of the entry aforesaid, and that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to Her Majesty, he shall, if at that time a subject of Her Majesty, or if he be dead, his widow, heirs or devisee, shall be entitled to a patent from the Crown for the land so entered as aforesaid, which was negatived.

And in Mr. *Drew's* amendment, page 297, the word "four" was inserted instead of "two"; and it should read, as follows :—

Mr. *Drew* then moved in amendment, that the said amendments be not now concurred in, but that the Bill be re-committed with instructions to add to section 17, the following words :—"except the first Parliament, which shall continue for two years from the date of the Return of the Writ, unless sooner disolved by the Lieutenant Governor," which was negatived.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all correspondence since the year 1867 relating to the cutting of timber, cordwood, etc., on Walpole Island.

No. 60.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 11TH MAY, 1870.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa), from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *M. McBean*, and others; praying that The House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading Channel, and the supply of the water from the summit level opened throughout, presented the following Report:—

That the Statistics of the Trade of the Ottawa Valley show that the enlargement of the Canals and the improvement of certain portions of the river between the City of Ottawa and Lake St. Louis cannot be longer postponed without detriment to the very large interests involved.

That there are now engaged in the sawed lumber trade alone, at and below Ottawa, twenty steamers and two hundred barges, giving employment to two thousand two hundred men; and that the material to be moved the present season will not fall far short of Three hundred millions of feet, board measure.

That the fixed capital embarked in the manufacturing and carrying of sawed lumber amounts to $3,675,000, and the annual expenditure for wages and supplies to about $2,812,425.

That owing to the insufficient canals and insufficient depth of water at certain points in the river great embarrassment is caused in the transport of Lumber, and the cost of carrying it largely increased beyond what it would be were proper facilities for transport provided.

It is estimated that fully $1 per 1000 feet would be saved on the cost of carrying the lumber, were the Canal and River improved to the full capacity of the latter representing an annual saving to the country of $300,000.

That unless improvements in the navigation are speedily made, a large portion of the sawed lumber of the Ottawa, destined for the Market of the United States, will be diverted from the river, and to the great loss of this country, be forced to seek other channels of transport: In other words—the Committee cannot help being impressed with the conviction, that, while the trade is rapidly increasing, the carrying capacity of the river, as measured by that of the existing canals, has been tested to the utmost.

The Committee is therefore of opinion, that the improvement of the Lower Ottawa should be at once undertaken, and that all works incident to such improvements should be designed with a view to the ultimate completion of a great inland navigation by way of the Ottawa waters and those of the French River to Lake Huron.

And the Committee begs leave to recommend, that, in the re-construction of the locks of the Lower Ottawa not less than ten feet depth of water—measured by the draught of vessels to be floated through—should be provided for, and that in respect of width and length the locks should have dimensions amply sufficient to admit the passage of the largest class of vessels ever likely to be needed for the carrying trade between the Great Lakes and the Ocean.

In conclusion, the Committee would venture to foreshadow the immense advantages to the settlement and trade of the Ottawa Valley, which could not fail to result from improving the river, so as to admit of large vessels ascending from Quebec or Montreal to Ottawa, and to predict, that, when that had been accomplished, the success and pride attending the first step in so grand a national work, would convince the people of the country generally, that the prosperity and stability of the Dominion would be assured by continuing the improvement of our great interior river, until the waters of Lake Huron had been reached.

Tables shewing the estimated number of logs taken out annually on the Ottawa and it tributaries, and the cost of procuring them are appended hereto.

Estimate of men, teams, supplies, &c., &c., used in taking out and driving 1,000,000 saw logs :

		$ cts.		$
1,500	Teams, 100 days each.....150,000 days at	1 50	.....	225,000
2,500	Men, do .....22,500 months	22 00	.....	495,000
5,500	Barrels Pork	20 00	.....	110,000
6,000	Barrels Flour	5 50	.....	33,000
3,500	Bushel Beans and Peas	1 50	.....	5,250
250,000	Bushel Oats	0 40	.....	100,000
2,000	Tons of Hay.....	12 00	.....	24,000
25,000	Gallons of Syrup	0 50	.....	12,500
50,000	Pounds of Tea	0 45	.....	22,500
12,500	Pounds of Soap	0 06	.....	750
40,000	Pounds of Tobacco.....	0 30	.....	12,000
20,000	Pounds of Grindstones	0 02	.....	400
500	Boxes of Axes.....	10 00	.....	5,000
400	Cross-cut Saws	4 50	.....	1,800

		$ cts.	$
1,500	Sleighs .....at	25 00	... 37,500
25,000	lbs. Rope.....	0 15	... 3,750
10,000	Chains	1 50	... 15,000
300	Boats	25 00	... 7,500
6,000	Pair Blankets	5 00	... 30,000
100	Cookeries	20 00	... 2,000
2,500	Cant Dogs, &c.....	4 00	... 10,000

	105,750	Loss and Waste 33⅓%	...	35,250
	Cost delivering 16,500,000 lbs. supplies as above .....at	0 01½	.....	247,500
	Government Duties on 1,000,000 logs.....	0 15	.....	150,000
	Boomage on do do	0 05	.....	50,000
				1,529,950
2,000	Men employed sawing 200,000,000 feet, 150 days per man, 300,000 days.....	1 15	.....	345,000
				1,874,950

Freighting 200,000,000 feet, employs 200 Barges, 20 Steamers, manned by 2,200 men.

The above does not include interest on amount invested in Limits, improvements on River, Mill, Property, Docks, &c., &c.

Statement Logs taken out annually on Ottawa River and tributaries :

Hamilton Bros. Hawkesbury.....	175,000
Cameron and others, Thurso and Nation	60,000
Blanche	20,000
McLaren, Thompson and others, Buckingham	200,000
Merrill and Bangs, Buckingham Basin	12,000
South Nation	10,000
Templeton Mills	34,000
G. B. Hall, Quebec	150,000
H. Atkinson, Quebec	80,000
L. Young, Ottawa	100,000
J. R. Booth, Ottawa	150,000
Perley and Pattee, Ottawa	150,000
E. B. Eddy, Hull.....	150,000
A. H. Baldwin, Ottawa	125,000
H. Crandell and Co., Hull	75,000
Wright and Batson, Hull	100,000
Bronson and Weston, Ottawa.....	150,000
A. Gilmour, Gatineau	150,000
McLaughlin Bros. Arnprior	140,000
John Usborne, Portage Du Fort.....	50,000
J. McLaren and Co., New Edinburgh	50,000
Total logs say	2,000,000
Estimated.....300,000,000 ft. B. M.	

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Thirteenth Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee having considered the following documents recommend that they be printed, viz. :—

The Second Annual Report of the Directors of Penitentiaries of the Dominion of Canada for the year 1869.

Report of the Select Committee of the Senate appointed to enquire into grievances complained of by Land Owners in the Seigniory of Sorel.

Final Report of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Return to Address, Correspondence between the Government and the Iroquois Indians of Two Mountains, or other parties, relative to the said sale or surrender of the Indian lands and to the difficulties existing with the said Indians.

Report of the Select Committee of the Senate appointed to enquire what steps have have been taken towards establishing a uniform international decimal system of Measures, Weights and Coins, &c.

Statement of re-organization of the Public Departments and classification of Officers under the 15th section of "The Canada Civil Service Act 1868."

Return to Address, names of all persons who have been appointed to Office, or who have been employed or are now employed in connection with the North West Territory, with the salaries, &c. (for distribution only).

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be *not* printed viz :—

Return to Address, Statement of all Costs and Charges connected with the repairs and the maintenance of Rideau Hall and Spencer Wood since the 30th June, 1868, to the present time.

Return to Address, Names of parties employed in Excise Office, Montreal, date of appointment, salary or remuneration.

Return to Address, Moneys expended on Public Piers and Wharfs of the Dominion since 1st July, 1867, with the names, &c.

Return to Address, names of persons employed in the Montreal Custom House as Clerks, Tidewaiters, &c., with their salaries, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., between Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of Quebec and Ontario respectively relating to rate of interest allowed since 4th May, 1859, on Capital of the Seigniors, &c., &c.

Return to Address, Orders in Council and Correspondence touching the property now leased by the Government to the Cornwall Manufacturing Company or *Geo. Stephens*, Esq.

Return to Address, Shewing the amounts appropriated and expended by the Dominion Government upon the great lines of communication connecting the Provinces of Qnebec and New Brunswick by the Metapediac and Restigouche roads, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., relating to the appointment of a Postmaster for the Village of Waterloo, in the County of Shefford, in the place of *A. L. Robinson*, Esq., resigned.

Return to Address, Names of persons now employed in the Montreal Post Office as Clerks or Letter Carriers, the date of their appointment and the salaries paid the same.

Return to Address, Shewing the statement of account between *Thos. Robertson* and the Government in regard to the receipts and expenditure of the Dundas and Waterloo Road, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence and Reports of the Engineer in charge of the Welland Canal since 30th June, 1867.

Return to Address, Copies of Accounts rendered to Government and placed before Dominion Arbitrators for work and materials on Parliament Buildings, &c.

Return to Address, Orders in Council, &c., authorizing any Printing or Binding to be done without tender with a detailed statement of the expenditure incurred, &c.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Ninth (as their Final) Report, which is as follows :—

The Committee have completed their investigation of the Public Accounts of 1868 and 1869, and in addition to the matters included in their previous Reports in relation thereto, they beg to submit the following for the consideration of The House.

They are of opinion that in future the printing of the Reports of the Geological Survey should be done either under the Contract for the Departmental or Parliamentary Printing.

It appears from a memorandum furnished to them by the Auditor in explanation of the charge made for the distribution of the Statutes, that Mr. *Desbarats* received for this service the sum of $1,437.28, being about $537 in excess of the actual disbursements. The Committee are of opinion that Mr. *Desbarats* was not entitled to charge more than the actual payments made, and that any payment in excess ought to be refunded.

It appears by the accounts that several of the macadamized roads and other local works sold by the Government of the late Province of Canada to Municipalities or private companies are largely in arrear on account of interest and instalments on the principal of the purchase money. The Committee would recommend that immediate steps be taken by the Government for the collection of these amounts due under this head on account of the Kingston and Napanee Road, Dundas and Waterloo Road, Hamilton and Brantford Road, Roads in Middlesex and Elgin, West Gwillimbury Road, Queenston and Grimsby Road, and Oakville Harbour.

One item appears on page 144, part 4 of Public Accounts, paid $200 to Colonel *A. Sprout* for two horses accidentally killed at cavalry drill.

The Committee concur in the opinion expressed by the Minister of Militia in his letter of the 14th September, 1868 (appended to this Report) that the Militia Department was not liable for the loss of these horses, and regret that that view was not adhered to.

The Committee also perceive on page 91, part 1, an item paid to *H. Cummins*, $1,400 for loss on his contract for supplying the Penitentiary with bread, in consequence of a rise in flour. In reference to this payment they feel it their duty to express their conviction that all contracts entered into with the Government and every Department of the Public Service should be strictly adhered to.

The Committee report herewith their proceedings on the foregoing subjects.

(*For the proceeding to this Report, see Appendix No. 2 to the Journals.*)

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 25th ult. ; for a copy of the Report of *H. W. Austin* in relation to certain obstructions called " Eel Weirs " which exist in the River Richelieu between St. John's and Iberville.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 90) An Act to amend the Acts respecting Customs and Inland Revenue, and to make certain provisions respecting Vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada, above Montreal *without amendment.*

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* laid before The House,—Statement made by Insurance Companies, in compliance with the Act 31 *Victoria*, chapter 48, section 14.

The House resumed the further consideration of Resolution 6, adopted in Committee of Supply, and reported to The House, on Thursday, the 21st ult., was concurred in, and is as follows :

6. The Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces $15,670 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, yesterday, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows :—

205. For opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of such territories, including expedition to Red River. (This vote to be in lieu of that for same amount granted on credit of unguaranteed loan by Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 1, and hereby cancelled and to cover the amount expended to the current date, and the unexpended balance on 30th June to be applicable to service of 1870-71) $1,460,000 00

218. To provide for Secret Service 75,000 00

219. Miscellaneous Printing 5,000 00

222. To repair damages to the works connected with the descent of timber on the Madawaska and other rivers in the Ottawa District 25,000 00

The House went into Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted :

1 *Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending, 30th June, 1870, (including certain sums which may be partly expended in the financial year ending 30th June, 1871)—the sum of $445,769 72 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.—

2. *Resolved*, That towards making good the sum of $1,460,000, granted to Her Majesty for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for the settlement of the North West Territories, including the expedition to Red River,—a like sum be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada

3. *Resolved*, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871 (after deducting therefrom certain sums which may be partly expended in the financial year ending 30th June, 1870, and have been included in the sums voted for that year), the sum of $13,223,145.20 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.—

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were reported, and agreed to *nemine contradicente.*

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Hon. Sir *Francis Hincks* then introduced a Bill (No. 95) for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1870, and 30th June, 1871—Second reading this day.

The Bill (No. 94) from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to remedy the inconvenience which would arise from the expiration of the Acts and parts of Acts herein mentioned before the passing of the Act of this Session to continue the same," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.—

The Bill (No. 93) to continue for a limited time, the Act therein mentioned, was read a second and a third time and passed.

The Bill (No. 56) from the Senate, intituled : " An Act respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported. Committee to sit again to-morrow.—

The Bill (No 6) from the Senate, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting fishing by foreign Vessels," was read the second and a third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill (No. 48) to establish a Supreme Court for the Dominion of Canada, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 38) from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864," combining the provisions of Bills No. 52 and 88, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, read a third time, and passed.—

The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the proposed motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood* on the subject of the sum payable under the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1859, for the benefit of the Townships of Lower Canada was discharged.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *J. S. Ross* " That the Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Interest " was discharged.

The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the proposed motion of Mr. *Rymal*, for the adoption of the Report of the Committee appointed to inquire into the unauthorized payment of $20,000 to the late Sir *Allan N. MacNab*: was discharged.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *Mills*, That the House do now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of the admission of Rupert's Land and North West Territory into the Confederation, was discharged.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the following Bills was discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, viz:—

N. 9 To authorize the extradition of persons from the Dominion of Canada, charged with having committed crimes in the United States and other foreign Countries.

No. 12. To limit the rate of Interest.

No. 40. To amend the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 10, relating to Postal Service.

No. 41. Respecting the naturalization of certain Aliens.—

No. 75. To amend the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, being Chapter 41 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada.

No. 80 to amend and extend the provisions of Chapter 37, 32 and 33 *Victoria*, intituled: "An Act respecting contagious diseases effecting Animals."

The Bill (No. 95) for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June 1870, and 30th June, 1871, was read the second time.

Hon. *Francis Hincks* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Tremblay* moved in amendment that it be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed with instructions so to amend it, that no sum of money be applied towards a Military expedition to the North West Territories, inasmuch as the responsibility of such an expedition rests solely upon the Government of Great Britain;—which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Béchard, Benoit, Bourassa, Cheval, Coupal, Dufresne, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Killam, Pelletier, Pouliot, Pozer and Tremblay.—13.

Nays:

Messieurs Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Bodwell, Bowell, Brousseau, Burton, Campbell, Carling, Cartier Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Costigan, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Hagar, Hincks Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, Keeler, Langevin, Lawson, Le Vesconte, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, McMonies, Metcalfe, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pope, Ray, Read, Robitaille, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's N. B.), Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Tilley, Walsh, White, Willson and Wright (Ottawa County).—69.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be amended by adding the following words to Resolution 35, Schedule B:—"Provided that no portion of such money shall be paid to any Member of Parliament; such payments being in violation of the spirit, if not the letter, of the Independence of Parliament Act, and calculated in the opinion of this House to detract from the independence of its Members;" which was negatived in the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Béchard, Bodwell, Bowell, Cheval, Coupal, Currier, Drew, Forbes, Geoffrion, Hagar, Holton, Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McMonies, Metcalfe, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pelletier, Pozer, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Scriver, Snider, Stirton, Tremblay, White and Willson.—34.

Nays:

Messieurs Beaty, Bellerose, Brousseau, Burton, Campbell, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Costigan, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Keeler, Kilham, Langevin, Lawson, Le Vesconte, McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), McDougal (Three Rivers,) McKeagney, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pope, Read, Robitaille, Ryan (King's, N. B.), Shanly, Stephenson, Tilley and Walsh.—43.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 50) to make provision for the registration of Marks, or Brands, used in marking timber, *with an amendment.*

The said amendment having been read the first time, it was on motion of Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa) amended, by striking out "five" and inserting "fifty" instead.

A further Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 2) to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders, *with amendments* (On motion of Mr. *Drew*, the said amendments were agreed to).—

Also agreeing to the Bill (No. 79) to amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants *with amendments.* (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Morris*, the said amendments were agreed to).—

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow at half-past two o'clock P.M.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,

Speaker.

No. 61.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 12TH MAY, 1870.

2.30 P. M.

Mr. Speaker communicated to The House, the following letter :—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Ottawa, 11th May, 1870.

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 Legislature on Thursday, the 12th inst., at 4 o'clock, p. m.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient, humble servant,
F. TURVILLE,
Governor's Secretary.

The Honorable
The Speaker of the House of Commons,
&c., &c., &c.

The Petition of *Levi Varney*, and others, Members of the Society of Friends, was received and read, praying for the abolition of whipping or flogging for crimes or breaches of prison discipline.

A message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendment made by this House to their amendment to the Bill (No. 50), An Act respecting the marking of Timber, *without amendment.*

Also, agreeing to the amendments made by this House to their own Bill (No. 38) intituled: "An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864," *without amendment.*

Also, agreeing to the following Bills *without amendment*, viz :—

No. 10. An Act to amend the Act imposing Duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

No. 85. An Act to vest in Her Majesty for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada.

No. 64. An Act to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.

No. 78. An Act respecting certain Works on the Ottawa River.

No. 92. 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.

No. 91. An Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, chapter 3; and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.

No. 95. An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1870, and the 30th June 1871.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 23rd April, 1869; for statement of amount of Revenue collected from Tax on Tobacco.

Return to Address of the 13th ult. ; for copies of all Reports made by the Engineers of the Public Works Department, on their examination, so far as made last Fall, of *Dawson's* proposed line of canal or water communication through the North-West Territory.

Return to Address of the 4th ult. ; for a statement giving the names of all persons who have been employed, either temporarily, or otherwise, in connection with the Public Service at Ottawa, including the House of Commons and Senate, since the 1st January, 1868, up to the present time, giving the names of those employed in each department separately, the date of each appointment, and the amount of salary or allowance to be paid to each, together with the nature of the business to be transacted by each person so appointed.

Hon. Mr. *Howe* laid before The House,—Summary of the operations of the Geological Survey, dated the 2nd May, 1870 (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Howe*, the said summary was ordered to be printed).

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 93.) An Act to continue for a limited time, the Act therein mentioned, *without amendment.*

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, by *R. E. Kimber*, Esq., Acting Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, desiring the attendance of The House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the Members present, went to the Senate Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills, viz :—

An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners.

An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Queen's Printer.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America.

An Act to amend "An Act respecting Cruelty to Animals"

An Act to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions.

An Act to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators to certain cases therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the Act relating to Lighthouses, Buoys and Beacons.

An Act to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

An Act to authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor Dues, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Detriot River Tunnel Company.

An Act further to amend the Acts respecting the Improvement and Management of the Harbor of Quebec.

An Act respecting the First Census.

An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the Gore Bank.

An Act to incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artists."

An Act to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act, 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes.

An Act respecting Banks and Banking.

An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River Saint Lawrence.

An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor Dues at the mouth of Beaver River, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships.

An Act for the better protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy.

An Act to revive the Charter of the Grand Junction Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Sun Insurance Company of Montreal."

An Act to remove certain restrictions with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Perjury.

An Act to amend "The Penitentiary Act of 1868."

An Act to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax.

An Act to amend the Law respecting the Department of Finance.

An Act to continue and make permanent certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Province of New Brunswick, relative to the Police Force in the Parish of Portland, in the City and County of Saint John.

An Act to empower the Police Court in the City of Halifax to sentence juvenile offenders to be detained in the Halifax Industrial School.

An Act to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 19 and 20 *Vict.*, chapter 141, concerning the Synod of the Church of England in Canada, to the Province of Nova Scotia.

An Act to amend "An Act respecting the Security to be given by Officers of Canada."

An Act to amend an Act for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works.

An Act respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company.

An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels.

An Act to amend and extend the Act to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion.

An Act respecting Ferries.

An Act to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

An Act to amend the Acts respecting Customs and Inland Revenne ; and to make certain provisions respecting Vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada above Montreal.

An Act to remedy the inconvenience which would arise from the expiration of the Acts and parts of Acts herein mentioned before the passing of the Act of this Session to continue the same.

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.

An Act respecting certain Works on the Ottawa River.

An Act to amend the Act imposing Duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.

An Act to vest in Her Majesty for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada.

An Act respecting the Marking of Timber.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Fishing by Foreign Vessels.

An Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.

An Act to explain and amend the Act respecting the Collection and Management of the Revenue, the Auditing of Public Accounts, and the liablility of Public Accountants.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders.

An Act respecting Official Assigness appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864, and to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.

An Act to continue for a limited time the Act therein mentioned.

The Speaker of the House of Commons then said :—

May it please Your Excellency :—

In the name of the Commons of Canada, I present a Bill, intituled : An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending, respectively the 30th June, 1870, and the 30th June, 1871," to which I humbly request Your Excellency's assent.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :—

In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill.

His Excellency was then pleased to address the two Houses in the following Speech :—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate—

Gentlemen of the House of Commons—

I cannot close the present Session without acknowledging the attention and dilligence with which you have applied yourselves to the despatch of public business, and especially to the important objects which I recommended to your consideration.

In the measures which you have adopted respecting Banks and Banking, and the issue of the Dominion Notes, I trust efficient guarantees will be found for the protection of the financial interests of the community.

The measure which you have passed for the Government of the new Province of Manitoba, and for the vast adjacent Territories, and the just and reasonable conditions which you have sanctioned in favor of their inhabitants, cannot fail to remove every trace of the misapprehensions which unhappily existed, and to plant in their stead feelings of confidence in your good will, and of hope of the numerous and increasing advantages to be derived from joining the Dominion.

The Military Expedition which it is necessary to send will gratify and give confidence to all loyal and well-disposed persons.

Her Majesty's troops go forth on an errand of peace, and will serve as an assurance to the inhabitants of the Red River Settlement and the numerous Indian tribes that occupy the North-West that they have a place in the regard and the counsels of England, and may rely upon the impartial protection of the British Sceptre.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons—

I thank you for the readiness with which you have granted the necessary supplies for the public service, and have observed with satisfaction the precautions you have taken to guard against any possible deficiency in the Revenue.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen,—

The information which reached my Government from many quarters as to the designs of parties styled Fenians, armed and openly drilled in various parts of the neighboring States, rendered it incumbent on me to apply to Parliament to pass an Act to suspend the Habeas Corpus Act, as well as to call out an armed force for the defence of the Frontier.

The vigorous steps resorted to, and the laudable promptitude with which the active Militia responded to the call to arms, chilled the hopes of the invaders and averted the menaced outrage, so that I now entertain a sanguine hope that I shall not be placed under the necessity of exercising the powers so entrusted to me.

The provisions which you have made for the taking of the Decennial Census of 1871 will be so carried out as to ensure, if possible, the taking of a simultaneous census in all Her Majesty's possessions in British North America.

I sincerely hope that the preparations which have been matured for the protection of the Canadian Fisheries, will be effective. Every care will be taken to combine the maintenance of the undisputed rights of our fishermen, with the regard due to the just claims of foreigners ; and you will, I am persuaded, acknowledge with gratitude, the countenance and moral support which Her Majesty's Government has announced the intention of affording.

The general tone of your debates and the uniform expression of prevalent opinion indicate that the people of Canada are sensible of the advantages arising from their existing form of Government. I trust their contentment may be of long continuance, and take leave of you for the present with the earnest wish that the determination and efforts of the Country to preserve the blessings which it enjoys may be crowned with the protection and distinguished favor of Providence.

The Parliament of the Dominion of Canada was then prorogued to Tuesday, the 21st June, next.—

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

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