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No. 62. To amend the Law respecting Deck Loads; and

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No. 1

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 7TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

This being the day on which Parliament is convoked by Proclamation of the Governor General for the Despatch of business, and the Members of the House being assembled:

A Message was delivered by *Réné Kimber*, Esq., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

GENTLEMEN,

Sir *William Buell Richards*, Knight, Deputy Governor, desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly, the House went up to the Senate, when the Speaker of the Senate said:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate, and
Gentlemen of the House of Commons:—

Sir *William Buell Richards*, Knight, Deputy Governor, does not see fit to declare the causes of summoning the present Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, until the Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen according to Law, but to-morrow at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the causes of calling this Parliament, will be declared.

And the Members being returned,

The Clerk of The House, standing on the lower step of the Speaker's Throne, announced that he had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, copies of warrants showing vacancies which have taken place in the representation, since the close of the last Session, viz:—

Of the Hon. *Timothy Warren Anglin*, Speaker of the House and Member for the Electoral District of Gloucester, by resignation.

Of *Wilfrid Laurier*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Drummond and Arthabaska, by acceptance of the office of Minister of Inland Revenue.

Of the Hon. *Joseph Edouard Cauchon*, Member for the Electoral District of Quebec Centre, by acceptance of the office of Lieut.-Governor of the Province of Manitoba.

Of the Hon. *Isidore Thibaudeau*, Member for the Electoral District of Quebec East, by resignation.

Of *Joseph Gaudet*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Nicolet, by resignation.

Of *George Moffat*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Restigouche, by resignation.

Of the Hon. *William B. Vail*, Member for the Electoral District of Digby, by resignation.

Of *Alfred G. Jones*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Halifax, by resignation.

Of the Hon. *Peter Mitchell*, Member for the Electoral District of Northumberland, N.B., by resignation, and

Of *James Cunningham*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of New Westminster, by resignation; and that the latter Officer had, under and by virtue of the Act 31 Victoria, chapter 25, section 10, issued new Writs of Election for the said Electoral Districts respectively.

He also announced that he had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificates of the Election and Return of the following Members, viz.:—

Of the Hon. *Timothy Warren Anglin*, for the Electoral District of Gloucester.

Of *Joseph Merrill Currier*, Esq., of the Electoral District of the City of Ottawa.

Of *James Norris*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Lincoln.

Of *Zéphirin Désiré alias Olivier Désiré Bourbeau*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Drummond and Arthabaska.

Of *Jacques Malouin*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Quebec Centre.

Of the Hon. *Wilfrid Laurier*, for the Electoral District of Quebec East.

Of *François Xavier Ovide Méthot*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Nicolet.

Of *George Haddow*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Restigouche.

Of *John C. Wade*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Digby; and

Of the Hon. *Alfred G. Jones*, for the Electoral District of Halifax.

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

Hon. *Timothy Warren Anglin*, Member for the Electoral District of Gloucester,—*Zéphirin Désiré alias Olivier Désiré Bourbeau*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Drummond and Arthabaska,—*Joseph Merrill Currier*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the City of Ottawa,—*George Haddow*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Restigouche,—Hon *Alfred G. Jones*, Member for the Electoral District of Halifax,—Hon. *Wilfrid Laurier*, Member for the Electoral District of Quebec East,—*Jacques Malouin*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Quebec Centre,—*François Xavier Ovide Méthot*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Nicolet,—*James Norris*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the County of Lincoln,—and *John C. Wade*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Digby.

Hon. Mr. *Mitchell*, having presented the Duplicate of the Indenture of his Election for the Electoral District of Northumberland, N.B., to the Clerk of The House, and having taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, addressing himself to the Clerk of The House, moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), that the Hon. *Timothy Warren Anglin*, Member representing the Electoral District of Gloucester, N.B., do take the Chair of The House as Speaker; which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Devlin,	McIsaac,
Archibald,	Dymond,	McNab,
Aylmer,	Ferris,	Malouin,
Bain,	Fiset,	Metcalfe,
Barthe,	Fleming,	Mills,

Béchard,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Blake,
Bolduc,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Cook,
Coupal,
Dawson,
DeCosmos,
Delorme,
De St. Georges,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Greenway,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Hall,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*)
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGregor,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*)
Pouliot,
Power,
Ray,
Robillard,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Ryan,
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Thomson (*Welland*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wood,
Yeo,
Young.—116.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Benoit,
Blanchet,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Caron,
Cimon,
Colby,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Desjardins,
Donahue,
Farrow,
Flesher,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Haggart,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Masson,
Monteith,
Montplaisier,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Rouleau,
Roy,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Ottawa*).—53.

And the Clerk of The House having declared the Hon. Mr. *Anglin* duly elected, he was conducted to the Chair by Messrs. *Mackenzie* and *Smith* (Westmoreland), when he returned his acknowledgments to The House in the following words:—

"I thank the members of The House sincerely, for the high honor they have done "me, in having elected me to the responsible and dignified position of Speaker of this "honorable body, and I can only assure them, that while I continue holding the "Chair, I will endeavour, as I believe and trust I have endeavoured in the past, to "discharge the duties of that position, impartially and fairly, to the satisfaction of "every honorable and fair-minded man, and in such a way as to add to the dignity "and respect due to this honorable body;"—then the Mace was laid upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock P.M., to-morrow.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing the total amount of money expended for Public Works chargeable to capital, since 1st July, 1874; also the amount of money expended, chargeable to capital, on Public Works under progress on the 1st July, 1874.

No. 1.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 7TH FEBRUARY, 1878

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No. 2.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The House being met, and the Speaker elect having taken the Chair;
A Message was delivered by *Réné Kimber*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr. SPEAKER,

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

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the Senate Chamber;—and then Mr. Speaker spoke to the following effect:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

The House of Commons have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.
If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not to the Commons, whose servant I am.

The Honorable the Speaker of the Senate then said:

Mr. SPEAKER,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General to assure you that your words and actions will constantly receive from him the most favorable construction.

And the House being returned,—

Hon. *Peter Mitchell*, Member for Northumberland, N.B.,—*John C. Wade*, Esq. Member for Digby,—*François Xavier Ovide Méthot*, Esq., Member for Nicolet,—and *Zéphirin Désiré alias Oliver Désiré Bourbeau*, Esq., Member for Drummond and Arthabaska, were formally introduced to The House.

Mr. Speaker then informed The House that he had received from the Hon. Mr. Justice *Bossé*, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874, his Judgment in the matter of the Controverted Election for the Electoral District of Beauce; and the same was read, as follows:—

(*Translation.*)

BEAUCE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

CANADA,
Province of Quebec,
District of Beauce,

Superior Court.

THE DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874, AND AMENDMENTS.

GODFROY BERNARD, *et al*,

Petitioners.

vs.

JOSEPH BOLDUC,

Respondent.

The twenty-eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven.

PRESENT :

The HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE JOSEPH NOEL BOSSÉ.

The Court having heard the parties in this case by their respective Counsel upon the motion of the Respondent for the rejection of the Election Petition of the said Petitioners, and examined the proceedings and the documents of the record :

Whereas the said Election Petition was presented in Court on the first day of December last, and that the time for the trial thereof has not yet been fixed; that more than six months has elapsed since the presentation of the said Petition, and that in consequence the said Respondent is entitled to demand the rejection of the said Petition, the Court grants the said motion of the said Respondent, and in consequence rejects the said Election Petition for all purposes whatsoever, without costs.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) Z. VEZINA,
P. S. C., District of Beauce.

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

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

Mr. Speaker also informed The House that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,—Certificate of the Election and Return of the Hon. *Peter Mitchell*, to represent the Electoral District of Northumberland, N.B

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

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

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :
Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

In again summoning you for the despatch of business, I am glad to be able to say hat nothing beyond the ordinary business of the country requires your attendance.

It afforded me great pleasure to have had an opportunity, before my departure from Canada, of visiting the Province of Manitoba and a portion of the outside Territories, which visit I accomplished during last Autumn. I have now had the advantage of visiting every Province in the Dominion during the term of my government of Canada.

I am happy to be able to say that the Arbitration on the Fishery claims, under the terms of the Washington Treaty, has been concluded. An award has been made by the Commission of $5,500,000 as compensation to Canada and Newfoundland for the use of their fisheries during the term of the present Treaty. This amount is much less than that claimed by my Government, but having assented to the creation of the tribunal for the determination of their value, we are bound loyally to assent to the decision given.

The exhibition of Canadian manufactures and products at Sydney, New South Wales, was successfully carried out. I trust that the result will be the opening up of a new market for Canadian goods even in so remote a region as the Australasian Colonies, shipments of Canadian productions having already been made. The expenditure will slightly exceed the estimate, but I doubt not the cost to Canada will be amply repaid by the extension of her trade.

Preparations have been uninterruptedly carried on, during the last six months, for securing an ample but select exhibition of Canada's products and manufactures at the great exhibition to be held at Paris during the current year. A further estimate will be required to meet the expenditure. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, as Chairman of the British Commissioners, has assigned a most prominent place to Canada in one of the main Towers, where a Canadian Trophy is now being erected.

A very disastrous fire occurred in June last, in the City of St. John, which caused the destruction of a large portion of the City, including all the public buildings owned by the Dominion Government. My Government deemed it necessary to contribute $20,000 to assist in relieving the immediate wants of the people who were rendered destitute by so appalling a calamity. I also sanctioned the appropriation of some public money with which to commence the erection of new buildings for the public business, which acts you will be asked to confirm in the usual way.

During last summer my Commissioners made another Treaty with the Blackfeet, Blood and Piegan Indians, by which the Indian title is extinguished over a territory of 51,000 square miles west of Treaty No. 4, and south of Treaty No. 6. The Treaty has been made on terms nearly the same as those under Treaty No. 6, though somewhat less onerous. The entire territory west of Lake Superior to the Rocky Mountains, and from the boundary nearly to the 55th degree of North latitude, embracing about 450,000 square miles, has now been acquired by peaceful negociation with the native tribes, who place implicit faith in the honor and justice of the British Crown.

Early in the past summer a large body of Indians under Sitting Bull, from the United States, crossed into British territory to escape from the United States troops, and have since remained on the Canadian side.

The United States Government made a friendly but unsuccessful attempt to induce these Indians to return to their reservations. It is to be hoped that such arrangements may yet be made as may lead to their permanent and peaceful settlement, and thus relieve Canada of a source of uneasiness and a heavy expenditure.

The surveys of the Pacific Railway have been pressed to completion during the past season. A complete instrumental survey of the route, by the valleys of the North Thompson and Lower Fraser Rivers, has been made with a view to ascertain definitely, whether that route presents more favorable features than the routes already surveyed to Dean Inlet and Bute Inlet respectively. It is believed that the additional information now obtained will enable my Government to determine which route is the most advantageous from Tête Jaune Cache to the sea. Full information will be laid before you at an early day, of the season's work in this and other directions.

I am happy to be able to congratulate you on the abundant harvest reaped in all quarters of the Dominion; and I rejoice that under this and other influences there has been some improvement in the Revenue returns, thus indicating, I trust, that the commercial depression that has so long afflicted Canada, in common with other countries, is passing away.

My attention has been called to some imperfections in the existing system of auditing the Public Accounts, and a measure providing for their more thorough and effective supervision will be submitted for your consideration.

The prospect of obtaining, at an early day, greater facilities for reaching the North-Western Territories and the Province of Manitoba, is sure to attract a larger number of settlers every year, and as much of the prosperity of the Dominion depends on the rapid settlement of the fertile lands in these Territories, it is desirable and necessary to facilitate such settlement as much as possible. In order to effect this, measures will be submitted for your consideration concerning the registration of titles, the enactment of a Homestead Law, and the promotion of Railway enterprise in districts not touched by the Canada Pacific Railway.

Your attention will be called to a measure for better securing the independence of Parliament.

Experience has shown that certain changes may advantageously be made in the departmental arrangements existing at present. A bill will be submitted to you for accomplishing this purpose without increasing the expenditure, or the number of Departments.

It is very desirable that there should be uniform legislation in all the Provinces respecting the traffic in spirituous liquors. Hitherto that trade has been regulated by Provincial laws, or laws existing before the Confederation of the Provinces, although there has been lately a conflict of authority as to the jurisdiction of the local authorities. A bill making the necessary provision will be submitted for your consideration.

Various measures found necessary for the amendments of existing laws will also be submitted for your approval.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

The Estimates for the ensuing year will be laid before you at an early day. They have been prepated with an anxious desire to provide for all the branches of the public service and the execution of pressing public works within the limits of the expected revenue, without increasing the burden of taxation.

I have directed that the Public Accounts of the past financial year shall be laid before you.

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

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

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

TO THE HONORABLE THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA, IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

The Report of the Librarian of Parliament respectfully showeth :—

That during the past year continued efforts have been made to render the Law Division of the Library complete in all its branches, especially in view of the requirements of the Supreme Court, now in active operation; as well as for the use and behoof of members of the Legislature. Large purchases have been made since last Session, in French Jurisprudence; and comparatively little now remains to be done to place this important section of the Library upon a proper footing.

In order to facilitate reference to the Law Books, and to exhibit the full extent of this valuable collection, a classified Catalogue thereof has been prepared with an alphabetical index of authors and subjects. This is now in the press, and will be ready for distribution in a few days.

This work will be followed, as soon as possible, by the issue of a similar Catalogue of the Books on Political and Social Science, and Political Economy—which, together with the Law Books, will embrace all the works in more immediate demand by those engaged in the business of legislation.

Considerable additions have likewise been made to all other sections of the Library, particularly in the French department. Some dissatisfaction was expressed last Session by French Canadian Members, at the serious deficiencies which were apparent in this portion of the Library. Accordingly, strenuous efforts have been made to remedy this defect; and a larger sum of money has been expended for French Books, during the past year, than has been customary of late; but not so as to exceed in the aggregate the limit of one-third of the Parliamentary Grant for the purchase of books for the past two years; which amount has been approved by the Joint Library Committee as a suitable and necessary proportion of expenditure for French Books.

A supplementary Catalogue of the additions to the Library within the year has been printed but: this does not include the numerous works on Law and Legislation which are entered in the Classified Law Catalogue above mentioned.

The usual lists of Works deposited under the Copyright Act, and of Donations received within the year, are hereunto appended.

Amongst these Donations, there are some which are deserving of a special mention.

(1.) The original photographic picture of the Fancy Dress Ball, that took place at Government House, in February, 1876; which has been generously presented to the Library by His Excellency the Governor General. This is a beautiful memento of a memorable event in Canadian social life; and an historical record of permanent interest, not only of the individuals who took part therein, but of the characters they severally assumed.

In making this costly and beautiful gift, Lord Dufferin has expressed a hope that it may "prove the precursor of many another artistic donation to the Art "Treasures of the Dominion, and a first step towards the establishment of a National "Picture Gallery." Your Librarian would venture to re-echo this desire and to solicit, on behalf of all students and lovers of the Fine Arts in Canada, the judicious liberality of Parliament to aid in cultivating a sound and enlightened taste, throughout the Dominion, in this particular. A small annual grant, to be expended in the purchase of choice productions by native artists, would be a much appreciated boon, and a stimulus to native talent in this direction.

(2.) Through the good offices of Mr. *Edward Allen*, our London Agent, the Library has become the fortunate possessor of one of a limited number of issues of a great literary curiosity, namely, a copy of the Holy Bible, printed (from type previously set up), bound and forwarded from Oxford to London, in the space of

twelve consecutive hours. The wonderful achievement was performed in commemoration of the four hundreth anniversary of the introduction of printing into England by *William Caxton;* and it is a striking memorial of the triumph and consummation of the arts of printing and binding since that epoch.

(3.) Another literary treasure of much intrinsic value, recently presented to the Library, is a copy of the annotated catalogue of all the works printed in relation to America, between the years 1482 and 1601, and which are to be found in the private library of the late *John Carter Brown*, of Providence, Rhode Island. This catalogue of a most precious and unique collection, was printed for private circulation only, in the most sumptuous style, and is enriched by bibliographical notes from the pen of the Honorable *John Russell Bartlett*, an accomplished American scholar, and with fac-similes of original title pages of some of the rarest books in America. This catalogue is so highly prized by collectors, that a copy of it has been known to fetch three hundred and twenty-five dollars at a book auction. The Library is indebted to the widow of the late Mr. *John Carter Brown* for this interesting volume.

In the last Report the number of volumes then in the Library was estimated at 83,883. About 4,998 volumes have been added during the year, making a total of 88,871.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ALPHEUS TODD,
Librarian of Parliament.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,
OTTAWA, 6th February, 1878.

(*For the Appendix to this Report, see Sessional Papers No.* 11.)

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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

Mr. *Bourassa*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence and despatches between the Government of Canada and the Government of Great Britain, the English Ambassador at Washington, or any other person in the United States, since the 1st January, 1874, in relation to a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty, together with copies of all Orders in Council in relation to the same subject.

Mr. *Barthe*—On Monday next—BILL to repeal the Insolvent laws in force in the Dominion.

Mr. *Barthe*—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to fix the rate of interest in Canada."

Mr. *Barthe*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint a Judge of the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Richelieu (Province of Quebec) to reside at Sorel;—and when it is proposed to make that appointment.

Mr. *Dymond*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of the accounts, vouchers and papers connected with the payments for printing as entered in the Public Accounts for 1873-4 as made out of the contingencies of the Department of Justice, to *I. B. Taylor*, *The Citizen* Printing Company, and *J. G. Moylan*.

No. 2.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

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No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Account Current of the Accountant of the House of Commons, of the amount received and disbursed by him for contingencies, from the 1st July, 1876, to the 1st July, 1877; with the Auditor's Report.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), a Select Committee was appointed to supervise the official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session; with power to report from time to time; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Ross* (Middlesex), *Oliver*, *Dymond*, *Béchard*, *Charlton*, *Tupper*, *Bowell*, *Desjardins*, and *Colby*.

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

Mr. *De St. Georges* moved, seconded by Mr. *Charlton*,—

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 learn with satisfaction, that His Excellency, in again summoning us for the despatch of business, is able to inform us that nothing beyond the ordinary business of the country requires our attendance.

That it affords us great pleasure to know that His Excellency had an opportunity, before his departure from Canada, of visiting the Province of Manitoba and a portion of the outside Territories, which visit His Excellency accomplished during last Autumn, and that His Excellency has now had the advantage of visiting every Province in the Dominion during the term of his government of Canada.

That we are happy to learn from His Excellency that the arbitration on the Fishery claims, under the terms of the Washington Treaty, has been concluded, and an award has been made by the Commissioners of $5,500,000 as compensation to Canada and Newfoundland for the use of their fisheries during the term of the present Treaty, and that we feel, with His Excellency, that although this amount is much less than that claimed by His Excellency's Government, yet that having assented to the creation of the tribunal for the determination of their value, we are bound loyally to assent to the decision given.

That we are glad to know that the exhibition of Canadian manufactures and products at Sydney, New South Wales, was successfully carried out; that we trust with His Excellency, that the result will be the opening up of a new market for Canadian goods even in so remote a region as the Australasian colonies, shipments of Canadian productions having already been made; and that, although the expenditure will slightly exceed the estimate, we doubt not the cost to Canada will be amply repaid by the extension of her trade.

That we thank His Excellency for informing us that preparations have been uninterruptedly carried on during the last six months for securing an ample but select exhibition of Canada's products and manufactures at the great exhibition to be held at Paris during the current year; that a further estimate will be required to meet the expenditure, and that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, as Chairman of the British Commissioners, has assigned a most prominent place to Canada in one of the main Towers, where a Canadian Trophy is now being erected.

That while we are grieved to know that a very disastrous fire occurred in June last in the City of St. John, which caused the destruction of a large portion of the city, including all the public buildings owned by the Dominion Government, we feel that His Excellency's Government were right in deeming it necessary to contribute $20,000 to assist in relieving the immediate wants of the people who were rendered destitute by so appalling a calamity, as His Excellency was in sanctioning the appropriation of some public money with which to commence the erection of new buildings for the public business; and that we shall have pleasure in confirming these acts in the usual way.

That we are much gratified to be informed, that during the last summer His Excellency's Commissioners made another Treaty with the Blackfeet, Blood and Piegan Indians, by which the Indian title is extinguished over a territory of 51,000 square miles west of Treaty No. 4, and south of Treaty No. 6, that the Treaty has been made on terms nearly the same as those under Treaty No. 6, though somewhat less onerous, and that the entire territory west of Lake Superior to the Rocky Mountains, and from the boundary nearly to the 55th degree of North latitude, embracing about 450,000 square miles, has now been acquired by peaceful negociation with the native tribes, who place implicit faith in the honor and justice of the British Crown.

That we learn with much interest, that early in the past summer, a large body of Indians under Sitting Bull, from the United States, crossed into British Territory, to escape from the United States troops, and have since remained on the Canadian side; and that the United States Government made a friendly but unsuccessful attempt to induce these Indians to return to their reservations. And that we agree with His Excellency, in hoping that such arrangements may yet be made as may lead to their permanent and peaceful settlement, and thus relieve Canada of a source of uneasiness and a heavy expenditure.

That we are well pleased to know, that the surveys of the Pacific Railway have been pressed to completion during the past season; that a complete instrumental survey of the route, by the valleys of the North Thompson and Lower Fraser Rivers, has been made with a view to ascertain definitely, whether that route presents more favorable features than the routes already surveyed to Dean Inlet and Bute Inlet respectively; and that it is believed that the additional information now obtained will enable His Excellency's Government to determine which route is the most advantageous from Tête Jaune Cache to the sea; and that we thank His Excellency for the promise that full information will be laid before us at an early day, of the season's work in this and other directions.

That we receive with much pleasure His Excellency's congratulations on the abundant harvest reaped in all quarters of the Dominion, and that under this and other influences there has been some improvement in the Revenue returns, thus indicating, as we trust with his Excellency, that the commercial depression that afflicted Canada in common with other countries, is passing away.

That we thank His Excellency for informing us that his attention having been called to some imperfections in the existing system of auditing the Public Accounts, a measure providing for a more thorough and effective supervision will be submitted for our consideration.

That we share with His Excellency the conviction that the prospect of obtaining, at an early day, greater facilities for reaching the North Western Territories and the Province of Manitoba, is sure to attract a larger number of settlers every year, and that as much of the prosperity of the Dominion depends on the rapid settlement of the fertile lands in those Territories, it is desirable and necessary to

facilitate such settlement as much as possible; and that we are pleased to learn, that in order to affect this, measures will be submitted for our consideration concerning the registration of titles, the enactment of a Homestead Law, and the promotion of Railway enterprise in districts not touched by the Canada Pacific Railway.

That we shall give our best attention to any measure submitted to us for better securing the Independence of Parliament.

That being informed by His Excellency that experience has shown that certain changes may advantageously be made in the departmental arrangements existing at present, we shall respectfully consider any Bill submitted to us for accomplishing this purpose, without increasing the expenditure or the number of Departments.

That we feel with His Excellency, that it is very desirable there should be uniform legislation in all the Provinces respecting the traffic in spirituous liquors, and being aware that hitherto that trade has been regulated by Provincial laws, or laws existing before the Confederation of the Provinces, although there has been lately a conflict of authority as to the jurisdiction of the local authorities, we shall gladly receive any Bill making the necessary provision which may be submitted for our consideration, as we shall also any other measures found necessary for the amendment of existing laws and submitted for our approval.

That we thank His Excellency for the assurance that the Estimates for the ensuing year will be laid before us at an early day, and that they have been prepared with an anxious desire to provide for all the branches of the public service and the execution of pressing public works within the limits of the expected revenue, without increasing the burden of taxation; and for having directed that the Public Accounts of the past financial year shall be laid before us.

And a Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on the motion of Mr. *Mousseau*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 12.10 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Irving*—On Wednesday next—BILL entitled An Act to amend the law relating to Stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

Mr. *Christie*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to forward the mails by the Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, and if so, when?

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copy of all correspondence and Orders in Council since the first of July, 1876, relating to the leasing or purchasing by the Government of Canada of that portion of the Grand Trunk Railway which extends from River du Loup to the Chaudiere Junction or Lévis.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and any party in Canada or elsewhere, and also between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government, about the admission of Canadian built ships into French ports at the same rate and on the same conditions as ships from Great Britain and Ireland are admitted in said ports, or on such other conditions as may be therein mentioned.

Mr. *Masson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of the Report of the late Mr. *Hazlewood*, C.E., on the approximate cost of the Fort Francis Locks.

Mr. *Masson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Orders or Minutes of Council and all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and other correspondence not already brought down relating to any Amnesty, partial or complete, to Mr. *W. B. O'Donohue*.

Mr. *Masson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What progress has been made in the settlement of the North-Western boundary of the Province of Ontario?

Mr. *Béchard*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether a treaty of commercial reciprocity between the United States of America and Canada is at present in question between the Governments interested.

Mr. *Bolduc*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to amend, during the present Session, the Act 31st Victoria, chapter 44, and the several Acts amending the same, in such way as to repeal the provisions imposing a duty on tobacco grown in Canada?

Mr. *Fiset*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the correspondence, since the last Session of Parliament, between the Government and the Grand Trunk Railway Company either on the subject of the purchase by the Government of that part of the railway between Rivière du Loup and Pointe-Lévis, or respecting the new arrangements entered into to allow the Intercolonial Railway cars to run over that part of the railway belonging to the Grand Trunk Company.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a measure during the present Session, to secure the payment in coin "in cash," of the laborers employed on the public works under Government control?

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government has taken or intends to take any steps to renew, or make a treaty of Commercial Reciprocity with the United States, under the sanction of the Imperial Government?

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to make any amendments to the Bankrupt law?

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to assimilate the laws of trade all over the Dominion?

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to revise and publish the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada?

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government has, or intends to call upon the Imperial Government for the payment of the expenses incurred in relation to the crossing of our frontiers by *Sitting Bull?*

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of all correspondence in 1877 and 1878, and not now before Parliament, between the Imperial, Dominion, and British Columbia Governments respecting the Canada Pacific Railway, and also a copy of all correspondence in 1877 and 1878 between the said Governments respecting the Graving Dock at Esquimalt?

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return showing the receipts for Customs and Excise in British Columbia for the six months ending on December 31st last; also, a return of the Customs and Excise collected on Stickine River for the same period; also, a Return of the imports and exports of the said Province for the same period; also, a Return shewing the imports into the said Province of all merchandize duty free or subject to Customs or Excise, from the other Provinces of the Dominion, from and including 1871 to 31st December, 1877, setting forth the respective quantities and values, the production and growth of Canada.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the Report, with accompanying map, of the Engineer who was employed last year in determining the probable boundary line between British Columbia and Alaska, and also a copy of his instructions, with a copy of the treaty or convention between Great Britain and Russia respecting the said boundary.

Mr. *DeCosmos*--On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of any reports in possession of the Government made in 1877 by Admiral *De Horsey* respecting the port or ports most suitable for a terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway in British Columbia, with a copy of any correspondence respecting the same with the Imperial Government.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return showing the respective sums of money paid to the Government of British Columbia, and at what time paid, in accordance with section 2, chap. 17, Vic. 37.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that a sum of money be placed in the Estimates, sufficient to build

the Nanaimo and Esquimalt Railway, as per agreement in Council in the year 1873, and that the construction of the said Road be commenced and completed during the present year.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to put in the Estimates for 1878-79 a sum for the improvement of the navigation of the North Branch of the River Sydenham, from Wallaceburg to Wilkesport, in accordance with the Surveys and Plans already prepared by Government Engineers and Surveyors?

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the work of constructing, during the past season, a Breakwater for the protection of the Harbor of Refuge at Rond Eau was let by tender publicly advertised; and if so let, whether it was let to the person whose tender was lowest of all those submitted, and the name and residence of the person whose tender was submitted?

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Returns of all Reports, Surveys, Maps, Estimates, Correspondence and other details in possession of the Government in connection with the projected Harbor on Lake Erie, near the Village of Morpeth, in the County of Kent, together with a detailed statement of the expenditure incurred on account of that proposed work since 3rd April, 1876.

Mr. *Desjardins*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to make arrangements for the organization of a regular Mail Service between Ottawa and Montreal, and the intermediate places, by means of the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway now in operation?

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government this Session to introduce any amendments to the existing Canadian Customs Laws and Coasting Regulations, making them approximate more closely in the matter of Wrecking, Towing and Coasting by Foreign Vessels in Canadian waters, than they now are to the laws and regulations relating to these matters in the United States?

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Wednesday next—Bill to amend the "Act respecting the Public Works of Canada."

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return showing the total amount of money expended for Public Works chargeable to Revenue since the 1st January, 1874; also the amount of money expended on Public Works chargeable to Revenue under progress on the 1st January, 1874.

Mr. *Dymond*—On Wednesday next—BILL providing that persons charged with common assault, shall be competent to give evidence in their own behalf.

Mr. *Laflamme*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled "An Act further securing the Independence of Parliament."

Mr. *Laflamme*—On Friday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons."

No. 3.

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No. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *De St. Georges* for an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

And a further Debate ensuing,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Plumb*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 12.10 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copy of all correspondence about the carrying of the mails by water from Quebec to Murray Bay, in the County of Charlevoix, for the year 1877; copy of all tenders received for said service for same period; copy of all arrangements for carrying the mail during the same period; together with a statement shewing the total cost of said service for the season of 1877, and a separate statement for the carrying of the same mails for the same period during the season of 1876, including in both instances the cost of carrying the mails to Tadousac, Chicoutimi, Eboulements and Bay St. Paul.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of all tenders received in 1877 for the carrying by land of the mails from Quebec to Eboulements or Murray Bay; also a copy of all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders relating to the same, shewing the reasons why one special tender has been accepted, and also a statement shewing the name of the late contractor for the carrying of said mails, the amount paid him, and the amount now paid and to whom for the same service, together with a copy of the correspondence on the said subject.

Mr. *Lanthier*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all papers, documents and pay lists in relation to the services of the late *William Taylor*, of Coteau du Lac, as master builder for the construction of the Fort at the Coteau from 1812 to 1822.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause all Government Railways to carry the freight of all Express Companies at one uniform rate?

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing the sums expended for repairs to military bridges at Lévis, since last Session; the names and wages of the workmen, and the amount paid to each of them; the amount of all accounts for materials, and charges for commission, with the names of parties to whom payments have been made; Also the amount and description of work given out by contract, with the names of the parties tendering, and of the contractors.

Mr. *Pope* (Compton)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return shewing total cost to the Government of Canada of the Philadelphia Exhibition, giving a detailed statement of all money expended or to be expended for that purpose, to whom paid, and for what service.

Mr. *Pope* (Compton)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return showing total cost to Government of Canada of the Sydney Exhibition, giving detailed statement of all moneys paid or to be paid, to whom paid, and for what service.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return setting forth the objects and expense incurred by each of the Special Committees appointed by this House during the past four years, with the names of the persons who received payment, whether as witnesses or otherwise, and the amounts received by each.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return showing the nature and value of all manufactures and other articles exchanged between Canada and the

Australian Colonies, from the 1st of July, 1876, up to the latest returns in possession of the Government, together with copies of the Tariffs of these Colonies and any other information in possession of the Government which may be useful in promoting the valuable trade springing up between us.

Mr. *Blain*—On Monday next—That an humble address be presented to Her Majesty praying that she may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of amending the British North America Act, so as, while adhering to the principle of representation by Population underlying that Act, to confer upon the Parliament of Canada the power of determining the number of members which shall from time to time constitute this House, and, further, so as to confer the power upon the Parliament of Canada of readjusting or reducing the number of Senators in that Chamber.

No. 4.

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No. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The House resumed the further adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *De St. Georges* for an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

And after some further Debate thereon,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *McCallum*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Lanthier*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for:—

1st. Copy of the Report of *Alphonso Wells*, Deputy Provincial Land Surveyor, dated the 10th November, 1841, with the plans respecting the division line between the two Provinces formerly called Upper and Lower Canada, running between the River Ottawa and the River St. Lawrence.

2nd. Copy of the Report of the Commissioners appointed under the Act 23 Vict., chap. 21, intituled "An Act respecting the Line of Division between Upper and Lower Canada." With a statement of all moneys paid for claims and compensation under the provisions of the said Act; the amount paid to each individual claimant; and copies of the plans of the parcels of land to which such payments relate, and to which the receipts given refer; as well as copies of the deeds in the form of Instruments under the hand and seal of the Commissioner, issued by him according to the provisions contained in the 1st sub-section of the 4th section of the said Act.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to appropriate a sum of money to carry out the improvements on the River Saguenay at Chicoutimi recommended by the Government Engineers who visited and surveyed that river during the months of October and November last?

Mr. *Fiset*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of Mr. *Kingsford's* Report on the survey of the Harbor of Matane, with the plans and estimates accompanying the said Report.

Mr. *Blain*—On Friday next—That it be an Order of The House that if, at the hour of 10 o'clock, P.M., the business of the day be not concluded, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair and the House shall stand adjourned until its next regular meeting, unless it be otherwise resolved by a majority of the Members present at that hour, and in case there is any desire to continue in Session Mr. Speaker shall, on being requested by not less than five Members, put the question without debate.

Mr. *Perry*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of accounts and vouchers shewing the amount of expenses incurred in running the steamer "Northern Light," between Georgetown and Pictou up to date; also the costs of repairs of said steamer during the summer of 1877.

Mr. *Borden*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to propose legislation during the present Session to abolish the Stamp Duty on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange?

Mr. *Fiset*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing the names of the Militiamen of 1812 and 1813 who died between the 1st March, 1876, and the 1st January, 1878.

Mr. *Fleming*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing the number of accidents and casualties which have occurred on the Railways of the Dominion during the years 1874, 1875, 1876 and 1877, setting forth: 1st. The causes and natures of such accidents and casualties; 2nd. The points at which they occurred, and whether by night or by day; 3rd. The full extent thereof and all the particulars of the same.

No. 5.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The House again resumed the further adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *De St. Georges* for an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin) adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 12.10 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, 1st. For a return of all correspondence, since the 1st January, 1875, of and with the Postmaster General, the Minister of Public Works or any other Department, relating to Mail communication with the British West Indies.

2. For a Return of all correspondence had between the Government of Canada and the Imperial or any Colonial Government with regard to a subsidy for a line of steamers between Canada and the British West Indies.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Tuesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return containing a complete copy of every special and general report of the Chief Engineer and Acting Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway in possession of the Government, respecting the cost of constructing the line of the Canada Pacific Railway, including the bridges between the Head of Bute Inlet and some place or port in Vancouver Island.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return containing a copy of every Report of the Chief Engineer, Acting Chief Engineer, or any other Engineer or Engineers of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in the possession of the Government, suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1876, of the whole or part of the route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass, with a copy of any order or instructions sent respecting the said survey; also, a copy of every Report or Reports from each and all of the said Engineers, in possession of the Government suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1877, of the said route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass, with a copy of any order or instruction sent respecting such survey.

Mr. *Pouliot*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Statement showing all claims against the Government, still unsettled, for damages caused by the Intercolonial Railway.:—

1. For lands taken ;
2. For damages caused by water and otherwise by reason of work not having been done which ought to have been done, or work not having been done in a proper manner;
3. Damages by fires caused by the locomotives;
4. Damages caused by the killing of cattle on the Line;
5. Damages resulting from loss or injury to goods.

Mr. *Caron*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates an amount of money, for the purpose of carrying out, in Quebec, the improvements known as the Dufferin improvements?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Return of all Parishes in Province of Manitoba for which the Minors' Lands are unalloted. All correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba in reference to the same.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Return of all monies received by the Dominion Land Office at Winnipeg for payment of Lands in the Railway Reserve, and copy of instructions to Dominion Lands Agent in Manitoba in regard to Squatters upon the said Railway Reserve.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any arrangement has been made by the Dominion Government with a view to the leasing of the Pembina Branch of the Canada Pacific Railway to *J. J. Hill* and *N. W. Kittson* of St. Paul and *Donald A. Smith* and others of Montreal; and if not, whether any promise of such arrangement has been made by the Government?

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement of the number of miles of the Intercolonial operated on 1st July, 1873, and the cost of operating the same; also a similar statement for the years beginning 1st July, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877.

Mr. *Caron*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all complaints made against any Inspector or other officer of Sections 6, 7 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works or any of the officers thereof with any person in relation to such complaints; also copies of contracts entered into for the enlargement of Sections 6, 7 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with the specifications and estimates accompanying such contracts; and the Engineer's estimates upon which payments have been made in respect of such contracts.

Mr. *Thomson* (Welland)—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. That experience shews that during the past forty years the business and industries of the people of Canada and of the United States, have in times undisturbed by war or pestilence, been paralysed by sudden, ruinous and occasionally long continued depressions and stagnations, and that each such crisis, aided by the steady products of agriculture, has passed away, and fresh activity and enterprise been developed; and that hitherto no effectual means have been adopted to prevent the recurrence of the wide-spread ruin and misery which always characterizes such crises.

2. That it is not correct, though often asserted as being so, that over-trading, over-manufacturing and personal extravagance are the causes of these crises, the fact being that the cause must be sought for at the root of the system under which the industries, Agricultural, Mechanical, Commercial and Mercantile move, and not from the outcropping of an imperfect system, and that as a rule the imperfect being generally the source of imperfection, it is evident that a new system is needed, by which aid would be extended to the agricultural industry especially; it, and it only, being the underlying perpetuator of national and individual life and prosperity.

3. That as mechanical science has within the same period of forty years in a great measure supplanted manual labour, it is probable that a monetary system which sufficed for the former processes of industry, is inadequate to meet the demands of like processes, stimulated by machinery and steam power; and that it may fairly be concluded that from that circumstance results the want of harmony of system which produce those great catastrophes called panics or periodical depressions, which are always fraught with ruin to families and communities.

4. That as the banking and currency system now in force in the country is of a purely commercial character and only sufficient for mercantile transactions; as the only method by which farmers can obtain money is by mortgaging their farms at high rates of interest, generally resulting in ruin to the farmer, as experience has amply proved that no legitimate industry, agricultural, mechanical or commercial, can escape ultimate failure when money is the article of the first and highest profit, it is expedient that a system of agricultural banking should be created to ensure money aid to farmers at a low rate of interest, and upon a system more adapted to the needs of agriculture than that forming the basis of the present mercantile system of banking.

5. That to obtain this object a measure should be passed by the Parliament o Canada, to be called the General Agricultural Banking Act, embodying the provisions set forth in the following resolutions:

6. That an Agricultural Bank, distinguished by the name of the County, may be established in each County in Canada; that the capital stock of each such Bank shall be at least five hundred thousand dollars, in shares of twenty-five dollars each, and that the whole of the said capital stock shall be paid up before any banking business is commenced.

7. That so soon as the said capital is paid up in full the same shall be deposited with the Government of Canada, who shall give to the Bank in exchange, free of charge, an equivalent amount of Dominion notes, each of which notes shall be stamped with a distinctive mark denoting the Agricultural Bank to which it has been issued; that upon such capital so deposited interest shall be paid by the Government to the Bank at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, but that such interest shall only be payable for such time as the Dominion notes given in exchange for the said capital continue unredeemed; and that such interest shall be calculated from time to time as the said Dominion notes are redeemed by the Government.

8. That all deposits made with the Bank, except only Dominion notes bearing its own distinctive mark, shall in like manner once in each week be deposited with the Government, which, as in the case of the deposit of the capital stock, shall return to the Bank an equivalent amount of Dominion notes; and such deposits with the Government shall bear the same interest with the same conditions as the capital stock, save and except that arrangements may be made between Agricultural Banks for the mutual exchange of Dominion notes received on deposit and bearing the distinctive marks of any of such Banks so entering into such arrangement.

9. That the Banks shall issue no notes or bill of its own.

10. That the Bank shall lend to farmers only, and for purposes of the farm on credit not exceeding one year.

11. That the Bank shall not lend on the security of real estate, nor discount any note, nor hold any real estate, except only the premises actually required for its occupation; but that the Bank may lend upon open account, with the security of two approved bondsmen, charging interest at not more than five per cent. on all moneys as withdrawn from the Bank by the borrower; that borrowers and depositors with the Bank shall be allowed interest at the rate of 3 per cent on all balances at their credit, calculated from time to time as deposits are made or amounts withdrawn; that once in each year, or upon the first closing of the accounts, every account shall be balanced and a commission of one per cent. on the debits of the account current shall be charged the borrower or depositor towards defraying the expenses of the Banking office.

12. That the Bank may declare dividends out of its earnings at a rate not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum on its capital, and that any earnings over and above the amount sufficing to pay such dividend shall be applied as follows:—1st, in laying aside a sum not exceeding 10 per eent. upon the capital stock as a rest or reserve to equalize dividends in succeeding years; and 2nd, to reduce the rate of interest to borrowers in succeeding years to as low a point as will ensure the dividend of 5 per cent. herein before specified; but that under no circumstance shall the Bank charge a higher rate of interest than 5 per cent.

13. That possession of shares in the capital stock of the Bank shall be evidenced by the possession of certificates of shares, which shall be transferable from one person to another without endorsement or transfer noted in the books of the Bank; and that for the purpose of exercising the right to vote, each shareholder shall deposit the shares which he holds at the Bank at least one week previous to the general or special meeting at which the votes are to be given.

14. That the affairs of the Bank shall be administered by a Board of Directors not less than five nor more than fifteen in number, who shall be elected by the votes of the majority of the shareholders present at the annual general meeting, each share entitling the holder thereof to one vote; that the qualification of a Director shall be the holding of forty shares in the capital stock of the Bank deposited with the Bank, as in the next preceding resolution specified, at least one week before the day of election; that during the continuance in office of the Director the said amount of shares shall remain deposited with the Bank and if the same are withdrawn by him

previous to the expiry of his term of office he shall *ipso facto* cease to be a Director; that the Directors shall have power to fill vacancies as they arise, and that the Directors, as soon as may be after their election, shall proceed to the election of one of their number to be the President of the Bank.

15. That the Bank shall make monthly returns to the Government in such form as shall be prescribed by the Governor in Council, which returns shall be signed by the President and principal officer of the Bank.

16. That no dividend shall be made so as to impair the capital stock of the Bank; and, if the same be done, that the Directors knowing and wilfully concurring therein shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount thereof.

17. That if any Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Manager, Clerk or Servant of the Bank, secretes, embezzles or absconds with any Bond, Obligation, Bill obligatory or of credit or other Bill or Note or any security for money, or any money or effects entrusted to him as such Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Manager, Clerk or Servant, whether the same belong to the said Bank or belong to any person or persons, body or bodies, politic or corporate, or institution or institutions, and be lodged with the said Bank, the said Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Manager, Clerk, or Servant, so offending and being thereof convicted in due form of law, shall be deemed guilty of felony, and shall be punished by imprisonment at hard labour in the Penitentiary for any term not less than two years, or by imprisonment in any gaol or place of confinement for any term less than two years, in the discretion of the Court.

18. That the making of any wilfully false or deceptive statement in and account, statement, returns, reports or other document respecting the affairs of the Bank, shall, unless it amounts to a higher offence, be a misdemeanor, and any any every President, Director, Auditor, Manager, 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.

19. That an Inspector or Inspectors of Agricultural Banks shall be appointed by the Governor in Council, whose duty it shall be to inspect such Banks at least once in each six months, and to report thereon to the Minister of Finance; that the salaries of such Inspector or Inspectors shall be paid by a *private* contribution from the Agricultural Banks based upon the amount of their capital; that an Inspector shall have power, in the event of any infringement of the Act respecting Agricultural Banks, to take sole charge of the Bank, and to report the case to the Minister of Finance.

20. That the Governor in Council shall have power and authority in such case to make such order, either as to the future management of the Bank or as to the winding up of its affairs, as to him may seem advisable.

Mr. *De St. Georges*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to make arrangements for the establishment of a regular Mail service between Quebec and Three Rivers and intermediate places, by Line of the North Shore Railway?

No. 6.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The House again resumed the further adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. *De St. Georges* for an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

And the question being put; it was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said Resolution was referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Smith* (Westmoreland), *Laflamme*, *Jones*, *De St. Georges*, and *Charlton*, to draft an Address pursuant thereto.

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

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir FREDRRIC TEMPLE Earl of *Dufferin*, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboye* of Clandeboye, in the County Down, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboye*, of Ballyleidy and Killeleagh in the County Down, in the Peerage of Ireland, and a Baronet, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of *Saint Patrick*, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of *Saint Michael* and *Saint George*, and Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same, etc., etc., etc.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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

We learn with satisfaction, that Your Excellency, in again summoning us for the despatch of business is able to inform us that nothing beyond the ordinary business of the country requires our attendance.

It affords us great pleasure to know, that Your Excellency had an opportunity, before your departure from Canada, of visiting the Province of Manitoba and a portion of the outside Territories, which visit Your Excellency accomplished during last Autumn, and that Your Excellency has now had the advantage of visiting every Province in the Dominion during the term of your government of Canada.

We are happy to learn from Your Excellency, that the arbitration on the Fishery claims, under the terms of the Washington Treaty, has been concluded, and an award has been made by the Commissioners of $5,500,000, as compensation to Canada and Newfoundland for the use of their fisheries during the term of the present Treaty, and that we feel, with Your Excellency, that although the amount is much less than that claimed by Your Excellency's Government, yet that having assented to the creation of the tribunal for the determination of their value, we are bound loyally to assent to the decision given.

We are glad to know that the exhibition of Canadian manufactures and products at Sydney, New South Wales, was successfully carried out; that we trust, with Your Excellency, that the result will be the opening up of a new market for Canadian goods even in so remote a region as the Australasian colonies, shipments of Canadian productions having already been made; and that, although the expenditure will slightly exceed the estimate, we doubt not the cost to Canada will be amply repaid by the extension of her trade.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us, that preparations have been uninterruptedly carried on during the last six months, for securing an ample but select exhibition of Canada's products and manufactures at the great exhibition to be held at Paris during the current year; that a further estimate will be required to meet the expenditure, and that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, as Chairman of the British Commissioners, has assigned a most prominent place to Canada in one of the main towers, where a Canadian Trophy is now being erected.

While we are grieved to know that a very disastrous fire occurred in June last in the City of St. John, which caused the destruction of a large portion of the city, including all the public buildings owned by the Dominion Government, we feel that Your Excellency's Government were right in deeming it necessary to contribute $20,000 to assist in relieving the immediate wants of the people who were rendered destitute by so appalling a calamity, as Your Excellency was in sanctioning the appropriation of some public money with which to commence the erection of new buildings for the public business; and we shall have pleasure in confirming these acts in the usual way.

We are much gratified to be informed, that during the last summer Your Excellency's Commissioners made another Treaty with the Blackfeet, Blood and Piegan Indians, by which the Indian title is extinguished over a territory of 51,000 square miles west of Treaty No. 4, and south of Treaty No. 6; that the Treaty has been made on terms nearly the same as those under Treaty No. 6, though somewhat less onerous, and that the entire territory west of Lake Superior to the Rocky Mountains, and from the boundary nearly to the 55th degree of North Latitude, embracing about 450,000 square miles, has now been acquired by peaceful negociation with the native tribes, who place implicit faith in the honor and justice of the British Crown.

We learn with much interest, that early in the past summer, a large body o Indians under *Sitting Bull*, from the United States, crossed into British Territory, to escape from the United States troops, and have since remained on the Canadian side; and that the United States Government made a friendly but unsuccessful attempt to induce these Indians to return to their reservations. And we agree with Your Excellency, in hoping that such arrangements may yet be made as may lead to their permanent and peaceful settlement, or return, and thus relieve Canada of a source of uneasiness and a heavy expenditure.

We are well pleased to know, that the surveys of the Pacific Railway have been pressed to completion during the past season; that a complete instrumental survey of the route, by the valleys of the North Thompson and Lower Fraser Rivers, has been made with a view to ascertain definitely, whether that route presents more

favorable features than the routes already surveyed to Dean Inlet and Bute Inle respectively; and that it is believed that the additional information now obtained will enable Your Excellency's Government to determine which route is the most advantageous from Tête Jaune Cache to the sea; and we thank Your Excellency for the promise that full information will be laid before us at an early day, of the season's work in this and other directions.

We receive with much pleasure Your Excellency's congratulations on the abundant harvest reaped in all quarters of the Dominion, and that under this and other influences there has been some improvement in the Revenue returns, thus indicating, as we trust with Your Excellency, that the commercial depression that afflicted Canada in common with other countries, is passing away.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us, that your attention having been called to some imperfections in the existing system of auditing the Public Accounts, a measure providing for a more thorough and effective supervision will be submitted for our consideration.

We share with Your Excellency the conviction, that the prospect of obtaining, at an early day, greater facilities for reaching the North Western Territories and the Province of Manitoba, is sure to attract a larger number of settlers every year, and that as much of the prosperity of the Dominion depends on the rapid settlement of the fertile lands in those Territories, it is desirable and necessary to facilitate such settlement as much as possible; and we are pleased to learn, that in order to effect this, measures will be submitted for our consideration concerning the registration of titles, the enactment of a homestead law, and the promotion of railway enterprise in districts not touched by the Canada Pacific Railway.

We will give our best attention to any measure submitted to us for better securing the Independence of Parliament.

Being informed by Your Excellency that experience has shown that certain changes may advantageously be made in the departmental arrangements existing at present, we shall respectfully consider any Bill submitted to us for accomplishing this purpose, without increasing the expenditure or the number of Departments.

We feel with Your Excellency, that it is very desirable that there should be uniform legislation in all the Provinces respecting the traffic in spirituous liquors, and being aware that hitherto that trade has been regulated by Provincial laws, or laws existing before the Confederation of the Provinces, although there has been lately a conflict of authority as to the jurisdiction of the local authorities, we shall gladly receive any Bill making the necessary provision which may be submitted for our consideration, as we shall also any other measures found necessary for the amendment of existing laws and submitted for our approval.

We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the Estimates for the ensuing year will be laid before us at an early day, and that they have been prepared with an anxious desire to provide for all the branches of the public service and the execution of pressing public works within the limits of the expected revenue, without increasing the burden of taxation; and for having directed that the Public Accounts of the past financial year shall be laid before us.

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

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Special Committee of seven Members was appointed, to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Friday, the 8th instant;—composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Smith* (Westmoreland), *Blake*, *Holton*, *Tupper* and *Masson*.

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

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

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the fiscal year, 1st July, 1876, to 30th June, 1877, on the works under his control.

Mr *Smith* (Westmoreland) laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tenth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, being for the fiscal year, ended 30th June, 1877.

Mr. *Mills* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Department of the Interior, for the year ended, 30th June, 1877.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Public Accounts of Canada, for the fiscal year ended, 30th June, 1877.

Mr. *Laflamme* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Minister of Justice, as to Penitentiaries in Canada, for the six months ended, 30th June, 1877.

Mr. *Burpee* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending, 30th June, 1877.

And,—Report of the Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion of Canada, for the Calendar year, 1877.

The House then adjourned at 4:40 A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—That the Government insert a clause in each and every contract let for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Rail Road, that no man wearing his hair longer than five and one-half inches, shall be deemed eligible for employment on the said work either by the Engineers, employees or any other persons so engaged on the road, under a penalty for the first offence of one hundred dollars and not to exceed one thousand dollars for the second offence, or imprisonment for three months for first offence or not more than twelve months for the second offence.

Mr. *Roy*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the grant of $50,000 voted, last Session, for the benefit of the Veteran Militiamen is expended? If it is not, whether it is the intention of the Government to have the unexpended balance of such grant distributed among the surviving Militiamen?

Mr *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—Return in detail of the expenditures incurred from the Treasury of Canada for the expenses of the journey of His Excellency the Governor General and suite to British Columbia and back in the year 1876. Also the expenses of his tour to Manitoba and the North-West in the year 1877.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—For all Reports of Engineers, memorials, papers and correspondence relating to the survey and location of the line of the Pacific Railway between the Red River and Battleford, and not heretofore laid before Parliament, and also all reports, memorials, papers and correspondence relating to the proposed line of said Railway between the same points but South of Lake Manitoba.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to Her Majesty, praying that she may be graciously pleased to recommend that a measure be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of amending the 20th clause of Section 4 "Legislative Power" of the British North America Act 1867, so as to have a Session of the Parliament of Canada once in every two years instead of once in one year as at present exists, unless in cases of great public emergency, when His Excellency the Governor General, by and with the advice of His Executive, shall have the power to call such extra Sessions as may be deemed expedient in the interim, thus saving to the country one-half of the present enormous expense of legislation which may be said to cost annually, say in round numbers, House of Commons $350,000, Senate $200,000, which amendment would be of great advantage in saving of time to the public men of the Dominion and would be the means of saving so large an amount of the public revenue as would materially help to build many miles annually of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

No. 7.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Stockholders of the Eastern Townships Bank, on the 2nd January, 1878,—of the Federal Bank of Canada, on the 8th of February, 1878,—of La Banque du Peuple, on the 4th of February, 1878,—of the Merchants Bank of Canada, on the 31st of January, 1878,—of La Banque Nationale, on the 16th of April, 1877,—of the Bank of Yarmouth, on the 12th of February, 1878,—and of the Quebec Bank, on the 31st December, 1877, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Also,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Rimouski, for the year 1876.

Six Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Huntington* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Postmaster General for the year ending 30th June, 1877.

Mr. *Laurier* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report, Returns, and Statistics of the Inland Revenues of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended, 30th June, 1877.

Also,—Fourth Report on Weights and Measures, being Supplement No. II, to the Report of the Department of Inland Revenue, 1877.

Also,—Supplement No. 1 to the Inland Revenue Report, for the year ended, 30th June, 1877.

And,—Report on Adulteration of Food, being Supplement No. III, to the Report of the Department of Inland Revenue, 1877.

Mr. *Jones* (Halifax) laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report on the State of the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1877.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statements of payments charged to *Unforeseen Expenses* under Orders in Council from the 1st of July, 1877, to date, in accordance with the Act 40 *Victoria*, Chapter 1, Schedule B.

Also,—Statement of Special Warrants of His Excellency the Governor General, issued in accordance with the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 35, from the 1st of July, 1877, to the 9th of February, 1878, *inclusive*.

And,—Statement of allowances and gratuities under the Act 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 4, intituled: "An Act for the better securing the efficiency of the Civil Service of "Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein, in "certain cases."

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Canada Southern Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing and confirming the scheme of arrangement entered into in relation to the affairs of the said Company.

Of the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company; praying for the passing of an Act, empowering them to reduce their Capital Stock, and for further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of Messrs. *A. & W. Burns*, of Toronto, and others, Traders in Soda Water; praying for the passing of an Act, empowering them to register a description of the names and marks used by them, and stamped upon their bottles, and to make it unlawful for any person or persons to use, buy, or sell such bottles so stamped, without the consent of the rightful owner thereof.

Of the National Insurance Company; praying for the passing of an Act, empowering them to reduce their Capital Stock, to make special assessments on their Stock, and for further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Bank of Liverpool, Nova Scotia; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to reduce the nominal value of their present shares, to issue preferential stock, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *J. Dequoi*, Curé, and others, of St. Michel Archange, County of Napierville; of *Jean Baptiste Jodoin*, and others, of St. Urbain Premier, County of Chateauguay, and of the Reverend *O. Blanchard* and others, of St. Isidore, County of Laprairie; severally praying for the adoption of such legislation as will secure the proper working of Railways in Canada; the construction of safe and suitable steam ferry boats for crossing the St. Lawrence in winter; and the carrying into operation of the Railway from Montreal to the Province Line *viâ* Caughnawaga, in accordance with the Act passed in that behalf which placed it under the control of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Of *David Fisher*, of the City of Toronto, and *Jane Malvina Draper*, of the Town of Whitby, widow; praying for the passing of an Act sanctioning a sale of the Port Whitby Harbor, and vesting in a purchaser, the said property including the franchise of the Port Whitby Harbor Company.

Of the Honorable Sir *Alexander Tilloch Galt*, K.C.M.G., and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Dominion Company.

Of the Merchants' Bank of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to reduce their Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

Of the Dominion Grange Mutual Fire Insurance Association; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to insure their members against loss or damage by fire in any part of Canada, and to establish in connection with said Association a Mutual Benefit Branch.

Of the Reverend *R. A. Fyfe*, President, and *J. L. Campbell*, Secretary, of the Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Association to that of the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada, and to make further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *John Stewart;* praying for the passing of an Act empowering the Court of Queen's Bench of Ontario to refund the amount deposited with his Petition, against the return of the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald,* as Member for the City of Kingston.

Of *John Walker* and others, by their Attorney *Alexander Dixon;* praying for the passing of an Act empowering any other Railway Company to cross the tracks of the Grand Trunk Railway, southwards, between John and York streets, in the City of Toronto.

Of the Womens' Christian Temperance Union, Brantford; praying for certain Amendments to the Temperance Act of 1864.

Of the American Association of Breeders of Short-horns; praying for the removal of all customs duties upon Live Stock, other than thoroughbred, imported into Canada.

Of the Ontario Express and Transportation Company; praying for Act of an Incorporation.

Of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Canada Central Railway Company; to consolidate their indebtedness; to reduce their expenses of management, and for facilitating the extension of the amalgamated lines.

Of the Canada Central Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company; to consolidate their indebtedness; to reduce their expenses of management, and for facilitating the extension of their line.

Of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company; praying for Amendments to their Act of Incorporation and the Acts amending the same.

Of the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the completion of their Railway, and for further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *George F. Johnston,* of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Charlotte Elsie McArthur* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Of La Société de Construction Mutuelle; praying for the passing of an Act, empowering them to change the name of the said Society, to that of La Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec, and for other purposes.

Of the Montreal Building Association; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Montreal Investment and Loan Company.

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to establish amongst their officers and employees a Provident or Accident Assurance Fund, to have a duplicate seal for such purposes and for the transaction of their business in Canada, and also to enable them to purchase lease or arrange for working other railways in Canada or elsewhere.

On motion of Mr. *De St. Georges,* the Petition of *H. Hamelin* and others, Pilots, licensed to pilot vessels between Quebec and Montreal, presented this day, was read and received; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them as such Pilots.

On motion of Mr. *Casgrain,* the Petition of *Charles A. M. Globensky,* of St. Eustache, Province of Quebec, presented this day, was read and received; praying that an Act may be passed, declaring that the provisions of the Act of the last Session of Parliament, respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier,* shall not apply to a certain action, instituted by him.

The Petition of *Hugh Hunter,* of the Township of Egremont, in the County of Grey, and Province of Ontario, farmer, presented this day, was read and received; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Catherine McPhee* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Special Committee appointed, to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees, ordered by The House, on Friday, the 8th instant, reported as follows:—

1.—On Privileges and Elections.

Messieurs

Appleby,
Blake,
Brooks,
Cameron,
Colby,
Desjardins,
Devlin,
Guthrie,
Holton,
Irving,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Langlois,
Macdonald, Sir J. A.
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McCarthy,
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McIsaac,
Malouin,
Mills,
Oliver and
Palmer.—24.

2.—On Expiring Laws.

Messieurs

Bain,
Blackburn,
Borron,
Brooks,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Campbell,
Casey,
Cheval,
Cimon,
Daoust,
Dawson,
Dewdney,
Donahue,
Ferguson,
Ferris,
Gill,
Hall,
Jetté,
Kirk,
Lajoie,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
McQuade,
Monteith,
Pettes,
Ray,
Robillard,
Ryan,
Scatcherd,
Shibley,
Smith (*Peel*) and
Wade.—35.

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

3.—On Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Messieurs

Aylmer,
Baby,
Béchard,
Bertram,
Blake,
Blanchet,
Borden,
Bourassa,
Bowell,
Bowman,
Brouse,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Caron,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Church,
Colby,
Fiset,
Flesher,
Geoffrion,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gill,
Gillies,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Haggart,
Harwood,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Huntington,
Hurteau,
Irving,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Langevin,
McGreevy,
Metcalfe,
Mitchell,
Mousseau,
Norris,
Oliver,
Pickard,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Queen's, P.E.I.*),
Ray,
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Roy,
Rymal,
Schultz,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,

Cook,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,
Davies,
DeCosmos,
Delorme,
Dewdney,
Domville,
Donahue,
Ferris,
Langlois,
Lanthier,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald, Sir John A.,
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
Mackenzie,
Masson,
McCallum,
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
Stephenson,
Thomson (*Welland*),
Trow,
Tupper,
Wallace (*Albert*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Workman,
Wright (*Ottawa*) and
Wright (*Pontiac*).—98.

4.—On Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Messieurs

Baby,
Barthe,
Blain,
Blanchet,
Bolduc,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Brooks,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Cameron,
Campbell,
Casey,
Cheval,
Church,
Cimon,
Coffin,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Devlin,
Dymond,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fraser,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gillmor,
Haddow,
Higinbotham,
Jetté,
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Lajoie,
Laurier,
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
Mackay (*Cape Breton*),
Macmillan,
McCarthy,
McCraney,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
Malouin,
Méthot,
Mills,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,
Platt,
Ray,
Rochester,
Roscoe,
Scriver,
Skinner,
Taschereau,
Wade,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wallace (*Norfolk*), and
White (*Hastings*).—61.

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

5.—On Standing Orders.

Messieurs

Appleby,
Baby,
Bertram,
Blanchet,
Bourbeau,
Bunster,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Christie,
Cook,
Costigan,
Dawson,
Flesher,
Forbes,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Gibson,
Guthrie,
Hall,
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macmillan,
McCarthy,
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Méthot,
Orton,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pouliot,
Ross (*Durham*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Schultz,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Short,
Smith (*Peel*), and
Wright (*Pontiac*).—38.

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

6.—Printing.

Messieurs

Bourassa,
Bowell,
Charlton,
Church,
Delorme,
Desjardins,
De Veber,
Goudge,
Lanthier,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow, and
Wallace (*Norfolk*).—15.

7.—On Public Accounts.

Messieurs

Archibald,
Bertram,
Blain,
Blake.
Bourassa,
Bowell,
Boyer,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Caron,
Cartwright,
Charlton,
Cimon,
Colby,
Davies,
Delorme,
Desjardins,
De St. Georges,
De Veber,
Domville,
Dymond,
Fiset,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gibson,
Goudge,
Harwood,
Holton,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Kirkpatrick,
Landerkin,
Langevin,
Little,
Macdonald, Sir J. A.
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
Mackenzie,
Masson,
McCarthy,
McCraney,
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
McGreevy,
McGregor,
McLeod,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Mousseau,
Norris,
Ouimet,
Pettes,
Plumb,
Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*)
Power,
Richard,
Robitaille,
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rouleau,
Rymal,
Scriver,
Sinclair,
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Snider,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Thompson(*Haldimand*),
Thomson (*Welland*),
Tupper,
White (*Renfrew*),
Wood,
Workman,
Wright (*Ottawa*),
Wright (*Pontiac*), and
Young.—78.

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

8.—On Banking and Commerce.

Messieurs

Archibald,
Béchard,
Biggar,
Blain,
Blake,
Bourbeau,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Brown,
Burpee (*St. John*)
Cameron,
Forbes,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Greenway,
Haggart,
Holton,
Horton,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Killam,
Oliver,
Ouimet,
Paterson,
Pickard,
Plumb,
Power,
Robillard,
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Ross (*Durham*),

Carmichael,
Caron,
Cartwright,
Charlton,
Cockburn,
Currier,
DeCosmos,
De St. Georges,
De Veber,
Devlin,
Domville,
Dugas,
Dymond,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald, Sir J. A.,
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Mackenzie,
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McGreevy,
McIntyre,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Mousseau,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Rouleau,
Rymal,
Sinclair,
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Thomson (*Welland*),
Tupper,
Wood,
Workman,
Yeo, and
Young.—76.

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

9.—On Immigration and Colonization.

Messieurs

Aylmer,
Bain,
Bannatyne,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Biggar,
Bolduc,
Borron,
Cimon,
Christie,
Cockburn,
Coupal,
Davies,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferris,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fraser,
Galbraith,
Greenway,
Hagar,
Horton,
Huntington,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Lajoie,
Little,
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
McNab,
Montplaisir,
Orton,
Palmer,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pinsonneault,
Pope (*Compton*),
Pouliot,
Richard,
Rochester,
Ryan,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Stephenson,
St. Jean,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Trow,
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Ottawa*),
Yeo.—52.

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

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said Report was concurred in, so far as relates to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

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

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Select Committee appointed to supervise the official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session, with power to report from time to time, presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee beg leave to submit the following Regulations as to the Reporting and Publishing of the Debates, House of Commons:

The Reporting shall be conducted by a staff of Six Reporters under the direction and control of the Committee appointed for that purpose, one of whom shall be called the Chief Reporter, and the other five, Assistants, at a cost not to exceed $6,000.

The Chief shall be appointed by the Committee, whose duty it shall be:—

1st. To select five persons as his Assistants for whose qualifications and fitness as Parliamentary Reporters, he can vouch and be responsible, subject to the approval of the Committee.

2nd. To give such personal attendance at the sittings of The House during Debate as may be necessary, not only for supervision over the Reporters on duty, but also to become so conversant with the subject matter under discussion that he may in superintending, revising and condensing the speeches preserve the sense, tone and spirit throughout.

3rd. To furnish any Member on his application therefor with a copy of his speech in manuscript, for revision, and to make such alterations as he may require, provided they be in accord with that spoken in The House, should they be otherwise, the same to be reported to the Committee before being sent to the Printer.

4th. That the copy shall not be furnished the Printer until properly revised and corrected, so that no charge for alterations can be made.

5th. To correct the proofs and revise the same and be responsible for their correctness.

6th. To prepare the Indexes in the same style and form as the English Hansard, and to revise the proofs of the same and generally to do all things that pertain to the editing and publishing a faithful, condensed record of the Debates which have taken place in the House of Commons of Canada.

7th. The Chief Reporter must have no connection with any newspaper whatever, nor shall he nor any of his Assistants undertake any other work during the Session either by furnishing newspapers with Reports, or by attending Committees of either House requiring Reporters, but devote their whole time and energy to the service for which they are engaged, except by consent of the Committee.

8th. It is clearly and distinctly understood and ordered that the above sum of $6,000 is to cover the whole cost of Reporting and the several duties in connection therewith. Therefore should the Chief Reporter, or any of his Assistants be unable —from any cause, to fulfil the above obligations, the Committee reserve the right to provide such assistance as may be necessary for the proper performance of the work, deducting the cost thereof from the party or parties unable to perform the same.

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

10. That no documents, or other matter not read or uttered in the course of Debate, shall appear in the Reports.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read a first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow, viz :—*

By Mr. *Barthe :*—Bill No. 2 to repeal the Insolvent Laws now in force in the Dominion.

By Mr. *Dymond:*—Bill No. 3 providing that persons charged with common assault shall be competent witnesses in their own behalf.

By Mr. *Irving :*—Bill No. 4 to amend the Law relating to Stamps and Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

By Mr. *Barthe :*—Bill No. 5 to fix the rate of interest in Canada.

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders to the House issued to the proper officer, as follows:—

By Mr. *Oliver*:—Order of The House, for a Return showing the whole amount of money expended for Public Works, chargeable to Capital, since the first of January, 1874; also the amount of money expended, and chargeable to Capital or Public Works in due progress on the first of January, 1874.

By Mr. *Dymond*:—Order of The House, for copies of the accounts, vouchers and papers connected with the payments for printing as entered in the Public Accounts for 1873-4 as made out of the contingencies of the Department of Justice, to *I. B. Taylor, The Citizen* Printing Company, and *J. G. Moylan.*

By Mr. *Langevin*:—Moved that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of all correspondence and Orders in Council since the first of July, 1876, relating to the leasing or purchasing by the Government of Canada of that portion of the Grand Trnnk Railway which extends from River du Loup to the Chaudiere Junction or Lévis.

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

By Mr. *Langevin*:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and any party in Canada or elsewhere, and also between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government, about the admission of Canadian built ships into French ports at the same rate and on the same conditions as ships from Great Britain and Ireland are admitted in said ports, or on such other conditions as may be therein mentioned.

By Mr. *Masson*:—Order of The House, for a copy of the Report of the late Mr. *Hazlewood*, C.E., on the approximate cost of the Fort Francis Locks.

Also,—Address to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Orders or Minutes of Council and all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and other correspondence not already brought down relating to any Amnesty, partial or complete, to Mr. *W. B. O'Donohue.*

Mr. *Fiset* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of the correspondence, since the last Session of Parliament, between the Government and the Grand Trunk Railway Company either on the subject of the purchase by the Government of that part of the railway between Rivière du Loup and Pointe Lévis, or respecting the new arrangements entered into to allow the Intercolonial Railway cars to run over that part of the railway belonging to the Grand Trunk Company.

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

By Mr. *DeCosmos*:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of any reports in possession of the Government made in 1877 by Admiral *De Horsey* respecting the port or ports most suitable for a terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway in British Columbia, with a copy of any correspondence respecting the same with the Imperial Government.

By Mr. *Stephenson*:—Order of The House, for copies of Returns of all Reports, Surveys, Maps, Estimates, Correspondence and other details in possession of the Government in connection with the projected Harbor on Lake Erie, near the Village of Morpeth, in the County of Kent, together with a detailed statement of the expenditure incurred on account of that proposed work since 3rd April, 1876.

Mr. *Bourassa* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence and despatches between the Government of Canada and the Government of Great Britain, the English Ambassador at Washington, or any other person in the United States, since the 1st January, 1874, in relation to a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty, together with copies of all Orders in Council in relation to the same subject.

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

By Mr. *DeCosmos*:—Order of The House, for copy of a Return showing the receipts for Customs and Excise in British Columbia for the six months ending on December 31st last; also, a Return of the Customs and Excise collected on Stickine River for the same period; also a Return of the imports and exports of the said Province for the same period; also, a Return shewing the imports into the said Province of all merchandize, duty free or subject to Customs or Excise, from the other Provinces of the Dominion, from and including 1871 to 31st December, 1877, setting forth the respective quantities and values the production and growth of Canada.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for Return showing: 1st, the amounts of the six lowest tenders received in September or October 1873, for Sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 of the new Welland Canal, together with names of tenderers; 2nd, the amounts of the six lowest tenderers for the same sections, received in 1874, together with the names of the tenderers; 3rd, the names of the tenderers to whom these sections were awarded; 4th, copies of the Orders in Council awarding such Sections; 5th, copy of all Correspondence relating to such award.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for Return showing the amounts of the six lowest tenders received for Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 34 and 35 of the new Welland Canal, with the names of the tenderers and Copy of the Order in Council awarding the contracts for such Sections.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE, for copy of all notices and letters issued by the Department of Public Works calling either by the public press or otherwise, for tenders for the supply of Railway Spikes for the Canada Pacific Railway, with copy of all answers or tenders received from the 1st January 1876 to the 31st December 1877, and the names of the parties to whom the Contract or Contracts were awarded, and for what quantity and what price in each case.

Mr. *Plumb*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence, reports, negociations, Orders in Council, or other documents, relative to the selection of the terminus and station grounds of the Pacific Railway on the Kaministiquia, the acquisition of lands and other property for such terminus and station grounds; also, the names of all of the valuators of such lands and property and the date of their appointments, and the instructions given to them; also a Return shewing whether such valuators or either of them have, subsequently to such appointments, received any other Government appointment, the name of such valuator or valuators, the nature of the appointment and the emolument attached thereto; also, the date at which the Government gave notice of the expropriation of such lands in the town plot at Fort William and elsewhere in its vicinity, the amounts paid and yet to be paid for lands and property for such terminus and station grounds, the names of the persons to whom such payments were made and to whom such payments are due, and the quality of such land and property purchased from each person, together with a statement of the several lands and properties purchased for such terminus and station grounds or for which notice of expropriation has been given, with the names of the several proprietors and the price thereof, and a statement shewing the whole quantity of land so purchased or to be purchased, together with all correspondence between the Canadian and Ontario Governments on the subject of such lands.

Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for statement of the reason in each case for the superannuation of the persons in the Civil Service mentioned in the return laid before this House on the 18th February.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Statement showing the rivers, at the present moment under lease, in the Counties of Rimouski, Gaspé and Bonaventure, and also those on the north coast of the St. Lawrence from the River Saguenay down to the Mingan Islands; the year in which each of such rivers was leased, and for what length of time; the name of the lessee, and the annual sum which he pays to the Government for his lease.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send the mail to Lake St. John by way of the new Colonization Road opened by the Government of the Province of Quebec, last summer, between Quebec and Lake St. John?

Mr. *Cimon*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send a daily mail directly from Bagotville to N. D. de Laterrière, in the County of Chicoutimi, instead of causing it to pass by way of the Village of Chicoutimi?

Mr. *Macdougall* (*Elgin*)—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for copies of the Annual Returns of the capital, traffic and working expenditure for the two last financial years of the Canada Southern Railway Company, required to be made to the Minister of Public Works under Chap. 25, 38 Vic. and Cap. 14, 39 Vic. Statutes of Canada.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all papers, correspondence and Orders in Council, connected with the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, the Windsor Branch and the Western Counties Railway, and all papers and Orders in Council and correspondence in connection with the purchase of an Annuity by the W. C. Co. or the guarantee of an annual sum of money to that Company for a special number of years.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for Copy of all Orders in Council relating to balances of appropriations of 1876-77 which may have lapsed, and been carried over to the following year in accordance with the 35th Section of the Act 31st Victoria, Chapter 5.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of tenders received for the construction of that portion of the Pembina Branch Railway between St. Boniface and Selkirk, together with copies of all reports, correspondence and Orders in Council relating to the letting of this work.

Mr. *Huntington*—On Wednesday next—BILL entitled an Act to amend "The Post Office Act of 1875."

Mr. *Tupper*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for returns of all tenders received and contracts let for the supplies furnished the Indians and Mounted Police in the North West; also, for those furnished the Public Works at Battleford and the Fort Francis Locks and Canals.

Also, for all tenders received and contracts let for freighting all the above supplies.

Also, for returns of the accounts, giving quantity, quality, description and expenditure incurred for supplies of all kinds purchased and freighted, otherwise than by public tender, for the above works.

Also, for returns of all labour and superintendence employed either by the day, month, or year, on all works in the North-West, Manitoba, and on the Fort Francis Canals.

Also, for the returns of all accounts shewing the expenditure that was incurred owing to the non-arrival of the supplies at the different points in the North-West for the Indians, as the latter had to be fed by supplies purchased at retail prices at those places during the time they had to wait.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government this Session to introduce any amendments to the existing Canadian Customs Laws and Coasting Regulations, making them approximate more closely in the matter of Wrecking, Towing and Coasting by Foreign Vessels in Canadian waters, than they now are to the laws and regulations relating to these matters in the United States?

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE, for a Return shewing the sums expended on Public Works chargeable to income, during the fiscal years 1874-5, 1875-6, 1876-7, for which votes had been obtained in the Estimates of 1873-4.

Mr. *Farrow*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to order that the Mail now delayed over night at the Wroxeter Post Office be carried through the same night to Gorrie Post Office; seeing the conveyance carrying the mail goes through to Gorrie, but does not take the mail matter through.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates a sum of money for the purpose of building a Breakwater at the entrance of the Harbour of Main-a-Dieu in Cape Breton.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copy of the Report of the survey of the Harbour of Lingan, Cape Breton, and copies of all correspondence between the Minister of Public Works and any other person relating to the same.

No. 8.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House,—Official Return of the distribution of the Dominion Statutes of Canada, being 40 *Victoria*, fourth Session of the third Parliament, 1877.---Volumes 1 and 2 separately, and Volumes 1 and 2 together English and French Versions, half bound law sheep.

He also presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 2nd April, 1877; for copies of all papers, Orders and Correspondence with the Minister of Public Works, and the Engineer staff of the said Department in connection with the engagement of employees for the Pacific Railroad survey and the routes (if any) they were instructed to take; also correspondence and Orders from the same source to their agents in reference to the carrying of emigrants, Government employees and freight coming under the direct control of the Government by the Sarnia or Collingwood route since 1874.

Also,— Return to the Order of The House on the 4th April, 1877; for copies of the Reports of Engineers and all other correspondence and information in possession of the Government not yet communicated to The House, having reference to any actual surveys, or proposed survey, in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway from the Red River Westward, South of Lake Manitoba.

Also,---Return to the Order of The House, on the 15th February, 1877; for a Statement made up so as to show for each month of the two years ending 31st December, 1876, the following particulars in relation to the working and management of the Intercolonial Railway :---

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

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

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

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

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

Also,—Return to the Order of The House on the 15th February, 1877; for a Statement showing:—

1. The original size and cost, exclusive of heating apparatus, of the brick building at Moncton known as the general offices of the Intercolonial Railway.

2. The size and cost of the additions to such building.

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

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

5. The Parliamentary authority for the various expenditures.

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

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

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, on the 26th March, 1877; for copies of all correspondence between Mr. *James Niven*, of Newcastle, Miramichi, N.B, and the Officers of the Intercolonial Railway and the Government, in reference to the killing by one of the Trains of said Road, on the 23rd February last, of Five head of Cattle of the said *James Niven;* also a statement from the Officers of the Road as to the distance to the place of accident from the Miramichi Station from which the said Train started; whether the same is or is not a straight line; where the Driver of the said Train first saw the Cattle on said Track.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, on the 19th March, 1877; for a Statement shewing the sums of money paid *C. J. Brydges* for the year ending 30th June, 1876, showing salary whilst the Intercolonial Railway was under construction,—and salary for management, also expenses of his office at Montreal, Ottawa and Moncton, and amount of his travelling expenses for the same period.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House, on the 16th April, 1877; for a Statement of the number of miles surveyed, and the expenditure for such surveys on the Pacific Railway, as follows:—

1, The total number of miles surveyed, distinguishing between exploratory or track surveys—preliminary surveys,—and location surveys.

2. How many miles of preliminary surveys, exploratory or track surveys and location surveys have been made on each of the following sections:—

1st. From the Valley of the Ottawa to where the main line or lines run strike that portion of the main line from Thunder Bay to Red River.

2nd. From Prince Arthur's Landing to Red River.

3rd. From Red River to Tête Jaune Cache.

4th. From Tête Jaune Cache to the Pacific Coast.

5th. All Surveys made on Vancouver's Island.

3. The cost of each of the above descriptions of surveys between each of the above points.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House on the 15th February, 1877; for a Statement shewing the quantity of work done in enlarging the Railway Water-Works at Moncton during the year 1876, with the particulars of all expenditures in connection therewith.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House on the 15th February, 1877; for a Statement shewing the particulars of all amounts in addition to salary paid to any General or Departmental officer of the Intercolonial Railway during the year 1876.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House on the 28th March, 1877; for copies of all Reports of Engineers or correspondence respecting the existence and cause of the greater rise in the waters of the sixty mile level of the River Ottawa, between Chaudiere Falls and the Long Sault Rapids, than the levels below and above those points, as set forth in the petitions to this House of certain inhabitants of the Counties of Ottawa, Prescott and Russell.

And,—Return to the Order of The House on the 28th March, 1877; for copies of all the correspondence, letters and telegrams, between the Government and the proprietors of the lands in the neighbourhood of the proposed enlargement of the Lachine Canal from the first of March, 1875, up to the 10th March, 1877;—also Copies of all the orders given to the Engineers to furnish information to such proprietors, and of all applications of said proprietors for information made either to the Government, to the Engineers or to the Department of Public Works as to the quantity of land required for such enlargement between the same dates, 1st March, 1875, and 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all offers, proposals and arrangements submitted by the said proprietors to the Government, to the Engineers or to the Department of Public Works—and of all offers, proposals and arrangements submitted by the Government, the Engineers, or the Department of Public Works, to the said proprietors, between the said dates of the 1st March, 1875, and 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all reports made by arbitrators or valuators on the value of the lands of such riparian proprietors on the said Canal, within the said period, from 1st March, 1875, to 10th March, 1877;—also of all reports made by the Engineers to the Government, or to the Department of Public Works, on the value of the said lands, and on the offers, proposals or arrangements made or proposed by such proprietors to the Government, or by the Government to such proprietors, within the said period, from the 1st March, 1875, to 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all contracts entered into between such proprietors and the Government, or the Department of Public Works, in relation to the lands required for the enlargement of the Lachine Canal, between the 1st March, 1875, and the 10th March, 1877.

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

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

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz:—Of the Canada Southern Railway Company; for an Act, authorizing and confirming the scheme of arrangement entered into and in relation to the affairs of the said Company;—Of the National Insurance Company; for an Act empowering them to reduce their Capital Stock, to make special assessments on their Stock, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation;—Of the Bank of Liverpool, N. S.; for an Act empowering them to reduce the nominal value of their present shares, to issue preferential stock, and for other purposes;—Of *David Fisher*, of the City of Toronto, and *Jane Malvina Draper*, of the Town of Whitby, Widow; for an Act sanctioning the sale of the Port Whitby Harbour, and vesting in a purchaser, the said property, including the franchise of the Port Whitby Harbour Company;—Of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company; for an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Canada Central Railway Company, to consolidate their indebtedness, to reduce their expenses of management, and for facilitating the extension of the amalgamated lines;—Of the Canada Central Railway Company, for an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, to consolidate their indebtedness, to reduce their expenses of management, and for facilitating the extension of their line;—Of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company; for an Act of Incorporation;—Of *George F. Johnston*, of the City of Montreal; for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Charlotte Elsie McArthur* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her;—Of *La Société de Construction Mutuelle*; for an Act empowering them to change the name of

the said Society, to that of *La Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec*, and for other purposes;—Of the Ontario Express and Transportation Company; for an Act of incorporation;—Of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company; for amendments to their Act of incorporation, and the Acts amending the same;—Of the Merchants' Bank of Canada; for an Act empowering them to reduce their capital stock, and for other purposes;—Of the Dominion Grange Mutual Fire Insurance Association; for an Act empowering them to insure their members against loss or damage by fire in any part of Canada, and to establish, in connection with said Association a Mutual Benefit Branch;—Of the Reverend *R. A. Fyfe*, President, and *J. L. Campbell*, Secretary, of the Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec; for an Act of incorporation;—Of the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada; for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Association to that of the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada, and to make further amendments to their Act of incorporation;—Of *John Stewart*; for an Act empowering the Court of Queen's Bench of Ontario, to refund the amount deposited with his Petition against the return of the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, as Member for the City of Kingston;—Of *John Walker* and others, by their Attorney *Alexander Dixon*; for an Act empowering any other Railway Company to cross the tracks of the Grand Trunk Railway, southwards, between John and York Streets, in the City of Toronto;—Of the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company; for an Act empowering them to reduce their capital stock, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation;—and of the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company; for an Act to extend the time for the completion of their Railway, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation.

The time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills having expired, the Committee recommend that the same be extended for ten days, and the time for receiving Private Bills for a like period.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills was extended for ten days; and the time for presenting Private Bills for the same period.

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

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), 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 Printing of Parliament; and informing their Honors that the Members of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, *viz:* Messrs. *Bourassa*, *Bowell*, *Charlton*, *Church*, *Delorme*, *Desjardins*, *De Veber*, *Goudge*, *Lanthier*, *Ross* (Middlesex), *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Stephenson*, *Thompson* (Haldimand), *Trow*, *and Wallace* (Norfolk), will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*, *viz*:—

By Mr. *Thomson* (Welland):—Bill No. 6 to authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company.

By Mr. *Oliver*:—Bill No. 7 respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company.

By Mr. *Desjardins* :—Bill No. 8 to authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its capital stock, and for other purposes.

By Mr. *Galbraith*:—Bill No. 9 to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, and the Canada Central Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies.

By Mr. *Casgrain* :—Bill No. 10 to authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its capital stock, and for other purposes.

By Mr. *Jetté* :—Bill No. 11 to reduce the capital stock of the Merchants Bank of Canada.

By Mr. *Malouin* :—Bill No. 12 to incorporate the "*Société de Construction Mutuelle*," under the name of "*Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec*," and for other purposes.

By Mr. *Mackenzie* :—Bill No. 13 further to amend the Act, intituled :—"An Act "respecting the Public Works of Canada."

By Mr. *Laflamme* :—Bill No. 14 further securing the Independence of Parliament.

By Mr. *Haggart* :—Bill No. 15 to give jurisdiction to the Court of Queen's Bench of Ontario, to pay to *John Stewart* of the City of Kingston, Surgeon, one thousand dollars, deposited with his Election Petition.

By Mr. *Bowman* :—Bill No. 16 to incorporate "The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company."

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

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending, 30th June, 1879; 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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OTTAWA, 19th February, 1878.

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

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

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted.

2. To defray the salaries of the Governor General's Secretary's Office $7,950.00

Resolution to be reported.

Report received,—and Committee to sit again, *to-morrow.*

On motion of Mr. *De Cosmos*, an Order of The House was issued to the proper officer, for copy of a Return showing the respective sums of money paid to the Government of British Columbia, and at what time paid, in accordance with Section 2, Chapter 17 of the Act 37 Victoria.

On motion of Mr. *Langevin*, an Order of The House was issued to the proper officer, for copy of all correspondence about the carrying of the mails by water from Quebec to Murray Bay, in the County of Charlevoix, for the year 1877; copy of all tenders received for said service for same period; copy of all arrangements for carrying the mail during the same period; together with a statement shewing the total cost of said service for the season of 1877, and a separate statement for the carrying of the same mails for the same period during the season of 1876, including in both instances the cost of carrying the mails to Tadousac, Chicoutimi, Eboulements and Bay St. Paul.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of all correspondence, reports and documents relating to amounts claimed by Messrs. *Carpenter* and Company, on account of their Contract for operating the Government Road commonly known as the Dawson Route; also copy of all Orders in Council authorizing the payment of any such amounts from the first of January, 1877 to the present time, and a statement of the sums so paid from time to time, and dates of such payments.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for Return shewing the amounts of the six lowest tenders for Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with the names of tenderers, names of parties to whom the contracts were awarded, and copies of the Orders in Council relating thereto; also the date mentioned in the contracts for the completion of the work, and the gross amount of work done as per Engineer's progress estimate up to the 31st of January last.

Mr. *Ryan*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to let during the present Session Contracts for the construction of those portions of the Canada Pacific Railway between English River and Rat Portage ?

Mr. *Ryan*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a statement shewing the amount of moneys disbursed up to January 1st, 1878, upon Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15, 23, and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway.

Mr. *Ryan*—On Thursday next— ORDER OF THE HOUSE for statement shewing the number of miles actually graded and ready for track-laying and ballasting, under Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15, and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway; also number of miles of rail actually laid under said Contracts up to 1st January, 1878.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for copies of all correspondence in relation to the carrying of the mail between Quebec and Chicoutimi, since the 1st January, 1877.

Mr. *White* (Renfrew)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government has, since the 15th February, 1877, entered into any Contract or Contracts for the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway; and if so, whether such Contract or Contracts will be submitted for the approval of Parliament during the present Session ?

Mr. *MacDonald* (Toronto)—On Thursday next—BILL to regulate the sale and disposal of bottles used in the manufacture of Mineral Water and other drinks.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a copy of the Report, for the year 1877, of *J. P. Gauvreau*, Esquire, in his character of Collector of Customs for the Port of Rimouski.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of the Reports of *W. Sheppard*, Post Office Inspector, and *A. Talbot*, Sub-Inspector, respecting the desirableness of a daily mail between *St. Octave de Métis* and *Matane*.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex)—On Thursday next—The adoption of the first Report of the Select Committee on Reporting the Debates of this House.

Mr. *Horton*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence respecting the establishing of Bonded Warehouses at the Village of Carron Brook and Town of Clinton, in the County of Huron.

Mr. *Bourassa*—On Thursday next—BILL to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875 and the Acts amending the same.

Mr. *Plumb*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for Return of the names and residences of all persons placed upon the Superannuation List since the 1st day of January, 1875; the nature of their employment in the Government service; time of service, salary, reasons for Superannuations, and names and salaries of persons appointed to fill vacancies occasioned by such Superannuation.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return shewing what sales were made of Timber on Indian Lands on the North Shore of Lake Huron or on the Islands in the Georgian Bay or elsewhere, since the 1st day of January, 1873; the names of the parties to whom such sales were made; the amount paid or agreed to be paid for such Timber; the quantity of Timber cut upon said lands; the amount paid on such purchases; by whom paid; the amount now due and by whom due; together with copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of Ontario, relating to said sale of Timber upon said Indian Lands.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of all fees paid by the Government of Canada to, and the names of all Counsel, Solicitors, or Attornies employed in connection with the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into the affairs of the Northern Railway; also the names of all Counsel, Solicitors or Attornies that have been employed by the Dominion Government or by any Department or Head of Department of said Government, and a statement of all fees paid to such persons by the Government or received by them for services in connection with the business of the Government of Canada.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for 1st. A copy of the progress estimate or estimates of work done under contract *Twenty-five* of the Canada Pacific Railway, showing the nature and quantity of work done and material furnished under such Contract and reported by the Engineers to the 31st January, 1878, together with the amount paid to the Contractors up to said date and the date of said payments;

2nd. A copy of all recommendations by the Engineers as to the mode of making payments to the Contractors for the different works on said contract number Twenty-five;

3rd. A copy of all Reports, correspondence, Orders in Council and other documents having reference to any change in the gradients or in the location of the line covered by Contract Number Twenty-five, since the letting of the work, together with an approximate estimate of the additional cost of such change or changes.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for, 1st. A copy of the progress estimate or estimates of work done under Contract Fifteen of the Canada Pacific Railway, showing the nature and quantity of work done and material furnished under such Contract and reported by the Engineers to the 31st January, 1878, together with the amount paid to the Contractors up to said date and the date of such payments;

2nd. Copy of all recommendations by the Engineers as to the mode of making payments to the Contractors for the different works on said Contract number Fifteen;

3rd. A copy of all Reports, Correspondence, Orders in Council and other documents having reference to any change in the gradients or in the location of the line covered by Contract number Fifteen, since the letting of the work, together with an approximate estimate of the additional cost of such change or changes.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for statement shewing the total amount expended annually for the years 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876 and 1877, for the following purposes, viz:

1st. Additions to and repairs to Rideau Hall;

2nd. Upon grounds, out-buildings and erections connected therewith;

3rd. Upon water-works, gas and fuel;

4th. Furniture of all kinds;

5th. Travelling expenses of the Governor General and suite;

6th. Amount of telegraph account;

7th. Also all and any other expenditures that may have been made from the Public Treasury for and in connection with Rideau Hall during said years.

No. 9.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Grey; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *James Weyms*, Chairman, and *James S. Johnston*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the Inhabitants of Brantford, Ontario; praying for certain Amendments to the Temperance Act of 1864.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Middlesex; praying that the Agriculturists of the Dominion may be placed on an equal footing with those of the United States by a readjustment of the Tariff, until such time as the Government of the United States gives us a renewal of reciprocity.

Of *Robie Uniacke* and others, of the City of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia; praying that the Act of 1876, cap. 16, of the Parliament of Canada, and all Acts in contravention of the charter of the Halifax Street Railway Company, may be so amended as not to deprive the said Company of their rights of arbitration as acquired under their charter, and that a clause be inserted in such amending Act granting the said arbitration under the terms of the said charter.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Essex; praying for such a revision of the Canadian Tariff as may enable the Agricultural producers of the Dominion to compete successfully with the United States, and that such other revision of the Tariff be effected as shall, without being prohibitory in its character, encourage the languishing industries of the country.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*, *viz* :—

By Mr. *Huntington* :—Bill No. 17 to amend "The Post Office Act, 1875."

By Mr, *Snider* :—Bill No. 18 to authorize certain arrangements between the Dominion Grange Mutual Fire Insurance Association, and the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry of Canada.

By Mr. *Burk* :—Bill No. 19 respecting the Port Whitby Harbor Company.

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

Dufferin.

The Governor General communicates to the House of Commons the appointment of the Hon. *Alexander Mackenzie*, Minister of Public Works; the Hon. *Isaac Burpee*, Minister of Customs; the Hon. *Thomas Coffin*, Receiver General, and the Hon. *Wilfrid Laurier*, Minister of Inland Revenue, to act with the Speaker of the House of Commons as Commissioners for the purposes and under the provisions of the Act 31st Victoria, Chapter 27, intituled:—"An Act respecting the Internal Economy of the House of Commons, and for other purposes."

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OTTAWA, 20th February, 1878.

Mr. *Smith* presented,---Return to Address of the 16th April, 1877; for copies of all Petitions, Correspondence and Orders in Council relating to complaints made against the administration of the Harbour Board of Montreal in connection with the town of Sorel and the works for deepening Lake St. Peter; also copies of all documents transmitted to the Government respecting the bad administration of the aforesaid works, the arbitrary dismissal of *Pierre Côté* and *Pierre Charbonneau* and of any other employee; of all correspondence and documents relating to the dismissal of Captain *Charles Armstrong;* of all documents relating to the appointment of Messieurs *McCarthy* and *Mackenzie*, and of any other employee at Sorel in connection with the works of the Harbour---which documents, as well as those hereinafter mentioned, should be found in the office of the Montreal Harbour Commisioners, and of which the Government is entitled to have communication, inasmuch as the latter provides each year a very large amount of public money for the carrying on of those works, also copies of any report made by Mr. *John McCarthy* or any other employee of the Montreal Harbour Board at Sorel, shewing why the pay of the day laborers and of many others employed by the month or by the year was reduced, while that of the said Mr. *John McCarthy* was increased from $600.00, which his predecessor Mr. *Pierre Côté* had, to $2,000.00; also copies of any contracts in relation to the leasing of the wharves, lands, shops, &c., of Messrs. *John* and *Daniel McCarthy* either with the Government or with the Harbour Board of Montreal; also of all instructions given by the Harbour Board of Montreal defining the duties of the aforesaid employees, Messrs. *McCarthy* and *Mackenzie* or of any other subordinate employee, in the carrying out of the said works; also, copies of all contracts awarded to any person whomsoever for the repair of dredge-boats, the erection of any building, the repairing or building of engines, machinery and boilers, the purchase of wood and of coal or any other contract generally; the names and residences of those who obtained such contracts and works generally, with or without tenders, mentioning the amounts of each such contract; also the amounts paid since 1875, whether by contract or otherwise for provisions, bread, meat, groceries, &c.,---for the board and maintenance of the men employed on the said works and to whom such payments were made.

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, as follows:—

By Mr. *Langevin:*—Address to His Excellency; for copy of all tenders received in 1877 for the carrying by land of the mails from Quebec to Eboulements or Murray Bay; also a copy of all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders relating to the same, shewing the reasons why one special tender has been accepted, and also a statement shewing the name of the late contractor for the carrying of said mails, the amount paid him, and the amount now paid and to whom for the same service, together with a copy of the correspondence on the said subject.

By Mr. *Lanthier*:—Order of The House; for copies for all papers, documents and pay lists in relation to the services of the late *William Taylor*, of Coteau du Lac, as master builder for the construction of the Fort at the Coteau from 1812 to 1822.

By Mr. *Blanchet*:—Order of The House; for copy of a Return shewing the sums expended for repairs to military forts at Lévis, since last Session; the names and wages of the workmen, and the amount paid to each of them; the amount of all accounts for materials, and charges for commission, with the names of parties to whom such payments have been made; Also the amount and description of work given out by contract, with the names of the parties tendering, and of the contractors.

By Mr. *Young*—Order of The House; for copy of a Return shewing the nature and value of all manufactures and other articles exchanged between Canada and the Australian Colonies, from the 1st of July, 1876, up to the latest returns in possession of the Government, together with copies of the Tariffs of these Colonies and any other information in possession of the Government which may be useful in promoting the valuable trade springing up between us.

Also,—Order of The House; for copy of a Return setting forth the objects and expense incurred by each of the Special Committees appointed by this House during the past four years, with the names of the persons who received payment, whether as witnesses or otherwise, and the amounts received by each.

Mr. *Lanthier* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for:—

1st. Copy of the Report of *Alphonso Wells*, Deputy Provincial Land Surveyor, dated the 10th November, 1841, with the plans respecting the division line between the two Provinces formerly called Upper and Lower Canada, running between the River Ottawa and the River St. Lawrence.

2nd. Copy of the Report of the Commissioners appointed under the Act 23 Vict., chap. 21, intituled "An Act respecting the Line of Division between Upper and Lower Canada." With a statement of all moneys paid for claims and compensation under the provisions of the said Act; the amount paid to each individual claimant; and copies of the plans of the parcels of land to which such payments relate, and to which the receipts given refer; as well as copies of the deeds in the form of Instruments under the hand and seal of the Commissioner, issued by him according to the provisions contained in the 1st sub-section of the 4th section of the said Act.

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

By Mr. *Fiset*:—Order of The House; for copies of Mr. *Kingsford's* Report on the survey of the Harbor of Matane, with the plans and estimates accompanying the said Report.

Mr. *Blain* moves, That it be an Order of The House that if, at the hour of 10 o'clock, P.M., the business of the day be not concluded, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair and the House shall stand adjourned until its next regular meeting, unless it be otherwise resolved by a majority of the Members present at that hour, and in case there is any desire to continue in Session Mr. Speaker shall, on being requested by not less than five Members, put the question without debate.

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

By Mr. *Perry*:—Order of The House; for copies of accounts and vouchers shewing the amount of expenses incurred in running the steamer "Northern Light," between Georgetown and Pictou up to date; also the costs of repairs of said steamer during the summer of 1877.

By Mr. *Fleming*:—Order of The House; for copy of a Return shewing the number of accidents and casualties which have occurred on the Railways of the Dominion during the years 1874, 1875, 1876 and 1877, setting forth: 1st. The causes and natures of such accidents and casualties; 2nd. The points at which they occurred, and whether by night or by day; 3rd. The full extent thereof and all the particulars of the same.

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

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

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. *Currier*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to proceed with the Canal and dam and other contemplated improvements at Carillon during the present Session ?

Mr. *Mills*—On Friday next—BILL entitled An Act to provide for the tablishment of Municipal Institutions in Keewatin.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for papers and correspondence in connection with the removal of the Custom House from the Port of New Campbellton, Great Bras D'Or to the Island of Boularderie, in the County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for papers and correspondence in connection with the changing of the Post Office at the Port of New Campbellton, to a Way office, and the reduction of the salary of the Postmaster; also a statement shewing the amount of Postage Stamps disposed of by the several Post and Way offices during the year 1876 and the year 1877, in the County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of petitions from the inhabitants of the Parish of Perth, in the County of Victoria, N.B., praying for the establishment of new Way or Post offices in that Parish, and all correspondence between the Government and the Inspector of Post offices for New Brunswick, and all other correspondence bearing upon the same subject.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all documents regarding the establishment of a Post Office at Mr. *James Smith's*, Green River, in the County of Madawaska, N.B.

Mr. *Rouleau*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all Tenders fyled for the carrying of the Mail from the Parish of St. Henri, County of Lévis, to the Parish of St. Isidore, County of Dorchester; of all correspondence in relation to the said tenders and of the contract awarded to Mr. *Collet* of the Parish of St. Henri, for the carrying of the Mail from the said Parish of St. Henri to the Parish of St. Isidore.

Mr. *Haggart*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of all Tubing imported into Canada during the year immediately preceding the imposition of duty on Tubing. Said return to give the name of the Importer, quantity imported, invoice price, and at what Port entered.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for papers connected with Igonish Harbour Breakwater, stating the date of the several payments to the contractors; the total amount paid for the work, and the Engineer's certificates for the several payments, and also for extras paid to the contractors, and if it is the intention of the Government to pay any more extras on account of that job.

Mr. *Cheval*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates a sum of money to provide for reimbursing the proprietors of steamboats, such as the steamboat "Cultivateur," which paid in the St. Ours lock a sum of $321.00, when the vessel ought to have paid in reality but $138.00?

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return containing a complete copy of the Report of the Inspector of Fisheries for British Columbia for 1877, with a statement of the expenditure connected therewith.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Tuesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return containing a complete copy of the Report or Reports of the Joint Indian Commission for adjusting the extent and boundaries of the Indian Reserves in British Columbia, with an account of the expenditure respecting the same, and accompanied with copies of any remonstrances of settlers against the decisions of the said Commissioners, and also a map shewing the reserves defined and settled by the said Commission.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether there is any established rule or order prohibiting a Pensioner of the Dominion Government from drawing his pension whilst employed out of Canada under salary from the Crown?

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Tuesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return containing a Report and Chart of the latest British Admiralty Survey of Portland Channel, the eastern water boundary between British Columbia and Alaska.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to prosecute during the coming season works for the deepening of the channel over the Horse Shoe Bar at the mouth of the Miramichi River?

Mr. *Higinbotham*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement of the number and value of all Horses, Horned Cattle and Sheep imported into the Dominion from the first day of February, 1877 to the first day of February, 1878; also number and value exported during same period.

No. 10.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 21st FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Dominion Alliance; praying for certain Amendments to the Temperance Act of 1864.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of St. Thomas; praying that the Bill now before Parliament relating to the Canada Southern Railway may not become law, unless provision be made therein, that the General Offices, with the Treasury and Books of the said Company, be permanently established in the Town of St. Thomas.

Of the County Council of the County of Elgin; praying that the Bill now before Parliament relating to the Canada Southern Railway may not become law, unless provision be made therein for the non-removal of the Company's Offices, Books and Workshops from the Town of St. Thomas, and for making the furnishing of supplies and men's wages and other expenses of running said Railway a first lien against the property of said Railway Company.

Of the Honorable *James Ferrier* and others; praying for the passing of an Act to revive and amend the Act to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Railway Company.

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

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and and find them sufficient, *viz* :—Of *H. Hamelin* and others, Pilots licensed to pilot between Quebec and Montreal; for an Act to incorporate them as such Pilots;—and of *Hugh Hunter*, of the Township of Egremont, in the County of Grey, and Province of Ontario, Farmer; for an Act to declare his marriage with *Catherine McPhee* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 15th February, 1877; for a statement shewing the following particulars in regard to a Main Brick Sewer constructed through the Station yard of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton during the past year.

1. The Parliamentary Authority under which the expenditure was made.
2. Plan shewing the locality, size and extent of the work, and the buildings served thereby.

3. The cubic yards each, of earth and rock excavation ; the days' labour and amount expended in making such excavations ; the quantity each of stone, bricks, lime and cement used and the amount paid therefor at the place whence received ; the amount paid or allowed and charged for transportation ; the number of days' labour and amount expended in laying the bricks and stonework ; the quantity of material used in covering and the days' labour and amount expended in covering the sewer.

4. The particulars of all other amounts charged as for such Main Sewer.

5. The total cost of the Sewer.

6. The names of the persons from whom, and the places whence, each lot of material was procured, and the amount paid to each person therefor, with the date of payment.

7. The statement to shew how the charges in connection with the sewer have been classified and entered in the Public Accounts.

Also,---Return to Address of the 4th April, 1877 ; for a copy of all Orders in Council relating to the route of the Canada Central Extension, and the contract for building that portion of Railway.

And,---Return to the Order of The House on the 11th April, 1877 ; for copies of all correspondence and papers, relating to the dismissal of *John Harvey*, from the position of Slidemaster, at the Village of Arnprior.

Mr. *Taschereau* introduced a Bill No. 21 further to amend the Charter of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company.---Second reading *to-morrow*.

Mr. *Forbes* introduced a Bill No. 22 respecting the Bank of Liverpool.---Second reading *to-morrow*.

Mr. *Smith* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Supplement No. 1 to the Tenth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the fiscal year ended, 30th June, 1877 ; being a List of Lights on the Coasts, Rivers, and Lakes of the Dominion of Canada, on the 31st December, 1877.

On motion of Mr. *Trow*, the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization was privileged to employ a short-hand Reporter, for taking evidence.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the First Report of the Select Committee to supervise the official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session, was concurred in.

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,— and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, as follows :—

By Mr. *DeCosmos* :—Address to His Excellency ; for a copy of all correspondence in 1877 and 1878, not now before Parliament, between the Imperial, Dominion and British Columbia Governments respecting the Canada Pacific Railway ; and also a copy of all correspondence in 1877 and 1878 between the said Governments respecting the Graving Dock at Esquimalt.

Also,—Address to His Excellency ; for a copy of the Report, with accompanying map, of the Engineer who was employed last year in determining the probable boundary line between British Columbia and Alaska ; also a copy of his instructions, with a copy of the treaty or convention between Great Britain and Russia respecting the said boundary ; and also such other papers, as relate to the defining of the boundary line between Alaska and British territory, and the navigation of the rivers passing from Columbia, through Alaska to the sea.

By Mr. *Pope* (Compton) :—Order of The House; for copy of a Return shewing total cost to the Government of Canada of the Philadelphia Exhibition; giving a detailed statement of all money expended or to be expended for that purpose, to whom paid, and for what service.

Also,—Order of The House; for copy of a Return shewing total cost to Government of Canada of the Sydney Exhibition ; giving detailed statement of all moneys paid or to be paid, to whom paid, and for what service.

Mr. *Blain* moved, that an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that she may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of amending the British North America Act, so as, while adhering to the principle of representation by Population underlying that Act, to confer upon the Parliament of Canada the power of determining the number of Members which shall from time to time constitute this House ; and, further, so as to confer the power upon the Parliament of Canada of readjusting or reducing the number of Senators in the Senate Chamber.

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

By Mr. *Fiset* :—Order of The House ; for copy of a Return shewing the names of the Militiamen of 1812 and 1813, who died between the 1st March, 1876, and the 1st January, 1878.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Christie*—On Monday next—That the interests of Public Morality and the physical well being of all classes of the community, alike render it desirable and necessary that there should be a strict and uniform observance of the Lord's Day on all the Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government.

That, in the opinion of this House, there should be an entire closing and cessation of labour on all Canals, Railways, and other Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government, during the twenty-four hours comprehended the Lord's Day, save and except only such services as may be of absolute and unavoidable necessity.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing the names of all the Cadets that have been admitted at the Military College, Kingston, from the opening of said College, and giving the names of those that are now following the courses of that institution.

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a list of all the employees of the Department of Marine in the District of Quebec, with their salaries and respective places of residence.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for correspondence regarding the removal of Mr. *Angus Ross*, Light-House Keeper of Bird Island Light, County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to aid the construction of Eastern Railway Extension in Cape Breton,—now subsidized by the Statutes of Nova Scotia—by a transfer of Iron Rails ?

Mr. *Pope* (Queen's)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return of copies of Specification for construction of Malpeque Breakwater; Copies of Tenders, with names of sureties offered for performance of contract; also copies of all correspondence in connection with said work or contract.

Mr. *Pope* (Queen's)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return shewing what Lights have been built at Tignish Breakwater during the past season; how and with whom contracted for, and by whom built; amount of contract; the amount paid and to whom paid; together with copies of all correspondence or communications from the Agent for the Marine and Fishery Department in Prince Edward Island relative thereto.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for correspondence in connection with the change of contractors for the enlarging of the St. Peter's Canal; also statement shewing what funds are still in the hands of the Government belonging to Mr. *Tuck*, the original contractor, and whether the Government are taking any steps for the payment of labour and materials supplied to Mr. *Tuck* before transferring his contract; shewing also how many years the present contractor is allowed to finish his work and if the enlargement has been let by tender and contract.

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act to facilitate the Colonization of Dominion Lands by the formation of Railway Companies and to aid in the construction of Railways traversing such Lands."

Mr. *McMillan*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all Specifications on which Tenders have been invited to construct the Canadian Pacific Telegraph from Lake Superior to Fort Edmonton; copies of all tenders; copies of all correspondence between the Government and persons tendering for the same; copies of all contracts for the construction of the several portions thereof; also copies of all demands for extras and amounts paid pursuant to said demands in connection with building said Line of Telegraph.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Returns of all correspondence, Petitions, Reports, and Telegrams now in possession of the Government and received by them since the 1st January 1877, relating to Wrecking, Towing, and Coasting in Canadian Inland Waters, together with the opinion of the Minister of Justice on the reference of the Petition of the Windsor Wrecking and Towing Company in connection with the same matter given to the Minister of Customs.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Mackenzie* delivered two Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, which were read by Mr. Speaker, and are as follows:—

Dufferin.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :—

I thank you for your Address in answer to the Speech, with which I opened the Session, and I rely upon your promised attention to the measures that may be submitted to you.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA, 22nd February, 1878.

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, having reference to the Joint Address of the Senate and House of Commons of the 16th of April, last, praying that legislation be had to cause the operation of the Imperial Extradition Act of 1870 to cease in Canada.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA, 22nd February, 1878.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of the *Receipts* and *Expenditure* (Consolidated Fund), from the 1st of July, 1877, to the 10th of February, 1878, (*inclusive.*)

RECEIPTS.	
Customs	$7,712,818 48
Excise	3,005,807 31
Post Office	633,482 99
Public Works	1,433,228 02
Bill Stamps	129,248 08
Miscellaneous	519,650 90
	$13,434,235 78
EXPENDITURE	$14,051,845 11

N.B.—The *Expenditure* includes the full payments for the *subsidies* to the Provinces for the year,—and the *Interest on Public Debt* to date.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
OTTAWA, 19th February, 1878.

JOHN LANGTON,
Auditor General.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Reverend *J. E. Perreault* and others, of St. Rémi; of the Reverend *J. H Carrières*, Curé, and others, of Sherrington, County of Napierville; of the Reverend *J. C. G. Godin*, Curé, and others, of Ste. Philomène; and of *J. Dupuis*, M.D., and others, of Chateauguay, County of Chateauguay; severally praying for the adoption of such legislation as will secure the proper working of Railways in Canada, the construction of safe and suitable steam ferry boats for crossing the St. Lawrence in winter, and the carrying into operation of the Railway from Montreal to the Province Line *viâ* Caughnawaga, in accordance with the Act passed in that behalf, which placed it under the control of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Of the Sydenham Harbor Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Company to that of the Oshawa Harbor Company (Limited) to increase their capital stock, and for further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Montreal Building Association; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the said Association by such name as shall be conferred upon them at the present Session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, to exercise throughout the Dominion of Canada the powers usually conferred upon Investment and Loan Companies, along with the powers conferred upon them by the said Legislature, and establishing the rate of interest which may be charged by said Association.

Of the Northern Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to remove doubts as to the power of said Company to work or lease the line of Railway of the North Simcoe Railway Company, to enter into agreements with any other Railway or Tramway Company for the use or working of their respective Railways, and for other purposes.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the First Report of the said Committee, recommending that their Quorum be reduced to seven Members.

Mr. *Mills* introduced a Bill No. 23 to establish Township Municipalities in the District of Keewatin.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Bourassa* introduced a Bill No. 24 to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the several Acts in amendment thereof.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

And a Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *McCarthy*, adjourned until Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 12.5 A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Smith* (Selkirk)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to remove the obstructions to navigation on the Red River between Pembina and Lower Fort Garry?

Mr. *Smith* (Selkirk)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to improve the Assiniboine River so as to permit of its being navigated by steamboats of light draught?

Mr. *Smith* (Selkirk)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Report of Surveys or any examination made of the Saskatchewan River having in view the improvement of the navigation by removing the obstructions which now exist at the Coals Falls and other points between that place and the Grand Rapids.

Mr. *Smith* (Selkirk)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Report of Surveys made of Lakes Manitoba and Winnipegoosis, the Waterhen River and Little Saskatchewan River.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—1st. For copy of any complaint made in 1875 against *J. S. Vallée*, Esquire, Postmaster of Montmagny; 2nd. Copy of the Enquête held in 1875 by Mr. *Achille Talbot*, Deputy Post Office Inspector, on said complaint; 3rd. Copy of all correspondence to and from the Post Office Department on this subject; 4th. Copy of the subsequent Enquête held in connection with the matter by *W. E. Sheppard*, Esquire, Inspector of Post Offices at Quebec.

Mr. *De Veber*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Returns shewing :—

1. The amounts spent yearly since 1867 in the maintenance of Military Schools in the Province of New Brunswick.
2. The number of Candidates who have each year received 2nd Class Certificates and the amount or amounts of gratuity paid.
3. The number of passed Cadets who at the time of attending any school held at Fredericton, N.B. were students of the University of New Brunswick; and whether exceptions were made in their favor as regards the hours of attendance at drill and instruction; with a list of those who have held or now hold commissions in the Active Militia in New Brunswick.
4. The number and names of all passed Cadets who have held and now hold Commissions in the Active Militia in New Brunswick, distinguishing between both.

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a list of all the Employees of the Department of Marine in the District of Quebec since 1861, (excluding the men employed in the River Police Force) with their salaries and respective places of residence.

Mr. *Dewdney*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copy of all correspondence or petitions with reference to the reduction of Telegraph charges in the Province of British Columbia.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—That the Government insert a clause in each and every contract let for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, that no man wearing his hair longer than five and one-half inches shall be deemed eligible for employment on said work, and that no person wearing his hair longer shall be eligible to any contract on said Railroad, either by the Engineers, Employees or any other person or persons so engaged on the said Railroad, under a penalty for the first offence of one hundred dollars, and not to exceed one thousand dollars for the second offence, or imprisonment for the first offence for three months, and not more than twelve months for the second offence.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing the amount expended upon and chargeable against Fort Francis Lock and works connected therewith, in each calendar year from the commencement of said works to 31st December 1877, also the amount of work done and earth and rock excavated at said Lock in each of said years.

No. 12.

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No. 13.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal, on the 7th February, 1878,—of the Consolidated Bank of Canada, on the 8th February, 1878,—of La Banque de St. Hyacinthe, on the 12th February, 1878,—of La Banque d'Hochelaga, on the 2nd January, 1878,—of the Stadacona Bank, on the 4th February, 1878,—of the Standard Bank of Canada, on the 1st January, 1878, —and of the Union Bank of Halifax, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Also,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Beauharnois, for the year 1877,—and Supplementary Returns in the same District for the years 1872, 1874, 1875 and 1876.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to wind up and liquidate the business of the said Company.

Of *John Kay*, Chairman, and *H. G. McPherson*, Secretary, on behalf of a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Village of St. George, County of Brant; praying for certain Amendments to the Temperance Act of 1864.

Of Dame *Joseph Marcoux* and others, of Quebec; praying that the Bill now before Parliament relating to La Société de Construction Mutuelle, may not become law.

Of *George B. Burland*, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the Commissioner of Patents to extend to a period of ten years from the first day of April next, the protection granted to him under certain Letters Patent.

Of *Roderick Munro* and others, of South Gut of St. Ann's, County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia; praying that the Post Office now located on the main road leading to English Town may be re-established at or near its former location on the cross-road leading to the North Gut of St. Ann's.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *McCarthy* was added to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce,—Messrs. *Haggart* and *Gillmor* to that on Public Accounts,—and Messrs. *Charlton* and *Goudge* to that on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred as follows, *viz* :—

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

No. 6. To authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company.

No. 7. Respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company.

No. 9. To amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies.

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

No. 8. To authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its capital stock, and for other purposes.

No. 10. To authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its capital stock, and for other purposes.

No. 11. To reduce the capital stock of the Merchants Bank of Canada.

No. 12. To incorporate the "*Société de Construction Mutuelle*" under the name of the "*Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec*," and for other purposes.

No. 16. To incorporate "The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company"; and

No. 21. Further to amend the Charter of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Public Accounts of Canada, for the fiscal year ended, the 30th June, 1877,—and the Supplementary Statement of *Income* and *Expenditure* during the current year, were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, *viz* :—

By Mr. *Langevin*:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of, 1st. A Return of all correspondence, since the 1st January, 1875, of and with the Postmaster General, the Minister of Public Works or any other Department, relating to Mail communication with the British West Indies.

2. For a Return of all correspondence had between the Government of Canada and the Imperial or any Colonial Government with regard to a subsidy for a line of steamers, between Canada and the British West Indies.

By Mr. *DeCosmos*:—Order of The House; for a Return containing a copy of every Report of the Chief Engineer, Acting Chief Engineer, or any other Engineer or Engineers of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in the possession of the Government, suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1876, of the whole or part of the route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass; with a copy of any order or instructions sent respecting the said survey; also, a copy of every Report or Reports from each and all of the said Engineers, in possession of the Government suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1877, of the said route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass; with a copy of any order or instruction sent respecting such survey.

By Mr. *Pouliot*:—Order of The House; for a Statement showing all claims against the Government, still unsettled, for damages caused by the Intercolonial Railway:—

1. For lands taken;

2. For damages caused by water and otherwise by reason of work not having been done which ought to have been done, or work not having been done in a proper manner;

3. Damages by fires caused by the locomotives;

4. Damages caused by the killing of cattle on the Line;

5. Damages resulting from loss or injury to goods.

By Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) :—Order of The House; for a Statement of the number of miles of the Intercolonial operated on 1st July, 1873, and the cost of operating the same; also a similar statement for the years beginning 1st July, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877.

By Mr. *Caron :*—Order of The House; for copies of all complaints made against any Inspector or other officer of Sections 6, 7 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works or any of the officers thereof with any person in relation to such complaints; also copies of contracts entered into for the enlargement of Sections 6, 7 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with the specifications accompanying such contracts; and the Engineer's estimates upon which payments have been made in respect of such contracts.

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for a Return in detail of the expenditures incurred from the Treasury of Canada for the expenses of the journey of His Excellency the Governor General and suite to British Columbia and back in the year 1876. Also the expenses of his tour to Manitoba and the North-West, in the year 1877.

Mr. *Pope* (Compton) moved in amendment, that all the words after the word "Return," be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof: "of the expenses "of the journey of His Excellency the Governor General and suite to Manitoba and "the North-West in the year 1877, not included in the Public Accounts of 1876-77."

Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after the word "Return" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:— "of the expenses of the trip of His Excellency the Governor General to Manitoba, "similar to that contained in the Public Accounts, with respect to His Excellency's "trip to British Columbia, be laid before The House"; which was agreed to, and an Order of The House issued accordingly.

Mr. *Cartwright* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 18th instant; for copies of the accounts, vouchers and papers connected with the payments for printing as entered in the Public Accounts for 1873-4 as made out of the contingencies of the Department of Justice, to *I. B. Taylor*, *The Citizen* Printing Company, and *J. G. Moylan.*

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of all correspondence, &c., not now in the possession of Parliament respecting the pensions for Public Officers who were in the service of British Columbia at the date of Union, 1871.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return giving: 1st A detailed statement of all sums of money received by *Pierre Alexis Tremblay*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, in connection with the Ordnance Lands in 1876 and 1877;

2nd. A statement shewing all the sums of money received during the said two years by *Dovila Tremblay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Portneuf, from the Department of Marine and Fisheries;

3rd. A similar statement about *Hilaire Tremblay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Baie St. Paul;

4th. A similar statement about *Thomas Tremblay*, for services rendered by him in the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in the Quebec Agency;

5th. A similar statement about *William Tremblay*, for services rendered by him in the same Department, Quebec Agency;

6th. A similar statement about *Simon Tremblay*, as mail carrier, from the St. Alphonse and Chicoutimi Wharves to the Chicoutimi Post Office;

7th. A similar statement about *Louis Guay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Tadousac;

8th. A similar statement about *J. A. Gagné*, Esquire, Official Assignee at Chicoutimi, for services rendered by him in connection with the arrest of certain parties on the Island of Anticosti;

9th. A similar statement about Mr. *Johnny Guay*, Merchant, of Chicoutimi, for services rendered by him in the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Quebec Agency, and in the Department of Public Works, in connection with the lighthouses, Lighthouse Keepers, buoys, range-lights, and the Government wharves and sheds in the Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for correspondence respecting the removal of the Post Office at South Gut of St. Anns, County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for papers and correspondence regarding the conveyance of the mails between Port Hastings and Grand Narrows in Nova Scotia, shewing the amount of the contract and whether the lowest tender was awarded the contract; also all subsequent correspondence regarding the changing of the route.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Wednesday next—That the Government business shall have precedence immediately after routine proceedings on Thursdays for the remainder of the Session.

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for statement shewing the names of the parties who tendered for the works now being constructed on the River St. Charles at Quebec, with the amount of each tender and the names of the several sureties; also the name of the person or persons who, individually or as partners, were awarded contracts for the said several works.

Mr. *Mills*—On Thursday next—BILL entituled: "An Act to provide for the transfer of Land, or an Estate or Interest in Land, in the Territories of Canada, by Registration."

Mr. *Little*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for statement of classified Return of Imports and Exports of all Live Stock into and from the Dominion of Canada, so far as regards our trade relations with Great Britain, her Colonies, and the United States, together with the value of the same and the duties collected on each class, from 1st January, 1877, to the month of January, 1878.

Mr. *Pope* (Queens)—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copy of Government Engineer's Report on Victoria Harbour and Breakwater at Wood Island and copies of all communications received since last Session relating to said works.

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement shewing:

1. The amount of the Loan of 1876, and the amount actually received therefor;
2. The names of the persons, co-partnerships and corporations who tendered for the said Loan, or any part thereof, with the amount tendered for respectively;
3. The names of those whose tenders were accepted and the amount for which they were so accepted;
4. A statement shewing when and how the amount of said Loan was received, and whether allottees or any of them, and if any of them, which of them, availed themselves of the privilege of one payment, and if so whether they were allowed interest or discount thereon and the total amount of such discount;
5. The amount of interest accrued or accruing on said stock allowed to the said allottees respectively, as against the amount payable to them respectively;
6. The item of Commission, &c., of and incident to the said Loan in detail, and to whom paid;
7. The rate of interest payable by the Dominion on the said Loan, regard being had to the amount actually received and the period it has to run.

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for the return of the original papers made and signed by the Deputy Heads of the different Public Departments purporting to be made in obedience to the Order of this House of the fifth day of March, 1877, as follows: "The names of persons appointed to office between the 1st of January and the 7th of November, 1873, the names of the officials whose salaries were increased during the same period; the names of those so appointed whose appointments were cancelled subsequent to the 7th of November. A statement shewing whether the positions which were filled up by those whose appointments were cancelled have remained unfilled or have been since filled up—and if so when and by whom—and whether the salaries of those officials which were increased during the period named have been since reduced or increased, and shewing the reduction or increase in each office respectively."

Mr. *Domville*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence between the Government, or any person connected with the Public Works or Railway Department, and any company or individual respecting the distribution or loan of old rails, not yet submitted to Parliament.

Mr. *Domville*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place the Harbour of St. John N.B., under a Commission for the purpose of making the necessary improvements to facilitate Commerce?

Mr. *Domville*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a copy of all correspondence between the Government of Canada, the Corporation of the City of St. John and the Board of Trade of the same place, relative to placing the Harbour of St. John under a Commission.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence between the Government and the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of St. John, or any other person on their behalf, in relation to putting the Harbour of the said City under a Commission, and all communications from other persons in relation thereto.

Mr. *Roy*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is true that in the year 1877, and by order of the Government, instructions were given to Mr. *Talbot*, or any other person, authorizing an examination of locality and certain soundings in connection with the contemplated construction of a wharf at *Isle Brulée*, in the County of Kamouraska?

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return of quantity of Iron Rails appropriated by Order in Council, shewing the Railway lines so assisted and the quantity allotted to each; the conditions of transfer; those complying therewith; and the names of the Railways, if any, which have not fulfilled the conditions imposed, or have not applied for or received the quantities allotted them.

Mr. *Roy*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government consider the Bay of Chaleurs Railway a feeder of the Intercolonial Railway, and whether it is the intention of the Government to aid in the construction of the said Railway by the loan or gift of iron or steel rails, or in any other manner?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, in the distribution of Iron Rails to feeders of the Intercolonial Railway, to appropriate any and what quantity of old Rails to aid in the construction of the Miramichi Valley Railroad—a road which will be one of the most important feeders which the Intercolonial can possibly have?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to construct a line of telegraph from Chatham to Escuminac in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee of the House last Session?

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence relative to the pensions paid to the Square Timber Cullers dismissed last year.

Mr. *Cheval*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing the amount expended for the re-measurement of steam vessels registered under the Act of the late Province of Canada, now repealed; the names of the steam vessels; their tonnage; the amount paid, and to whom the said vessels belonged.

Mr. *Domville*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to purchase any land in the vicinity of the Passenger and Freight Depot at St. John, N.B., with a view of erecting a new Station House for passengers; if such is the intention, what properties are proposed to be purchased?

Mr. *Goudge*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of all expenditure for repairs and additions incurred by the Intercolonial Railway Department on the Tupper House, Hollis Street, Halifax, used as a Ticket Office for that Department.

Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo)—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a copy of all Reports of Mr. *Joseph Hunter*, C.E., in regard to the Survey made by him in 1877 of the pass known as the Pine River Pass in the Rocky Mountains.

Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to construct a Fog Whistle on Race Rocks, in accordance with the recommendations of the Agent of the Department of Marine and Fisheries for British Columbia?

Mr. *McQuade*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Returns of the value of meat, green, dried, cured or potted, imported into Canada from the United States, and the duty collected on such, from 1st January, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Wednesday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to enquire as to the best means of securing a better French translation of the British North America Act, 1867.

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all Tenders for the construction of the platform for the gun of No. 1 Fort at Lévis.

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to form Military Camps of Instruction this year; if so, at what points and of what strength?

Mr. *Bunster*—On Wednesday next—That the Government insert a clause in each and every contract let for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, that no man wearing his hair longer than five and one-half inches shall be deemed eligible for employment on said work, and that no person wearing his hair longer shall be eligible to any contract on said Railroad, either by the Engineers, Employees or any other person or persons so engaged on the said Railroad, under a penalty for the first offence of one hundred dollars, and not to exceed one thousand dollars for the second offence, or imprisonment for the first offence for three months, and not more than twelve months for the second offence.

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees *on or after Monday, the 4th March next, viz :—*

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines :—

No. 6. To authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company.

No. 7. Respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company.

No. 9. To amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies.

Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce :—

No. 8. To authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

No. 10. To authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

No. 11. To reduce the Capital Stock of the Merchants Bank of Canada.

No. 12. To incorporate the "*Société de Construction Mutuelle*" under the name of the "*Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec*," and for other purposes.

No. 16. To incorporate "The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company."

No. 21. Further to amend the Charter of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company.

No. 13.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Laflamme* laid before The House,—General Rules of the Maritime Court of Ontario, under the provisions of the Act 40 *Victoria*, Chapter 21, Section 8; also Tariff of suitors fees, fixed under the 14th Section of the said Act.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 18th instant; for a copy of the Report of the late Mr. *Hazlewood*, C.E., on the approximate cost of the Fort Francis Locks.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House on the 28th March, 1877; for a Return shewing amounts paid for printing for all services done in Prince Edward Island, during the years 1874, 1875 and 1876 respectively, the nature of the work done and the names of the persons who performed such work.

And,—Return to the Order of The House on the 15th February, 1877; for a Statement shewing the expenditure incurred during the last two years ending January 31st, 1877, for carpets, curtains, dining and bed-room furniture, fixings, fittings and utensils, linen, crockery, china, cutlery, and silver ware; also for desks, tables, chairs, sofas, lounges, pictures and fittings for the General Offices of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton. The statement to give the name and cost of each item and to include all articles furnished by any department or branch of the Railway Service.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), 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 following documents were carefully examined by the Committee and recommended to *be printed, viz*:—

Report of the Librarian of Parliament.—(*Sessional papers only.*)

Report of the Minister of Justice as to Penitentiaries in Canada, for the six months ended 30th June, 1877.—(*In the usual manner.*)

Statement of payments charged to unforseen expenses under Orders in Council, from 1st July, 1877, to date.

Statement of Special Warrants of His Excellency the Governor General, issued in accordance with the Act 31 *Vic.*, cap. 5, sec. 35, from 1st July, 1877, to 9th February, 1878, inclusive.

Statement of allowances and gratuities under the Act for the better securing the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases.

Return to Order,—Correspondence between the Government and the proprietors of lands in the neighborhood of the proposed enlargement of the *Lachine* Canal from the 1st March, 1875, up to the 10th March, 1877, orders given to the engineers, and proposals submitted by the said proprietors, and by the Government; also of all Reports made by the engineers, and copies of all contracts entered into, &c., &c.—(*For distribution only.*)

The Committee also recommend that the following documents *be not printed*:—

Official Return of the distribution of the Dominion Statutes of Canada.

Return to Order,—Reports of Engineers and other Correspondence not yet communicated to the House, having reference to any actual surveys, or proposed survey, in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway from the Red River westward, south of Lake Manitoba.

Return to Order,—Correspondence, &c., with Minister of Public Works, and Engineer Staff of said Department, in connection with engagement of employees for the Pacific Railroad survey and the routes (if any) they were instructed to take; also correspondence as to the carrying of emigrants &c., by the Sarnia or Collingwood route.

Return to Order,—Statement of the number of miles surveyed, and the expenditure, for such surveys on the Pacific Railway, &c. &c.

Return to Order,—Statement shewing the quantity of work done in enlarging the Railway Waterworks at Moncton in 1876, &c.

Return to Order,—Statement shewing the sums of money paid *C. J. Brydges* for the year ending 30th June, 1876, shewing salary whilst Intercolonial was under construction and salary for management; also expenses of office at Montreal, Ottawa and Moncton and travelling expenses for same period.

Return to Order,—Correspondence between Mr. *James Niven*, of New Castle Miramichi, N.B., and the officers of the Intercolonial Railway and Government, in reference to the killing, by one of the trains of five head of cattle of the said *James Niven*, &c.

Return to Order,—Statement in relation to the particulars of the working and management of the Intercolonial Railway.

1. The number of miles run by the Engines, &c.
2. The gross working expenses, &c.
3. The particulars of all charges made for the use of Engines and cars, &c.
4. The average in detail, &c.
5. Statement in relation to special trains, &c.

Return to Order,—Statement shewing original size and cost, &c., of brick building at Moncton known as General Offices of the Intercolonial Railway, &c., &c.

Return to Order,—Reports of engineers or correspondence respecting the cause of the greater rise in the waters of the sixty-mile level of the River Ottawa between the Chaudiere Falls and the Long Sault Rapids than the levels below and above those points, &c.

Return to Address (Senate)—For Grand Trunk Railway Company to furnish certain information respecting the freight and passenger traffic over the Victoria Bridge during the years 1875 and 1876, &c., &c., with the cost of building and maintenance of the bridge.

Return to Address (Senate),—Instructions to Mr. *Fleming*, Engineer-in-Chief of the Pacific Railway, on the subject of a series of questions submitted through the Colonial office to Naval Officers and others, relating to certain Harbors in British Columbia, and a site for the terminus of the line on the Pacific Coast.

Return to Address (Senate),—Correspondence between the Government and the Montreal Harbor Commissioners, on the subject of allowing Cars and Locomotive Engines for the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway to pass over the wharves in the Harbor of Montreal, &c.

Return to Order,—Correspondence relating to the dismissal of *John Harvey* from the position of Slidemaster at the Village of Arnprior.

Return to Order,—Statement with regard to a Main Brick Sewer constructed through the Station yard of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton during the past year, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence relating to complaints made against the administration of the Harbor Board of Montreal in connection with the Town of Sorel and the works for deepening Lake St. Peter, &c., &c.

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

The Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, *viz* :—Of the Northern Railway Company; for an Act to remove doubts as to the power of the said Company to work or lease the line of Railway of the North Simcoe Railway Company, to enter into agreements with any other Railway or Tramway Company, for the use or working of their respective Railways, and for other purposes;—Of the Sydenham Harbour Company; for an Act empowering them to change the name of the Company to that of the Oshawa Harbour Company (Limited), to increase their Capital Stock, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation;—Of the Honorable Sir *Alexander Tilloch Galt*, K.C.M.G., and others, of the City of Montreal; for incorporation under the name of the Dominion Company;—Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company; for an Act empowering them to establish amongst their officers and employés a Provident or Accident Assurance fund; to have a duplicate seal for such purposes, and for transaction of the business in Canada; and also to enable them to purchase, lease, or arrange for working other Railways in Canada or elsewhere;—Of the Montreal Building Association; for an Act authorizing the said Association, by such name as shall be conferred upon them at the present Session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, to exercise throughout the Dominion of Canada the powers usually conferred upon Investment and Loan Companies, along with the powers conferred upon them by the said Legislature, and establishing the rate of interest, which may be charged by said Association;—Of *Charles A. M. Globensky*, of St. Eustache, Province of Quebec; that an Act may be passed declaring that the provisions of the Act of last Session of Parliament respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*, shall not apply to a certain action instituted by him;—Of *George B. Burland*, of the City of Montreal; for an Act authorizing the Commissioners of Patents to extend to a period of ten years from the first day of April next, the protection granted to him under certain Letters Patent;—Of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company; for an Act empowering them to wind up and liquidate the business of the said Company;—and of the Honorable *James Ferrier*; for an Act to revive and amend the Act to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*, *viz* :—

By Mr. *Macdonald* (Toronto) :—Bill No. 25 to regulate the sale and disposal of bottles, used in the manufacture of Mineral water and other drinks.

By Mr. *Mitchell* :—Bill No. 26 respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

By Mr. *Cook* :—Bill No. 27 respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada.

By Mr. *Scriver* :—Bill No. 28 to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

By Mr. *Kerr*:—Bill No. 29 to authorize and provide for the winding up of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company.

Mr. *Robillard* moved that the Petitions of the Rev. *J. Dequoi*, Priest, Curé of St. Michel Archange, County of Napierville,—of *J. Bte. Jodoin*, and others, of St. Urbain, County of Chateauguay,—of the Rev. *O. Blanchard*, Priest, Curé and others, of St. Isidore, County of Laprairie,—of the Rev. *J. E. Perrault*, and others, of St. Remi, County of Napierville,—of the Rev. *J. C. G. Godin*, Priest, Curé and others, of *Ste. Philomène*, and *J. Dupuis*, and others, of the County of Chateauguay, praying for the adoption of such legislation, as may be necessary to secure the more perfect working of Railways in Canada, the construction of good Steamboats for the crossing the St. Lawrence in winter, and the putting into operation of the Railway from Montreal to the Province Line, in conformity with the Act placing it under the control of the Grand Trunk Railway, be printed for the use of Members.

And the said motion was, in conformity with Rule 94, referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion:—
"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee "of Supply."

And a further Debate ensuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk), adjourned until Friday next.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Flynn*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence, papers and Reports in connection with the Grand River Falls, in the County of Richmond.

Mr. *Thomson* (Welland)—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider certain Resolutions on which to found a Bill to be called "The General Agricultural Banking Act."

Mr. *Dewdney*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence or petitions with reference to the establishment of a daily mail between British Columbia and Puget Sound.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying for copies of all correspondence between the Hudson Bay Company and the Dominion Government relative to alleged leases at the Red River Settlement in 1869-70.

Mr. *Dymond*—On Thursday next—That the Return to The Order of the House for copies of the accounts, vouchers and papers connected with the payments for printing as entered in the Public Accounts for 1873-4, as made out of the Contingencies of the Department of Justice, to *I. B. Taylor*, the Citizen Printing Company and *J. G. Moyan*, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Desjardins*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence, notices, letters and other documents in relation to the St. John's Bridge, on the River Richelieu.

Mr. *Desjardins*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all petitions, correspondence and other papers in relation to the application for aid in behalf of certain ratepayers of the Parish of St. Athanase in the County of Iberville, who have suffered loss by floods.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of the several Reports made in the past eighteen months in relation to the Fish-Breeding establishment at Miramichi by the Inspector of Fisheries of that District; also, Mr. *Wilmot's* Report thereon and the Inspector's remarks in reply thereto.

Mr. *Trow*—On Friday next—BILL to provide for the greater convenience and safety of passengers travelling on the Railways of Canada.

Mr. *Trow*—On Friday next—BILL to declare Life Assurance policies non-forfeitable.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return giving in detail the amount of ammunition furnished during the years 1875, 1876 and 1877, to the Active Volunteer Battalions and Companies of the Dominion; specifying the Battalion to which each Company belonged, and the amount purchased, and the prices paid by each Company or Battalion respectively; also the amount served out to the several Battalions or Companies for practice, and specifying the Companies or Battalions receiving the same, for which no charge was made.

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider Resolution declaring it expedient that Government should be advised to take proper steps to test the possibility of navigating the St. Lawrence from Quebec to the Ocean during the winter season.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing: 1st. The several sums of money paid out of the $39,256.01, deposited in the Bank of Montreal, to pay certain parties for land taken for Canal purposes and payable on certificates of the Department of Justice; 2nd. The names of the parties to whom such several sums of money have been paid, and the dates of such several payments.

No. 14

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *J. E Messerett* and others, of New Brunswick; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to construct a Railway Bridge across the St. Croix River at St. Stephen.

Of La Société de Construction de Napierville; praying for an Amendment to the Act 40 *Victoria*, Chapter 50, so as to exempt the said Company from the operation of Sections 13 and 24 of the said Act.

Of the Honorable *W. W. Webb* and others, of the Dominion of Canada; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Canada Transit Company.

Of the Reverend *William Jolliffe* and others, of the Town of Bowmanville, County of Durham, Province of Ontario; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The Missionary Society of the Bible Christian Church in Canada."

On motion of Mr. *Jetté*,—the Petition of *La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga*, presented this day, was read and received; praying for the passing of an Act to change the said Society into a Loan and Investment Society, and for other purposes.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of The House,—Return to the Order of The House of the 20th instant, for a Return setting forth the objects and expense incurred by each of the Special Committees appointed by this House, during the past four years, with the names of the persons who received payment, whether as witnesses, or otherwise, and the amounts received by each.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns at 6 o'clock P.M., this day, it do stand adjourned until *to-morrow*.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*, *viz*:—

By Mr. *Macmillan*:—Bill No. 30 to grant certain powers to the Agricultural Mutual Insurance Association of Canada, and to change its name.

By Mr. *Gibbs* (South Ontario):—Bill No. 31 to amend the Act incorporating the Sydenham Harbor Company.

By Mr. *Mills* :—Bill No. 32 to facilitate the Colonization of Dominion Lands, by providing for the incorporation of Railway Companies, and aiding the construction of Railways traversing Dominion Lands.—Second reading *on Tuesday next.*

By Mr. *Trow* :—Bill No. 33 to declare Life Assurance Policies *non-forfeitable.*—Second reading, *to-morrow.*

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for copies of all Reports of Engineers, memorials, papers and correspondence relating to the survey and location of the line of the Pacific Railway between the Red River and Battleford, and not heretofore laid before Parliament, and also all reports, memorials, papers and correspondence relating to the proposed line of said Railway between the same points but South of Lake Manitoba.

And a Debate arising thereon ;

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House until to-morrow.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bourbeau*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government during the present Session to modify the Act 31st *Vic.*, Chapter 44, and the Acts amending the same, by reducing the duties on Canadian Tobacco?

Mr. *Pope*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return giving statement in detail of all monies paid or expenses incurred to the 1st of January last, in connection with the Paris Exhibition, shewing to whom the money was paid, or is to be paid, and for what service.

Mr. *Domville*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to grant extra postal service for the County of Kings, N.B.?

Mr. *Domville*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for statement of duties collected by Customs and Inland Revenue Departments at St. John, N.B., from 1st July, 1876, to 1st January 1877, and from 1st July, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government consider the Bay of Chaleurs Railway a feeder of the Intercolonial Railway and whether it is the intention of the Government to aid in the construction of the said Railway by the loan or gift of iron or steel rails, or in any other manner?

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying him to apply the 9th sub-section of Section 6, Chap. 7, 34 *Victoria*, in order to obtain from the City and District Savings Bank of Montreal, and to cause to be laid before this House when so obtained:

1st. A statement shewing in detail the position of the Bank at the period of its re-organization in 1871, viz: all the amounts due to the Bank; the names of parties by whom due; the collaterals held as security; the rates at which said collaterals were taken, and their actual value at the time they were taken.

2nd. A statement in detail of all other assets possessed by the Bank at the time of its re-organization.

3rd. A statement shewing how the Directors fixed at $180,000 the *surplus* or *poor Fund*, and by what process they arrived at that figure, and if said surplus was limited to aforesaid amount.

4th. A statement shewing how the capital stock was taken up, the names of shareholders, and if said stock was subscribed before or after the day and hour when the books should have been opened according to Law.

5th. The sums paid by the shareholders upon their subscription of stock since 1871, and date of re-organization.

6th. A statement shewing which of the shareholders paid in cash; those that did not; and how they did pay; if by promissory notes, and if so, when discounted and whether retired at maturity.

7th. A statement in detail of all the loans made by the Bank since its re-organization, to whom made and upon what collaterals; at what price such collaterals were taken and what interest was charged on said loans.

8th. A statement in detail of all the losses made by the Bank and what portion of said losses were written off, giving names of parties and the collaterals held by the Bank.

9th. A statement of all monies now due to the Bank, by whom and how secured, giving the collaterals taken, at what rate and their present cash value; also all other assets presently possessed by the Bank.

10th. A statement of all the dealings the Bank has had with parties who have become insolvent prior to the paying up of their loans to the Bank.

11th. A statement shewing what advances the Bank made upon American securities, names of parties, the particular stocks, the prices at which they were taken and how the loans were settled.

12th. A statement of the lowest quotation at which the various stocks taken by the Bank fell to during the currency of the loans advanced on them.

13th. A statement of the names of the Directors, if any, who since the re-organization, borrowed from the Bank, the enumeration of the securities upon which said loans were effected, the rate of interest charged and how their redemption took place; also the dates at which said loans were made and repaid.

14th. A statement of the dividends paid in each year since 1871, date of re-organization.

15th. A list of the present Directors and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

16th. A list of the present shareholders and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

Mr. *De St. Georges*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, in the distribution of iron rails, to set apart a certain quantity for the construction of the Lake St. John Road, and if so, how many?

Mr. *De St. Georges*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Statement shewing:—the average price paid each year since 1867, for locomotives, cars, iron and steel rails, fish-plates, bolts, and iron in general, wood, and all furnishings purchased by the Government;—also the quantity bought each year since 1867.

Mr. *De St. Georges*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Statement shewing all contracts given since 1867, including those of the Intercolonial Railway, those awarded to the lowest tender, and those given to others; the difference between the price given and that stated in the lowest tender, and the reasons why the contract was not awarded to the lowest tender.

Mr. *De St. Georges*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Statement shewing:—the various loans effected since 1867, the dates of same, and the amounts borrowed, the rates of interest, the conditions of each loan as to the dates of payment of the instalments by the tenders, and as to the dates from which interest should begin to run;—the object of each loan, the law under which it was made, and the use to which the proceeds were put.

Mr. *Pope*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a detailed statement of the money paid out by the London Emigration Agent during the years 1876 and 1877 respectively, showing to whom paid and for what service.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of correspondence between Mr. *Edward Murphy*, of Barnaby River, Miramichi, N.B., and officers of the Intercolonial Railway in relation to the killing of a cow on said Railway; also copies of all evidence and reports in relation to the same.

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Statement of the names of Railway Companies who entered in bond, since the 1st July, 1867, railway locomotives, engines, cars, and other railway rolling stock, the date of such entry, the date of payment of custom duties;—Also the names of such companies, whose said locomotives, engines, cars and other rolling stock were ordered to be sold by the Minister of Customs.

Mr. *Domville*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all Tenders and correspondence in connection with the carrying of mails between Cambridge and Cole's Island, Queen's County, N.B.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copy of the correspondence between the Government and the Seigniors of Rimouski and of Metis, respecting their right of fishing in the Rivers Rimouski and Metis.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—BILL intituled "An Act to extend to the Province of Prince Edward Island the Railway Act of 1868, and certain Acts amending the same."

Mr. *Macmillan*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for correspondence in relation to closing Muir Post Office; correspondence in relation to dismissal of *Charles Lilley* as Postmaster in London East, and the appointment of Mr. *Mills* as Postmaster in his stead; also the cause of the change of locality of Post Office from original to present locality.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Indians of "Tobique Reserve" in New Brunswick, regarding the appointment of a Resident Agent, and of all other correspondence bearing upon that subject since 1873.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Statement of all monies collected from the Indian Reserve in the County of Victoria and Province of New Brunswick, and of all monies distributed among the Indians of said Reserve for relief, or otherwise, during the years of 1874, 1875, 1876 and 1877.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Sergeant *L. Hart*, R.E., regarding his appointment as Drill Instructor under Lieut.-Col. *Scoble* and his subsequent dismissal; also of all other correspondence relating thereto, and to the complaint of Sergeant *Hart* on account of loss sustained by said dismissal and otherwise.

No. 15.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Sir *Hugh Allan*, and others, Members of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of "The Church of Scotland in Canada";—and

Of the County of Perth Prohibitory Liquor Law League; praying for certain amendments to the Dunkin Act.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Bennett Smith*, and others, of Windsor and vicinity, County of Hants, Province of Nova Scotia; praying that a subsidy may be granted for a Steamer to ply on the Basin of Minas, between the ports of Saint John, N.B., and Windsor, N.S., calling at Parrsborough, in the County of Cumberland, be now received;

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

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Peel), the Petition of the Canada Vine Growers Association, presented this day, was read and received; praying for an extension of their Charter.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Kirkpatrick's* proposed motion, "that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for copies of all "Reports of Engineers, memorials, papers and correspondence relating to the survey "and location of the line of the Pacific Railway between the Red River and Battle-"ford, and not heretofore laid before Parliament; and also all Reports, memorials, "papers and correspondence relating to the proposed line of said Railway between "the same points but South of Lake Manitoba."

And the Question being put,—it was agreed to, and the Order issued, accordingly.

Mr. *Dymond* moved, that the Bill No. 3 to provide that persons charged with common assault shall be competent as witnesses in their own behalf, be now read a second time; which was agreed to, on a division.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Mr. *Dymond* moved, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Dymond*, *Guthrie*, *Macdougall* (Elgin), *Taschereau*, *Brooks*, *McIsaac*, and *Cameron*; which was agreed to, on a division; and the Select Committee appointed accordingly.

Mr. *Cameron* presented a Petition of *Victoria Elizabeth Lyon*, of the City of Ottawa, County of Carleton, Province of Ontario, married woman, which was read and received; praying for the passing of an Act to declare her marriage with *John Lyon* to be dissolved, and that she be divorced from him.

The Bill No. 4 to amend the Law relating to Stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, *on Monday next*.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, that an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that she may be graciously pleased to recommend that a measure be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of amending the 20th clause of Section 4 "Legislative Power" of the British North America Act 1867, so as to have a Session of the Parliament of Canada once in every two years instead of once in one year as at present exists, unless in cases of great public emergency, when His Excellency the Governor General, by and with the advice of His Executive, shall have the power to call such extra Sessions as may be deemed expedient in the interim, thus saving to the country one-half of the present enormous expense of legislation which may be said to cost annually, say in round numbers, House of Commons $350,000, Senate $200,000, which amendment would be of great advantage in saving of time to the public men of the Dominion and would be the means of saving so large an amount of the public revenue as would materially help to build many miles annually of the Canadian Pacific Railway; which was negatived on a division.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, an Order of The House was issued, for copy of a Return containing a complete copy of every special and general Report of the Chief Engineer and Acting Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway in possession of the Government, respecting the cost of constructing the line of the Canada Pacific Railway (including the bridges) between the Head of Bute Inlet and some place or port in Vancouver Island.

Mr. *Schultz* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of a Return of all Parishes in the Province of Manitoba for which the Minors' lands are unallotted; and for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, in reference to the same.

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

Mr. *Langevin* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of a Return shewing: 1st. The amounts of the six lowest tenders received in September or October, 1873, for Sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 of the new Welland Canal, together with the names of tenderers; 2nd. The amounts of the six lowest tenderers for the same sections, received in 1874, together with the names of the tenderers; 3rd. The names of the tenderers to whom these sections were awarded; 4th. Copies of the Orders in Council awarding such Sections; 5th. Copy of all Correspondence relating to such award.

And a Debate arising thereon,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

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And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Archibald*, adjourned.

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, Messrs. *Ouimet* and *Appleby* were added to the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill No. 3 to provide that persons charged with common assault, shall be competent as witnesses in their own behalf.

The House then adjourned at 1:35 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE; for copies of correspondence between the Government and *John Giblin*, of Quebec, in relation to the lease of the house now occupied as the Culler's Office at Quebec; also of all leases between the Government and the said *John Giblin*.

Mr. *Gibson*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to commence the enlargement of the Williamsburg Canals this coming season; if not this coming season, when may the enlargement be expected to commence?

Mr. *Dewdney*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE; for copies of any correspondence or petitions with reference to the establishment of a Mail Service between Nanaimo and New Westminster.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Return shewing:—

1st. The number, if any, of Cadets nominated annually to the Royal Navy, by the several Colonies of the Empire, and what proportion is nominated by the Dominion of Canada and the several Provinces thereof.

2nd. The names of such Cadets as have been nominated to Her Majesty's Royal Navy by Canada, since the 1st July, 1867, such Return to exhibit the proportion coming from each of the several Provinces of the Dominion, and the total number to which Canada is entitled to nominate.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE; for a Return of all Petitions of Right transmitted to the Secretary of State since the passing of the "Petition of Right Act, 1876;" shewing the names of Suppliants, the amount and nature of each claim, in what cases His Excellency's *fiat* that *right be done to the parties* was granted, and in what cases refused.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE; for Return of all cases instituted in the Exchequer Court of Canada since its creation, shewing the names of parties, nature and amount of each claim, nature of proceeding (whether by Petition of Right or otherwise) and indicating separately the cases disposed of by the said Court and those yet pending.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE; for Return of all Appeals instituted before the Supreme Court of Canada since its creation, shewing the names of parties, the Court from whose judgment each Appeal has been brought, and indicating the cases already disposed of by the said Supreme Court (whether by confirmation or reversal) and the cases yet pending.

Mr. *Baby*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a Bill to regulate the transmission of Timber down Rivers in Canada which admit of the floating thereof?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to advertise for Tenders for the transportation of Rails for the Pembina Branch from Duluth to Manitoba?

Mr. *Perry*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE; for copy of Survey and Report made by *Henry F. Perley*, Esquire, Engineer, in 1874, with the view of improving the navigation of Cascumpec Harbour, in Prince Edward Island, making it a better harbour of refuge.

Mr. *Perry*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE; for papers and correspondence between the Superintendent of Prince Edward Island Railroad and the Department of Public Works, shewing how many miles of wire fence have been taken down and replaced by post and batten fence, and the cost of the same.

No. 16.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 1st MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the North Simcoe Railway Company; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada, may become law; —and

Of *Dallas Nowell*, and others, of the Township of Anderdon, County of Essex; praying that in Bill now before Parliament relating to the Canada Southern Railway Company, provision may be made to secure their rights and claims for lands expropriated by the said Company.

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

The Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, *viz:* Of *J. E Messenett*, and others, of New Brunswick; for an Act empowering them to construct a Railway Bridge across the St. Croix River, at St. Stephen,—and of the Reverend *William Joliffe*, and others, of the Town of Bowmanville, County of Durham, Province of Ontario; for an Act of incorporation under the name of the Missionary Society of the Bible Christian Church in Canada.

On the Petition of Sir *Hugh Allan*, and others, Members of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland; for an Act of incorporation under the name of "The Church of Scotland in Canada," the Committee find, that notice was given in the *Canada Gazette* and only in two local papers in the Province of Quebec, they therefore report *unfavourably* on the said Petition.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *Pope* (Compton) was added to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, and to that on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines,—and Messrs. *McCraney* and *Burk* to that on Immigration and Colonization.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *on Monday next, viz:*—

By Mr. *Appleby*:—Bill No. 34 to incorporate the Calais and St. Stephen Railway Bridge Company.

By Mr. *Casgrain*:—Bill No. 35 to amend an Act intituled: "An Act respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*."

Also,—Bill No. 36 to extend in favor of *George B. Burland* certain Letters Patent to a further period of ten years.

By Mr. *Trow* :—Bill No. 37 to provide greater convenience and safety for passengers on Railways in Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*,—That the Government business shall have precedence immediately after Routine proceedings on Thursdays, for the remainder of the Session.

The House resumed the further adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion,—" That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply."

At 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 following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred as follows, *viz* :—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Bill No. 18 to authorize certain arrangements between the Dominion Grange, Mutual Fire Insurance Association, and the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry of Canada.

Bill No. 22 respecting the Bank of Liverpool.

Bill No. 29 to authorize and provide for the winding up of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company.

Bill No. 30 to grant certain powers to the Agricultural Mutual Insurance Association of Canada, and to change its name.

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Bill No. 26 respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

Bill No. 27 respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada.

Bill No. 28 to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Bill No. 19 respecting the Port Whitby Harbor Company.

Bill No. 31 to amend the Act incorporating the Sydenham Harbor Company.

(*The House then resumed the Debate on Mr. Cartwright's proposed motion for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.*)

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

On motion of Mr. *Snider*, the Order of this Day referring the Bill No. 18 [to authorize certain arrangements between the Dominion Grange Mutual Fire Insurance Association, and the Dominion Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry of Canada, to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. *Palmer*—On Monday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to amend the Law relating to Larceny of things attached to or growing on Land."

Mr. *Roy*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is true that in the year 1877, and by order of the Government, instructions were given to Mr. *Talbot*, or any other person, authorizing an examination of locality and certain soundings in connection with the contemplated construction of a wharf at *Isle Brulée*, in the County of Kamouraska?

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—BILL intituled: "An Act for the amendment of the Law of Evidence in certain cases of misdemeanour."

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Report or Reports of Mr. *T. D. Tims*, Financial Inspector for the Dominion, with reference to the object of his recent visit to the Province of British Columbia.

Mr. *Roy*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Statement shewing the amounts paid annually for carrying the mail between Kamouraska and the Railway Station at St. Pascal, since the Express Train on the Intercolonial Railway began to deliver the mail at that station; also the names of the persons to whom such amounts have been paid.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence, Reports or papers connected with the dismissal of *R. J. M. Lecaire* from the Mounted Police Force at the North-West.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return of all correspondence between *H. G. Hill*, Architect, and the Government, or Department of Public Works, respecting services performed for the Government.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all memorials asking aid for a Branch Railway from Pugwash to the Intercolonial Railway, with any correspondence upon that subject.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council or Reports, connected with the removal from office or resignation of *George Taylor*, from the office of Assistant Railway Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence between the Government and *T. M. Boggs*, in relation to his dismissal from the office of Train Despatcher at Truro on the Intercolonial Railway; together with all correspondence with the General Superintendent of the Government Railways; with any Reports or minutes of investigation in relation to said dismissal of Mr. *Boggs*, and a statement of the number of persons now engaged in performing the duties imposed upon Mr. *Boggs* at the time of the accident which led to his dismissal.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Monday next—That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Senate, requesting that Honorable Body to transmit, for the information of this House:—

1st. Copies of all contracts entered into during the year 1876 for the conveyance Her Majesty's Mails from Sydney to Cow Bay, Little and Big Glace Bays and Bridgeport, in the County of Cape Breton;

2nd. Copies of notices for tenders and the titles of the newspapers wherein they were inserted; with all copies of other documents, correspondence, &c., in reference to such contracts; also copies of all other contracts entered into in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876 in the said County of Cape Breton, with vouchers of payments for said services and transmission of mail.

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees, *on or after Friday the 8th instant*:—

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines:—

No. 26. Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

No. 27. Respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada.

No. 28. To revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:—

No. 22. Respecting the Bank of Liverpool.

No. 29. To authorize and provide for the winding up of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company.

No. 30. To grant certain powers to the Agricultural Mutual Insurance Association of Canada, and to change its name.

Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:—

No. 19. Respecting the Port Whitby Harbour Company.

No. 31. To amend the Act incorporating the Sydenham Harbour Company.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 4TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Stockholders of *La Banque de St. Jean* on the 9th February, 1878,—of the Imperial Bank of Canada, on the 15th February, 1878,—and of the Merchants Bank of Halifax, on the 11th February, 1878, under the provisons of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

And,---General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Bedford, for the year 1877,---and Supplementary Return for the year 1876.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *C. Burpee* and others, of the Province of New Brunswick; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to incorporate the Calais and St. Stephen Railway Bridge Company, may become law.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of St. Thomas; praying that in the Bill now before Parliament to authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company, provision be made that the payment of all liabilities on account of supplies furnished and wages earned, shall be a first lien on the property of the said Company.

Of *H. W. F. Bolckow*, by his Attorney, *John G. Richardson*, and others; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Acts incorporating the Canada Central Railway Company and the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, may become law.

Of *H. W. F. Bolckow*, by his Attorney, *John G. Richardson*, and others; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, may become law.

Of *Eliza Maria Campbell*, of Whitby, County of Ontario, wife of *Robert Campbell*; praying for the suspension ot any existing rules or orders which might hinder her from appearing *in formâ pauperis* in the Court of Chancery to defend her cause for right of Dower on the real estate of her said husband *Robert Campbell*, and that, if necessary, an Act may be passed identical with that passed by the Senate last Session, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Robert Campbell* and *Eliza Maria Campbell*."

Of *Donald Lynk* and others, of Lingan and adjacent districts, County of Cape Breton; praying for increased mail accommodation.

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

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, *viz :*—Of the Canada Vine Growers Association ; for an extension of their charter,—and of *Victoria Elizabeth Lyon*, of the City of Ottawa, County of Carleton, Province of Ontario, married woman ; for the passing of an Act to declare her marriage with *John Lyon* to be dissolved, and that she be divorced from him.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to morrow, viz :*—

By Mr. *Mackenzie :*—Bill No. 38 to extend to the Province of Prince Edward Island "The Railway Act, 1868," and certain Acts amending the same.

By Mr. *Smith* (Peel) :—Bill No. 39 respecting the Canada Vine Growers Association.

The Bill No. 34 to incorporate the Calais and St. Stephen Railway Bridge Company, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee *on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.*

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, *viz :*—

By Mr. *Schultz :*—Order of The House ; for copy of a Return of all monies received by the Dominion Land Office at Winnipeg for payment of Lands in the Railway Reserve, and copy of instructions to Dominion Lands Agent in Manitoba in regard to Squatters upon the said Railway Reserve.

By Mr. *Langevin :*—Address to His Excellency ; for copy of a Return showing the amounts of the six lowest tenders received for Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 34 and 35 of the new Welland Canal, with the names of the tenderers and Copy of the Order in Council awarding the contracts for such Sections.

Also :—Order of The House ; for copy of all notices and letters issued by the Department of Public Works calling either by the public press or otherwise, for tenders for the supply of Railway Spikes for the Canada Pacific Railway, with copy of all answers or tenders received from the 1st January 1876 to the 31st December 1877, and the names of the parties to whom the Contract or Contracts were awarded, and for what quantity and what price in each case ; and also a similar Return for spikes required for the Intercolonial Railway, from the 1st January, 1872.

By Mr. *Plumb :*— Address to His Excellency ; for copies of all correspondence, reports, negociations in writing, Orders in Council, or other documents, relative to the selection of the terminus and station grounds of the Pacific Railway on the Kaministiquia, the acquisition of lands and other property for such terminus and station grounds ; also, the names of all of the valuators of such lands and property and the date of their appointments, and the instructions given to them ; also a Return shewing whether such valuators or either of them have, subsequently to such appointments, received any other Government appointment, the name of such valuator or valuators, the nature of the appointment and the emolument attached thereto ; also, the date at which the Government gave notice of the expropriation of such lands in the town plot at Fort William and elsewhere in its vicinity, the amounts paid and yet to be paid for lands and property for such terminus and station grounds, the names of the persons to whom such payments were made and to whom such payments are due, and the quantity of such land and property purchased

from each person, together with a statement of the several lands and properties purchased for such terminus and station grounds or for which notice of expropriation has been given, with the names of the several proprietors and the price thereof, and a statement shewing the whole quantity of land so purchased or to be purchased, together with all correspondence between the Canadian and Ontario Governments on the subject of such lands.

By Sir *John A. Macdonald*:—Order of The House; for statement of the reason in each case for the superannuation of the persons in the Civil Service mentioned in the Return laid before this House on the 18th February.

By Mr. *Fiset*:—Order of The House; for a Statement showing the rivers at the present moment under lease, in the Counties of Rimouski, Gaspé and Bonaventure, and also those on the north coast of the St. Lawrence from the River Saguenay down to the Mingan Islands; the year in which each of such rivers was leased, and for what length of time; the name of the lessee, and the annual sum which he pays to the Government for his lease.

By Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin):—Order of The House; for copies of the Annual Returns of the capital, traffic and working expenditure for the two last financial years of the Canada Southern Railway Company, required to be made to the Minister of Public Works under Chap. 25, 38 *Vic.*, and Cap. 14, 39 *Vic.*, Statutes of Canada.

By Sir *John A. Macdonald*:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all papers, correspondence and Orders in Council, connected with the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, the Windsor Branch and the Western Counties Railway, and all papers and Orders in Council and correspondence in connection with the purchase of an Annuity by the W. C. Co. or the guarantee of an annual sum of money to that Company for a special number of years.

Also:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for Copy of all Orders in Council relating to balances of appropriations of 1876-77 which may have lapsed, and been carried over to the following year in accordance with the 35th Section of the Act 31st *Victoria*, Chapter 5.

Also:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for copy of tenders received for the construction of that portion of the Pembina Branch Railway between St. Boniface and Selkirk, together with copies of all reports, correspondence and Orders in Council relating to the letting of this work.

And:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for Returns of all tenders received and contracts let for the supplies furnished the Indians and Mounted Police in the North West; also, for those furnished the Public Works at Battleford and the Fort Francis Locks and Canals.

Also, for all tenders received and contracts let for freighting all the above supplies.

Also, for Returns of the accounts, giving quantity, quality, description and expenditure incurred for supplies of all kinds purchased and freighted, otherwise than by public tender, for the above works.

Also, for Returns of all labour and superintendence employed either by the day, month, or year, on all works in the North-West, Manitoba, and on the Fort Francis Canals.

Also, for the Returns of all accounts shewing the expenditure, if any, that was incurred owing to the non-arrival of the supplies at the different points in the North-West for the Indians.

By Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton):—Order of The House; for copy of the Report of the survey of the Harbour of Lingan, Cape Breton, and copies of all correspondence between the Minister of Public Works and any other person relating to the same.

By Mr. *Oliver*:—Order of The House; for copy of a Return shewing the sums expended on Public Works chargeable to income, during the fiscal years 1874-5, 1875-6, 1876-7, for which votes had been obtained in the Estimates of 1873-4.

By Mr. *Langevin*:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for copy of all correspondence, reports and documents relating to amounts claimed by Messrs. *Carpenter* and Company, on account of their Contract for operating the Government Road commonly known as the Dawson Route; also copy of all Orders in Council authorizing the payment of any such amounts from the first of January, 1877, to the present time, and a statement of the sums so paid from time to time, and dates of such payments.

And:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for Return shewing the amounts of the six lowest tenders for Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with the names of tenderers, names of parties to whom the contracts were awarded, and copies of the Orders in Council relating thereto; also the date mentioned in the contracts for the completion of the work, and the gross amount of work done as per Engineer's progress estimate up to the 31st of January last.

By Mr. *Ryan*:—Order of The House; for a statement shewing the amount of moneys disbursed up to January 1st, 1878, upon Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15, 23, and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway.

And:—Order of The House; for a statement shewing the number of miles actually graded and ready for track-laying and ballasting, under Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15, and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway; also number of miles of rail actually laid under said Contracts up to 1st January, 1878.

By Mr. *Cimon*:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence in relation to the carrying of the mail between Quebec and Chicoutimi, since the 1st January, 1877.

By Mr. *Fiset*:—Order of The House; for a copy of the Report, for the year 1877, of *J. P. Gauvreau*, Esquire, in his character of Collector of Customs for the Port of Rimouski.

By Mr. *Bowell*:—Address to His Excellency; for Return shewing what sales were made of Timber on Indian Lands on the North Shore of Lake Huron or on the Islands in the Georgian Bay or elsewhere, since the 1st day of January, 1873; the names of the parties to whom such sales were made; the amount paid or agreed to be paid for such Timber; the quantity of Timber cut upon said lands; the amount paid on such purchases; by whom paid; the amount now due and by whom due; together with copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of Ontario, relating to said sale of Timber upon said Indian Lands.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for a Return of all fees paid by the Government of Canada to, and the names of all Counsel, Solicitors, or Attornies employed in connection with the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into the affairs of the Northern Railway; also the names of all Counsel, Solicitors or Attornies that have been employed by the Dominion Government or by any Department or Head of Department of said Government, and a statement of all fees paid to such persons by the Government or received by them for services in connection with the business of the Government of Canada.

Also:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for 1st. A copy of the progress estimate or estimates of work done under contract *Twenty-five* of the Canada Pacific Railway, showing the nature and quantity of work done and material furnished under such Contract and reported by the Engineers to the 31st January, 1878, together with the amount paid to the Contractors up to said date and the date of said payments;

2nd. A copy of all recommendations by the Engineers as to the mode of making payments to the Contractors for the different works on said Contract Number Twenty-five;

3rd. A copy of all Reports, correspondence, Orders in Council and other documents having reference to any change in the gradients or in the location of the line covered by Contract Number Twenty-five, since the letting of the work, together with an approximate estimate of the additional cost of such change or changes.

And :—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for, 1st. A copy of the progress estimate or estimates of work done under Contract Fifteen of the Canada Pacific Railway, showing the nature and quantity of work done and material furnished under such Contract and reported by the Engineers to the 31st January, 1878, together with the amount paid to the Contractors up to said date and the date of such payments;

2nd. Copy of all recommendations by the Engineers as to the mode of making payments to the Contractors for the different works on said Contract number Fifteen;

3rd. A copy of all Reports, Correspondence, Orders in Council and other documents having reference to any change in the gradients or in the location of the line covered by Contract Number Fifteen, since the letting of the work, together with an approximate estimate of the additional cost of such change or changes.

By Mr. *Horton*:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence respecting the establishing of Bonded Warehouses at the Village of Carron Brook and Town of Clinton, in the County of Huron.

By Mr. *Campbell*:—Order of The House; for copies of all papers and correspondence in connection with the removal of the Custom House from the Port of New Campbellton, Great Bras D'Or to the Island of Boularderie, in the County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia.

And:—Order of The House; for copies of all papers and correspondence in connection with the changing of the Post Office at the Port of New Campbellton, to a Way office, and the reduction of the salary of the Postmaster; also a statement shewing the amount of Postage Stamps disposed of by the several Post and Way offices during the year 1876 and the year 1877, in the County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

By Mr. *Rouleau*:—Order of The House; for copies of all Tenders fyled for the carrying of the Mail from the Parish of St. Henri, County of Lévis, to the Parish of St. Isidore, County of Dorchester; of all correspondence in relation to the said tenders and of the contract awarded to Mr. *Collet* of the Parish of St. Henri, for the carrying of the Mail from the said Parish of St. Henri to the Parish of St. Isidor

By Mr. *Orton*:—Order of The House; for a Return of the amount of all Tubing imported into Canada during the year immediately preceding the imposition of duty on Tubing by the Tariff of last Session. Said Return to give the name of the Importer, quantity imported, invoice price, and at what Port entered.

By Mr. *Campbell*:—Order of The House; for copies of all papers connected with Ingonish Harbour Breakwater, not already brought down, stating the date of the several payments to the contractors; the total amount paid for the work, and the Engineer's certificates for the several payments, and also for extras paid to the contractors.

By Mr. *Higinbotham*:—Order of The House; for a statement of the number and value of all Horses, Horned Cattle, Sheep and Swine imported into the Dominion from the first day of February, 1877, to the first day of February, 1878; also number and value exported during same period; with amount of duties collected by Provinces.

By Mr. *Costigan*:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of petitions from the inhabitants of the Parish of Perth, in the County of Victoria, N.B., praying for the establishment of new Way or Post offices in that Parish, and all correspondence between the Government and the Inspector of Post offices for New Brunswick, and all other correspondence bearing upon the same subject.

By Mr. *DeCosmos*:—Order of The House; for a Return containing a complete copy of the Report of the Inspector of Fisheries for British Columbia for 1877, with a statement of the expenditure connected therewith.

Mr. *Christie* moved,—That the interests of Public Morality and the physical well-being of all classes of the community, alike render it desirable and necessary that there should be a strict and uniform observance of the Lord's Day on all the Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government.

That, in the opinion of this House, there should be an entire closing and cessation of labour on all Canals, Railways, and other Public Works which are under the control of the Dominion Government, during the twenty-four hours comprehended the Lord's Day, save and except only such services as may be of absolute and unavoidable necessity.

Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin) moved in amendment thereto, that all the words after "That" in the said motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof: "the "interest of Public Morality and the physical well-being of all classes of the com- "munity require, that the Lord's Day should be strictly observed by persons engaged "in the Public Works under the control of the Government of Canada, so far as it is "practicable to do so,

"That in the opinion of this House there should be a cessation of labor on the "Lord's Day on Canals, Railways, and other Public Works, which are under the con- "trol of the Government of Canada, so far as in the opinion of the Government it shall "be found practicable to do so;" which was agreed to.

The main motion, as amended, was then agreed to.

By Mr. *Langevin*:—Order of The House; for a Return shewing the names of all the Cadets that have been admitted at the Military College, Kingston, from the opening of said College, and giving the names of those that are now following the courses of that institution.

By Mr. *Taschereau*:—Order of The House; for a list of all the Employees of the Department of Marine in the District of Quebec, since 1861, (excluding the men employed in the River Police Force) with their salaries and respective places of residence.

By Mr. *Campbell*:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence regarding the removal of Mr. *Angus Ross*, Light-House Keeper of Bird Island Light, County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

By Mr. *Stephenson*:—Order of The House; for a Return of copies of Specification for construction of Malpeque Breakwater; Copies of Tenders, with names of sureties offered for performance of contract; also copies of all correspondence in connection with said work or contract.

And:—Order of The House; for a Return shewing what Lights have been built at Tignish Breakwater during the past season; how and with whom contracted for, and by whom built; amount of contract; the amount paid and to whom paid; together with copies of all correspondence or communications from the Agent for the Marine and Fishery Department in Prince Edward Island relative thereto.

By Mr. *Campbell :*—Order of The House; for all papers and correspondence in connection with the change of contractors for the enlarging of the St. Peter's Canal; also statement shewing what funds are still in the hands of the Government belonging to Mr. *Tuck,* the original contractor, and shewing also, the time within which the Contract is to be finished, and also a copy of the Tender and Contract under which the enlargement has been let.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 26th March, 1877; for a statement shewing the quantity, quality and dimension of timber supplied by Mr. *Adolphe Gagnon* for each of the piers at Baie St. Paul, Malbaie and Eboulements, in the County of Charlevoix, and also the price per foot paid for such timber during the fiscal year 1875-6.

Mr. *Cartwright* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 19th February, 1878; for copy of a Return showing the respective sums of money paid to the Government of British Columbia. and at what time paid, in accordance with Section 2, Chapter 17 of the Act 37 *Victoria.*

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Irving*—On Thursday next—BILL to amend the Railway Act, 1868, whereby Judgments obtained against Railway Companies for debts incurred for working expenses may be enforced by Execution against Railway Property.

Mr. *Mills*— On Wednesday next—BILL entituled "An Act to provide for establishing Homestead Exemption Estates in the Territories of Canada."

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government in reference to a site for building a Quarantine Hospital, at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence relating to the dismissal of *R. McNeil*, Esquire, as Shipping Officer at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for correspondence relating to the removal of the Post Master at Cow Bay, Cape Breton, together with all correspondence between the Post Office Department and all other parties touching the cause of his removal.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence relating to the dismissal of the Agent of the Government Savings Bank at Glace Bay, Cape Breton.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all papers and correspondence relating to the dismissal of *D. McDonald*, Post Master at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence relating to the dismissal of *James Corbell*, Post Master at Lorway Mines, Cape Breton County.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence touching the resignation of *J. Cadigan*, as Post Master at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence between the Post Office Department and all persons touching the Post Master and Post Office affairs at Victoria Mines, Cape Breton County, for the past three years.

Mr. *McKay* (Colchester)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence, memorials, reports or papers, connected with a Lease from the Government of Nova Scotia and from the Dominion Government to the Hon. *Alex. McFarlane*, of certain mud flats and oyster beds in the Counties of Colchester and Cumberland, with copies of said Leases; also, statement of the amount of rent received for said property by the Government.

Mr. *Domville*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any rails have been apportioned for the projected Railroad to start from St. Mary's, N.B., opposite Fredericton, passing through the Counties of Queen's and King's, and making connection with the Intercolonial Railway at some point between Hampton and Moncton; and, if so, how many tons have been promised?

Mr. *Aylmer*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return of ranks and names of all officers who have attended and taken long or short course certificates at the "A" or "B" Battery Schools of Gunnery; the corps to which they belonged with the dates of their appointments; their ranks and corps at present or the dates and resons for their retirement.

Mr. *Roy*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, for the future, to ask for tenders for the conveyance, between Kamouraska and the Railway Station at St. Paschal, of the Mail delivered at that station by the Express Train of the Intercolonial Railway?

Mr. *Ryan*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement shewing the number of Lots South of the Assiniboine River, in the Parish of Poplar Point, in the Province of Manitoba, for which Patents have been issued, or for which applications for Patents have been received, under the Manitoba Act or otherwise.

Mr. *Higinbotham*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to carry out the following recommendations concerning the Militia contained in the last Report of the Lieut.-General commanding:—

1st. To extend the period of annual drills to 28 days.

2nd. To establish three model training schools for Cavalry and Infantry.

3rd. To raise Brigades of Garrison Artillery at Quebec and Kingston and to reduce the Ottawa Brigade?

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, *on or after Monday, the* 11*th inst*:—

No. 34. To incorporate the Calais and St. Stephen Railway Bridge Company.

No. 18.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 18th February, 1878; for a copy of any Reports in possession of the Government made in 1877, by Admiral *De Horsey*, respecting the port or ports most suitable for a terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway in British Columbia, with a copy of any correspondence respecting the same with the Imperial Government.

Mr. *Jones* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 21st February, 1878; for the names of the Militiamen of 1812 and 1813, who died between the 1st March, 1876, and the 1st January, 1878.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *on Thursday next, viz:*—

By Mr. *Kirkpatrick:*—Bill No. 40 for the amendment of the Law of Evidence in certain cases of Misdemeanor.

By Mr. *Palmer:*—Bill No. 41 to amend the Law relating to Larceny of things attached to, or growing on land.

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

The House resumed the further adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion:—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply."

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Mousseau*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 A.M., until *to-morrow.*

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *McCraney*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to forward the Mails by the Hamilton and North Western Railway from Hamilton to Barrie; and if so, when ?

Mr. *Fiset*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of the Reports of the Engineers, Messrs. *Kingsford* and *E. Michaud*, on the survey of the Harbor of Bic.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Sir *Hugh Allan* and the Montreal Telegraph Company, in relation to the construction of a Telegraph Line between Matane and Fox River.

Mr. *Appleby*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce at an early day during the present Session of Parliament, a "Permissive Liquor Bill," applicable to all the Provinces of the Dominion, and somewhat similar in its nature to the "Dunkin Act," so called ?

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to grant extra postal service to the Districts of Lingan and Low Parish, in the County of Cape Breton ?

Mr. *Laurier*—On Thursday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend the Acts respecting Stamps on Bills and Notes."

Mr. *Pope* (Queens)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence and documents received by the Government from all sources relative to handing the Pictou Branch Railway over to a private Company.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to open the Welland Canal for navigation this spring at the usual time, or to delay the opening, and to what date ?

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to aid the Local Government of Nova Scotia, by money subsidy or otherwise, in extending a Railway through the Island of Cape Breton, to the same extent as they have aided Railway Extension between New Glasgow and the Straits of Canso in Nova Scotia proper ?

Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds)—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement of all sales or leases of the Islands in the River St. Lawrence lying between Brockville and Kingston, known as "The Thousand Islands," during the years 1874–5, 1875–6 and 1876–7; shewing what Islands or parts of Islands were sold or leased; names of said Islands; quantity of land in each sold or leased; time for such leases or sales to run; the names of purchasers or Lessees, with the amount to be paid *en bloc*, or per acre, for such purchase or leases.

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the Order or Orders in Council relative to the agreement or terms upon which the grant was made and the money expended upon the new Breakwater and Dredging at Collingwood Harbour in the Province of Ontario.

2. The Order or Orders in Council directing the discontinuance of said works or either of them.

3. The total amount expended on said work distinguishing the sum paid for, or in connection with the Breakwater from that (if any) expended on dredging.

4. The amount or refund received from the Town of Collingwood and the Northern Railway Company respectively, and the amount (if any) now on hand, to the credit of the said Town or the said Railway Company, on account of such work or works.

5. The petitions from the Town of Collingwood or from the Inhabitants thereof, or from others, praying for the completion of the said Works, to the Hon. the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, or the Hon. the Minister of Public Works.

6. All Reports of the Engineers of the Department of Public Works as to the probable cost of the said works, the progress made thereon, the probable cost of completing the same, and especially the Report or Reports of the inspections made during the years 1874 and 1877.

7. All correspondence between the authorities of the Corporation of the said Town and the Department of Public Works relating to the alleged non-fulfilment of the agreement to do the dredging at the said Harbour.

Mr. *Mills*—On Thursday next—That on Tuesday next The House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions :—

1. That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of any railway to be constructed under the provisions of the proposed Act of the present Session, intituled : " An Act to facilitate the Colonization of Dominion Lands, by providing for the incorporation of Railway Companies and aiding the construction of railways traversing such Lands," reserve every alternate section of ungranted land by odd numbers, to the extent of ten sections per mile, five sections per mile on each side of the line of the railway, exclusive of the sections which, under the Dominion Lands Act, may have been reserved as school sections or may have been allotted to the Hudson's Bay Company ; and for any line or part of a line of railway west of the 102nd meridian of west longitude twelve sections per mile, and for any line of railway connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway and extending into the Peace River District twenty sections per mile ; and that whenever twenty-five consecutive miles of any portion of any such railway shall have been completed, equipped and in operation, the Governor in Council may convey to the Company the land so reserved, or a part thereof, along the said railway so far as the same is completed, and that for each consecutive ten miles of the remainder of the railway, the Governor in Council may, as the same may be completed, convey the lands so reserved along nine miles thereof to the Company :

2. That should the Governor in Council deem it expedient, instead of lands being conveyed to the Company, the Company may be paid the moneys received from the sales of lands on the line of and within six miles of such railway, from time to time, until the Company shall have received a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars per mile, after which the Company's claims to any further aid from the sale of such lands shall cease ; Provided always, that not more than ninety per cent. of the value of the actual work done shall be paid out of the proceeds of any land sales until the road is finished and equipped and in operation, to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council : Provided also, that no agreement made by the Government with any Company, or any Order in Council promising aid under this Resolution or the preceding Resolution, shall be valid or binding until it shall have lain before the House of Commons for one month without being disapproved, unless sooner approved by a Resolution of the House.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Thursday next—BILL for the better auditing of the Public Accounts.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Managers of the Newsboys' Lodging and Industrial Home of Toronto; praying for certain amendments in the Criminal Law with reference to juvenile offenders.

Of *W. M. Blackwood* and others of Tatamagouche and vicinity, County of Colchester; and of *Alexander Steel* and others of Malagash and vicinity, County of Cumberland, Province of Nova Scotia; severally praying the Government to cancel the lease given to the Honorable *Alexander McFarlane* of certain oyster beds and mud flats at Back Bay, Tatamagouche.

Of *James W. Mack*, Chairman, on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Townships of Godmanchester and Elgin; praying for the adoption of such measures as will protect and secure the rights of the Indians of Two Mountains.

The Petition of *Benjamin Parkinson*, representing that he was honorably discharged in 1851, after 25 years of faithful service in Her Majesty's Army,—that he is now aged and infirm, and unable to support his family on his small pension, and praying for a grant of land, or a gratuity of money, being read;

And motion being made, that the said Petition be now received;

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

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

The Committee have examined the notices given on the Petition of "La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga," for the passing of an Act to change the said Society into a Loan and Investment Society; and for other purposes, and find them short in point of time, but as no private rights can be affected by the measure, other than those of the Petitioners, they therefore recommend that the notices be deemed sufficient.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow, viz*:—

By Mr. *Tupper*:—Bill No. 42 to amend an Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway," passed in the 39th year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*.

By Mr. *Laurier* :—Bill No. 43 further to amend the Acts, respecting Stamps on Bills and Notes.

By Mr. *Mills* :—Bill No. 44 to provide for the creation and registration of Homestead Exemption Estates in the territories of Canada.

A motion being made by Mr. *Mills*, that this House will, *on Tuesday next*, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions, providing for carrying out the provisions of the Bill of the present Session, No. 32 to facilitate the colonization of Dominion Lands, by providing for the incorporation of Railway Companies, and aiding the construction of Railways traversing such lands ;

Mr. *Mackenzie*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, acquainted The House, that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of the Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of The House.

Resolved, That this House will, *on Tuesday next*, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House resumed the further adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion :—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply."

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment, that all the words after the word "That" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof : it be *Resolved*, That this House is of opinion that the welfare of Canada requires the adoption of a National Policy, which by a judicious readjustment of the Tariff will benefit and foster the Agricultural, the Mining, the Manufacturing and other interests of the Dominion ; that such a Policy will retain in Canada thousands of our fellow countrymen, now obliged to expatriate themselves in search of the employment denied them at home, will restore prosperity to our struggling industries, now so sadly depressed, will prevent Canada from being made a sacrifice market, will encourage and develope an active interprovincial trade, and moving (as it ought to do) in the direction of a reciprocity of Tariffs with our neighbours, so far as the varied interests of Canada may demand, will greatly tend to procure for this Country eventually a reciprocity of Trade.

And a Debate arising thereon,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

FRIDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Dymond*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes to 1 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for statement shewing the total amount expended annually for the years 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876 and 1877, for the following purposes, viz:—

1st. Additions to and repairs to Rideau Hall;
2nd. Upon grounds, out-buildings and erections connected therewith;
3rd. Upon water-works, gas and fuel;
4th. Furniture of all kinds;
5th. Travelling expenses of the Governor General and suite;
6th. Amount of telegraph account;
7th. Also all and any other expenditures that may have been made from the Public Treasury for and in connection with Rideau Hall during said years.

Mr. *Irving*—On Monday next—BILL respecting the sale of Railway Passenger Tickets.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return shewing in detail all fees paid by the Department of Justice or by any other Department, or in connection with the Intercolonial Railroad, to Counsel and Attorneys in connection with any business before the Supreme Court since its formation, and the names of the Counsel and Attorneys and the several suits in respect of which such fees were paid.

Mr. *Cameron*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce during the present Session a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons; and if so, when such Bill will be introduced?

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba."

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to leave a Mail at Newcastle and Chatham Stations by the weekly train that carries the English Mail from Halifax to Montreal?

Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to amend during this Session the Law relating to the Inspection of Fish?

Mr. *Scriver*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to adopt measures to bring a uniform Copper currency into use in the Dominion?

Mr. *Laflamme*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act respecting the Maritime Court of Ontario."

Mr. *White* (Renfrew)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to lay before the House during the present Session an Order in Council granting a subsidy or bonus to the Canada Central Railway Company or any other Railway Company under the provisions of Section 14 of the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874?

Mr. *Dewdney*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence from whatever source which led to an investigation before Mr. Justice *Gray*, into accusations made against the Agent of Marine and Fisheries in British Columbia; also for the Report of Mr. Justice *Gray*, with the evidence taken at the Enquiry.

Mr. *Laurier*—On Tuesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE on a future day to consider the following Resolution:—

That it is expedient to repeal the duty of Customs imposed on Malt imported into Canada by the Act 40 *Vic.* Chap. 11, Sect. 2, and to provide that British and Foreign Malt when imported into Canada shall be immediately placed in a suitable bonding warehouse, provided at the cost of the importer, and approved as suitable for the purpose by a duly authorized revenue officer, and being so warehoused shall be bonded under the excise regulation then in force, in respect of Malt made in Canada, and shall be subject to the same restrictions, and when taken for consumption, shall be subject to the same duty as Malt made in Canada.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen praying Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to re-appoint His Excellency the Earl of Dufferin as Governor General of this Dominion, for another term, at the expiration of his present term of office as Governor General.

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to re-establish a tri-weekly Mail with Hockley Post Office; and if not, why not?

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the Order in Council, regulating and determining the rights, powers and duties imposed on the Harbour Master for the Port of Collingwood, and fixing his remuneration, and any other Order or Orders amending the same; and a statement shewing the moneys received by the Harbour Master of the said Port for the year ending on the 31st day of December last, and how much has been retained thereof, and how much paid over to the Receiver-General.

Mr. *MacDonnell*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all papers and correspondence between the Honorable the Minister of Public Works and Messrs. *Sumner* and *Somers*, Contractors for the construction of Section No. 12 of the Intercolonial Railroad; and also all reports and correspondence on the part of the Chief and Assistant Engineers in connection with the construction of said section, and the claims of said Messrs. *Sumner* and *Somers* therefor.

No. 20.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1878

5th Session, 3rd Parliament, 41 Victoria, 18

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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No. 21.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the First Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 12 to incorporate the "*Société de Construction Mutuelle*" under the name of the "*Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec*"; and for other purposes, *with amendments.*

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 25th February, 1878; of the expenses of the trip of His Excellency the Governor General to Manitoba, similar to that contained in the Public Accounts, with respect to His Excellency's trip to British Columbia.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion:—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,"—and the motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald* in amendment thereto, that all the words after the word "That" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof: "it be *Resolved*, That this House is of opinion that the welfare of "Canada requires the adoption of a National Policy, which by a judicious readjust-"ment of the Tariff will benefit and foster the Agricultural, the Mining, the "Manufacturing and other interests of the Dominion; that such a Policy will retain "in Canada thousands of our fellow countrymen, now obliged to expatriate "themselves in search of the employment denied them at home, will restore "prosperity to our struggling industries, now so sadly depressed, will prevent "Canada from being made a sacrifice market, will encourage and develope an "active interprovincial trade, and moving (as it ought to do) in the direction of "a reciprocity of Tariffs with our neighbours, so far as the varied interests of "Canada may demand, will greatly tend to procure for this Country eventually a "reciprocity of Trade."

At 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. 35 to amend an Act intituled: "An Act respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

(*The House then resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. Cartwright's proposed motion for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,—and the motion of Sir John A. Macdonald in amendment thereto.*)

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1878.

And the Debate still continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Palmer*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 10 minutes before 3 A.M., *until Monday next.*

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *McCraney*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to hand over the appropriation made for the education of the Indians in Ontario and the management of the Indian Schools to the Government of Ontario?

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Government or any official of the Department of Public Works or of the Intercolonial Railway and *Solomon Keiver*, in reference to a claim for the value of an ox killed ôn the Railway near Spring Hill Station; also, copies of all correspondence between the Public Works Department or any officer of the Intercolonial Railway and *Robert Boomer* of Brookfield, in the County of Colchester, in reference to a claim for the value of an ox killed on the Railway near Brookfield, in September, 1875; also, copies of all correspondence between the Public Works Department or any official of the Intercolonial Railway and *H. A. Davison* of Black River, in reference to a claim for a horse killed on the Railway in October last.

Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for statement of all rebate of duties on merchandize of any kind imported from the United States into the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec during the Fiscal years 1875 and 1876, and 1876 and 1877, up to 1st January, 1878; the names of parties to whom and the cause for which such rebate or rebates were made.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence between the Government or Public Works Department or any official of the Intercolonial Railway and *Alexander Forbes*, in relation to his claim for compensation for work performed by him on the Railway and losses sustained in connection with the execution of such services.

Mr. *Ryan*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to his Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Hudson's Bay Company relative to the claim of one *John Reid*, of the Parish of High Bluff, in the Province of Manitoba, to the south-east quarter of section nineteen, of Township Twelve, of Range Five, west of the Principal Meridian in the said Province, by reason of his settlement thereon under the homestead provisions of the Dominion Lands Acts; for which quarter-section a Patent is alleged to have been granted to the Hudson's Bay Company after the said *John Reid* had been actually settled thereon.

PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, *on or after Friday, the 15th instant:*—

No. 35. To amend an Act intituled: An Act respecting "*La Banque Jacques Cartier.*"

No. 21.

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No. 22.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 11TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Beauce, for the year 1877,—and in the County of Compton, for the year 1877.

Mr. *Smith* presented, —Return to the Order of The House of the 4th instant; for a Statement shewing the rivers at the present moment under lease, in the Counties of Rimouski, Gaspé and Bonaventure, and also those on the north coast of the St. Lawrence from the River Saguenay down to the Mingan Islands ; the year in which each of such rivers was leased, and for what length of time ; the name of the lessee, and the annual sum which he pays to the Government for his lease.

And,—Return to the Order of The House of the 4th instant ; for a complete copy of the Report of the Inspector of Fisheries for British Columbia for 1877, with a statement of the expenditure connected therewith.

Mr. *Burpee* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 20th February, 1878; for a copy of a Return shewing the nature and value of all manufactures and other articles exchanged between Canada and the Australian Colonies, from the 1st of July, 1876, up to the latest returns in possession of the Government, together with copies of the Tariffs of these Colonies and any other information in possession of the Government which may be useful in promoting the valuable trade springing up between us.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *E. H. Bisson*, M.P.P., and others, of Beauharnois ; and of the Reverend *James Fulton*, M.A., and others, of the Township of Franklin, County of Huntingdon ; severally praying for the adoption of such legislation as will secure the proper working of Railways in Canada, the construction of safe and suitable steam ferry-boats for crossing the River St. Lawrence in winter, and the carrying into operation of the railway from Montreal to the Province line *viâ* Caughnawaga in accordance with the Act passed in that behalf, which placed it under the control of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Of *A. Campbell* and others ; and of *John Leys* and others, policy holders in the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company ; severally praying that the Act 40 *Vic.*, Cap. 42, may be so amended as to exempt them from its operation, and to permit the said Company to carry on its business under the laws of Canada, as they did prior to the passing of said Act.

Of *James Goodwin* and others, Directors of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company; praying that the Act 40 *Vic.*, Cap. 42, may be so amended as to allow the said Company to transact new business in Canada without further deposit than that already made under the Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 48, to be held in accordance with the terms thereof.

Of *David D. Robertson*, Chairman on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Township of Hinchinbrook; of *William A. Johnston*, Chairman on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Townships of Hinchinbrook and Franklin; and of the Reverend *James Watson*, M.A., Chairman on behalf of a meeting of the inhabitants of the Village of Huntingdon; severally praying for the adoption of such measures as will protect and secure the rights of the Indians of Two Mountains.

Mr. *Dymond*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill No. 3 to provide that persons charged with common assault, shall be competent as witnesses in their own behalf, reported, that the Committee had carefully examined the different Clauses of the said Bill, and that they had expunged Clause 3, and substituted the following instead thereof:—

"3. Where another crime is charged, and the Court having power to try the "same, is of opinion at the close of the evidence for the prosecution that the only "case apparently made out is one for common assault, the defendant shall be a "competent witness on his own behalf, and his wife, or her husband if the "the defendant be a woman, shall be a competent witness on behalf of the "defendant in respect of the charge of common assault:—Provided that this section "shall not apply to cases tried without the intervention of a jury."

Mr. *Cartwright* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 4th instant; for copy of a Return showing the sums expended on Public Works chargeable to Income, during the fiscal years 1874-5, 1875-6, 1876-7, for which votes had been obtained in the Estimates of 1873-4; and also on Works chargeable to Capital.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *viz:*—

By Mr. *Irving:*—Bill No. 45 whereby judgments obtained against Railway Companies for debts incurred for working expenses, may be enforced by execution against Railway property; and to authorize the appointment of a Receiver and Manager in certain cases.—Second reading, *on Wednesday next.*

By Mr. *Mills:*—Bill No. 46 to amend the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba.—Second reading, *to-morrow.*

And:—Bill No. 47 to provide for the transfer of lands of estates, and interests in lands in the Territories of Canada, by registration of titles.—Second reading, *to-morrow.*

The Bill No. 12 to incorporate the "*Société de Construction Mutuelle*" under the name of the "*Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec,*" was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, *to-morrow.*

On motion of Mr. *Haggart*, the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill No. 15 to give jurisdiction to the Court of Queen's Bench of Ontario, to pay to *John Stewart*, of the City of Kingston, Surgeon, $1,000 deposited with his Election Petition, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, *viz:*—

By Mr. *Macmillan:*—Order of The House; for copies of all Specifications on which Tenders have been invited to construct the Canadian Pacific Telegraph from Lake Superior to Fort Edmonton; copies of all tenders; copies of all correspondence between the Government and persons tendering for the same; copies of all

contracts for the construction of the several portions thereof; also copies of all demands for extras and amounts paid pursuant to said demands in connection with building said Line of Telegraph.

By Mr. *Smith* (Selkirk) :—Order of The House ; for copy of a Report of Surveys or any examination made of the Saskatchewan River having in view the improvement of the navigation by removing the obstructions which now exist at the Coals Falls and other points between that place and the Grand Rapids.

Also :—Order of The House ; for copy of a Report of Surveys made of Lakes Manitoba and Winnipegoosis, the Waterhen River and Little Saskatchewan River.

By Mr. *Langevin* :—Order of The House ; for 1st. For copy of any complaint made in 1875 against *J. S. Vallée*, Esquire, Postmaster of Montmagny ; 2nd. Copy of the Enquête held in 1875 by Mr. *Achille Talbot*, Deputy Post Office Inspector, on said complaint ; 3rd. Copy of all correspondence to and from the Post Office Department on this subject ; 4th. Copy of the subsequent Enquête held in connection with the matter by *W. E. Sheppard*, Esquire, Inspector of Post Offices at Quebec.

By Mr. *DeCosmos* :—Order of The House ; for copies of Returns shewing :—

1. The amounts spent yearly since 1867 in the maintenance of Military Schools in the Province of New Brunswick.

2. The number of Candidates who have each year received 2nd Class Certificates and the amount or amounts of gratuity paid.

3. The number of passed Cadets who at the time of attending any school held at Fredericton, N.B., were students of the University of New Brunswick ; and whether exceptions were made in their favor as regards the hours of attendance at drill and instruction ; with a list of those who have held or now hold Commissions in the Active Militia in New Brunswick.

4. The number and names of all passed Cadets who have held and now hold Commissions in the Active Militia in New Brunswick, distinguishing between both.

Mr. *Dewdney* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency ; for a copy of all correspondence or Petitions with reference to the reduction of Telegraph charges in the Province of British Columbia.

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

By Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—Order of The House ; for copy of a Return shewing the amount expended upon and chargeable against Fort Francis Lock and works connected therewith, in each calendar year from the commencement of said works to 31st December, 1877, also the amount of work done and earth and rock excavated at said Lock in each of said years.

By Mr. *DeCosmos*—Order of The House ; for copy of a Return containing a complete copy of the Report or Reports of the Joint Indian Commission for adjusting the extent and boundaries of the Indian Reserves in British Columbia, with an account of the expenditure respecting the same, and accompanied with copies of any remonstrances of settlers against the decisions of the said Commissioners, and also a map shewing the reserves defined and settled by the said Commission.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, that an Order of The House do issue ; for copy of a Return containing a Report and Chart of the latest British Admiralty Survey of Portland Channel, the eastern water boundary between British Columbia and Alaska.

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

By Mr. *Langevin :*—Order of The House ; for copy of a Return giving : 1st A detailed statement of all sums of money received by *Pierre Alexis Tremblay*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, in connection with the Ordnance Lands in 1876 and 1877 ;

2nd. A statement shewing all the sums of money received during the said two years by *Dorila Tremblay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Portneuf, from the Department of Marine and Fisheries ;

3rd. A similar statement about *Hilaire Tremblay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Baie St. Paul ;

4th. A similar statement about *Thomas Tremblay*, for services rendered by him in the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in the Quebec Agency ;

5th. A similar statement about *William Tremblay*, for services rendered by him in the same Department, Quebec Agency ;

6th. A similar statement about *Simon Tremblay*, as mail carrier, from the St. Alphonse and Chicoutimi Wharves, to the Chicoutimi Post Office ;

7th. A similar statement about *Louis Guay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Tadousac ;

8th. A similar statement about *J. A. Gagné*, Esquire, Official Assignee at Chicoutimi, for services rendered by him in connection with the arrest of certain parties on the Island of Anticosti ;

9th. A similar statement about Mr. *Johnny Guay*, Merchant, of Chicoutimi, for services rendered by him in the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Quebec Agency, and in the Department of Public Works, in connection with the Lighthouses, Light-house Keepers, buoys, range-lights, and the Government wharves and slides in the Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay.

By Mr. *Tupper :*—Order of The House ; for copy of all correspondence respecting the removal of the Post Office at South Gut of St. Anns, County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

Also:—Order of The House ; for copies of all papers and correspondence regarding the conveyance of the mails between Port Hastings and Grand Narrows in Nova Scotia, shewing the amount of the contract and whether the lowest tender was awarded the contract ; also all subsequent correspondence regarding the changing of the route.

By Mr. *Pope* (Queen's, P.E.I.) :—Order of The House ; for a copy of the Government Engineer's Report on Victoria Harbour and Breakwater at Wolfe Island ; and copies of all communications received since last Session, relating to the said works.

Mr. *Domville* moved, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for copies of all correspondence between the Government, or any person connected with the Public Works or Railway Department, and any company or individual respecting the distribution or loan of old rails, not yet submitted to Parliament.

And a Debate arising thereon,—Mr. *Plumb* moved, that the Debate be adjourned ; which was negatived on a division.

And the question being put on Mr. *Domville's* motion ;—it was agreed to, and the Order of The House issued accordingly.

By Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton) :—Order of The House for copy of a Return of quantity of Iron Rails appropriated by Order in Council, shewing the Railway lines so assisted and the quantity allotted to each ; the conditions of transfer ; those complying therewith ; and the names of the Railways, if any, which have not fulfilled the conditions imposed, or have not applied for or received the quantities allotted them.

By Mr. *Fréchette :*—Order of The House ; for copies of all correspondence relative to the pensions paid to the Square Timber Cullers dismissed last year.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Haggart*—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Controverted Elections Act, 1874.

Mr. *Bourbeau*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to transfer the Post Office of Chester East, County of Arthabaska, to the Village of Chester East; if not, whether it is their intention to establish a Post Office in said Village?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the whole or any portion of the following Telegraphic Report which appeared in the Toronto *Globe* of 8th March be true:—

"[*By Telegraph from our own Correspondent.*]

"WINNIPEG, Man., March 7.—The St. Paul *Pioneer Press* states editorially that the purchasers of the bonds of the St. Paul and Pacific Railway, are Messrs. *Hill* and *Kittson*, associated with Mr. *Stephens*, of the Bank of Montreal, and Mr. *Donald A. Smith*. It asserts that, through the influence of the latter, the support and co-operation of the Dominion Government have been obtained in the adjustment of their connections with the Railway system of Manitoba.

"It affirms also that they have, in fact, effected a lease on favorable terms of the Pembina Branch, and that this intimate alliance furnishes an ample guarantee that it will be forever free of the competition of the Chicago lines."

The article concludes:—"It is deemed proper to make public these facts to disabuse antagonist parties of misapprehensions which may lead to a useless waste of valuable time."

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—When the Government intend to compensate the owners of lands taken by the Government at the crossing of the Red River by the Canada Pacific Railway?

Mr. *Rochester*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council relating to the recent seizure of Mr. *J. K. Boswell's* Brewery, in the City of Quebec, and to the imposition of certain fines and penalties in connection therewith; also copies of all correspondence between the Department and others, relating to said matters; and also a copy of all Reports made by officers of the Department sent down from Ottawa to Quebec to investigate the same.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all Orders in Council not yet brought down, fixing the route—

1st. Of the extension of the Canada Central Railway;

2nd. Of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, an amendment to 40 *Vic.*, chap. 16, for the purpose of increasing the pay of the Cullers in any of the Departments of the Supervisor's Office?

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement shewing:

1. The amount of the Loan of 1876, and the amount actually received therefor;

2. The names of the persons, co-partnerships and corporations who tendered for the said Loan, or any part thereof, with the amount tendered for respectively;

3. The names of those whose tenders were accepted and the amount for which they were so accepted;

4. A statement shewing when and how the amount of said Loan was received, and whether allottees or any of them, and if any of them, which of them, availed themselves of the privilege of pre-payment, and if so, whether they were allowed interest or discount thereon and the total amount of such discount;

5. The amount of interest accrued or accruing on said stock allowed to the said allottees respectively, as against the amount payable to them respectively;

6. The item of Commission, &c., of and incident to the said Loan in detail, and to whom paid;

7. The rate of interest payable by the Dominion on the said Loan, regard being had to the amount actually received and the period it has to run.

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for the return of the original papers made and signed by the Deputy Heads of the different Public Departments purporting to be made in obedience to the Order of this House of the fifth day of March, 1877, as follows: "The names of persons appointed to office between the 1st of January and the 7th of November, 1873, the names of the officials whose salaries were increased during the same period; the names of those so appointed whose appointments were cancelled subsequent to the 7th of November. A statement shewing whether the positions which were filled up by those whose appointments were cancelled have remained unfilled or have been since filled up—and if so when and by whom—and whether the salaries of those officials which were increased during the period named have been since reduced or increased, and shewing the reduction or increase in each office respectively."

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 11 to reduce the Capital Stock of the Merchants Bank of Canada, *with amendments*.

On motion of Mr. *Laurier*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, *on Thursday next*, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the duty of Customs imposed on Malt imported into Canada by the Act 40 *Vic.*, Chap. 11, Sect. 2, and to provide that British and Foreign Malt when imported into Canada shall be immediately placed in a suitable bonding warehouse, provided at the cost of the importer, and approved as suitable for the purpose by a duly authorized Revenue officer, and being so warehoused shall be bonded under the Excise regulation then in force, in respect of Malt made in Canada, and shall be subject to the same restrictions, and when taken for consumption, shall be subject to the same duty as Malt made in Canada.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion :— "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,"—and the motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald* in amendment thereto, that all the words after the word "That" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof : "it be *Resolved*, That this House is of opinion that the welfare of "Canada requires the adoption of a National Policy, which by a judicious readjust- "ment of the Tariff will benefit and foster the Agricultural, the Mining, the "Manufacturing and other interests of the Dominion ; that such a Policy will retain "in Canada thousands of our fellow countrymen, now obliged to expatriate "themselves in search of the employment denied them at home, will restore "prosperity to our struggling industries, now so sadly depressed, will prevent "Canada from being made a sacrifice market, will encourage and develope an "active interprovincial trade, and moving (as it ought to do) in the direction of "a reciprocity of Tariffs with our neighbours, so far as the varied interests of "Canada may demand, will greatly tend to procure for this Country eventually a "reciprocity of Trade."

And The House having continued to sit until 12½ of the clock, midnight ;

WEDNESDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1878.

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment,—it was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Benoit,
Blanchet,
Bolduc,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Brown,
Bunster,
Cameron,
Caron,
Cimon,
Colby,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
DeCosmos,
Desjardins,
Dewdney,
Domville,
Donahue,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Haggart,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Masson,
Methot,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,
Orton,
Ouimet,
Palmer,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*)
Robillard,
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Rouleau,
Roy,
Ryan,
Schultz,
Short,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Wright (*Ottawa*),
Wright (*Pontiac*).—77.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Aylmer,
Bain,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
McIntyre
McIsaac,
McNab,
Malouin,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Pouliot,
Power,
Ray,
Richard,
Roscoe,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,

Cheval,	Laflamme,	Skinner,
Christie,	Lajoie,	Smith (*Peel*),
Church,	Landerkin,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Cockburn,	Langlois,	Snider,
Coffin,	Laurier,	St. Jean,
Cook,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Taschereau,
Davies,	MacDonnell (*Inverness*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Dawson,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Thomson (*Welland*),
De St. Georges,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Trow,
DeVeber,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Wallace (*Albert*),
Dymond,	Mackenzie,	Wood,
Ferris,	McCraney,	Yeo,
Fiset,	McGregor,	Young.—114.

And the question being then put on the main motion,—it was agreed to, and The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

3. To defray the salaries of the Department of the Queen's Privy Council of Canada..... $15,300 00

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again, *to-morrow*.

Mr. *Mills* laid before The House,—Copy of Ordinances made by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Council of the North West Territories, on the 22nd March, 1877, submitted for the information of the Honorable, the House of Commons, as directed by Section 7, Sub-Section 3 of " The North West Territories Act, 1877."

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes before 4 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *McCraney*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to hand over the appropriation made for the education of the Indians of Ontario and the management of the Indian Schools to the Government of Ontario?

Mr. *Laurier*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled: "An Act respecting the duty on Malt."

Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a copy of the Report of Exploration made by Mr. *Bell*, C.E., on the proposed route of the Canada Pacific Railway from Nipigon to the junction with the Thunder Bay or Kaministiquia Branch of the said Railway.

Mr. *Rochester*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government, or the Minister of Justice, and the creditors of one *Olivier Latour*, or any of them, or any persons on their behalf, in relation to the forfeiture of its Charter by La Banque Nationale by reason of its illegally trading in Lumber and in the manufacture and sale of Square Timber and Saw Logs, and the produce thereof, and in other goods, chattels and merchandize, in violation of the Banking Act, to the prejudice of other banking institutions, the Lumber Trade and the said creditors.

Also, for copies of all contracts, depositions, statements and writings submitted to the Government, or to the Minister of Justice, evidencing said (illegal) trading, and also copies of the opinion of the ex-Minister of Justice and the present Minister of Justice thereon, and of all Orders in Council having reference to said illegal act of said Bank.

And also, for copies of the registered Timber Trade Mark of the said Bank, as registered in the office of the Minister of Agriculture, and of all papers and documents in said office relating thereto.

And also, for copies of all correspondence between the said Bank, or any of its officers, and the Government, or any member thereof, with reference to said alleged violation and forfeiting of its Charter by said Bank.

Mr. *Laflamme*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled: "An Act respecting the offices of Receiver General and Attorney General of Canada."

Mr. *Plumb*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether an Order in Council has been recently made allowing the Canada Vine Growers Association to manufacture eighty thousand gallons, or any greater or less quantity, of wine or products of the grape free of Excise Duty; and, if so, when was the Order made, for what quantity and under what conditions?

Mr. *Greenway*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence or petitions with reference to transferring the Mails on the London, Huron and Bruce Railway.

No. 23

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 18th February, 1878; for Returns of all Reports, Surveys, Maps, Estimates, Correspondence and other details in possession of the Government in connection with the projected Harbor on Lake Erie, near the Village of Morpeth, in the County of Kent, together with a detailed statement of the expenditure incurred on account of that proposed work since 3rd April, 1876.

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 4th instant; for copies of all papers and correspondence in connection with the changing of the Post Office at the Port of New Campbellton, to a Way office, and the reduction of the salary of the Postmaster; also a statement shewing the amount of Postage Stamps disposed of by the several Post and Way offices during the year 1876 and the year 1877, in the County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the First Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 9 to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, *with amendments*.

The following Orders of The House were issued to the proper officer, *viz* :—

By Mr. *Cheval* :—Order of The House; for a Return shewing the amount expended for the re-measurement of steam vessels registered under the Act of the late Province of Canada, now repealed; the names of the steam vessels; their tonnage; the amount paid, and to whom the said vessels belonged.

By Mr. *Goudge* :—Order of The House; for a Return of all expenditure for repairs and additions incurred by the Intercolonial Railway Department on the Tupper House, Hollis Street, Halifax, used as a Ticket Office for that Department.

By Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo) :—Order of The House; for a copy of all Reports of Mr. *Joseph Hunter*, C.E., in regard to the Survey made by him in 1877 of the pass known as the Pine River Pass in the Rocky Mountains.

By Mr. *McQuade* :—Order of The House; for Returns of the value of meat, green, dried, cured or potted, imported into Canada from the United States, and the duty collected on such, from 1st January, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

Mr. *Fréchette* moved, that a Select Committee composed of Messrs. *Jetté, Taschereau, Baby, Mousseau, Casey, Béchard* and the mover be appointed to enquire as to the best means of securing a better French translation of " The British North America Act, 1867."

And a Debate arising thereon ;

At 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. 12 to incorporate the " *Société de Construction Mutuelle* " under the name of the " *Société de Prêts et Placements de Québec,*" and for other purposes, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 11 to reduce the Capital Stock of the Merchants Bank of Canada, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

(*Public Bills under Rule* 19.)

The Bill No. 3 to provide that persons charged with common assault shall be competent as witnesses in their own behalf, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, *on Monday next.*

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Langevin's* proposed motion " that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of a " Return shewing: 1st. The amounts of the six lowest tenders received in September " or October, 1873, for Sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 of the new Welland Canal, " together with the names of tenderers; 2nd. The amounts of the six lowest " tenderers for the same Sections, received in 1874, together with the names of the " tenderers; 3rd. The names of the tenderers to whom these Sections were " awarded; 4th. Copies of the Orders in Council awarding such Sections; 5th. " Copy of all Correspondence relating to such award."

And a further Debate arising thereon,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew), adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE—That the Clerk do lay on the Table a statement shewing the ages, names, present salaries and length of service of each officer and permanent Clerk in his Department; also, the ages, names and salaries or daily pay, with date of employment and date when pay commenced, of the Sessional or Extra Clerks at present employed in the service of the House; also, a statement by the Sergeant at Arms shewing the ages, names, salaries or daily pay and length of service of Messengers and others in his Department, whether employed permanently or otherwise.

Sir *John Macdonald*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any agreement or arrangement has been made with or on behalf of the Government of Quebec for the purchase or assumption of the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railroad by the Dominion Government; or whether there is any negociation pending as to the purchase or acquiring thereof?

Mr. *Ford Jones* (South Leeds)—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return of all "Railway Plant," "Machinery," "Tools," "Implements" and "Merchandize" imported in Bond for use by contractors or others on the Welland Canal improvements at the ports of "Port Colborne, Clifton, Suspension Bridge and St. Catherines," from 1st July, 1874, to 1st January, 1878.

Mr. *Fréchette*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence in relation to the construction of a bridge on the River Chaudière, in the County of Lévis.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Toronto)—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY Whether it is the intention of the Government to continue the work of deepening the Toronto Harbour; also, whether they purpose taking steps to arrest the continued waste of the Island, the preservation of which is so essential to the safety of the Harbour?

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for correspondence and petitions in the hands of the Government respecting the use of Trawls by Foreigners off the coasts of Nova Scotia.

No. 24.

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No. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 14TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Messrs. *W. B. King & Co.*, and others, of the Town of Saint Stephen, County of Charlotte, Province of New Brunswick; setting forth that the erection of a Railway Bridge across the St. Croix River at St. Stephen, would be injurious to the interests of the said Town, and praying that in the event of its being constructed, it may be built above the business portion of the said Town, instead of below, as now proposed.

Of the Reverend *E. Blyth*, Curé, and others, of Ste. Martine,—and of the Reverend *W. Seers*, Curé, and others, of Ste. Jean Chrysostôme; both praying for the adoption of such legislation, as will secure the proper working of Railways in Canada, the construction of safe and suitable Steam ferry boats for crossing the River St. Lawrence in winter, and the carrying into operation of the Railway from Montreal to the Province Line *via* Caughnawaga, in accordance with the Act passed in that behalf, which placed it under the control of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

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

Return to Address,—Reports by Admiral *De Horsey*, respecting Ports suitable for a terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway in British Columbia; and correspondence with the Imperial Government.

Return to Order,—Report of the late Mr. *Hazlewood*, C.E., on the approximate cost of the Fort Francis Locks.

Return to Order,—Expenses of the trip of His Excellency the Governor General to Manitoba, similar to that contained in the Public Accounts, with respect to His Excellency's trip to British Columbia.

Return to Order,—Shewing the objects and expenses incurred by each of the Special Committees appointed by the House of Commons during the past four years, with the names of persons who received payment as witnesses or otherwise, and the amounts received by each. (*Each year's recapitulation only to be printed.*)

Return to Order,—Shewing the nature and value of all manufactures and other articles exchanged between Canada and the Australian Colonies, from 1st July, 1876, together with copies of the Tariffs of those Colonies, &c.

Return to Orders,—Shewing the sums expended on Public Works chargeable to Income, in 1874–5, 1875–6, and 1876–7, for which votes had been obtained in the Estimates of 1873–4, and also on Works chargeable to Capital.

Copy of Ordinances made by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Council of the North-West Territories, on the 22nd March, 1877.

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

Petitions of the Rev. *J. Dequois*, and others; praying for the adoption of such legislation as may be necessary to secure the more perfect working of Railways in Canada, &c.

Return to Order,—Statement shewing the particulars of all amounts in addition to Salary paid to any General or Departmental Officer of the Intercolonial Railway during the year 1876.

Return to Order,—Shewing the expenditure during the last two years, ending January 31st, 1877, for carpets, furniture, &c., for the General Offices of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton.

General Rules of the Maritime Court of Ontario:—Also Tariff of Suitors' Fees.

Return to Order,—Shewing the quantity and quality, &c., of lumber supplied by Mr. *Adolphe Gagnon* for each of the Piers at Baie St. Paul, Malbaie, and Eboulements, and the price paid during 1875-6.

Return to Order,—Shewing the respective sums of money paid to the Government of British Columbia in accordance with Sec. 2, Cap. 17, 37 *Vic.*

Return to Order,—Names of the Militiamen of 1812 and 1813 who died between the 1st March, 1876, and 1st January, 1878.

Return to Order,—Statement shewing the rivers under lease, in the Counties of Rimouski, Gaspé and Bonaventure, and also those on the north coast of the St. Lawrence from the River Saguenay down to the Mingan Islands, &c.

Return to Order,—Report of the Inspector of Fisheries for British Columbia for 1877, with statement of the expenditure connected therewith.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

III. Civil Government.—(*Continued.*)

The Salaries of the Staff of the following Departments and Offices:—

4	The Department of Justice		$11,700 00
5	do	do Penitentiary Branch	3,900 00
7	do	Secretary of State	35,120 00
8	do	Minister of the Interior	45,720 00
9	do	Receiver-General	20,180 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

Friday, 15th March, 1878.

The following Resolution was adopted:—

10	The Department of Finance	$51,100 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next meeting of The House, *this day*.

The House then adjourned at 10 minutes after 12 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Béchard*, seconded by Mr. *Bourassa*,—On the motion to go again into Committee of Supply.—The following amendment:—That a large quantity of Corn, Oats, Barley, Peas, Beans and Rye having been imported into Canada within the last few years, this House is of opinion that the interests of Canadian farmers would be promoted by the imposition of a duty upon the importation of those products.

Mr. *Davis*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Imperial and Dominion Governments in relation to the appointment of a Wreck Commissioner for the Dominion.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a copy of Return of Expenditure, in detail, of money expended on the Breakwater at Cow Bay, for the year 1877, giving the names of all persons who performed any work on that Breakwater, stating the amount of wages paid each person per day; also the quantity of timber purchased, and the price paid for it, and to whom; also salary, commission, or wages of Superintendent of Work, and vouchers of payment.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—BILL to amend the Canada Pacific Railway Act of 1874.

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No. 26.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 15TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Supplementary Return to Address of the 18th February, 1878; for a copy of any Reports in possession of the Government made in 1877 by Admiral *De Horsey*, respecting the port or ports most suitable for a terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway in British Columbia, with a copy of any correspondence respecting the same with the Imperial Government.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House of the 4th instant; for copy of the Report of the survey of the Harbour of Lingan, Cape Breton, and copies of all correspondence between the Minister of Public Works and any other person relating to the same.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House of the 4th instant; for a Return shewing the names of all the Cadets that have been admitted at the Military College, Kingston, from the opening of said College, and giving the names of those that are now following the courses of that institution.

Also,—Return to the Order of The House of the 25th February, 1878; for a Statement of the number of miles of the Intercolonial operated on 1st July, 1873, and the cost of operating the same; also a similar statement for the years beginning 1st July, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877.

And,—Return to the Order of The House of the 20th February, 1878; for a Return shewing the sums expended for repairs to military forts at Lévis, since last Session; the names and wages of the workmen, and the amount paid to each of them; the amount of all accounts for materials, and charges for commission, with the names of parties to whom such payments have been made; Also the amount and description of work given out by contract, with the names of the parties tendering, and of the contractors.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz :—*

No. 8. To authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock and for other purposes.

No. 10. To authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

No. 16. To incorporate "The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company."

No. 21. Further to amend the Charter of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company;

—and

No. 22. Respecting the Bank of Liverpool.

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

The Committee have re-examined the notices given on the Petition of "*La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga*," for the passing of an Act to change the Society into a Loan and Investment Society, and for other purposes, and find them short in point of time, but as no private rights can be affected by the measure, other than those of the Petitioners, they therefore recommend that the notices be deemed sufficient, and that the 49th Rule be suspended.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.*:—

No. 26. Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.
No. 27. Respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada;—and
No. 28. To revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, Rule 49 of this House was suspended, in relation to a Bill to incorporate "*La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga*," as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. *Baby* then introduced the said Bill (No. 48), which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *on Monday next*.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

III. Civil Government.—(*Continued.*)

The Salaries of the Staff of the following Departments and Offices:—

11	The Department of Customs		$29,200 00
12	do	Inland Revenue	26,767 50
13	do	Public Works	49,780 00

At six o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and left it, 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. 49, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec," to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

On motion of Mr. *Wood*, the said Bill was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *on Monday next*.

(*The Committee of Supply resumed.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

III. Civil Government.—(*Concluded.*)

14	Post Office Department		$87,850 00
15	Department of Agriculture		29,340 00
16	do	Marine and Fisheries	26,000 00

17	Treasury Board Office	$ 4,100 00
18	Departmental Contingencies	159,000 00
19	Stationery Office for Stationery	13,000 00
20	To meet the possible amount required for new appointments by an extension of the Staff, or any other change	10,000 00

IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

21	Miscellaneous Justice, North-West Territories	$20,000 00
22	Travelling Expenses of Stipendiary Magistrates in North-West Territories	4,500 00
23	Circuit Allowances, British Columbia	15,000 00
24	do Manitoba	1,500 00
25	Precis Writer of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	1,900 00
26	Clerk of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	475 00
27	Senior Messenger of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	500 00
28	Second Messenger of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	360 00
29	Contingencies and Disbursements, including printing, binding and distributing Reports, Judges' travelling expenses; also salaries of Officers (Sheriff, Usher, &c.,) in the Supreme and Exchequer Courts of Canada, and $150 for books for Judges	7,000 00
30	Sundry Disbursements connected with the Maritime Court of Ontario, Seals for Court, Judges' travelling expenses, Law Stamps, Court Books	500 00
31	Salary of Registrar of Vice-Admiralty Court, Quebec	666 66
32	Salary of Marshal of Vice-Admiralty Court, Quebec	333 34
33	For the salary of one County Court Judge, to provide, if necessary, for the vacancy created by the death of the late A. T. Bushby, Esq.	2,425 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1878.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

V.—POLICE.

34	Dominion Police	$11,000 00

VI.—PENITENTIARIES.

35	Kingston Penitentiary	130,646 52

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, *on Monday next.*

The House then adjourned at 1.15 A.M., *until Monday next.*

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew)—In COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE on Bill (No. 9) "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation o the said Companies,"—and on the reception of the Report of the said Committee—The following amendments:—

1st. In clause 6, line 32, the erasure of the words "five hundred" and the substitution of the words "seven hundred and fifty."

2nd. The insertion in clause 8, line 10, after the word "issued," of the words "save and except in the case of the stock now held by the Townships of Admaston and Horton and the Village of Renfrew, or to which the said Corporations are entitled, which is to be converted into stock of the amalgamated Company, at its par value."

3rd. The substitution of the words "seven hundred and fifty" for the words "five hundred," in clause 8, line 14.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—In what newspapers were advertisements placed asking for tenders for transportation of Rails from Duluth to Manitoba?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all communications to the Dominion Government, or to the Minister of Public Works, relative to American Railway connections with the Pembina Branch of the Canada Pacific Railroad; and copies of all correspondence between *George Stephen*, of Montreal, and the Dominion Government on the same subject.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any and how much money has been returned to the Public Treasury on account of overcharges in the price paid for the Neebing Hotel; and when such repayment, if any, was made?

Mr. *McKay* (Colchester)—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Correspondence, Reports and Memorials in reference to the change of Mail route between Great Village and Five Islands *vid* Portapique Mountain in the County of Colchester.

Mr. *McKay* (Colchester)—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Correspondence, Reports and Memorials in reference to increased Mail accommodation from Brookfield to Upper Stewiacke in the County of Colchester.

Mr. *Roy*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for a Statement shewing the names of the Valuators employed on the line of the Intercolonial Railway, in the Counties of Temiscouata and Rimouski for the purchase of lands, the assessment of damages, &c., &c.; the period of time during which such Valuators were employed and the salary paid to each of them in the several cases.

Also, a list of all claims made upon the Government for damages caused by the expropriation of lands and the passing of the said Line of Railway through the said Counties, the amount allowed by the said Valuators upon each of the said claims with the names of the persons who have accepted the amounts offered, and of those who refused the same, from the 30th June, 1876, up to this date.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Tuesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution: – That it is expedient to repeal Section 23 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876" as respects all Ships in Canadian Waters, from and after the time which may be fixed for that purpose by the proclamation of the approval and confirmation by Her Majesty in Council of the Act to be passed for effecting such repeal.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Tuesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution :—That it is expedient to provide that so much of the Act of the Parliament of Canada, passed in the thirty-sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign and intituled: "*An Act respecting Deck Loads*," as would make it unlawful for any master of a ship, at certain seasons to carry live stock, on or above any part of the upper deck of such ship be repealed; and that the words "any cargo of any description to any height exceeding three feet above deck," in the second section of the said Act shall not include or apply to live stock.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns o Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Arthabaska*, *Chicoutimi*, *Kamouraska*, *Montmagny*, *Quebec*, *Richelieu*, and *Saguenay*, severally for the year 1877.

And,—List of Stockholders of the *Union Bank* of *Lower Canada*, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the East Elgin District Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars ; praying for certain Amendments to the Temperance Act of 1864.

Of La Banque Jacques Cartier ; praying that they may be heard by Counsel either before the House or any Committee or Sub-Committee thereof, in opposition to the passing of the Bill respecting La Banque Jacques Cartier.

Of *A. F. Banks* and others, Policy-holders in the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company ; praying that the Act 40 Vic., Chap. 42, may be so amended as to exempt them from its operation, and to permit the said Company to carry on its business under the laws of Canada, as they did prior to the passing of said Act.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,--Return to Address of the 18th February, 1878 ; for copies of all Orders or Minutes of Council and all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and other correspondence not already brought down relating to any Amnesty, partial or complete, to Mr. *W. B. O'Donohue.*

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That at 6 o'clock P.M. this day, this House do stand adjourned until, *to-morrow.*

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow, viz. :—*

By Mr. *Laflamme :*—Bill No. 50 respecting the Maritime Court of Ontario.

Also :—Bill No. 51 respecting the offices of Receiver General and Attorney General of Canada,—and

By Mr. *Mackenzie :*—Bill No. 52 to amend the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the Third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, *was concurred in.*

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, *to-morrow, viz.* :—

No. 8. To authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

No. 10. To authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

No. 16. To incorporate "The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company."

No. 21. Further to amend the Charter of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company.

No. 22. Respecting the Bank of Liverpool.

The Bill No. 28 to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 48 to incorporate "*La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga,*" as a permanent Building Society; and for other purposes, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Bill from the Senate, No. 49, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Fréchette*, an Order of The House to the proper officer was issued, for copies of all Tenders for the construction of the platform for the gun of No. 1 Fort, at Lévis.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, That the Government insert a clause in each and every contract let for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, that no man wearing his hair longer than five and one-half inches shall be deemed eligible for employment on said work, and that no person wearing his hair longer shall be eligible to any contract on said Railroad, either by the Engineers, Employés or any other person or persons so engaged on the said Railroad, under a penalty for the first offence of one hundred dollars, and not to exceed one thousand dollars for the second offence, or imprisonment for the first offence for three months, and not more than twelve months for the second offence; which was negatived on a division.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of all correspondence not now in the possession of Parliament respecting the pensions for Public Officers, who were in the service of British Columbia at the date of Union, 1871.

On motion of Mr. *Blanchet*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a statement shewing the names of the parties who tendered for the works now being constructed under the control of the Quebec Harbor Trust on the River St. Charles at Quebec, with the amount of each tender and the names of the several sureties; also the name of the person or persons who, individually or as partners, were awarded contracts for the said several works.

On motion of Mr. *Flynn*, an Order of The House to the proper officer was issued, for copies of all correspondence, papers and Reports in connection with the Grand River Falls, in the County of Richmond.

Mr. *Thomson* (Welland) moved, that this House will, *on Wednesday next*, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That experience shews that during the past forty years the business and industries of the people of Canada and of the United States have, in times undis-

turbed by war or pestilence, been paralysed by sudden, ruinous and occasionally long continued depressions and stagnations, and that each such crisis, aided by the steady products of agriculture, has passed away, and fresh activity and enterprise been developed; and that hitherto no effectual means have been adopted to prevent the recurrence of the wide-spread ruin and misery which always characterizes such crises.

2. *Resolved*, That it is not correct, though often asserted as being so, that over-trading, over-manufacturing and personal extravagance are the causes of these crises, the fact being that the cause must be sought for at the root of the system under which the industries, Agricultural, Mechanical, Commercial and Mercantile move, and not from the outcropping of an imperfect system, and that as a rule the imperfect being generally the source of imperfection, it is evident that a new system is needed, by which aid would be extended to the agricultural industry especially; it, and it only being the underlying perpetuator of national and individual life and prosperity.

3. *Resolved*, That as mechanical science has within the same period of forty years in a great measure supplanted manual labour, it is probable that a monetary system which sufficed for the former processes of industry, is inadequate to meet the demands of like processes, stimulated by machinery and steam power; and that it may fairly be concluded that from that circumstance results the want of harmony of system which produce those great catastrophes called panics or periodical depressions, which are always fraught with ruin to families and communities.

4. *Resolved*, That as the banking and currency system now in force in the country is of a purely commercial character and only sufficient for mercantile transactions; as the only method by which farmers can obtain money is by mortgaging their farms at high rates of interest, generally resulting in ruin to the farmer, as experience has amply proved that no legitimate industry, agricultural, mechanical or commercial, can escape ultimate failure when money is the article of the first and highest profit, it is expedient that a system of agricultural banking should be created to ensure money aid to farmers at a low rate of interest, and upon a system mor adapted to the needs of agriculture than that forming the basis of the present mercantile system of banking.

5. *Resolved*, That to obtain this object a measure should be passed by the Parliament of Canada, to be called the General Agricultural Banking Act, embodying the provisions set forth in the following Resolutions:

6. *Resolved*, That an Agricultural Bank, distinguished by the name of the County, may be established in each County in Canada; that the capital stock of each such Bank shall be at least five hundred thousand dollars, in shares of twenty-five dollars each, and that the whole of the said capital stock shall be paid up before any banking business is commenced.

7. *Resolved*, That so soon as the said capital is paid up in full the same shall be deposited with the Government of Canada, who shall give to the Bank in exchange, free of charge, an equivalent amount of Dominion notes, each of which notes shall be stamped with a distinctive mark denoting the Agricultural Bank to which it has been issued; that upon such capital so deposited interest shall be paid by the Government to the Bank at the rate of 3 per cent per annum, but that such interest shall only be payable for such time as the Dominion notes given in exchange for the said capital continue unredeemed; and that such interest shall be calculated from time to time as the said Dominion notes are redeemed by the Government.

8. *Resolved*, That all deposits made with the Bank, except, only Dominion notes bearing its own distinctive mark, shall in like manner once in each week be deposited with the Government, which, as in the case of the deposit of the capital stock, shall return to the Bank an equivalent amount of Dominion notes; and such deposits with the Government shall bear the same interest with the same conditions as the capital stock, save and except that arrangements may be made between Agricultural Banks for the mutual exchange of Dominion notes received on deposit and bearing the distinctive marks of any of such Banks so entering into such arrangement.

9. *Resolved*, That the Bank shall issue no note or bill of its own.

10. *Resolved*, That the Bank shall lend to farmers only, and for purposes of the farm only on credits not exceeding one year.

11. *Resolved*, That the Bank shall not lend on the security of real estate, nor discount any note, nor hold any real estate, except only the premises actually required for its occupation; but that the Bank may lend upon open account, with the security of two approved bondsmen, charging interest at not more than 5 per cent. on all moneys as withdrawn from the Bank by the borrower; that borrowers and depositors with the Bank shall be allowed interest at the rate of 3 per cent. on all balances at their credit, calculated from time to time as deposits are made or amounts withdrawn; that once in each year, or upon the final closing of the accounts, every account shall be balanced and a commission of 1 per cent. on the debits of the account current shall be charged the borrower or depositor towards defraying the expenses of the Banking office.

12. *Resolved*, That the Bank may declare dividends out of its earnings at a rate not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum on its capital, and that any earnings over and above the amount sufficient to pay such dividend shall be applied as follows:—1st, in laying aside a sum not exceeding 10 per cent. upon the capital stock as a rest or reserve to equalize dividends in succeeding years; and 2nd, to reduce the rate of interest to borrowers in succeeding years to as low a point as will ensure the dividend of 5 per cent. hereinbefore specified; but that under no circumstance shall the Bank charge a higher rate of interest than 5 per cent.

13. *Resolved*, That possession of shares in the capital stock of the Bank shall be evidenced by the possession of certificates of shares, which shall be transferable from one person to another without endorsement or transfer noted in the books of the Bank; and that for the purpose of exercising the right to vote, each shareholder shall deposit the shares which he holds at the Bank at least one week previous to the general or special meeting at which the votes are to be given.

14. *Resolved*, That the affairs of the Bank shall be administered by a Board of Directors not less than five nor more than fifteen in number, who shall be elected by the votes of the majority of the shareholders present at the annual general meeting, each share entitling the holder thereof to one vote; that the qualification of a Director shall be the holding of forty shares in the capital stock of the Bank deposited with the Bank, as in the next preceding resolution specified, at least one week before the day of election; that during the continuance in office of the Director the said amount of shares shall remain deposited with the Bank, and if the same are withdrawn by him previous to the expiry of his term of office he shall *ipso facto* cease to be a Director; that the Directors shall have power to fill vacancies as they arise, and that the Directors, as soon as may be after their election, shall proceed to the election of one of their number to be the President of the Bank.

15. *Resolved*, That the Bank shall make monthly returns to the Government in such form as shall be prescribed by the Governor in Council, which returns shall be signed by the President and principal officer of the Bank.

16. *Resolved*, That no dividend shall be made so as to impair the capital stock of the Bank; and, if the same be done, that the Directors knowing and wilfully concurring therein shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount thereof.

17. *Resolved*, That if any Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Manager, Clerk or Servant of the Bank, secretes, embezzles or absconds with any Bond, Obligation, Bill obligatory or of credit or other Bill or Note, or any security for money, or any money or effects entrusted to him as such Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Manager, Clerk or Servant, whether the same belong to the said Bank or belong to any person or persons, body or bodies, politic or corporate, or institution or institutions, and be lodged with the said Bank, the said Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Manager, Clerk, or Servant, so offending and being thereof convicted in due form of law, shall be deemed guilty of felony, and shall be punished by imprisonment at hard labour in the Penitentiary for any term not less than two years, or by imprisonment in any gaol or place of confinement for any term less than two years, in the discretion of the Court.

18. *Resolved*, That 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 any and every President, Director, Auditor, Manager, 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.

19. *Resolved*, That an Inspector or Inspectors of Agricultural Banks shall be appointed by the Governor in Council, whose duty it shall be to inspect such Banks at least once in each six months, and to report thereon to the Minister of Finance; that the salaries of such Inspector or Inspectors shall be paid by a *pro ratâ* contribution from the Agricultural Banks based upon the amount of their capital; that an Inspector shall have power, in the event of any infringement of the Act respecting Agricultural Banks, to take sole charge of the Bank, and to report the case to the Minister of Finance.

20. *Resolved*, That the Governor in Council shall have power and authority in such case to make such order, either as to the future management of the Bank or as to the winding up of its affairs, as to him may seem advisable.

And a Debate arising thereon,—on motion of Mr. *Killam*, the said Debate was adjourned.

And it being 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House until *to-morrow*.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all papers, Reports and communications in relation to the claim of Mr. *T. Murphy* for a mare killed on the Intercolonial Railway in the Parish of Nelson, in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to pay Messrs. *Robert Gremby, Thomas Quigly, Thomas Flynn* and others, whose lands have been damaged by the officers of the Intercolonial Railway taking their supply of water through their lands ; and if so, when?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to pay Mr. *William Jones* and Brothers, for damages done to their mills by diverting the water of the stream which supplies their mills for the purpose of supplying the Station at Newcastle with water; and if so, when ?

Mr. *Lanthier*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether papers relating to the services of the late *William Taylor*, which were called for by an Order of The House on the 20th February last, will soon be brought down ?

Mr. *Currier*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any permanent Clerks have been appointed in the office of the Supervisor of Cullers, Quebec, since the 1st November last ; and if so, at what salary, and whether it is in contemplation to make any further appointments of Clerks in said office ?

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, *on or after Wednesday, the 20th instant:*—

No. 49. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Regular "Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec."

And by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, *on or after Monday, the 25th instant:*—

No. 48. To incorporate "*La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga*" as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes.

No. 27.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 19TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have considered the Bill No. 6 to authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company, and have agreed to report the same *amended*.

The promoters of Bill No. 34 to incorporate the Calais and St. Stephen Railway Bridge Company having intimated their intention of not proceeding with the said Bill, the Committee would recommend, that the fees paid thereon, be refunded, less the cost of printing.

The Committee would also recommend, that the time for the reception of Reports on Private Bills be extended for a period of two weeks, from the 21st instant.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the time for receiving Reports from Committees on Private Bills was extended to Thursday, the 4th of April, next, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Mr. *Appleby*, the Bill No. 34 to incorporate the Calais and St. Stephen Railway Bridge Company, was withdrawn, and the fees paid on the same was ordered to be refunded, less the cost of printing, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Mills* presented,—Return to the Order of The House on the 4th instant ; for a Statement of all monies received by the Dominion Land Office at Winnipeg, for payment of Lands in the Railway Reserve, and copy of instructions to Dominion Lands Agent in Manitoba, in regard to Squatters upon the said Railway Reserve.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill No. 53 for the better auditing of the Public Accounts, which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*.

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, *on Thursday next*, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved :—That it is expedient to repeal Section 23 of " The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876 " as respects all Ships in Canadian Waters, from and after the time which may be fixed for that purpose by the proclamation of the approval and confirmation by Her Majesty in Council of the Act to be passed for effecting such repeal.

Also, to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved:—That it is expedient to provide, that so much of the Act of the Parliament of Canada, passed in the thirty-sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign and intituled: "*An Act respecting Deck Loads*," as would make it unlawful for any master of a ship, at certain seasons to carry live stock, on or above any part of the upper deck of such ship be repealed; and that the words "any cargo of any description to any height exceeding three feet above deck," in the second Section of the said Act, shall not include or apply to live stock.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, *on Thursday next, viz.*:—

No. 13. Further to amend the Act intituled: "An Act respecting the Public Works of Canada."

No. 14. Further securing the Independence of Parliament.

No. 17. To amend the Post Office Act, 1875.

No. 23. To establish Township Municipalities in the District of Keewatin.

The Bill No. 38 to extend to the Province of Prince Edward Island "The Railway Act, 1868," and certain Acts amending the same, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Laurier* moved, that the Bill No. 43 further to amend the Acts respecting Stamps on Bills and Notes, be now read the second time; which was agreed to on a division.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, *on Thursday next*.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin)—In COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE on the Bill relating to the Canada Southern Railway Company, and on the Third Reading of the same—The following amendments :—

1. That the General Offices of the Canada Southern Railway Company, that is to say, the various Departmental Offices necessary for the management of the said Company and its lines of Railway, including the offices under the management and control of the Treasurer of the said Company and the various works properly thereto belonging, and the principal workshops of the said Company, shall be permanently established in the Town of St. Thomas, in the County of Elgin, in the Province of Ontario.

2. No Bond, Coupon, Debenture, Mortgage or other security which has been, or shall be issued by the Company shall, by reason of any lien, charge, incumbrance or preferential claim on the revenue, assets or property of the Company of any kind or nature whatsoever, be held or construed to prevent a judgment or decree against the property of the Company for a debt incurred for working expenses as hereinbefore defined, from being enforced by execution. Provided that no actual levy shall be made by virtue of such execution without an order or certificate being made by a Judge of the Court in which such judgment or decree has been obtained, stating that in his opinion proceedings upon *such execution* shall not stop the traffic of the Company.

Mr. *Brown*—seconded by Mr. *Ross* (East Durham)—On the motion to go again into Committee of Supply—The following amendment :—

That it be resolved, that whereas a large quantity of Wheat and Flour has been imported into Canada within the last few years, this House is of opinion that the interests of Canadian farmers would be promoted by the imposition of a duty on these articles.

No. 28.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 20TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all correspondence or Petitions, with reference to the establishment of a daily mail between British Columbia and Puget Sound.

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, the Return to an Order of The House of the 18th February, 1878, and presented on the 25th February, 1878, for copies of the accounts, vouchers and papers connected with the payments for printing as entered in the Public Accounts for 1873-4, as made out of the Contingencies of the Department of Justice, to *I. B. Taylor*, the Citizen Printing Company, and *J. G. Moylan*, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The following Orders of The House were issued to the proper officer,—and Addresses voted to His Excellency the Governor General, as follows:—

By Mr. *Desjardins*:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence, notices, letters and other documents in relation to the St. John's Bridge, on the River Richelieu.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all Petitions, correspondence and other papers in relation to any application for aid in behalf of certain ratepayers of the Parish of St. Athanase in the County of Iberville, who have suffered loss by floods.

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for copies of the several Reports made in the past eighteen months in relation to the Fish-Breeding establishment at Miramichi by the Inspector of Fisheries of that District; also, Mr. *Wilmot's* Report thereon and the Inspector's remarks in reply thereto.

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

By Mr. *Haggart*:—Order of The House; for a Return giving in detail the amount of ammunition furnished during the years 1875, 1876 and 1877, to the Active Volunteer Battalions and Companies of the Dominion; specifying the Battalion to which each Company belonged, and the amount purchased, and the prices paid by each Company or Battalion respectively; also the amount served out to the several Battalions or Companies for practice, and specifying the Companies or Battalions receiving the same, for which no charge was made.

Mr. *Fréchette* moved, that in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Government should take steps to test the possibility of navigating the St. Lawrence from Quebec to the Ocean, during the winter season.

And a Debate arising thereon ;

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz :*—

No. 8. To authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

No. 10. To authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

No. 16. To incorporate " The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company."

No. 21. To amend and consolidate, as amended, the several Acts relating to the Quebec Fire Assurance Company.

No. 22. Respecting the Bank of Liverpool.

The Bill No. 26 respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, was considered in Committee of the Whole ; and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, *on Friday next.*

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, *to-morrow, viz. :*—

No. 27. Respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada.

No. 6. To authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company.

(*Public Bill under Rule* 19.)

Mr. *Dymond* moved, that the Bill No. 3 to provide that persons charged with common assault shall be competent as witnesses in their own behalf, be now read a third time.

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to insert the words " summary or other " after the words " on the " in the first line ; the word " complaint " after the words " upon any " in the first line, and the words " for the prosecution or " after " witness " in the third line of the first section ; which was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, and amended in accordance therewith ; the amendments reported, and the same concurred in.

And the question being again put, that the Bill be now read a third time ;

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the said Bill, by striking out the second Clause ; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Taschereau* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend it by adding on line 13 after the word " witness " the following words : " for the prosecution or " ; which was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly again recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, an further amended, the amendments reported, and concurred in.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill of their own (No. 54) intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwick's* Express and Merchants' Forwarding Company (Limited)," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, the said Bill was read the first time.)

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Christie*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend in the Supplementary Estimates the sum of $1,000 to improve the navigation of the North River as far as St. Andrews, in order to complete the work begun by the Government before Confederation, thereby securing to St. Andrews and surrounding country the advantage of uninterrupted summer navigation?

Mr. *Gill*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint a resident Judge at Sorel, in place of Mr. Justice *Loranger*, who has retired; and when the appointment will be made?

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Friday next—That this House resolve itself into a Committee to consider a Resolution to provide for the appointment of an officer to be called the *Auditor General of Canada.*

Resolved,—That it is expedient to appoint an officer to be called the *Auditor General of Canada.* Salary not to exceed *Thirty-two Hundred Dollars* per annum.

Mr. *Farrow*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What amount of Government scrip of the denomination of 25 cents is still in circulation, and whether it is the intention of the Government to call the balance in; if not, is it their intention to issue more?

Mr. *White* (Renfrew)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council fixing the rate of Tolls to be collected by the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company, on saw logs and timber passing through their works.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of any petition or petitions to His Excellency, or any member of his Government, praying for the removal of Mr. *W. R. Spaulding*, Stipendiary Magistrate at Nanaimo and Comox, and for such correspondence as may have taken place with reference thereto, either between His Excellency's Government and the Government of British Columbia, or with any other person or authority.

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to cause the necessary survey to be made of part of the Harbour of Main-a-dieu, in the County of Cape Breton, with a view to the construction of a Breakwater there ?

Mr. *Stephenson*—On the motion for the Third Reading of the Bill (No. 6) respecting the Canada Southern Railway Company,—That the Bill be recommitted in order to amend the third clause by adding the following words: "Provided that any "party who, for the purpose of settling his claims against said Company for 'working "expenses', has received bond or bonds of said Company, and is still the owner of such "bond or bonds, shall be considered and treated in the same manner as if the Company "had not settled such claim by the issue of such bonds, and the amount of such bond or "bonds shall be considered and treated as a debt incurred and held by the said Com-"pany on the 12th day of March, 1878, as provided by said section."

No. 29.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 21st MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Gibbs* (S. Ont.) introduced a Bill No. 55 to amend the law respecting Building Societies, which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 11th instant; for copies of Returns shewing:—

1. The amounts spent yearly since 1867 in the maintenance of Military Schools in the Province of New Brunswick.

2. The number of Candidates who have each year received 2nd Class Certificates and the amount or amounts of gratuity paid.

3. The number of passed Cadets who at the time of attending any school held at Fredericton, N.B., were students of the University of New Brunswick; and whether exceptions were made in their favor as regards the hours of attendance at drill and instruction; with a list of those who have held or now hold Commissions in the Active Militia in New Brunswick.

4. The number and names of all passed Cadets who have held and now hold Commissions in the Active Militia in New Brunswick, distinguishing between both.

Also,—Return to an Order of The House of the 20th February, 1878; for copies of Mr. *Kingsford's* Report on the survey of the Harbor of Matane, with the plans and estimates accompanying the said Report.

And,—Return to Address of the 4th instant; for copy of a Return showing the amounts of the six lowest tenders received for Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 34 and 35 of the new Welland Canal, with the names of the tenderers and Copy of the Order in Council awarding the contracts for such Sections.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 13 further to amend the Act intituled "An Act respecting the Public Works of Canada," and amended the same, by adding the following Clause:—

Clause 3. If any person or body corporate now has, or shall hereafter have, any supposed claim upon the Government of Canada for property taken or for alleged direct or consequent damage to property arising from the construction or connected with the execution of any Public Work undertaken commenced or performed at the expense of such Government or of the Government of the late Province of Canada or of Nova Scotia or of New Brunswick or of Prince Edward Island or of British Columbia or for the defence of Canada or any claim arising out of or connected with the execution or fulfilment or on account of deductions made for the non-execution or non-fulfilment of any contract for the construction of any Public Work or arising out of any death or any injury to person or property on any Railway Canal or Public

Work under the control and management of the Department of Public Works—such person or body corporate may give notice of such claim to the Minister of Public Works stating the particulars thereof and how the same has arisen—And in case the Minister, from want of sufficient or reliable information as to the facts relating to the claim or on account of conflicting statements of facts, does not consider the case one in which a tender of satisfaction should be made, he may refer the claim to one or more of the Official Arbitrators for examination and report both as to the matters of fact involved and as to the amount of damages—if any—sustained. And thereupon the Arbitrator or Arbitrators to whom the claim has been referred shall have all the powers in reference thereto as if such claim had been one coming within the purview of the said Act, entitled: "An Act respecting the Public Works of Canada," and had been referred to after tender of satisfaction made, but the Arbitrators' duty in such case shall be confined to reporting his or their findings upon the questions of facts and upon the amount of damages—if any—sustained and the principles upon which such amount has been computed.

The Bill, as amended, was then reported; to be taken into consideration, *to-morrow.*

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 14 further securing the Independence of Parliament;

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1878.

And amendments being made to the said Bill; it was reported, as amended, and ordered to be taken into consideration at the next sitting of The House, *this day.*

The House then adjourned at 1.30 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin)—On the motion for the Third Reading of the Bill (No. 6) respecting the Canada Southern Railway Company—That the Bill be not read a third time, but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, to insert the following amendments:—

1. That the General Offices of the Canada Southern Railway Company, that is to say, the various Departmental Offices necessary for the management of the said Company and its lines of Railway, including the offices under the management and control of the Treasurer of the said Company and the various works properly thereto belonging, and the principal workshops of the said Company, shall be permanently established in the Town of St. Thomas, in the County of Elgin, in the Province of Ontario.

2. No Bond, Coupon, Debenture, Mortgage or other security which has been, or shall be issued by the Company shall, by reason of any lien, charge, incumbrance or preferential claim on the revenue, assets or property of the Company of any kind or nature whatsoever, be held or construed to prevent a judgment or decree against the property of the Company for a debt incurred for working expenses as hereinbefore defined, from being enforced by execution. Provided that no actual levy shall be made by virtue of such execution without an order or certificate being made by a Judge of the Court in which such judgment or decree has been obtained, stating that in his opinion proceedings upon *such execution* shall not stop the traffic of the Company.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—That an ORDER OF THE HOUSE do issue for a Return giving the names of all persons appointed since the First day of February last (1878) as Extra Sessional or Extra Departmental Clerks, together with the special services performed by each person so appointed and employed, as well as the amount of salary or remuneration received or allowed per day each.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Tuesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution:—

That it is expedient to provide that the Montreal Harbour Commissioners may, with the approval of the Governor in Council, make provision for licensing a second class of pilots for all steamers and for other vessels not exceeding 250 tons register, navigating the River St. Lawrence between the Harbour of Quebec and the upper limits of the Harbour of Montreal, and may establish rates of pilotage to be paid by such steamers and vessels compulsorily, except ferry boats and steamers having on board a second class pilot as master or mate thereof, or vessels not exceeding 250 tons register when in tow of a steamer in charge of a licensed pilot; and to amend the Pilotage Acts of Canada accordingly.

Mr. *Burpee* (Sunbury)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he may cause to be laid before this House all correspondence between the Government of New Brunswick and the Dominion Government, with reference to the purchase of that portion of the Intercolonial Railroad, known in New Brunswick as "Eastern Extension"; also, all minutes in Council in reference to or consequent upon said purchase, previous to January, 1873; also, all correspondence between said Governments in reference to additional claims on account of said purchase, subsequent to January, 1873.

Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds)—In COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE on the Bill (No. 9) relating to the Brockville and Ottawa and Canada Central Railway Company—The following amendment, and on motion for the Third Reading of said Bill, to recommit it, with instructions to add the following amendment to Clause 9 :—

That the holders of Stock in the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company representing original ordinary Bonds with the overdue coupons of said Railway Company, and converted by Clause 3 of the Act Chap. 44, 31st *Victoria*, of the Province of Ontario, entitled: "An Act for the conversion of the ordinary Bonds and old Stock of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company into reduced new Stock, and for other purposes" into the new paid-up Stock in the Capital of said Railway Company, at the rate of Twenty-five cents on the Dollar, shall be placed in the position of ordinary original Bondholders by the transfer of Bonds out of the Twenty thousand Dollars issued per mile now by this Act to be made, to the extent of the Stock now held by them, and which was taken for original ordinary Bonds at Twenty five cents on the Dollar, under and by virtue of the before-mentioned Act, 31st *Victoria*, Chap. 44, of the Province of Ontario.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Laurier* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 11th instant; for copies of all correspondence relative to the pensions paid to the square timber cullers dismissed last year.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the Bill No. 35 to amend an Act intituled : "An Act respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*," and find the Preamble not proved, as in their opinion no evidence was submitted in support of the Preamble, that would justify the proposed interference with the provisions of the Act of last Session, intituled: "An Act respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*."

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned *until Tuesday next.*

Mr. *Haggart* introduced a Bill No. 56 to amend the Act respecting Controverted Elections; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *on Tuesday next.*

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

Resolved, That it is expedient to appoint an Official, to be called the Auditor General of Canada, salary not to exceed Thirty two hundred Dollars *per annum.*

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution to repeal the duty of Customs imposed on Malt, imported into Canada.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the duty of Customs imposed on Malt imported into Canada by the Act 40 *Victoria*, Chapter 11, Section 2, and to provide that British and Foreign Malt when imported into Canada shall be immediately placed in a suitable bonding warehouse, provided at the cost of the importer, and approved as suitable for the purpose by a duly authorized Revenue officer, and being

so warehoused shall be bonded under the Excise regulation then in force, in respect of Malt made in Canada, and shall be subject to the same restrictions, and when taken for consumption, shall be subject to the same duty as Malt made in Canada.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received *on Tuesday next.*

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

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, an Address from the Legislative Council of the Province of Quebec to the House of Commons,—also an Address from the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Quebec to the House of Commons, on the subject of recent Ministerial changes in that Province.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, 22nd March, 1878.

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 11 to reduce the Capital Stock of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, *without amendment.*

Also, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired :—

No. 57 intituled : "An Act respecting the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company." (On motion of Mr. *McNab*, the Bill was read the first time—Second reading *on Tuesday next*).

No. 58 intituled : "An Act for the relief of *Hugh Hunter.*" (accompanied by the evidence taken before the Select Committee, to whom was referred the said Bill).

No. 59 intituled : "An Act for the relief of *George Frothingham Johnston.*" (accompanied by the evidence taken before the Select Committee, to whom was referred the said Bill).

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill No. 27 respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada, being read ;

Mr. *Irving* moved, in amendment, that the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to alter Clause 3, by inserting the words "doing no unnecessary damage ;" which was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendment concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill No 6 to authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company, being read ;

Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin) moved, in amendment, that the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole with instructions that they have power to make the following form part of the Bill :—

"That the General Offices of the Canada Southern Railway Company, that is to say, the various Departmental Offices necessary for the management of the said Company and its lines of Railway, including the offices under the management and control of the Treasurer of the said Company and the various works properly thereto

belonging, and the principal workshops of the said Company, shall be permanently established in the Town of St. Thomas, in the County of Elgin, in the Province of Ontario;" which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin) again moved in amendment, that the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to make the following form part of the Bill:—

"No Bond, Coupon, Debenture, Mortgage or other security which has been, or shall be issued by the Company shall, by reason of any lien, charge, incumbrance or preferential claim on the revenue, assets or property of the Company of any kind or nature whatsoever, be held or construed to prevent a judgment or decree against the property of the Company for a debt incurred for working expenses as hereinbefore defined, from being enforced by execution. Provided that no actual levy shall be made by virtue of such execution without an order or certificate being made by a Judge of the Court in which such judgment or decree has been obtained, stating that in his opinion proceedings upon *such execution* shall not stop the traffic of the Company."

Mr. *Casey* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the Bill by expunging the words of Section 2 from "The Revenues" to "working expenses" inclusive, and substituting the following:—

"Provided that the property of the said Company, other than real estate or engines and cars in actual use, shall be liable to be taken in execution for debts contracted for working expenses, to an amount not exceeding $1000—in the case of any one of such debts;" which was negatived on a division.

The question being then put on Mr. *Macdougall's* (Elgin) amendment; it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Ferris,	McQuade,
Béchard,	Fiset,	Malouin,
Benoit,	Fleming,	Masson,
Blackburn,	Forbes,	Monteith,
Bolduc,	Fraser,	Montplaisir,
Bourbeau,	Gibson,	Oliver,
Bowell,	Gillies,	Paterson,
Brouse,	Gillmor,	Pope (*Compton*),
Campbell,	Goudge,	Robitaille,
Caron,	Greenway,	Rochester,
Casey,	Hagar,	Rymal,
Charlton,	Higinbotham,	Scatcherd,
Christie,	Irving,	Short,
Church,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Skinner,
Cimon,	Langevin,	Smith (*Peel*),
Cuthbert,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Stephenson,
Daoust,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
De St. Georges,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Wade,
Farrow,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Ferguson,	McCallum,	White (*Renfrew*).—60.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Flynn,	McNab,
Archibald,	Fréchette,	Mills,
Bain,	Galbraith,	Mitchell,

Barthe,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Borron,
Bowman,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casgrain,
Coffin,
Currier,
Davies,
Delorme,
Desjardins,
De Veber,
Dewdney,
Dymond,
Geoffrion,
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Holton,
Horton,
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Lanthier,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGregor,
Norris,
Orton,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Plumb,
Ray,
Robinson,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Taschereau,
Thomson (*Welland*),
Trow,
Wood,
Wright (*Ottawa*),
Wright (*Pontiac*),
Young.—74.

Mr. *Stephenson* then moved in amendment, that the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend Clause 3 by adding the following words:—"Provided that any party who, for the purpose of settling his claims against said Company for 'working expenses', has received bond or bonds of said Company, and is still the owner of such bond or bonds, shall be considered and treated in the same manner as if the Company had not settled such claim by the issue of such bonds, and the amount of such bond or bonds shall be considered and treated as a debt incurred and held by the said Company on the 12th day of March, 1878, as provided by said section;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Barthe,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Caron,
Charlton,
Cimon,
Costigan,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Desjardins,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Fiset,
Fraser,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gill,
Gillmor,
Higinbotham,
Irving,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Masson,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Pope (*Compton*),
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Scatcherd,
Short,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*).—42.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Bain,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
McNab,
Malouin,
Mills,

Béchard,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Bolduc,
Borron,
Bowman,
Brouse,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Christie,
Church,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Currier,
Davies,
Delorme,
De St. Georges,
DeVeber,
Dewdney,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gibson,
Gillies,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Hall,
Holton,
Horton,
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGregor,
Mitchell,
Norris,
Oliver,
Orton,
Paterson,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Plumb,
Pouliot,
Ray,
Robillard,
Robinson,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Taschereau,
Thomson (*Welland*),
Trow,
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Ottawa*),
Wright (*Pontiac*),
Young.—99.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 26 respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 23 to establish Township Municipalities in the District of Keewatin.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1878.

And progress having been made, the Committee rose, and obtained leave to sit again, *on Tuesday next.*

The House then adjourned at 1.45 A.M., *until Tuesday next.*

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Killam*—On Monday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to amend the Insurance Act of 1877."

Mr. *McCraney*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Return of all the rejected Ballots cast at each and every Election for the House of Commons, under the Ballot Act; with the reasons for such rejection, as far as can be ascertained, and the cost attending such rejection.

Mr. *McKay* (Colchester)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence, petitions and reports between *Henry Clarke*, Esquire, of Truro, and the Department of Public Works, or the officers of the Intercolonial Railway, in reference to his claim for property destroyed by the officers of the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of petitions and correspondence with the Government of Canada, or any of its Members, in relation to the construction of a Breakwater or Harbour of Refuge, for the protection of Fishermen, at Point Escuminac.

Mr. *Desjardins*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, such amendments to the general law respecting Insurance, as will permit and facilitate the amalgamation of Fire Insurance Companies?

Mr. *Fraser*—On Tuesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence, reports and telegrams in the possession of the Department of Inland Revenue or any officer thereof, received by them since the first day of January, 1875, relating to the suspension of any officer connected with the Inland Revenue Department at London.

Mr. *Fraser*—On Tuesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all correspondence, reports and telegrams, now in the possession of the Customs Department or any of the officers thereof, and received by them since the first day of January, 1875, relating to the appointment, dismissal, removal or resignation of any officers connected with the Customs Department at London.

Mr. *Bolduc*, seconded by Mr. *Bourbeau*—On the motion for House in Committee of Supply—The following amendment:

"That, whereas, over one million dollars worth of Tobacco is imported every year, "and, whereas, that plant might be cultivated to advantage in this country, this House "is of the opinion that the cultivation thereof should be encouraged by the abolition of "duties on Tobacco grown in Canada."

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of the Order in Council authorizing the letting of the contract or expenditure of the money in connection with Port Burwell Harbour; also copy of the contract (if any) entered into in connection therewith, and a detailed account of such expenditure, shewing to whom paid and for what services; also the rate of allowance per diem of the Superintendent or Superintendents of said work.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 26TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 26th March, 1877; for:—1. Copies of the arrangement made by the Government, or by the General Manager of the Intercolonial Railway, with the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, respecting the tariff of charges for the conveyance of passengers and freight over the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial Railways. 2. A Statement of the rates which should have been and ought still to be charged for passengers and for freight by the Grand Trunk Railway from its various Stations to Rivière-du-Loup, and *vice versâ*, per passenger, per car, and per the hundred pounds of the different classes of merchandise. 3. A Statement of the rates charged by the Intercolonial Railway, for passengers and freight over the Intercolonial Railway from Rivière-du-Loup to its various Stations, and *vice versâ*, per passenger, per car, and per the hundred pounds of the different classes of merchandise.

Return to an Order of The House of the 4th instant; for a Return of copies of Specification for construction of Malpeque Breakwater; copies of Tenders, with names of sureties offered for performance of contract; also copies of all correspondence in connection with said work or contract.

Return to an Order of The House of the 4th instant; for a statement shewing the amount of moneys disbursed up to January 1st, 1878, upon Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15, 23, and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway.

Return to an Order of The House of the 11th instant; for copy of a Report of Surveys or any examination made of the Saskatchewan River having in view the improvement of the navigation by removing the obstructions which now exist at the Coals Falls and other points between that place and the Grand Rapids.

Return to an Order of The House of the 25th February, 1878; for a Return containing a copy of every Report of the Chief Engineer, Acting Chief Engineer, or any other Engineer or Engineers of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in the possession of the Government, suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1876, of the whole or part of the route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass; with a copy of any order or instructions sent respecting the said survey; also, a copy of every Report or Reports from each and all of the said Engineers, in possession of the Government suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1877, of the said route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass; with a copy of any order or instruction sent respecting such survey.

Return to an Address of the 4th instant; for progress estimates of work done under Contract Fifteen of the Canada Pacific Railway, and for information as to the mode of making payments therefor.

Return to an Order of The House of the 21st February, 1878; for copy of a Return shewing total cost to the Government of Canada of the Philadelphia Exhibition; giving a detailed statement of all money expended or to be expended for that purpose, to whom paid, and for what service.

And,—Return to Address of the 4th instant; for copy of tenders received for the construction of that portion of the Pembina Branch Railway between St. Boniface and Selkirk, together with copies of all Reports, correspondence and Orders in Council, relating to the letting of this work.

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 11th instant; for copy of a Return giving: 1st. A detailed statement of all sums of money received by *Pierre Alexis Tremblay*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, in connection with the Ordnance Lands in 1876 and 1877;

2nd. A statement shewing all the sums of money received during the said two years by *Dorila Tremblay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Portneuf, from the Department of Marine and Fisheries;

3rd. A similar statement about *Hilaire Tremblay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Baie St. Paul;

4th. A similar statement about *Thomas Tremblay*, for services rendered by him in the Department of Marine and Fisheries, in the Quebec Agency;

5th. A similar statement about *William Tremblay*, for services rendered by him in the same Department, Quebec Agency;

6th. A similar statement about *Simon Tremblay*, as mail carrier, rom the St. Alphonse and Chicoutimi Wharves, to the Chicoutimi Post Office;

7th. A similar statement about *Louis Guay*, as Lighthouse Keeper at Tadousac;

8th. A similar statement about *J. A. Gagné*, Esquire, Official Assignee at Chicoutimi, for services rendered by him in connection with the arrest of certain parties on the Island of Anticosti;

9th. A similar statement about Mr. *Johnny Guay*, Merchant, of Chicoutimi, for services rendered by him in the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Quebec Agency, and in the Department of Public Works, in connection with the Lighthouses, Lighthouse Keepers, buoys, range-lights, and the Government wharves and slides in the Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay.

Return to an Order of The House of the 4th instant; for a list of all the Employés of the Department of Marine in the District of Quebec, since 1861, (excluding the men employed in the River Police Force), with their salaries and respective places of residence.

And,—Return to an Order of The House of the 4th instant; for a Return shewing what Lights have been built at Tignish Breakwater during the past season; how and with whom contracted for, and by whom built; amount of contract; the amount paid and to whom paid; together with copies of all correspondence or communications from the Agent for the Marine and Fishery Department in Prince Edward Island relative thereto.

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

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, a Memorandum from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec, with accompanying documents, containing explanations in reference to the recent Ministerial changes in that Province.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, 26th March, 1878.

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

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the North Grey District Lodge of the United Temperance Association of Canada; and of the Owen Sound Division of Sons of Temperance, County of Grey, Ontario; severally praying for the insertion in the Temperance Act of Clauses providing for the right of search and confiscation of Liquor illegally exposed for sale.

Mr. *Killam* introduced a Bill No. 60 to amend the Consolidated Insurance Act 1877, which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow.*

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, *on Thursday next*, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the Montreal Harbour Commissioners may, with the approval of the Governor in Council, make provision for licensing a second class of pilots for all steamers, not exceeding 250 tons register, and for other vessels exceeding 80 and not exceeding 250 tons register, navigating the River St. Lawrence between the Harbour of Quebec and the upper limits of the Harbour of Montreal, and may establish rates of pilotage to be paid by such steamers and vessels compulsorily, except ferry boats and steamers having on board a second class pilot as master or mate thereof, or vessels not exceeding 250 tons register when in tow of a steamer in charge of a licensed pilot; and to amend the Pilotage Acts of Canada accordingly.

The Resolution, adopted in Committee of the Whole, on *Friday last*, declaring it expedient to repeal the duty of Customs imposed on Malt imported into Canada, was reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and is as follows :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the duty of Customs imposed on Malt imported into Canada by the Act 40 *Victoria*, Chapter 11, Section 2, and to provide that British and Foreign Malt when imported into Canada shall be immediately placed in a suitable bonding warehouse, provided at the cost of the importer, and approved as suitable for the purpose by a duly authorized Revenue officer, and being so warehoused shall be bonded under the Excise Regulation then in force, in respect of Malt made in Canada, and shall be subject to the same restrictions, and when taken for consumption, shall be subject to the same duty as Malt made in Canada.

Mr. *Laurier* then introduced a Bill No. 61, respecting the duty on Malt, which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *on Thursday next.*

The House went again into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 23 to establish Township Municipalities in the District of Keewatin.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 27TH MARCH, 1878.

Amendments were made to the Bill, and the Bill, as amended, was ordered to be taken into consideration, *on Thursday next.*

The Bill No. 46 to amend the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, and the Bill as amended, to be taken into consideration, *on Thursday next.*

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the repeal of Section 23 of "The Merchants Shipping Act, 1876."

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved:—That it is expedient to repeal Section 23 of " The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876 " as respects all Ships in Canadian Waters, from and after the time which may be fixed for that purpose by the proclamation of the approval and confirmation by Her Majesty in Council of the Act to be passed for effecting such repeal.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill No. 62 to amend the Law respecting Deck Loads ; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, on Thursday next.

Mr. *Cartwright* presented,—Return to Address of the 4th instant; for copy of all Orders in Council relating to balances of appropriations of 1876-77 which may have lapsed, and been carried over to the following year in accordance with the 35th Section of the Act 31st *Victoria*, Chapter 5.

And,—Return to an Order of The House on the 4th instant ; for statement of the reason in each case for the superannuation of the persons in the Civil Service mentioned in the Return laid before this House on the 18th February.

The House then adjourned at 2 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Robillard*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause the work connected with the repairing and enlargement of the Beauharnois Canal to be commenced next summer; and if not, when such work will be begun ?

Mr. *Langevin*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for : 1st. Copy of the notice calling for tenders, in 1874, for car wheels for the Intercolonial Railway, and date of such notice; 2nd. Statement giving the amount of each of the six lowest tenders, the names of the tenderers, and the name of the successful tenderer; 3rd. Copy ot all Orders in Council relating to the same.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew)—On Thursday next—Bill entitled " An Act to provide for the attendance of Voters at Elections of Members of the Commons."

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session, to introduce a Bill to amend " The Supreme and Exchequer Court Act," by requiring that there should be four Terms or Sittings instead of two in each year ?

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Thursday next—Bill intituled "An Act to make better provision for the trial of Controverted Elections of Members of the House of Commons by amending and consolidating the Acts now in force on that subject."

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing—

1. The names of all convicts pardoned since the first day of July last.
2. The offence for which the convicts pardoned had been sentenced.
3. The terms of the sentence and the period of such sentences which had expired at the time of their pardon.
4. The reason why the clemency of the Crown has been exercised in each case.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any further despatches have been received from the Imperial Government in reply to the Address to Her Majesty unanimously passed by the House of Commons in the Session of 1875, praying that Naturalized German and other Canadian subjects of the British Crown may be recognized and protected in all parts of the world ?

Mr. *Cimon*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to build a wharf at St. Anne, in the County of Chicoutimi ?

Mr. *Pope* (Queen's)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps this season towards the construction of a Railway from the Intercolonial Railway near Aulac to Cape Tormentine in New Brunswick, and from Cape Traverse to the main line of Railroad in Prince Edward Island, for the purpose of placing the Island in continuous communication in Winter, with the Intercolonial Railway system of the mainland of the Dominion, as required by the terms under which the Province of Prince Edward consented to become a part of the Dominion of Canada ?

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of the cost of the Public and Police Buildings erected at or near the Swan River in the North West Territories; also a Return of the expenditure already incurred for and in respect of the Lieutenant Governor's residence, Police Barracks and all other Public Buildings erected or in progress of erection at Battleford; together with an estimate of the amount required for the completion of all buildings erected, in progress of erection, or intended to be erected there.

Mr. *Haddow*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether a promise was at any time made by the Government to aid by subsidy the establishment of an Inter-Provincial Steam Ferry between Campbellton and Cross Point on the River Restigouche?

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—That Government business shall have precedence immediately after Routine Proceedings on Monday for the remainder of the Session.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 27TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 18th instant; for a Statement shewing the names of the parties who tendered for the works now being constructed under the control of the Quebec Harbour Trust on the River St. Charles at Quebec, with the amount of each tender and the names of the several sureties; also the name of the person or persons who, individually, or as partners, were awarded contracts for the said several works.

And,—Return to Address of the 18th February, 1878; for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and any party in Canada or elsewhere, and also between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government, about the admission of Canadian built ships into French ports at the same rate, and on the same conditions, as ships from Great Britain and Ireland are admitted in said ports, or on such other conditions, as may be therein mentioned.

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 13th instant; for a Return shewing the amount expended for the re-measurement of steam vessels registered under the Act of the late Province of Canada, now repealed; the names of the steam vessels; their tonnage; the amount paid, and to whom the said vessels belonged.

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

The Committee have examined the notices given on the Bill No. 54 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwick's* Express and Merchants Forwarding Company (Limited)," and find them sufficient.

Mr. *MacDonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the First Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.*:—

No. 31. To amend the Act incorporating the Sydenham Harbour Company;—and

No. 49, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec."

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), the Order of The House, of yesterday, for the second reading of the Bill No. 62 to amend the Law respecting Deck Loads, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill No. 63 to repeal Section 23 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876," as to Ships in Canadian Waters, which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts obtained leave to employ Short-hand Reporters to take down evidence in such investigations, as the Committee may deem necessary.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, the Bill No. 54 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwick's* Express and Merchant's Forwarding Company (Limited)," was ordered for a second reading, *on Friday next*.

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, *viz.*:—

By Mr. *Langevin*:—Order of The House; for a Return shewing: 1st. The several sums of money paid out of the $39,256.01, deposited in the Bank of Montreal, to pay certain parties for land taken for Canal purposes, and payable on certificates of the Department of Justice; 2nd. The names of the parties to whom such several sums of money have been paid, and the dates of such several payments.

By Mr. *Domville*:—Order of The House; for a Statement of duties collected by Customs and Inland Revenue Departments at St. John, N.B., from 1st July, 1876, to 1st January 1877, and from 1st July, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

By Mr. *De St. Georges*:—Order of The House; for a Statement shewing:—the average price paid each year since 1867, for locomotives, cars, iron and steel rails, fish-plates, bolts, and iron in general, wood, and all furnishings purchased by the Government;—also the quantity bought each year since 1867.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for a Statement shewing all contracts given since 1867, including those of the Intercolonial Railway, those awarded to the lowest ender, and those given to others; the difference between the price given and that stated in the lowest tender, and the reasons why the contract was not awarded to the lowest tender; and all orders in Council, relating to the same.

By Mr. *Mitchell*:—Order of The House; for copies of correspondence between Mrs. *Edward Murphy*, of Barnaby River, Miramichi, N.B., and officers of the Intercolonial Railway, in relation to the killing of a cow on said Railway; also copies of all evidence and Reports in relation to the same.

By Mr. *Masson*:—Order of The House; for a Statement of the names of Railway Companies who entered in bond, since the 1st July, 1867, railway locomotives, engines, cars, and other railway rolling stock, the date of such entry, a Statement of the articles so entered, and the date of payment of custom duties;—Also the names of such companies, whose said locomotives, engines, cars and other rolling stock were ordered to be sold by the Minister of Customs.

Mr. *Fiset* moved, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for a copy of the correspondence between the Government and the Seigniors of Rimouski and of Metis, respecting their right of fishing in the Rivers Rimouski and Metis.

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

By Mr. *Bowell*:—Order of The House; for copies of correspondence in relation to closing Muir Post Office; for copies of correspondence in relation to dismissal of *Charles Lilley* as Postmaster in London East, and the appointment of Mr. *Mills* as Postmaster in his stead; also the cause of the change of locality of Post Office, from original, to present locality.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all correspondence between the Hudson Bay Company, and the Dominion Government, relative to alleged losses at the Red River Settlement, connected with the insurrection in 1869-70.

By Mr. *Pope* (Compton) :—Order of The House ; for a Return giving statement in detail of all monies paid or obligations incurred to the 1st of January last, in connection with the Paris Exhibition, shewing to whom the money was paid, or is to be paid, and for what service.

Mr. *Taschereau* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to apply the 9th Sub-section of Section 6, Chapter 7, 34 *Victoria*, in order to obtain from the City and District Savings Bank of Montreal, and to cause to be laid before this House when so obtained :

1st. A statement shewing in detail the position of the Bank at the period of its re-organization in 1871, viz : all the amounts due to the Bank; the names of parties by whom due; the collaterals held as security; the rates at which said collaterals were taken, and their actual value at the time they were taken.

2nd. A statement in detail of all other assets possessed by the Bank at the time of its re-organization.

3rd. A statement shewing how the Directors fixed at $180,000 the *surplus* or *poor Fund*, and by what process they arrived at that figure, and if said surplus was limited to aforesaid amount.

4th. A statement shewing how the capital stock was taken up, the names of shareholders, and if said stock was subscribed before or after the day and hour when the books should have been opened according to Law.

5th. The sums paid by the shareholders upon their subscription of stock since 1871, and date of re-organization.

6th. A statement shewing which of the shareholders paid in cash; those that did not; and how they did pay; if by promissory notes, and if so, when discounted and whether retired at maturity.

7th. A statement in detail of all the loans made by the Bank since its re-organization, to whom made and upon what collaterals; at what price such collaterals were taken and what interest was charged on said loans.

8th. A statement in detail of all the losses made by the Bank and what portion of said losses were written off, giving names of parties and the collaterals held by the Bank.

9th. A statement of all monies now due to the Bank, by whom and how secured, giving the collaterals taken, at what rate and their present cash value; also all other assets presently possessed by the Bank.

10th. A statement of all the dealings the Bank has had with parties who have become insolvent prior to the paying up of their loans to the Bank.

11th. A statement shewing what advances the Bank made upon American securities, names of parties, the particular stocks, the prices at which they were taken and how the loans were settled.

12th. A statement of the lowest quotation at which the various stocks taken by the Bank fell to during the currency of the loans advanced on them.

13th. A statement of the names of the Directors, if any, who since the re-organization, borrowed from the Bank, the enumeration of the securities upon which said loans were effected, the rate of interest charged and how their redemption took place ; also the dates at which said loans were made and repaid.

14th. A statement of the dividends paid in each year since 1871, date of re-organization.

15th. A list of the present Directors and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

16th. A list of the present shareholders and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

And a Debate arising thereon ;

At 6 o'clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

On motion of Mr. *Casgrain*, the Order for the second reading of the Bill No. 36 to extend in favor of *George B. Burland* certain Letters Patent to a further period of ten years, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Bill No. 57 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Fraser* moved, that the Bill No. 59 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *George Frothingham Johnston*," be now read the first time; which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Bain,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Borron,
Bowell,
Bowman,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Campbell,
Carmichael,
Charlton,
Coffin,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fleming,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Galbraith,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Horton,
Kerr,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Landerkin,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Mackenzie,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Oliver,
Orton,
Paterson,
Pettes,
Platt,
Ray,
Robinson,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Skinner,
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Tupper,
White (*Renfrew*),
Wood,
Young.—70.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Aylmer,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Blanchet,
Bolduc,
Bourassa,
Brooks,
Brown,
Desjardins,
De St. Georges,
Devlin,
Forbes,
Geoffrion,
Gill,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Irving,
Jetté,
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McIsaac,
Malouin,
Masson,
Methot,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Pope (*Compton*),

Caron,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Cimon,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Cuthbert,
Delorme,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
Robillard,
Robitaille,
Rouleau,
Roy,
Short,
Stephenson,
Taschereau.—52.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*, on the same division.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, that the Bill No. 58 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Hugh Hunter*," be now read the first time; which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Bain,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Borden,
Borron,
Bowell,
Bowman,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Carmichael,
Coffin,
Davies,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fleming,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Galbraith,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gillies,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Higinbotham,
Horton,
Kerr,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Landerkin,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
Mackay (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Mackenzie,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Oliver,
Orton,
Paterson,
Pickard,
Platt,
Ray,
Robinson,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Tupper,
Wood,
Young.—70.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Barthe,
Béchard,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Blanchet,
Bolduc,
Bourassa,
Brooks,
Brown,
Desjardins,
De St. Georges,
Devlin,
Donahue,
Forbes,
Geoffrion,
Gill,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
McIsaac,
Malouin,
Masson,
Methot,
Montplaiser,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Pope (*Compton*),

Caron,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Cimon,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Delorme,
Irving,
Jetté,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
Robillard,
Robitaille,
Rouleau,
Roy,
Short,
Stephenson,
Taschereau,
Wallace (*Norfolk*).—53.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*, on the same division.

(*Public Bill under Rule* 19.)

Mr. *Barthe* moved, that the Bill No. 2 to repeal the Insolvent Law now in force in the Dominion, be now read a second time.

Mr. *Wood* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be read a second time, this day six months; which was agreed to, on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Bain,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Blake,
Borden,
Borron,
Bowell,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Christie,
Church,
Coffin,
Davies,
Dawson,
De St. Georges,
De Veber,
Devlin,
Domville,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fleming,
Flesher,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Killam,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
Mackenzie,
McCarthy,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McIntyre
McIsaac,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pickard,
Platt,
Ray,
Richard,
Robillard,
Robinson,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ryan,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Short,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wood,
Young.—99.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Delorme,	Masson,
Barthe,	Desjardins,	Méthot,
Béchard	Farrow,	Mitchell,
Benoit,	Fiset,	Monteith,
Bernier,	Fraser,	Montplaisir,
Blanchet,	Gibson,	Mousseau,
Bolduc,	Gill,	Ouimet,
Bourassa,	Hurteau,	Pinsonneault,
Bourbeau,	Langevin,	Plumb,
Brooks,	Lanthier,	Pouliot,
Bunster,	Little,	Rochester,
Campbell,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Rouleau,
Caron,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),	Roy,
Cheval,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Rymal,
Cimon,	Macmillan,	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Costigan,	McCallum,	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Coupal,	McQuade,	White (*Hastings*),
Cuthbert,	Malouin,	Wright (*Pontiac*).—55.
Daoust,		

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement of the accounts rendered to any Department from the managers of the "Montreal Gazette," for the financial years 1871-2, 1872-3 and 1873-4.

Mr. *Casey*—On Friday next—BILL concerning the Civil Service of Canada.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence with any Department of the Government in relation to the arrest of *Robert Flaherty* at Saint John on the 24th day of June last.

Mr. *McQuade*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a statement shewing the number of bushels of Wheat, Oats, Barley, Rye and Corn imported into this Dominion from the 1st July, 1877, to the 1st January, 1878.

PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, *on, or after Friday, the 29th instant:*—

No. 57. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company."

No. 33.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 28TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipality of Charlotte; of *G. G. King*, Warden and *E. Simpson*, Secretary Treasurer; of *J. A. Moran* and others, of St. George; of *Henry Smith* and others, of West Isles; of *Judson L. Gupbee*, Sen., and others, of North Head, Grand Manan; of *H. Gore*, M.D., and others, of St. Andrews, County of Charlotte; and of the Victory Lodge, U. T. A., Jerusalem, County of Queen's, New Brunswick;—severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the traffic in Intoxicating liquors, may become law.

Of *Alphonse Benoit*, chairman of a literary convention at Ottawa, praying that steps may be taken to collect, preserve and publish certain public archives; and praying further for certain Amendments to the Act respecting copyrights.

Mr. *McCarthy* introduced a Bill No. 64 to make better provision for the trial of Controverted Elections of Members of the House of Commons, by amending and consolidating the Acts now in force on that subject; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow*.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill No. 13 further to amend the Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the Public Works of Canada," were taken into consideration, and concurred in.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Mitchell* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instruction that they have power to amend the said Bill, by providing that parties suffering damages by the neglect or misconduct in the management of the Intercolonial Railway, or any of the officers thereof, shall have remedy for such damages in the ordinary Courts of Law; which was negatived on a division.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 38 to extend to the Province of Prince Edward Island, "The Railway Act, 1868," and certain Acts amending the same, *without amendment*.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill No. 46 to amend the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba, were taken into consideration, and concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 17 to amend the Post Office Act, 1875, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended, and the Bill as amended, to be taken into consideration, *to-morrow*.

The Bill No. 32 to facilitate the colonization ot Dominion Lands, by providing for the incorporation of Railway Companies, and aid ng the construction of Railways traversing Dominion Lands, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, *to-morrow.*

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the appointment of an officer, to be called the *Auditor General of Canada*, being read;

Mr. *Mackenzie* informed The House, that His Excellency the Governor General having been made aware of the subject matter of the said Resolution, recommends it to The House.

The House accordingly, resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to appoint an officer, to be called the *Auditor General of Canada.*—Salary not to exceed Thirty two hundred Dollars, *per annum.*

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, *to-morrow.*

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution, respecting Deck Loads.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved:—That it is expedient to provide, that so much of the Act of the Parliament of Canada, passed in the thirty-sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign and intituled: "*An Act respecting Deck Loads.*" as would make it unlawful for any master of a ship, at certain seasons to carry live stock, on or above any part of the upper deck of such ship be repealed; and that the words "any cargo of any description to any height exceeding three feet above deck," in the second Section of the said Act, shall not include or apply to live stock.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill No. 62 to amend the Law respecting Deck Loads; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow.*

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 50 respecting the Maritime Court of Ontario.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

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And after some time spent therein, the Committee rose, and reported the said Bill, without amendment, which was then read a third time, and passed.

The House then adjourned at 12.10 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fiset*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to complete the exploration of Bic Harbor, and also to cause a exploration to be made of Petit Metis Harbor ?

Mr. *Bourbeau*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence between the General Post Office Department and *W. G. Sheppard*, Post Office Inspector, Quebec, in the matter of a change of the Post Office at East Chester, in the County of Arthabaska, and for all Reports which the said Mr. *Sheppard* has addressed to the said Department; and also for all Petitions presented to the Government by the inhabitants of East Chester, on the same subject, since 1874.

Mr. *White* (East Hastings)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Statement of all accounts rendered to any Department in connection with the Geological Survey and the Bay Verte Canal Commission by the managers of the "Montreal *Herald*," and of "The *Herald* Printing and Publishing Company," or by any person on their behalf, for the financial years 1873-4, 1874-5, 1875-6, and 1876-7.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General fer a Return of the payment of two sums of $600 each to the Publishers of the *Canadian Illustrated News*, on the 7th July, 1872, and the 1st September, 1873; and of the correspondence, if any, relating thereto, and of the Orders in Council under which such payments were made.

Mr. *Young*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the names of the gallant officers and men of the Canadian Militia who have intimated their readiness to undertake active service if required by the Mother Country.

No. 34.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 28TH MARCH 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 29TH MARCH, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Burpee* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 4th instant; for a Statement of the number and value of all Horses, Horned Cattle, Sheep and Swine imported into the Dominion from the first day of February, 1877, to the 1st day of February, 1878; also number and value exported during same period; with amount of duties collected by Provinces.

And,—Return to an Order of The House of the 13th instant; for Returns of the value of meat, green dried, cured or potted, imported into Canada from the United States, and the duty collected on such, from 1st January, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee would recommend that the fees paid on the Bill No. 35 to amend an Act intituled : "An Act respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*," be refunded, less the cost of printing and translation.—The Preamble of the said Bill having been reported to The House on the 22nd instant, *as not proven.*

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the fees paid on the said Bill, less the cost of printing and translation, were ordered to be re-funded, in accordance with the foregoing Report.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that after Monday next Government business shall take precedence immediately after Routine Proceedings *on Mondays* for the remainder of the Session ; which was agreed to on a division.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill No. 17 to amend the Post Office Act, 1875, were taken into consideration, and concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 44 to provide for the creation and registration of Homestead Exemption Estates in the Territories of Canada, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole.

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and left it, 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 following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 31. To amend the Act incorporating the Sydenham Harbor Company.

No. 49. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec.'" (*as amended.*)

The Bill No. 54 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwick's* Express and Merchants Forwarding Company (Limited)," was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Fraser* moved, that the Bill No. 59 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *George Frothingham Johnston*," be now read the second time; which was agreed to, on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Fraser,	Monteith,
Bain,	Galbraith,	Norris,
Bertram,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Oliver,
Blackburn,	Goudge,	Orton,
Blain,	Greenway,	Paterson,
Bowell,	Guthrie,	Pettes,
Bowman,	Hagar,	Pickard,
Brouse,	Hall,	Pope (*Queen's, P.E.I.*),
Buell,	Horton,	Robinson,
Burk,	Kirk,	Rochester,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Kirkpatrick,	Ross (*Durham*),
Carmichael,	Landerkin,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Cartwright,	Little,	Rymal,
Charlton,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Scatcherd,
Christie,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Schultz,
Church,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Scriver,
Cockburn,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Shibley,
Coffin,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Sinclair,
Cook,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Davies,	Mackenzie,	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
DeCosmos,	Macmillan,	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Dymond,	McCallum,	Trow,
Farrow,	McCarthy,	Wallace (*Albert*),
Ferris,	McCraney,	White (*Hastings*),
Fleming,	Metcalfe,	Wood,
Flesher,	Mills,	Young.—78.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Barthe,	Delorme,	Langevin,
Béchard,	Desjardins,	Lanthier,
Benoit,	De St. Georges,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Bernier,	Devlin,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),

Blanchet,	Domville,	McIntyre,
Bolduc,	Dugas,	McIsaac,
Bourassa,	Fiset,	Malouin,
Bourbeau,	Flynn,	Masson,
Brooks,	Forbes,	Montplaisir,
Brown,	Gill,	Mousseau,
Bunster,	Holton,	Pinsonneault,
Caron,	Huntington,	Robillard,
Casgrain,	Hurteau,	Robitaille,
Cheval,	Irving,	Short,
Cimon,	Jetté,	Stephenson,
Costigan,	Laflamme,	Taschereau,
Coupal,	Lajoie,	Wade.—51.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and referred (with the evidence taken before the Select Committee of the Senate, to whom was referred the said Bill), to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, that the Bill No. 58 from the Senate, intituled : " An Act for the relief of *Hugh Hunter*," be now read a second time ; which was agreed to on the same division, as on the last Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and referred (with the evidence taken before the Select Committee of the Senate, to whom was referred the said Bill), to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz :—*

No. 12. To incorporate the " *Société de Construction Mutuelle* " under the name of the " *Société de prêts et placements de Québec*," and for other purposes. (On motion of Mr. *Malouin*, the said amendments were taken into consideration, and *concurred in*.)

No. 28. To revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company. (On motion of Mr. *Scriver*, the said amendment was taken into consideration, and *concurred in*.)

(*The House in Committee on Bill No.* 44 *Homestead Exemption Estates, resumed*).

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 30TH MARCH, 1878.

And after some time spent therein, the Committee rose, and the Bill was reported with amendments; to be taken into consideration, *on Monday next.*

The House then adjourned at 12.10 A.M., *until Monday next.*

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Currier*—On Monday next—The following Resolution:—

That whereas, there are at the present time, large numbers of the population of our cities, who, while willing to work, have for many months been out of employment, and whose means have become utterly exhausted, and they are still unable to find work; and whereas, they have appealed to the Government for assistance to enable them to remove to Manitoba with a view to settle upon Crown Lands;

Therefore, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Department of Agriculture should be authorized to expend a portion of the monies voted for immigration puproses in aiding persons out of employment to remove to other portions of the Dominion, for the purpose of settling upon the vacant Crown Lands.

Mr. *White* (East Hastings)—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Statement of all accounts rendered to any Department, including those of the Geological Survey and the Bay Verte Canal Commission, by the managers of the "Montreal *Herald*," and of "The *Herald* Printing and Publishing Company," or by any person on their behalf, for the financial years 1873-4, 1874-5, 1875-6, and 1876-7.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to provide for the winding up of insolvent incorporated Fire and Marine Insurance Companies."

Mr. *Laflamme*—On Monday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to amend Section 68 of *The Penitentiary Act of* 1875."

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees *on or after Monday the* 1*st April next*:—

Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:—

No. 54. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwick's* "Express and Merchants' Forwarding Company (Limited)."

Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:—

No. 59. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *George Frothingham* "*Johnston*."

No. 58. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Hugh Hunter*."

No. 35.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 1st APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *William H. Plummer*, Reeve, and others, of the Municipality of Sault Ste. Marie, District of Algoma, Province of Ontario; praying that steps may be taken to further the building of a Railroad from Sault Ste. Marie to such point of connection with the Canadian railroads eastward, as may be deemed advisable.

Of Mrs. *C. S. Patterson* and others, of Woodstock; of Mrs. *J. E. Brown* and others, of Moncton; of Mrs. *Chipman* and others, of St. Stephen; of Mrs. *S. P. Roberts* and others, of the Town of Portland, St. John; of Mrs. *John T. Gibson* and others, of Marysville; of Mrs. *T. J. Baker* and others, of Grand Falls; of *Kate Bennet* and others, of St. John; of *Mrs. McCurdy* and others, of Chatham; and of Mrs. *T. Meagher* and others, of the City of Fredericton, all women of the Province of New Brunswick; of the Reverend *G. A. Hartly*, Pastor, and others, members of the Carleton Free Baptist Church, New Brunswick; of the Evangelical Alliance of New Brunswick; of the Maugerville Lodge No. 118 U.T.A., Sunbury, New Brunswick; of the Claremont Lodge No. 35 U.T.A., New Brunswick; of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Moncton, New Brunswick; of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of St. Andrew's, New Brunswick; of the County Council of the Municipality of the County of York, New Brunswick; of the Free Baptist Church, Keswick, York, New Brunswick; of the Kingsclear Reform Club, York, New Brunswick; of the Fredericton Temperance Reform Club, New Brunswick; of Mrs. *T. B. Smith* and others, of Windsor; of Mrs. *Jacob Miller* and others, of Ellershausen; of Mrs. *W. W. Corbett* and others, of Annapolis; of Mrs. *J. C. Upham* and others, of North Sydney, Cape Breton; of Mrs. *B. Hines* and others, of Argyle; of *Martha King* and others, of Pictou; and of Mrs. *G. K. Ryerson* and others, of Yarmouth, all women of the Province of Nova Scotia; of Mrs. *B. J. Holman* and others, of the Summerside Ladies' Temperance Union; and of *Sarah Ann McCarthy* and others, women of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors, may become law.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the County of *Gaspé*, and in the Districts of *St. Francis* and *St. Hyacinthe*, for the year 1877;—and

List of Stockholders of *La Banque Jacques Cartier*, on the 1st December, 1877, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following Returns, *viz* :—

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th of March, last; for copies of all papers connected with Ingonish Harbor Breakwater, not already brought down, stating the date of the several payments to the contractors; the total amount paid for the work, and the Engineer's certificates for the several payments, and also for extras paid to the contractors.

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th of March, last; for copies of the Annual Returns of the capital, traffic and working expenditure for the two last financial years of the Canada Southern Railway Company, required to be made to the Minister of Public Works under Chapter 25, 38 *Victoria*, and Chapter 14, 39 *Victoria*, Statutes of Canada.

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th of March, last; for a Statement shewing the number of miles actually graded and ready for track-laying and ballasting, under Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15, and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway; also number of miles of rails actually laid under said Contracts up to 1st January, 1878.

Return to Address of the 4th March last; for Return shewing the amounts of the six lowest tenders for Sections 4, 5, 6, 7 8, 9 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with the names of tenderers, names of parties to whom the contracts were awarded, and copies of the Orders in Council relating thereto; also the date mentioned in the contracts for the completion of the work, and the gross amount of work done as per Engineer's progress estimate up to the 31st of January last.

Return to Address of the 16th April, 1877; for all Orders in Council relating to the creation of the office of Harbor Master at Port Colborne, and to the appointment of *Charles H. Carter* to such office, and all correspondence with the Superintendent of the Canal and other persons on the subject of such appointment, together with a copy of the Regulations for the management and protection of the Canals and Harbors.

Return to the Order of The House of the 27th March, last; for a Statement of duties collected by Customs and Inland Revenue Departments at St. John, N.B., from 1st July, 1876, to 1st January, 1877, and from 1st July, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

Return to the Order of The House of the 18th March, last; for copies of all Tenders for the construction of the platform for the gun of No. 1 Fort, at Lévis.

Return to the Order of The House of the 15th February, 1877; for a Statement from the proper Intercolonial Railway official shewing the quantities, kinds and cost of rails, fish-plates, bolts and nuts, spikes and sleepers, as follows:—

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

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

And,—Return to the Order of the House of the 20th February, last; for copy of a Return shewing the number of accidents and casualties which have occurred on the Railways of the Dominion during the years 1874, 1875, 1876 and 1877, setting forth: 1st. The causes and natures of such accidents and casualties; 2nd. The points at which they occurred, and whether by night or day; 3rd. The full extent thereof and all the particulars of the same.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 48 to incorporate "*La Société de construction du Comté d'Hochelaga*," as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes, *with amendments.*

Mr. *Macdonnell* (Inverness), from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 58 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Hugh Hunter*," *without amendment.*

And the two following Bill, *with amendments, viz.:*—

No. 59. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Grace Frothingham Johnston*";—and

No. 19. Respecting the Port Whitby Harbor Company.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill No. 65 to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies; which was read a first and second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee Banking and Commerce.

The Bill No. 9 to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company and the Canada Central Railway Company; and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended; and the Bill, as amended, to be taken into consideration, *on Wednesday next.*

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 16 to incorporate "The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company," *without amendment.*

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 21 to amend and consolidate, as amended, the several Acts relating to the Quebec Fire Assurance Company, *with an amendment.* (On motion of Mr. *Taschereau*, the said amendment was taken into consideration, *and concurred in.*)

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, *viz.:*—

By Mr. *Mitchell:*—Order of The House; for a detailed Statement of the money paid out by the London Emigration Agent during the years 1876 and 1877 respectively, showing to whom paid, and for what service.

Mr. *Costigan* moved, that an Order of The House do issue; for copies all correspondence between the Government and the Indians of "Tobique Reserve" in New Brunswick, regarding the appointment of a Resident Agent; and of other correspondence bearing upon that subject since 1873.

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

By Mr. *Costigan:*—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Sergeant *L. Hart*, R.E, regarding his appointment as Drill Instructor under Lieut.-Col. *Scoble*, and his subsequent dismissal; also of all other correspondence relating thereto, and to the complaint of Sergeant *Hart* on account of loss sustained by said dismissal and otherwise.

By Mr. *Taschereau:*—Address to His Excellency; for copies of correspondence between the Government and *John Giblin*, of Quebec, in relation to the lease of the house now occupied as the Culler's Office at Quebec; also of all leases between the Government and the said *John Giblin.*

By Mr. *Bunster*:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of any correspondence or Petitions with reference to the establishment of a Mail Service between Nanaimo and New Westminster.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for a Return shewing:—

1st. The number, if any, of Cadets nominated annually to the Royal Navy, by the several Colonies of the Empire; and what proportion is nominated by the Dominion of Canada and the several Provinces thereof.

2nd. The names of such Cadets as have been nominated to Her Majesty's Royal Navy by Canada, since the 1st July, 1867; such Return to exhibit the proportion coming from each of the several Provinces of the Dominion, and the total number to which Canada is entitled to nominate.

By Mr. *Taschereau*:—Address to His Excellency; for a Return of all Petitions of Right transmitted to the Secretary of State since the passing of the "Petition of Right Act, 1876;" shewing the names of Suppliants, the amount and nature of each claim, in what cases His Excellency's *fiat* that *right be done to the parties* was granted, and in what cases refused.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for Return of all cases instituted in the Exchequer Court of Canada since its creation, shewing the names of parties, nature and amount of each claim, nature of proceeding (whether by Petition of Right or otherwise) and indicating separately the cases disposed of by the said Court and those yet pending.

And:—Address to His Excellency; for Return of all Appeals instituted before the Supreme Court of Canada since its creation, shewing the names of parties, the Court from whose judgment each Appeal has been brought, and indicating the cases already disposed of by the said Supreme Court (whether by confirmation or reversal) and the cases yet pending.

By Mr. *Perry*:—Order of The House; for copy of Survey and Report made by *Henry F. Perley*, Esquire, Engineer, in 1874, with the view of improving the navigation of Cascumpec Harbour, in Prince Edward Island.

Also:—Order of The House; for papers and correspondence between the Superintendent of the Prince Edward Island Railway, and the Department of Public Works, shewing how many miles of wire fence has been taken down and replaced by post and batten fence, and also papers shewing the cost of erecting said post and batten fence, and vouchers for the same.

By Mr. *Roy*:—Order of The House; for a Statement shewing the amounts paid annually for carrying the mail between Kamouraska and the Railway Station at St. Pascal, since the Express Train on the Intercolonial Railway began to deliver the mail at that station; also the names of the persons to whom such amounts have been paid, up to date.

By Mr. *Tupper*:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence, Reports or papers connected with the dismissal of *R. J. M. Lecaine* from the Mounted Police Force at the North-West.

Mr. *Tupper* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency; for a Return of all correspondence between *H. G. Hill*, Architect, and the Government, or Department of Public Works, respecting services performed for the Government.

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

By Mr. *Tupper*:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all Memorials asking aid for a Branch Railway from Pugwash to the Intercolonial Railway; with any correspondence upon that subject.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council or Reports, connected with the removal from office or resignation of *George Taylor*, from the office of Assistant Railway Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway.

And:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all correspondence between the Government and *T. M. Boggs*, in relation to his dismissal from the office of Train Despatcher at Truro on the Intercolonial Railway; together with all correspondence with the General Superintendent of the Government Railways; with any Reports or minutes of investigation in relation to said dismissal of Mr. *Boggs*, and a statement of the number of persons now engaged in performing the duties imposed upon Mr. *Boggs* at the time of the accident which led to his dismissal.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton), it was *Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Senate, requesting that Honorable Body to transmit, for the information of this House:—

1st. Copies of all contracts entered into during the year 1876 for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails from Sydney to Cow Bay, Little and Big Glace Bays and Bridgeport, in the County of Cape Breton;

2nd. Copies of notices for tenders and the titles of the newspapers wherein they were inserted; with all copies of other documents, correspondence, &c., in reference to such contracts; also copies of all other contracts entered into in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876 in the said County of Cape Breton, with vouchers of payments for said services and transmission of mail.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government, in reference to a site for building a Quarantine Hospital, at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Also:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence relating to the dismissal of *R. McNeil*, Esq., as Shipping Officer at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

Also:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence relating to the removal of the Post Master at Cow Bay, Cape Breton, together with all other correspondence between the Post Office Department and all other parties touching the cause of his removal.

Also:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence relating to the dismissal of the Agent of the Government Savings Bank at Glace Bay, Cape Breton.

Also:—Order of The House; for copies of all papers, &c., relating to the dismissal of *D. McDonald*, Post Master at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton.

Also:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence relating to the dismissal of *James Corbett*, Post Master at Lorway Mines, Cape Breton County.

Also:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence touching the resignation of *J. Cadigan*, as Post Master at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

And:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence between the Post Office Department and all persons touching the Post Master and Post Office affairs at Victoria Mines, Cape Breton County, for the past three years.

By Mr. *McKay* (Colchester):—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all correspondence, Memorials, Reports or papers, connected with a Lease from the Government of Nova Scotia and from the Dominion Government to the Hon. *Alex. McFarlane*, of certain mud flats and oyster beds in the Counties of Colchester and Cumberland; with copies of said Leases; also, Statement of the amount of rent received for said property by the Government.

By Mr. *Aylmer*:— Order of The House; for Return of ranks and names of all officers who have attended and taken long or short course certificates at the "A" or "B" Battery Schools of Gunnery; the corps to which they belonged with the dates of their appointments; their ranks and corps at present or the dates and reasons for their retirement.

By Mr. *Ryan*:—Order of The House; for a statement shewing the number of Lots South of the Assiniboine River, in the Parish of Poplar Point, in the Province of Manitoba, for which Patents have been issued, or for which applications for Patents have been received, under the Manitoba Act or otherwise.

By Mr. *Fiset*:—Order of The House; for copies of the Reports of the Engineers, Messrs. *Kingsford* and *E. Michaud*, on the survey of the Harbor of Bic.

Also:—Address to His Excellency; for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Sir *Hugh Allan* and the Montreal Telegraph Company, in relation to the construction of a Telegraph Line, between Matane and Fox River.

Mr. *Bowell* moved, that an Order of The House do issue; for copies of all correspondence and documents received by the Government from all sources relative to handing the Pictou Branch Railway over to a private Company.

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

By Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds):—Order of The House; for a Statement of all sales or leases of the Islands in the River St. Lawrence lying between Brockville and Kingston, known as "The Thousand Islands," during the years 1874-5, 1875-6 and 1876-7; shewing what Islands or parts of Islands were sold or leased; names of said Islands; quantity of land in each sold or leased; time for such leases or sales to run; the names of purchasers or Lessees, with the amount to be paid *en bloc*, or per acre, for such purchase or leases.

By Sir *John A. Macdonald*:—Address to His Excellency; for a copy of the Order or Orders in Council relative to the agreement or terms upon which the grant was made and the money expended upon the new Breakwater and Dredging at Collingwood Harbour in the Province of Ontario.

2. The Order or Orders in Council directing the discontinuance of said works or either of them.

3. The total amount expended on said work, distinguishing the sum paid for, or in connection with the Breakwater from that (if any) expended on dredging.

4. The amount or refund received from the Town of Collingwood and the Northern Railway Company respectively, and the amount (if any) now on hand, to the credit of the said Town or the said Railway Company, on account of such work or works.

5. The petitions from the Town of Collingwood or from the Inhabitants thereof, or from others, praying for the completion of the said Works, to the Hon. the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, or the Hon. the Minister of Public Works.

6. All Reports of the Engineers of the Department of Public Works as to the probable cost of the said works, the progress made thereon, the probable cost of completing the same, and especially the Report or Reports of the inspections made during the years 1874 and 1877.

7. All correspondence between the authorities of the Corporation of the said Town and the Department of Public Works relating to the alleged non-fulfilment of the agreement to do the dredging at the said Harbour.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 2ND APRIL, 1878.

By Mr. *Farrow* :—Order of The House ; for a Statement shewing the total amount expended annually for the years 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876 and 1877, for the following purposes, viz :—

1st. Additions to and repairs to Rideau Hall;
2nd. Upon grounds, out-buildings and erections connected therewith
3rd. Upon water-works, gas and fuel;
4th. Furniture of all kinds ;
5th. Travelling expenses of the Governor General and suite ;
6th. Amount of telegraph account;
7th. Also all and any other expenditures that may have been made from the Public Treasury for and in connection with Rideau Hall during said years.

And :—Order of The House ; for a Return shewing in detail all fees paid by the Department of Justice or by any other Department, or in connection with the Intercolonial Railroad, to Counsel and Attorneys in connection with any business before the Supreme Court since its formation, and the names of the Counsel and Attorneys and the several suits in respect of which such fees were paid.

The House then adjourned t 12. 15 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for Copies of all complaints lodged in 1875 or 1876, against *O. A. Clément*, Esq., Postmaster at Baie St. Paul, County of Charlevoix ;—also for Copies of all correspondence, Departmental orders, evidence, and other documents relating to the matter.

Mr. *Killam*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Which Life Insurance Companies have given notice to the Minister of Finance of their intention to avail themselves of the proviso contained in sub-Section 2 of Section 7 of the Insurance Act of 1877 ;

And also, what are the names of the Insurance Companies incorporated elsewhere than in Canada, which have not applied before the 31st March in this year, for a renewal of their licenses under the 3rd Section of the said Act.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 2ND APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Laflamme*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 57 from the Senate, intituled : " An Act respecting the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company," *with an amendment.*

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew) introduced a Bill No. 66 to secure the attendance of voters at Elections of Members of the Commons; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow.*

The Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole, *on Friday last, viz* —
Resolved, That it is expedient to appoint an Officer to be called the *Auditor General of Canada*, salary not to exceed Thirty two hundred Dollars, *per annum*,—was reported, read a second time, *and concurred in.*

The Bill No. 51 respecting the offices of Receiver General and Attorney General of Canada, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, *to-morrow.*

The Bill No. 53 for the better auditing of the Public Accounts, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole, *to-morrow.*

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Brown* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That whereas a large quantity of wheat and flour has been imported into Canada within the last few years, this House is of opinion, that the interests of Canadian farmers would be promoted, by the imposition of a duty on these articles.

And a Debate arising thereon ;

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

WEDNESDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Mills*, adjourned.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 26 respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, *without amendment.*

Also,—agreeing to the amendment made by this House to the Bill No. 49 of their own, intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec," *without amendment.*

The House then adjourned at 20 minutes before 1 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Farrow*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence that may have taken place between the Government and any person or persons respecting the appointment of the Senior Judge, *W. R. Squier*, Esq., for the County of Huron.

Mr. *Archibald*---On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the accounts of *William Wallace*, late Commissariat Officer, Paymaster or Accountant on the Canadian Pacific Survey have been finally closed; if so, have the money, cheques, &c., which were entrusted to him, been satisfactorily accounted for; and if not, what amount has been fully accounted for, what amount partially accounted for, and what amount remains wholly unaccounted for?

Mr. *Oliver*—On Friday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return of the expenditure in detail of the Contingencies of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the years 1870-1, 1871-2, 1872-3, and 1873-4.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Michael Gross* and others, Members of the Independent Order of Good Templars, Hillsborough, New Brunswick; of *John C. Ferguson*, President, and others of the United Temperance Alliance of New Brunswick; of the Elgin Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars; of *George Mollins* and others of the County of Albert, New Brunswick; of the Westmoreland County Temperance Convention, New Brunswick; of the Moncton Division Sons of Temperance, New Brunswick; of the Municipality of the County of Victoria, New Brunswick; and of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Milltown, New Brunswick; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors, may become law.

Of *T. H. Mahony* and others, Policy-holders in the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company; praying that the Act 40 Vic., Cap. 42, may be so amended as to exempt them from its operation and to permit the said Company to carry on its business under the Laws of Canada, as they did prior to the passing of said Act.

Of the County Council of the County of Wellington; praying that the Temperance Act of 1874, may be so amended as to permit of the sale by retail of native wines and beer; and also that provision be made for taking the vote by Ballot in the same manner as at Municipal Elections in the Province of Ontario.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the following as their Fourth Report:—

The First and Second Reports, of the Sub-Committee appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, and for other purposes, 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, for the fiscal year 1876-7," all hereto annexed, which they respectfully recommend for the consideration of both Houses.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,
Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
14th March, 1878.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, to whom was referred the Accounts for the past year, beg leave to present the following as their First Report:—

The Sub-Committee examined the Balance Sheet, and having carefully compared the receipts with the certificate of the Auditor-General, of the Warrants issued,—as

well as the Cash on hand, as verified by the Bank Pass-book, found them correct. The Expenditure they verified by the Accounts in detail, duly receipted by the several Contractors;—they also further verified the Account for Printing, which is furnished item by item, by a fyle of the work performed, each document being charged separately, and having tested several, both as to measurement and charges, were satisfied of their correctness.

The Sub-Committee have, therefore, signed the Balance Sheet as having been audited by them, and found correct.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,
Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
18th March, 1878.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, to whom was referred the Accounts of the past year, and also the application of Mr. *Botterell*, for additional assistance during the recess, beg leave to submit the following as their Second Report :----

With regard to the reference to the Sub-Committee of the application of Mr. *Botterell*, they called upon that official to furnish them with a Comparative Statement of the amount of labor performed in the Distributing Department, in 1869, in 1873, and in 1877. They also examined other Officials cognizant of the work. From the information thus obtained, the Sub-Committee are of opinion there is work sufficient to justify the continuation of the services of one of the Sessional Messengers now on the staff, during the recess, as a Second Assistant Distributor, for which service they would recommend an additional allowance of $300.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,
Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
22nd February, 1878.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

GENTLEMEN,---I beg to submit the Annual Balance Sheet for the Printing Services of Parliament for the year 1876-7, shewing the cost of those services to have been $63,853.25. Accounts in detail for the expenditure of the above sum, with fyles of the work performed as Vouchers, are ready for the Audit Committee.

The several Contractors for the Printing and Binding have shewn every desire to meet the requirements of Parliament according to their respective Contracts, and very satisfactorily.

The Printing Paper furnished under the Contract has so varied in quality that the attention of the Contractor had to be directed to it.

The usual sum of $70,000 has been placed in the Estimates for the Printing Services of Parliament, for the year 1878-9.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

Dr. PARLIAMENTARY PRINTING ACCOUNT, Annual Balance Sheet, from 1st July, 1876, to 30th June, 1877. Cr.

		$ cts.	Vouchers No.		$ cts.
1876.					
July 1...	To Balance on hand	2,648 19	1	By Printing, the 20 per cent. retained from last account.	7,402 60
	Value of Paper on hand from last Session	1,938 30		do $44,686 84	
	Am't of Warrants issued, Parliamentary Printing	64,000 00		Less retained as representing the 20 per cent. 8,937 36	35,749 48
	do do Departmental Reports { $6,455 12 / 1,454 98 }	7,910 10			
	Amount received for the Printing of Private Bills	330 29			
			2	Binding	4,484 75
			3	Printing Paper $18,386 22	
				do on hand from last Session 1,938 30	
				Total value of Paper on hand $20,324 52	
				Balance on hand for next Session 780 46	
				Total cost of Paper used	19,544 06
			4		
			5	Lithographing	1,402 50
			6	Insurance	82 50
			7	Salaries	2,950 00
			8	Postage	292 92
			9	Miscellaneous	143 83
				Superannuation Premium	41 00
				Total cost	72,093 64
				By value of Paper on hand	780 46
				By Cash on hand { $2,497 80 / 1,454 98 }	3,952 78
		$76,826 88			$76,826 88

To Balance of Paper on hand :—	
143 Reams of Royal, at $3.05	$436 15
299·8 Reams of Foolscap, at $1.15	344 31
	$780 46

Total cost, as above		$72,093 64
REFUNDS :—		
Departmental Reports	$7,910 10	
Private Bills	330 29	
	8,240 39	
Total cost, Parliamentary Printing		$63,853 25
Numerically calculated, the cost for each House will stand thus :—		
The Senate		$16,189 23
The House of Commons		47,664 02
		$63,853 25

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Department, Printing of Parliament.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
30th June, 1877.

Audited and found correct.

GEORGE ROSS, *Chairman.*
J. SIMPSON,
WILLIAM WALLACE,
RUFUS STEPHENSON,
J. O. BUREAU.
} *Sub-Committee.*

He also presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

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

Return to Order,—Statement of the reason in each case for the superannuation of the persons in the Civil Service mentioned in the Return laid before the House on the 18th February. (*In Sessional Papers only.*)

Return to Address,—Statement of number of miles actually graded, &c., under Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15 and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway, &c.

Return to Order,—Statement of number of miles of Intercolonial operated on 1st July, 1873, and the cost of operating the same, &c.

Return to Address,—Orders in Council relating to the route of the Canada Central Extension, and the Contract for building, &c.

Return to Address,—Arrangement made between the Intercolonial Railway and the Grand Trunk Railway, respecting the tariff of charges for the conveyance of passengers and freight over the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial Railways, &c.

Return to Order,—Names of the Cadets that have been admitted at the Military College, Kingston, from the opening of said College, &c., &c.

Return to Address (Senate),—Specifications relating to the construction of the Lake Superior and Fort Garry sections of the Canadian Pacific Telegraph, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence relating to any Amnesty, partial or complete, to Mr. *W. B. O'Donohue.*

Return to Order,—Statement of moneys received by the Dominion Land Office at Winnipeg, for payment of lands in the Railway Reserve, &c.

Return to Order—Shewing total cost to Government of Canada of the Philadelphia Exhibition, &c. (*In Sessional Papers only.*)

Return to Address,—Tenders for the construction of that portion of the Pembina Branch Railway between St. Boniface and Selkirk, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence about the admission of Canadian-built ships into French Ports at the same rate, &c., as ships from Great Britain and Ireland.

Return to Order,—Number and value of all horses, horned cattle, &c., imported into the Dominion from 1st February, 1877, to 1st February, 1878; also number and value exported during same period, with amount of duties collected.

Return to Order,—Value of meat, green, dried, cured or potted, imported from the United States, and the duty collected on such from the 1st January, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

Return to Order,—Number of accidents and casualties which have occurred on the Railways of the Dominion during the years 1874-5-6 and 7. (*In Sessional Papers only.*)

Message from His Excellency the Governor General transmitting Addresses from the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the Province of Quebec, on the subject of recent Ministerial changes in that Province.

Message from His Excellency the Governor General transmitting a Memorandum from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec with accompanying documents containing explanations in reference to recent Ministerial changes in that Province.

List of Shareholders of the several Banks of the Dominion of Canada, in compliance with Act 34 *Vic.*, Cap. 5, Sec 12.

The Committee also recommended that the following documents *be not printed, viz:*—

Return to Order,—Shewing the amount of moneys disbursed to January 1st, 1878, on Contracts Nos. 13, 14, 15, 23 and 25 of the Canada Pacific Railway.

Return to Order,—Report of Chief Engineer, or any other Engineer, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, recommending a survey in 1876 of the route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass.

Return to Address,—Progress Estimates done under Contract 15 of the Canada Pacific Railway.

Return to Order,—Statement shewing quantities, kinds and cost of rails, fish-plates, bolts and nails, &c. Intercolonial Railway, on hand 30th June, 1875.

Return to Order,—Amounts paid for Printing in Prince Edward Island in 1874-5 and 6, &c.

Return to Order,—Correspondence in connexion with the projected Harbor on Lake Erie, near the Village of Morpeth, County of Kent.

Return to Order,—Correspondence as to the changing the Post Office at the Port of New Campbellton to a Way Office and the reduction of the Salary of the Postmaster.

Return to Order,—Amounts spent yearly since 1867 in maintenance of Military Schools in New Brunswick.

Return to Address,—Tenders for the construction of the platform for the Gun of No. 1 Fort at Lévis.

Return to Order,—Shewing sums expended for repairs to Military Forts at Lévis since last Session, &c.

Return to Order,—Report of the Survey of the Harbor of Lingan, Cape Breton.

Return to Address (Senate),—Reports made to the Minister charged with the administration of Dominion Lands, &c., under Act 38 *Vic.*, Cap. 53.

Return to Address (Senate),—Statement of amount expended during past year on the L'Ardoise Breakwater, in Cape Breton.

Return to Address,—Mr. *Kingsford's* report on the Survey of the Harbor of Matane.

Return to Address,—Shewing amounts of the six lowest tenders for Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 34 and 35 of the New Welland Canal.

Return to Order,—Correspondence relative to the pensions paid to the Square Timber Cullers dismissed last year.

Return to Order,—Specification for construction of Malpeque Breakwater, &c.

Return to Order,—Report of Surveys, Saskatchewan River, in view of the improvement of the navigation at the Coals Falls, &c.

Return to Order,—List of Employees, Department of Marine, in the District of Quebec, excluding the men employed in the River Police Force.

Return to Address,—A detailed statement of all sums of money received by *Pierre Alexis Tremblay*, Esq., Land Surveyor, in connexion with the Ordinance Lands in 1876 and 1877, &c.

Return to Order,—Shewing what Lights have been built at Tignish Breakwater during the past season, &c.

Return to Address,—Names of the parties who tendered for the works now being constructed under the control of the Quebec Harbor Trust on the River St. Charles.

Return to Order,—Statement of amount expended for re-measurement of Steam Vessels registered under Act of late Province of Canada, now repealed.

Return to Order,—Statement of duties collected by Customs and Inland Revenue Departments at St. John, N.B., from 1st July, 1876, to 1st January, 1877, and from 1st July, 1877, to 1st January, 1878.

Return to Address,—Papers connected with Ingonish Harbor Breakwater, &c.

Return to Order,—Annual Returns of the Capital, &c., of the Canada Southern Railway Company required under Cap. 25, 38 *Vic.*, and Cap. 14, 39 *Vic.*

Supplementary Return to Address,—Reports by Admiral *DeHorsey* as to a port most suitable for a terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Return to Address (Senate),—Correspondence with the Post Office Inspector for Nova Scotia, in November, December and January last, in relation to Mail irregularities between the Post Offices of Arichat, Hawkesbury and Antigonish, in the said Province.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Seventh Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No 30 to grant certain powers to the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada, and to change its name, *with amendments*.

The Committee would recommend that the time for the reception of Reports on Private Bills be extended for a period of one week *from the 4th instant*.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the time for receiving Reports from Committees on Private Bills, was extended *to Thursday, the 11th instant*, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, *to-morrow, viz :*---

By Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) :—Bill No. 67 further to amend the General Act respecting Railways.

By Mr. *Laflamme :*—Bill No 68 to amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 11, intituled : " An Act to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada."

Also :---Bill No 69 to amend Section 68 of " The Penitentiary Act, of 1875."

Mr. *Bunster* moved, that an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen praying Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to re-appoint His Excellency the Earl of Dufferin as Governor General of this Dominion, for another term, at the expiration of his present term of office as Governor General.

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

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,---and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, *viz :*---

By Sir *John A. Macdonald :*— Address to His Excellency, for a copy of the Order in Council, regulating and determining the rights, powers and duties imposed on the Harbour Master for the Port of Collingwood, and fixing his remuneration, and any other Order or Orders amending the same; and a Statement shewing the moneys received by the Harbour Master of the said Port for the year ending on the 31st day of December last, and how much has been retained thereof, and how much paid over to the Receiver-General.

By Mr. *MacDonnell :*—Order of The House, for copies of all papers and correspondence between the Honorable the Minister of Public Works and Messrs. *Sumner* and *Somers*, Contractors for the construction of Section No. 12 of the Intercolonial Railroad; and also all Reports and correspondence on the part of the Chief and Assistant Engineers in connection with the construction of said Section, and the claims of said Messrs. *Sumner* and *Somers* therefor.

Mr. *Tupper* moved, that an Address to His Excellency be voted, for a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Government or any official of the Department of Public Works or of the Intercolonial Railway and *Solomon Keiver*, in reference to a claim for the value of an ox killed on the Railway near Spring Hill Station; also, copies of all correspondence between the Public Works Department or any officer of the Intercolonial Railway and *Robert Boomer*, of Brookfield, in the County of Colchester, in reference to a claim for the value of an ox killed on the Railway near Brookfield, in September, 1875; also, copies of all correspondence between the Public Works Department or any official of the Intercolonial Railway and *H. A. Davison* of Black River, in reference to a claim for a horse killed on the Railway in October last.

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

By Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds)—Order of The House, for a Statement of all rebate of duties on merchandize of any kind imported from the United States into the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec during the Fiscal years 1875 and 1876, and 1876 and 1877, up to 1st January, 1878; the names of parties to whom and the cause for which such rebate or rebates were made.

Mr. *Tupper* moved, that an Address to His Excellency be voted, for copies of all correspondence between the Government or Public Works Department or any official of the Intercolonial Railway and *Alexander Forbes*, in relation to his claim for compensation for work performed by him on the Railway and losses sustained in connection with the execution of such services.

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

Mr. *Ryan* moved, that an Address to His Excellency be voted, for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Hudson's Bay Company, relative to the claim of one *John Reid*, of the Parish of High Bluff, in the Province of Manitoba, to the south-east quarter of section nineteen, of Township Twelve, of Range Five, west of the Principal Meridian in the said Province, by reason of his settlement thereon, under the homestead provisions of the Dominion Lands Acts; for which quarter-section a Patent is alleged to have been granted to the Hudson's Bay Company, after the said *John Reid* had been actually settled thereon.

And a Debate arising thereon;

Mr. *McKay* (Cape Breton) moved, that The House do now adjourn.

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

The original motion was then, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 27 respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada, *without amendment*.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 22 respecting the Bank of Liverpool, *with amendments*.—(On motion of Mr. *Forbes*, the said amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in.)

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19)

Mr. *Galbraith* moved, that the amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill No. 9 to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, be now concurred in.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew) moved in amendment thereto, that the said amendments be not now concurred in, but that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the same, by providing for the issue of stock in the amalgamated Companies to the Municipalities of *Horton*, *Admaston*, and the Village of *Renfrew*, in exchange for the Canada Central Railway stock, now held by them, at the fair value of the latter stock; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Masson,
Barthe,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Méthot,
Benoit,	Gill,	Mitchell,
Blanchet,	Haggart,	Monteith,
Bolduc,	Harwood,	Montplaisir,
Bourbeau,	Hurteau,	Ouimet,
Bowell,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Palmer,
Casey,	Kirkpatrick,	Pinsonneault,

Cimon,	Langevin,	Platt,
Costigan,	Lanthier,	Robinson,
Desjardins,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Rouleau,
Dewdney,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Ryan,
Dugas,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Schultz,
Farrow,	Macmillan,	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Ferguson,	McCallum,	White (*Hastings*),
Flesher,	McQuade,	White (*Renfrew*)—50.
Fraser,	Malouin,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Delorme,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Archibald,	De St. Georges,	Mackenzie,
Bain,	Devlin,	McCraney,
Béchard,	Dymond,	McGregor,
Bernier,	Fiset,	McIntyre,
Bertram,	Fleming,	McNab,
Biggar,	Forbes,	Metcalfe,
Blackburn,	Fréchette,	Mills,
Blain,	Galbraith,	Norris,
Borden,	Geoffrion,	Oliver,
Borron,	Gibson,	Paterson,
Bourassa,	Gillies,	Perry,
Bowman,	Gillmor,	Pettes,
Boyer,	Goudge,	Pickard,
Brouse,	Greenway,	Ray,
Brown,	Guthrie,	Robillard,
Buell,	Hagar,	Ross (*Durham*),
Bunster,	Hall,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Burk,	Higinbotham,	Rymal,
Burpee (*St. John*),	Holton,	Scatcherd,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Horton,	Scriver,
Carmichael,	Huntington,	Shibley,
Cartwright,	Irving,	Short,
Casgrain,	Jetté,	Sinclair,
Charlton,	Jones (*Halifax*),	Skinner,
Cheval,	Killam,	Smith (*Peel*),
Christie,	Kirk,	Smith (*Selkirk*),
Church,	Laflamme,	Snider,
Cockburn,	Lajoie,	Taschereau,
Coffin,	Landerkin,	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Cook,	Langlois,	Trow,
Coupal,	Laurier,	Wallace (*Albert*),
Davies,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),	Young.—101.
Dawson,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	

Mr. *Palmer* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the same, by striking out Section 13 of the Bill; which was negatived on a division.

The said amendments were then concurred in.

Mr. *Galbraith* moved, that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds) moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to add to Clause 9, the following:—

"That the holders of Stock in the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company representing original ordinary Bonds with the overdue coupons of said Railway Com-

pany, and converted by Clause 3 of the Act Chapter 44, 31st *Victoria*, of the Province of Ontario, entitled: "An Act for the conversion of the ordinary Bonds and old Stock of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company into reduced new Stock, and for other purposes" into the new paid-up Stock in the Capital of said Railway Company, at the rate of Twenty-five cents on the Dollar, shall be placed in the position of ordinary original Bondholders by the transfer of Bonds out of the Twenty thousand Dollars issued per mile now by this Act to be made, to the extent of the Stock now held by them, and which was taken for original ordinary Bonds at Twenty-five cents on the Dollar, under and by virtue of the before-mentioned Act, 31st *Victoria*, Chapter 44, of the Province of Ontario; " which was negatived on a division.

The main motion was then agreed to, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 48 to incorporate "*La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga*" as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 58 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Hugh Hunter*," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and reported.

And the question being put, that the Bill be now read a third time; it was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Bain,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Borden,
Borron,
Bowell,
Bowman,
Brouse,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Campbell,
Carmichael,
Charlton,
Christie,
Church,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Cook,
Davies,
Dawson,
DeCosmos,
Dymond,
Farrow,
Ferris,
Fleming,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Hagar,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Horton,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Landerkin,
Little,
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Mackenzie,
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Monteith,
Norris,
Oliver,
Palmer,
Paterson,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Platt,
Plumb,
Ray,
Robinson,
Rochester,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Schultz,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Snider,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Wallace (*Albert*),
White (*Hastings*).—84.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Fiset,
Forbes,
Fréchette,
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McIntyre,
McIsaac,

Benoit,	Geoffrion,	Malouin,
Bernier,	Gibson,	Masson,
Blanchet,	Gill,	Méthot,
Bolduc,	Harwood,	Montplaisir,
Bourassa,	Holton,	Ouimet,
Bourbeau,	Hurteau,	Perry,
Boyer,	Irving,	Pinsonneault,
Brown,	Jétte,	Pope (*Compton*),
Casgrain,	Jones (*Halifax*),	Robillard,
Cheval,	Laflamme,	Robitaille,
Cimon,	Lajoie,	Rouleau,
Costigan,	Langevin,	Roy,
Coupal,	Langlois,	Short,
Delorme,	Lanthier,	Smith (*Peel*),
Desjardins,	Laurier,	St. Jean,
De St. Georges,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),	Taschereau,
Devlin,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Wade.—61.
Dugas,		

The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed on the same division.

The Bill No. 59 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *George Frothingham Johnston*," was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and the amendment concurred in.

And the question being put, that the Bill be now read a third time; it was agreed to, on a division.

The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed on a division.

The two following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 19. Respecting the Port Whitby Harbor Company.

No. 57. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company," (*as amended.*)

(*Public Bills and Orders under Rule* 19.)

Mr. *Fréchette* moved, that a Special Committee be appointed, to consider the question of a better translation into French of "The British North America Act, 1867;" said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Fréchette, Béchard, Jetté Taschereau, Baby, Mousseau,* and *Casey;* which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Fréchette,	Mackenzie,
Béchard,	Galbraith,	McCraney,
Benoit,	Geoffrion,	McGregor,
Bernier,	Gibson,	McNab,
Borden,	Gillies,	Metcalfe,
Borron,	Gillmor,	Méthot,
Bourassa,	Goudge,	Mills,
Brown,	Guthrie,	Montplaisir,
Buell,	Hall,	Norris,
Burpee (*St. John*)	Higinbotham,	Oliver,
Carmichael,	Holton,	Ouimet,
Cartwright,	Horton,	Paterson,
Casgrain,	Huntington,	Pickard,

Charlton,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Cockburn,
Cook,
Davies,
Delorme,
De St. Georges,
Devlin,
Dymond,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Forbes,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Killam,
Kirk,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Pouliot,
Richard,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rouleau,
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Snider,
Taschereau,
Trow.—80.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blanchet,
Bolduc,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Burk,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Caron,
Cimon,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Desjardins,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Ferris,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McQuade,
Malouin,
Masson,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Orton,
Pettes,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Robillard,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Roy,
Ryan,
Schultz,
Scriver,
Sinclair,
Wade,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*).—63.

The said Special Committee was accordingly appointed.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Frechette's* proposed motion, that in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Government should take steps to test the possibility of navigating the St. Lawrence from Quebec to the Ocean, during the winter season.

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

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Taschereau's* proposed motion, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to apply the 9th Sub-section of Section 6, Chapter 7, 34 *Victoria*, in order to obtain from the City and District Savings Bank of Montreal, and to cause to be laid before this House when so obtained:

1st. A statement shewing in detail the position of the Bank at the period of its re-organization in 1871, viz: all the amounts due to the Bank; the names of parties by whom due; the collaterals held as security; the rates at which said collaterals were taken, and their actual value at the time they were taken.

2nd. A statement in detail of all other assets possessed by the Bank at the time of its re-organization.

3rd. A statement shewing how the Directors fixed at $180,000 the *surplus* or *poor Fund*, and by what process they arrived at that figure, and if said surplus was limited to aforesaid amount.

4th. A statement shewing how the capital stock was taken up, the names of shareholders, and if said stock was subscribed before or after the day and hour when the books should have been opened according to Law.

5th. The sums paid by the shareholders upon their subscription of stock since 1871, and date of re-organization.

6th. A statement shewing which of the shareholders paid in cash; those that did not; and how they did pay; if by promissory notes, and if so, when discounted and whether retired at maturity.

7th. A statement in detail of all the loans made by the Bank since its re-organization, to whom made and upon what collaterals; at what price such collaterals were taken and what interest was charged on said loans.

8th. A statement in detail of all the losses made by the Bank and what portion of said losses were written off, giving names of parties and the collaterals held by the Bank.

9th. A statement of all monies now due to the Bank, by whom and how secured, giving the collaterals taken, at what rate and their present cash value; also all other assets presently possessed by the Bank.

10th. A statement of all the dealings the Bank has had with parties who have become insolvent prior to the paying up of their loans to the Bank.

11th. A statement shewing what advances the Bank made upon American securities, names of parties, the particular stocks, the prices at which they were taken and how the loans were settled.

12th. A statement of the lowest quotation at which the various stocks taken by the Bank fell to during the currency of the loans advanced on them.

13th. A statement of the names of the Directors, if any, who since the re-organization, borrowed from the Bank, the enumeration of the securities upon which said loans were effected, the rate of interest charged and how their redemption took place; also the dates at which said loans were made and repaid.

14th. A statement of the dividends paid in each year since 1871, date of re-organization.

15th. A list of the present Directors and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank

16th. A list of the present shareholders and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved in amendment thereto, that the said motion be amended, by striking out all the words after "1871" in the first paragraph of the said motion; and also by striking out paragraphs 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of the said motion; which was agreed to.

The main motion, as amended, was then agreed to, and the said Address voted, is as follows:—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to apply the 9th Sub-section of Section 6, Chapter 7, 34 *Victoria*, in order to obtain from the City and District Savings Bank of Montreal, and to cause to be laid before this House when so obtained:

1st. A statement shewing the position of the Bank at the period of its re-organization in 1871.

2nd. A statement shewing how the Directors fixed at $180,000 the *surplus* or *poor Fund*, and by what process they arrived at that figure, and if said surplus was limited to aforesaid amount.

3rd. A statement shewing how the the capital stock was taken up, the names of shareholders, and if said stock was subscribed before or after the day and hour when the books should have been opened according to Law.

4th. The sums paid by the shareholders upon their subscription of stock since 1871, and date of re-organization

5th. A statement shewing which of the shareholders paid in cash; those that did not; and how they did pay; if by promissory notes, and if so, when discounted and whether retired at maturity.

6th. A statement of the dividends paid in each year since 1871, date of re-organization.

7th. A list of the present Directors and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

8th. A list of the present shareholders, and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

Mr. *Bourassa* moved, that the Bill No. 24 to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875, and the several Acts in amendment thereof, be now read a second time; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Blanchet,
Bolduc,
Bourassa,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Bunster,
Campbell,
Cheval,
Christie,
Cimon,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Desjardins,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Fiset,
Gibson,
Gill,
Greenway,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Landerkin,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
Malouin,
Masson,
Méthot,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Orton,
Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Pouliot,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Rouleau,
Roy,
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Short,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Pontiac*).—68.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Bain,
Bertram,
Borden,
Borron,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brooks,
Brouse,
Buell,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Fleming,
Forbes,
Fraser,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gillmor,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Higinbotham,
McKay (*Colchester*),
Mackenzie,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,

Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Holton,	Ray,
Carmichael,	Huntington,	Richard,
Cartwright,	Irving,	Robillard,
Casgrain,	Jetté,	Ross (*Durham*),
Church,	Jones (*Halifax*),	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Davies,	Killam,	Scriver,
DeCosmos,	Kirk,	Skinner,
Delorme,	Laflamme,	Smith (*Selkirk*),
De St. Georges,	Lajoie,	Snider,
Devlin,	Laurier,	Taschereau,
Dymond,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Ferris,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Trow.—72.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Toronto), moved, that the Bill No. 25 to regulate the sale and disposal of bottles, used in the manufacture of Mineral water, and other drinks, be now read a second time ;

And objection being taken, that this Bill relating to Trade, should have been brought into this House, and the proposition should have been first considered in a Committee of the Whole House, and agreed unto by The House ;

Mr. Speaker decided, that the objection was well taken ; the said Bill relating to Trade coming under Rule 41, it cannot therefore be proceeded with.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

THURSDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1878.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill No. 33, to declare Life Assurance Policies *non-forfeitable*, being read ;

And motion being made, that the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The House then adjourned at 15 minutes before 1 o'clock A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to erect Drill Sheds in the Province of Manitoba?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—For what purpose are the 20,000 Winchester Rifle Cartridges required, which are asked for by *Thomas Nixon*, Purveyor for the North West Superintendency, in an advertisement for tenders dated 26th March, 1878, and printed in the "Manitoba *Free Press*" of that date?

Mr. *Lanthier*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have disposed of the Ordnance Lands in the County of Soulanges ; and if so, to whom?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have taken any steps to acquire from the Imperial Government the unceded Territory East of the Territory of Keewatin and North of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec?

No. 38.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Carleton; of the Municipal Council of the Town of Woodstock, County of Carleton; of the Musquash Lodge No. 321, U. T. A., St. John; and of the Gurney Division No. 5 Sons of Temperance of St. John, New Brunswick; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors, may become law.

Mr. *Casey* introduced a Bill No. 70 to ensure the better qualification of Public Servants, and the greater efficiency and economy of the Public Service; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.

The Bill No. 53 for the better auditing of the Public Accounts, was considered in Committee of the Whole; (and the Resolution respecting the appointment of an Auditor General of Canada, adopted in Committee of the Whole, and concurred in on Tuesday, last, referred.)—After some progress having been made, the Committee rose, and obtained leave to sit again, this day.

The Bill No. 52 to amend the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended; and the Bill, as amended, to be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

The Bill No. 53 for the better auditing of the Public Accounts, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended; and the Bill, as amended, to be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1878.

The Bill No. 43, further to amend the Acts respecting Stamps on Bills and Notes, was considered in Committee of the Whole; and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

A Message was received from the Senate, transmitting a Return, made to that House on the 8th of March, 1877, to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General on the 15th of February, 1877; praying His Excellency, to cause to be laid before that House:—1st. Copies of all Contracts entered into during the year 1876 for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails from Sydney to Cow Bay, Little and Big Glace Bays, and Bridgeport in the County of Cape Breton.

2nd. Also, Copies of Notices of Tenders and the titles of the Newspapers wherein they were inserted, with all copies of other documents, correspondence, &c., in reference to such Contracts.

Also—Copies of all other Contracts entered into in the years 1874, 1875 and 1876 in the said County of Cape Breton with vouchers of payment for said services for transmission of Mails; to be communicated to this House, in compliance with the Message of the 2nd instant, and that the same may be returned to the Senate.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 6 to authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company, with amendments. (On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the said amendments were read.—To be taken into consideration at the next sitting of The House, this day.)

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes before 2 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to purchase or construct a Dredge so as to provide for the necessary dredging beyond the working capabilities of those now in use ?

Mr. *Laflamme*—On Monday next—BILL entitled " An Act respecting persons imprisoned in default of giving securities to keep the peace."

No. 39.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 4TH APRIL 1878

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No. 40.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Eighth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, with amendments, viz. :—

No. 29. To authorize and provide for the winding up of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company.

No. 54. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwick's* Express and Merchants' Forwarding Company (Limited)."

No. 65. To make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies.

With respect to the last mentioned Bill, the Committee would recommend, that in view of the importance of the proposed measure, and the advanced period of the Session, it be placed among the Government Orders; in the name of the Finance Minister.

The Committee also recommend that the fee of two hundred dollars paid on the Bill No. 29 to authorize and provide for the winding up of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company, be refunded.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the Bill No. 65 to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies, was placed on the Government Orders, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the fee paid on the Bill No. 29 to authorize and provide for the winding up of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company, was ordered to be re-funded, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion: —"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,"—and of Mr. *Brown's* motion in amendment thereto :—"That Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That whereas a large quantity of wheat and flour has been imported into Canada within the last few years, this House is of opinion, that the interests of Canadian farmers would be promoted, by the imposition of a duty on these articles."

And a further Debate arising;

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19)

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 8 to authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock, and for other purposes, without amendment.

Also:—agreeing to the amendment made by this House to the Bill No. 57 of their own, intituled:—" An Act respecting the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company," without amendment.

The Bill No. 30 to grant certain powers to the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada, and to change its name, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 6 to authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company, were read a second time.

And the question of concurrence thereon being put ;

Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin) moved in amendment thereto, that the said amendments be not now agreed to, but that the second of the said amendments be amended, by inserting after the word " in " and immediately before the word " Canada " in Section 5 of the said Bill, the following words " the Town of St. Thomas, in the County of Elgin, in the Province of Ontario in."

Mr. Speaker ruled, that this amendment cannot be put, inasmuch as it is not consequent upon the amendments under consideration.

The amendments were then agreed to.

(*The House then resumed the Debate on Mr. Cartwright's motion for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,—and of Mr. Brown's motion in amendment thereto.*)

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Rymal*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes past 1 o'clock, A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Charlton*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for a Return giving copies of the Bill of Complaint and the decree in the suit of Her Majesty's Attorney General for Canada versus *Haws* now pending in the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice in England, and of the reports or letters from the Solicitors in England in charge of the case to the Department of Justice, shewing the result so far of the proceedings in the suit.

No. 40.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1878

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The Petition of the Reverend *P. Patry*, and others, of St. Paschal, was read and received ; praying that the excise duty on the manufacture of foreign tobacco may be increased by ten per cent. per pound, or the same duty on the manufacture of Canadian tobacco reduced by a similar amount.

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

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits to The House of Commons a letter from the Honorable *C. B. DeBoucherville*, having reference to the recent Ministerial changes in the Province of Quebec.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, the 8th April, 1878.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion : —" That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,"—and of Mr. *Brown's* motion in amendment thereto :—" That Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That whereas a large quantity of wheat and flour has been imported into Canada within the last few years, this House is of opinion, that the interests of Canadian farmers would be promoted, by the imposition of a duty on these articles."

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 9TH APRIL, 1878.

And the question being put,—it was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bowell,
Brown,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Farrow,
Fraser,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Haggart,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McGregor,
McQuade,
Monteith,
Orton,
Platt,
Robinson,
Rochester,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ryan,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Renfrew*).—28.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Aylmer,
Baby,
Bain,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Blake,
Blanchet,
Bolduc,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bourbeau,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brooks,
Brouse,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Cimon,
Coffin,
Colby,
Cook,
Coupal,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Davies,
Dawson,
Delorme,
Desjardins,
De St. Georges,
De Veber,
Devlin,
Domville,
Dugas,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Hall,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Hurteau,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langevin,
Langlois,
Lanthier,
Laurier,
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGreevy,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
McNab,
Malouin,
Masson,
Metcalfe,
Méthot,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Montplaisir,
Norris,
Oliver,
Ouimet,
Palmer,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Pinsonneault,
Pope (*Compton*),
Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*)
Pouliot,
Power,
Ray,
Richard,
Robitaille,
Roscoe,
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rouleau,
Roy,
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Short,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wade,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wood,
Wright (*Ottawa*)
Yeo,
Young.—148.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

VI. PENITENTIARIES—(*Continued.*)

36	Halifax Penitentiary (balances to be transferred to Dorchester Penitentiary, if required)	$ 24,966 35
37	St. John Penitentiary, (balances to be transferred to Dorchester Penitentiary, if required)	41,806 00
38	St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary	84,278 09
39	Manitoba Penitentiary	19,468 00
40	British Columbia Penitentiary	20,950 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 31 to amend the Act incorporating the Sydenham Harbor Company, without amendment.

Also,—with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House, was desired, viz :—

No. 71 intituled: "An Act to confer certain powers on the Montreal Building Association by the name of The Montreal Investment and Building Company."

No. 72 intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Missionary Society of The Bible Christian Church in Canada." (On motion of Mr. *Burk*, the said Bill was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of The House, this day.)

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes before 2 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Haggart*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of the Report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate certain alleged charges against *J. A. N. Provencher*, acting Indian Superintendent, and of the evidence taken before the said Commissioners in relation to said charges.

No. 41½

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1878.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 42.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 9TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the Fifth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 7 respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Young* it was *Resolved*, That it is desirable that any witness to be examined by the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, in connection with the expenditure of public money by the purveyors of the Government in the North West, should be examined on oath.

Mr. *Laflamme* introduced a Bill No. 73 respecting persons imprisoned in default of giving sureties to keep the peace ; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the Bill No. 71 from the Senate, intituled: " An Act to confer certain powers on the Montreal Building Association by the name of ' The Montreal Investment and Building Company,' " was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill No. 51 respecting the offices of Receiver General and Attorney General of Canada, being read ;

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole with instructions that they have power to amend the same by substituting the following, in lieu of Section 5 :—

The Governor in Council may from time to time make regulations providing for such control by the Attorney General over any person on the Staff of the Department of Justice, as shall seem requisite for the execution of the duties of the Attorney General's Office.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amended the same in accordance therewith ; and the amendment was reported, and concurred in.

Mr. *Laflamme* moved, that the Bill be now read a third time ;

Mr. *Mitchell* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be *Resolved*, That this House while approving of the abolition of the office of Receiver General as a step in the direction of retrenchment, is of opinion that the creation of an additional Office in the Department of Justice

entails upon the Country an unnecessary charge and expense, not justifiable by the requirements of the Public Service, and therefore, that this Bill be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to strike out all the Clauses relating to the Department of Justice ; which was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Haggart,	Ouimet,
Benoit,	Harwood,	Palmer,
Blanchet,	Hurteau,	Pinsonneault,
Bolduc,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Platt,
Bourassa,	Kirkpatrick,	Plumb,
Bourbeau,	Langevin,	Pope (*Compton*),
Bowell,	Lanthier,	Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*)
Brooks,	Little,	Robinson,
Cameron,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Robitaille,
Campbell,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Rochester,
Caron,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),	Roscoe,
Cimon,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Rouleau,
Costigan,	McCallum,	Roy,
Coupal,	McGreevy,	Ryan,
Cuthbert,	McQuade,	Schultz,
Desjardins,	Masson,	Short,
Domville,	Méthot,	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Dugas,	Mitchell,	Tupper,
Farrow,	Monteith,	Wade,
Flesher,	Montplaisir,	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Orton,	White (*Renfrew*).—64.
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),		

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	De Veber,	McCraney,
Archibald,	Devlin,	McGregor,
Aylmer,	Dymond,	McIntyre,
Bain,	Ferris,	McNab,
Barthe,	Fleming,	Malouin,
Béchard,	Flynn,	Metcalfe,
Bernier,	Forbes,	Mills,
Bertram,	Galbraith,	Norris,
Biggar,	Geoffrion,	Oliver,
Blackburn,	Gibson,	Paterson,
Blain,	Gillies,	Perry,
Blake,	Gillmor,	Pettes,
Borden,	Goudge,	Pickard,
Borron,	Greenway,	Pouliot,
Bowman,	Guthrie,	Power,
Boyer,	Hagar,	Ray,
Brouse,	Hall,	Richard,
Brown,	Holton,	Ross (*Durham*),
Buell,	Horton,	Ross (*Prince Edwar*
Burk,	Huntington,	Rymal,
Burpee (*St. John*),	Jetté,	Scatcherd,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Jones (*Halifax*),	Scriver,

Carmichael,	Kerr,	Shibley,
Cartwright,	Killam,	Sinclair,
Casey,	Kirk,	Skinner,
Casgrain,	Laflamme,	Smith (*Peel*),
Charlton,	Landerkin,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Cheval,	Langlois,	Snider,
Church,	Laurier,	Taschereau,
Coffin,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Cook,	MacDonnell (*Inverness*),	Trow,
Davies,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Wallace (*Albert*),
Dawson,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Wood,
Delorme,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Yeo,
De St. Georges,	Mackenzie,	Young.—105.

The Bill was then read a third time.

Mr. *Laflamme* moved, that the Bill do now pass; which was agreed to, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Devlin,	McGregor,
Archibald,	Dymond,	McIntyre,
Aylmer,	Ferris,	McIsaac,
Bain,	Fleming,	McNab,
Barthe,	Flynn,	Metcalfe,
Béchard,	Forbes,	Malouin,
Bernier,	Galbraith,	Mills,
Bertram,	Geoffrion,	Norris,
Biggar,	Gibson,	Oliver,
Blackburn,	Gillies,	Paterson,
Blain,	Gillmor,	Perry,
Blake,	Goudge,	Pettes,
Borden,	Greenway,	Pickard,
Borron,	Guthrie,	Pouliot,
Bowman,	Hagar,	Power,
Boyer,	Hall,	Ray,
Brouse,	Holton,	Richard,
Brown,	Horton,	Ross (*Durham*),
Buell,	Huntington,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Burk,	Irving,	Rymal,
Burpee (*St. John*),	Jetté,	Scatcherd,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Jones (*Halifax*),	Scriver,
Carmichael,	Kerr,	Shibley,
Cartwright,	Killam,	Sinclair,
Casey,	Kirk,	Skinner,
Casgrain,	Laflamme,	Smith (*Peel*),
Charlton,	Landerkin,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Cheval,	Langlois,	Snider,
Church,	Laurier,	Taschereau,
Coffin,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Cook,	MacDonnell (*Inverness*),	Trow,
Davies,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Wallace (*Albert*),
Dawson,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Wood,
Delorme,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Wright (*Ottawa*)
De St. Georges,	Mackenzie,	Yeo,
De Veber,	McCraney,	Young.—108.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Orton,
Benoit,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Ouimet,
Blanchet,	Haggart,	Palmer,
Bolduc,	Harwood,	Pinsonneault,
Bourassa,	Hurteau,	Platt,
Bourbeau,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Plumb,
Bowell,	Kirkpatrick,	Pope (*Compton*),
Brooks,	Langevin,	Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*),
Cameron,	Lanthier,	Robinson,
Campbell,	Little,	Robitaille,
Caron,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Rochester,
Cimon,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Roscoe,
Colby,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),	Rouleau,
Costigan,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Roy,
Coupal,	McCallum,	Ryan,
Cuthbert,	McGreevy,	Schultz,
Desjardins,	McQuade,	Short,
Domville,	Masson,	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Dugas,	Méthot,	Tupper,
Farrow,	Mitchell,	Wade,
Ferguson,	Monteith,	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Flesher,	Montplaisir,	White (*Renfrew*).—66.

The Bill was then passed.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Béchard* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That a large quantity of corn and oats having been imported into Canada within the last few years, this House is of opinion that the interests of Canadian farmers would be promoted by the imposition of a duty upon the importation of those products ; which was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Flesher,	Montplaisir,
Barthe,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Norris,
Béchard,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Orton,
Benoit,	Harwood,	Ouimet,
Bourassa,	Hurteau,	Pinsonneault,
Bowell,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Platt,
Bunster,	Kirkpatrick,	Plumb,
Cameron,	Langevin,	Pouliot,
Campbell,	Lanthier,	Robitaille,
Caron,	Little,	Rochester,
Cimon,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Rouleau,
Costigan,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Ryan,
Coupal,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Cuthbert,	McCallum,	Tupper,
DeCosmos,	McGregor,	Wade,
Dugas,	McQuade,	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Farrow,	Méthot,	White (*Renfrew*),
Ferguson,	Monteith,	Wright (*Ottawa*).—54.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Ferris,	McIsaac,
Archibald,	Fleming,	McNab,
Aylmer,	Flynn,	Malouin,
Bain,	Forbes,	Masson,
Bernier,	Galbraith,	Metcalfe,
Biggar,	Geoffrion,	Mills,
Blain,	Gibson,	Mitchell,
Blake,	Gillies,	Oliver,
Blanchet,	Gillmor,	Palmer,
Bolduc,	Goudge,	Paterson,
Borden,	Greenway,	Perry,
Borron,	Guthrie,	Pettes,
Bourbeau,	Hagar,	Pope (*Compton*),
Bowman,	Hall,	Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*),
Boyer,	Holton,	Ray,
Brouse,	Horton,	Richard,
Brown,	Huntington,	Roscoe,
Buell,	Irving,	Ross (*Durham*),
Burk,	Jetté,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Burpee (*St. John*),	Jones (*Halifax*),	Roy,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Kerr,	Rymal,
Carmichael,	Killam,	Scatcherd,
Cartwright,	Kirk,	Scriver,
Casey,	Laflamme,	Shibley,
Casgrain,	Lajoie,	Short,
Charlton,	Landerkin,	Sinclair,
Cheval,	Langlois,	Skinner,
Church,	Laurier,	Smith (*Peel*),
Coffin,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Cook,	MacDonnell (*Inverness*),	Snider,
Davies,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	St. Jean,
Dawson,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Taschereau,
Delorme,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Desjardins,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Trow,
De St. Georges,	Mackenzie,	Wallace (*Albert*),
Devlin,	McCraney,	Wood,
Domville,	McGreevy,	Yeo,
Dymond,	McIntyre,	Young.—114.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

VII.—LEGISLATION.

SENATE.

41	Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate	$ 51,518 00

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

42	Salaries per Clerks' Estimate	60,100 00
43	Expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c	12,800 00
44	Contingencies	19,600 00
45	Publishing Debates	15,000 00
46	Salaries and Contingencies, per Sergeant-at-Arms' Estimates	28,050 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

47	Grant to Parliamentary Library, including $3,000 for Law Books....	$ 10,000 00
48	Salaries of Officers (additional) and Contingencies of Library.....	5,000 00
49	Printing, Binding and Distributing the Laws.....	12,000 00
50	To meet the estimated expenses in connection with Consolidation of the Laws.....	8,000 00
51	Printing, Printing Paper and Bookbinding.....	70,000 00
52	Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.....	1,200 00
53	Miscellaneous Printing.....	2,000 00

VIII.—ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

54	To meet expenses in connection with the care of the Archives.....	3,000 00
55	To meet expenses in connection with the organization of Patent Record.....	7,200 00
56	To meet expenses in connection with preparation of Criminal Statistics.....	5,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1878.

The following Resolutions were ad :—

57	To meet expenses in connection with Paris Exhibition.....	$ 25,000 00
58	To meet expenses in connection with Entomological Commission....	2,000 00
59	To meet expenses in connection with Australian Exhibition.....	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.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendment made by this House to the Bill No. 59 of their own, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *George Frothingham Johnston*," without amendment.

Also,—agreeing to the two following Bills, without amendment, *viz.*:—
No. 17. To amend "The Post Office Act, 1875;" and
No. 20. Respecting the Maritime Court of Ontario.

The House then adjourned at 1.30 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Roscoe*—On Thursday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for all correspondence between the General Post Office Department and other persons in regard to the throwing up of the contract for carrying mail between Victoria and Nanaimo, B.C.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—The following Resolution :—That the Government be authorized to enter into an arrangement during the recess with the Grand Trunk Railway Company for acquiring control of the River du Loup branch of the said Company's line, by lease, purchase or otherwise, in order to obtain complete control of the Intercolonial Railway traffic to the City of Quebec. Any such arrangement to be subject to ratification by Parliament at the next Session.

No. 42.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *R. Richardson*, M.P.P., and others, of the South Riding of the County of Norfolk; praying for the adoption of such measures, as will protect life and property, either by the construction of a harbor of refuge, at, or near the Westerly end of Long Point, Lake Erie, or by the erection of a Lighthouse, and providing Lifeboats;—and

Of the Chatsworth Christian Blue Ribbon Club; praying for the insertion in the Temperance Act of Clauses, providing for the right of search; and also, to compel persons arrested for drunkenness, to state where they obtained Liquor, and to provide for imprisonment in case of refusal.

Mr. *Laflamme* introduced a Bill No. 20 to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of The House of Commons; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence from whatever source, which led to an investigation before Mr. Justice *Gray*, into accusations made against the Agent of Marine and Fisheries in British Columbia; also for the Report of Mr. Justice *Gray*, with the evidence taken at the Enquiry.

On motion of Mr. *Rochester*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Orders in Council relating to the recent seizure of Mr. *J. K. Boswell's* Brewery, in the City of Quebec; and to the imposition of certain fines and penalties in connection therewith; also copies of all correspondence between the Department and others, relating to said matters; and also a copy of all Reports made by officers of the Department, sent down from Ottawa to Quebec, to investigate the same.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew) moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Orders in Council not yet brought down, fixing the route—

1st. Of the extension of the Canada Central Railway; and

2nd. Of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

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

Mr. *Tupper* moved, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for a Statement shewing:

1. The amount of the Loan of 1876, and the amount actually received therefor;
2. The names of the persons, co-partnerships and corporations who tendered for the said Loan, or any part thereof, with the amount tendered for respectively;
3. The names of those whose tenders were accepted, and the amount for which they were so accepted;
4. A Statement shewing, when, and how the amount of said Loan was received, and whether allottees or any of them, and if any of them, which of them, availed themselves of the privilege of pre-payment, and if so, whether they were allowed interest or discount thereon and the total amount of such discount;
5. The amount of interest accrued or accruing on said stock allowed to the said allottees respectively, as against the amount payable to them respectively;
6. The item of Commission and charges of, and incident to the said Loan in detail, and to whom paid;
7. The rate of interest payable by the Dominion on the said Loan, regard being had to the amount actually received, and the period it has to run.

And a Debate arising thereon;

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The two following Bills were considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 29. To authorize and provide for the winding up of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company.

No. 54. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwicks'* Express and Merchants' Forwarding Company (Limited)" (as amended.)

The Bill No. 7 respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole.—After some time spent therein, the Committee rose, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The Bill No. 72 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Missionary Society of 'The Bible Christian Church in Canada,'" was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, and Rules 49 and 60 suspended, in relation thereto.

The Bill No 71 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to confer certain powers on the Montreal Building Association under the name of 'The Montreal Investment and Building Company,'" was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, and Rules 49 and 60 suspended, in relation thereto.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bill No. 74 of their own, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Victoria Elizabeth Lyon*," (accompanied by the evidence taken before the Select Committee, to whom was referred the said Bill,) to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

Mr. *Cameron* moved, that the said Bill be now read the first time; which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Fraser,	Mitchell,
Bain,	Galbraith,	Monteith,
Bertram,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Norris,
Biggar,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Oliver,
Blackburn,	Gillies,	Orton,
Blake,	Goudge,	Paterson,
Bowell,	Greenway,	Pickard,
Bowman,	Guthrie,	Plumb,
Buell,	Haggart,	Ray,
Bunster,	Higinbotham,	Robinson,
Burk,	Horton,	Ross (*Durham*),
Burpee (*St. John*),	Kerr,	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Kirkpatrick,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Cameron,	Little,	Scatcherd,
Campbell,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Schultz,
Carmichael,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Scriver,
Cartwright,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Shibley,
Charlton,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Christie,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Trow,
Church,	Mackenzie,	Wade,
Davies,	Macmillan,	Wallace (*Albert*),
Dawson,	McCallum,	White (*Hastings*),
Dymond,	McCraney,	White (*Renfrew*),
Farrow,	McGregor,	Wood,
Ferris,	McNab,	Wright (*Pontiac*),
Fleming,	Mills,	Young.—79.
Flesher,		

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Desjardins,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Barthe,	De St. Georges,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
Béchard,	Devlin,	McGreevy,
Benoit,	Domville,	McIntyre,
Bernier,	Dugas,	McIsaac,
Blanchet,	Fiset,	Malouin,
Bolduc,	Geoffrion,	Méthot,
Bourassa,	Gibson,	Montplaisir,
Boyer,	Gill,	Ouimet,
Brooks,	Holton,	Pinsonneault,
Brown,	Hurteau,	Pope (*Compton*),
Caron,	Irving,	Pouliot,
Casgrain,	Jetté,	Richard,
Cheval,	Killam,	Robitaille,
Cimon,	Laflamme,	Roy,
Costigan,	Lajoie,	Short,
Coupal,	Langevin,	Smith (*Peel*),
Cuthbert,	Langlois,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Daoust,	Lanthier,	Stephenson,
Delorme,	Laurier,	Taschereau.—60.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.

Mr. *Mills* presented,—Return to Address of the 4th March, last; for a Return shewing what sales were made of Timber on Indian Lands on the North Shore of Lake Huron or on the Islands in the Georgian Bay or elsewhere, since the 1st day of January, 1873; the names of the parties to whom such sales were made; the amount paid or agreed to be paid for such Timber; the quantity of Timber cut upon said lands; the amount paid on such purchases; by whom paid; the amount now due and by whom due; together with copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of Ontario, relating to said sale of Timber upon said Indian Lands.

Mr. *Laflamme* presented,—Copies of General Rules and Orders, as have been made by the Judges of the Supreme and Exchequer Courts, since the last Session of Parliament, in compliance with the provisions of Section 79 of "The Supreme and Exchequer Court Act," and Section 14 of "The Petition of Right Act, 1876."

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Special Reports on the condition of the Fish-Breeding Establishment at Miramichi, New Brunswick.

(*Public Bills and Orders under Rule* 19.)

Mr. *Barthe* moved, that the Bill No. 5 fixing the rate of Interest in Canada, be now read a second time; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Barthe,	De St. Georges,	Méthot,
Béchard,	Ferguson,	Ouimet,
Bernier,	Fiset,	Pope (*Compton*),
Blanchet,	Geoffrion,	Pouliot,
Bolduc,	Gill,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Bourassa,	Lanthier,	Wade,
Bowell,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Coupal,	McCallum,	White (*Hastings*).—24.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Dugas,	Mackenzie,
Archibald,	Dymond,	Macmillan,
Baby,	Ferris,	McCraney,
Benoit,	Fleming,	McGreevy,
Bertram,	Forbes,	McGregor,
Biggar,	Fraser,	McIsaac,
Blackburn,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	McNab,
Blake,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Malouin,
Borden,	Gibson,	Mills,
Bowman,	Gillies,	Mitchell,
Boyer,	Gillmor,	Montplaisir,
Brooks,	Goudge,	Norris,
Brouse,	Greenway,	Oliver,
Buell,	Guthrie,	Palmer,
Burk,	Haddow,	Paterson,
Burpee (*St. John*),	Hagar,	Pickard,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Hall,	Pinsonneault,
Cameron,	Higinbotham,	Plumb,
Campbell,	Holton,	Ray,

Carmichael,	Horton,	Robinson,
Caron,	Huntington,	Robitaille,
Cartwright,	Hurteau,	Rochester,
Casey,	Irving,	Ross (*Durham*),
Casgrain,	Jetté,	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Charlton,	Jones (*Halifax*),	Rouleau,
Cheval,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Roy,
Christie,	Kerr,	Scatcherd,
Church,	Killam,	Scriver,
Cimon,	Kirk,	Sinclair,
Cook,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith (*Peel*),
Currier,	Laflamme,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Cuthbert,	Lajoie,	Stephenson,
Daoust,	Landerkin,	Taschereau,
Davies,	Langevin,	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Dawson,	Laurier,	Trow,
Delorme,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Wallace (*Albert*),
Desjardins,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	White (*Renfrew*),
DeVeber,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Wood,
Devlin,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Wright (*Pontiac*),
Domville,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Young.—122.
Donahue,	McKay (*Colchester*),	

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Langevin's* proposed motion "that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of a "Return shewing: 1st. The amounts of the six lowest tenders received in September "or October, 1873, for Sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 of the new Welland Canal, "together with the names of tenderers; 2nd. The amounts of the six lowest tenders "for the same Sections, received in 1874, together with the names of the tenderers; "3rd. The names of the tenderers to whom these Sections were awarded; 4th. "Copies of the Orders in Council awarding such Sections; 5th. Copy of all Corres-"pondence relating to such award."

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and the Address ordered accordingly.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved, that the Bill No. 40 for the amendment of the Law of evidence in certain cases of Misdemeanor, be now read a second time; which was agreed to on a division.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Kirkpatrick*, *Laflamme*, *Baby*, *Cameron*, *Guthrie*, *Macdougall* (Elgin), and *Palmer*.

The House then adjourned

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Borden*—On Monday next—ORDER OF HOUSE for copies of all accounts presented to the Department of the Interior, by or through its agent, of expenditure on behalf of Indians in Kings County, Nova Scotia, since 1st January, 1874; together with copies of all correspondence and other papers in connection therewith.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government will take what Rails and Iron may be required for the construction of the Western Section of the Canadian Pacific Railroad from a Company who will manufacture the same at Nanaimo, and supply them as cheaply as they can be imported from abroad?

No. 43.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 10TH APRIL, 187

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 11TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,—Certificate of the Election and Return of *Thomas Robert McInnes*, Esquire, to represent the Electoral District of New Westminster, Province of British Columbia.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following Returns, *viz.* :—

Return to the Order of The House of the 15th February, 1877 ; for a Statement shewing which of the Bridges and Culverts of the Intercolonial Railway between Pictou and Halifax received extensive repairs and alterations or were renewed in part or in whole during the seasons of 1875 and 1876 ; also a Statement giving the quantity and cost of each kind of material procured therefor, the persons from whom and the place whence it was obtained, the cost of transportation, the amount and cost of labor expended, and generally full particulars in regard to the work in each case.

Return to Address of the 1st April, instant ; for copies of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government, in reference to a site for building a Quarantine Hospital, at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Return to the Order of the House of the 1st April, instant ; for a Statement shewing the number of Lots South of the Assiniboine River, in the Parish of Poplar Point, in the Province of Manitoba, for which Patents have been issued, or for which applications for Patents have been received, under the Manitoba Act or otherwise.

Return to the Order of The House of the 13th March, last ; for a Return of all expenditure for repairs and additions incurred by the Intercolonial Railway Department on the Tupper House, Hollis Street, Halifax, used as a Ticket Office for that Department.

Return to the Order of The House of the 27th March last ; for a Return giving a Statement in detail of all monies paid or obligations incurred to the 1st of January last, in connection with the Paris Exhibition, shewing to whom the money was paid, or is to be paid, and for what service.

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th March, last ; for copies of all papers and correspondence in connection with the change of contractors for the enlarging of the St. Peter's Canal ; also Statement shewing what funds are still in the hands of the Government belonging to Mr. *Tuck*, the original contractor, and shewing also, the time within which the Contract is to be finished ; and also a copy of the Tender and Contract under which the enlargement has been let ; and

Return to the Order of The House of the 19th February, 1877 ; for a detailed Statement of the expenses during the years 1874, 1875 and 1876 in advertising on

behalf of the Government or any public service in the public journals of the Dominion, the amount paid each journal respectively, and the purpose for which such money was paid ; also the amount paid in subscriptions, for what papers paid and whether such papers were ordered for the use of the Public Departments for circulation in Europe, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, it was *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, expressing the deep feeling of regret of this House at his approaching departure from Canada, and it is our duty to assure His Excellency that the zealous devotion of his great abilities on all occasions to the public interests is held in high appreciation; and that especially the visits to each of the Provinces and Territories of the Dominion by which His Excellency has familiarised himself with the character of the people and the resources of the country and the eloquent speeches in which His Excellency has enlarged on those topics, have been attended with the most beneficial results in attracting attention to Canada ; and that we are highly sensible of the great degree in which literature and art and the industrial pursuits have received encouragement from His Excellency's efforts and liberality ; and assuring His Excellency and his distinguished Consort that they will bear with them on leaving us our warmest wishes for their future welfare and happiness; that we rejoice in the conviction that, though Canada may no longer possess the advantage of His Excellency's experience and knowledge of public affairs in so exclusive a degree as she has enjoyed them in the past, she will continue to have in His Excellency a friend and advocate ; and that it is our heartfelt wish that for many years the Empire at large may have the benefit of His Excellency's ripe wisdom, experience and eminent abilities.

The said Resolution was then referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Blake*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Holton*, *Laflamme*, *Tupper*, *Smith* (Westmoreland) *Langevin*, and *Masson*, to draft an Address to His Excellency thereon.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the said Committee, reported the draft of an Address, which is as follows :—

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

May it Please Your Excellency :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Excellency with the expression of the deep feeling of regret which we experience at your approaching departure from Canada.

We feel it to be a duty to assure Your Excellency that the zealous devotion of your great abilities on all occasions to the public interests is held in high appreciation ; and that especially the visits to each of the Provinces and Territories of the Dominion by which Your Excellency has familiarised yourself with the character of the people and the resources of the country, and the eloquent speeches in which Your Excellency has enlarged on those topics have been attended with the most beneficial results in attracting attention to Canada.

We are highly sensible of the great degree in which literature and art and the industrial pursuits have received encouragement from Your Excellency's efforts and liberality.

We venture to convey the assurance that Your Excellency and your distinguished Consort will bear with you on leaving us our warmest wishes for your future welfare and happiness; that we rejoice in the conviction that, though Canada may no longer possess the advantage of Your Excellency's experience and knowledge of public affairs in so exclusive a degree as she has enjoyed them in the past this country will continue to have in Your Excellency a friend and advocate; and that it is our heartfelt wish that for many years the Empire at large may have the benefit of Your Excellency's ripe wisdom, experience and eminent abilities.

The said Address being read a second time, was agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed, and to be communicated to the Senate for their concurrence.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That the recent dismissal by the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec of his Ministry, was under the circumstances unwise, and subversive of the position accorded to the advisers of the Crown, since the concession of the principle of responsible Government to the British North American Colonies.

And a Debate arising thereon,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1878.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Langevin*, adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes after 2 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Monday next—The following Resolution:—That it is expedient that the Government be authorized to subscribe the sum of £15,000 Sterling of First Mortgage Bonds of the Northern Railway of Canada, at the rate of Ninety per cent., in satisfaction of the sum of £13,500 Sterling, being balance remaining due by the said Company to the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Archibald*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for the balance sheet of the Accountant in whose hands were placed the accounts of *William Wallace*, late Commissariat Officer, Paymaster or Accountant, on the Canadian Pacific Survey, shewing what amount of the monies, cheques, &c., which were intrusted to him have been fully accounted for, what amount partially accounted for, and what amount remains wholly unaccounted for.

Mr. *Perry*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, during next Summer, to appoint a Commission to examine and report on the best means to be adopted for the improvement of Cascumpique Harbour in Prince Edward Island?

No. 44.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Macdonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Third Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 72 from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the Bible Christian Church in Canada," without amendment.

Thomas Robert McInnes, Esq., Member to represent the Electoral District of New Westminster, Province of British Columbia, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 16th April, 1877 ; for Return of all quantities of iron purchased by any of the Departments of the Government, for other than Railway purposes, the person from whom purchased, the prices paid, and whether the same was purchased by tender or otherwise and the purpose for which said iron is required.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion, —"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,"—and of Sir *John A. Macdonald's* motion in amendment thereto :—"That Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That the recent dismissal by the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec of his Ministry, was under the circumstances unwise, and subversive of the position accorded to the advisers of the Crown, since the concession of the principle of responsible Government to the British North American Colonies."

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The Bill No. 7 respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Cameron* moved that the Bill No. 74 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Victoria Elizabeth Lyon*," be now read a second time; which was agreed to on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Flesher,	Metcalfe,
Bain,	Fraser,	Mitchell,
Bertram,	Galbraith,	Monteith,
Biggar,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Oliver,
Blain,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Orton,
Borden,	Gillies,	Paterson,
Borron,	Goudge,	Pettes,
Bowman,	Guthrie,	Pickard,
Brouse,	Higinbotham,	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Buell,	Kerr,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Cameron,	Kirk,	Schultz,
Campbell,	Kirkpatrick,	Scriver,
Carmichael,	Little,	Sinclair,
Church,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Snider,
Cook,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Dymond,	Mackenzie,	Trow,
Farrow,	Macmillan,	Wallace (*Albert*),
Ferguson,	McCallum,	White (*Hastings*),
Ferris,	McCraney,	Wright (*Pontiac*),
Fleming,	McGregor,	Young.—60.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Devlin,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Béchard,	Dugas,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
Bernier,	Fiset,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
Bourassa,	Geoffrion,	Malouin,
Bourbeau,	Gibson,	Masson,
Brown,	Gill,	Méthot,
Caron,	Harwood,	Montplaisir,
Casgrain,	Hurteau,	Pinsonneault,
Cheval,	Irving,	Pouliot,
Cimon,	Jetté,	Robitaille,
Costigan,	Jones (*Halifax*),	Short,
Cuthbert,	Laflamme,	Smith (*Peel*),
Delorme,	Lajoie,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Desjardins,	Langevin,	St. Jean,
De St. Georges,	Lanthier,	Taschereau,
DeVeber,	Laurier,	Wade.—48.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, and Rules 49 and 60, suspended in relation thereto.

(*The House resumed the Debate on Mr. Cartwright's motion for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,—and of Sir John A. Macdonald's motion in amendment thereto.*)

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1878.

And the Debate still continuing;

Mr. McDougall (Three Rivers) moved, that the Debate be adjourned; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. Cimon moved, that The House do now adjourn.

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

Mr. Bowell then moved, that the Debate be adjourned; which was agreed to.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 13 to amend the Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the Public Works of Canada," without amendment.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 46 to amend the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba, with an amendment.

The House then adjourned at 6 P.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Campbell*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for all papers and correspondence regarding the resignation of the Post or Way Office Keeper and the appointment of his successor at Baddeck Bridge, County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Tupper*—On the motion for The House to go into Committee of Supply—The following amendment:—That Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be resolved, "That in the opinion of this House it is the duty of the Government to submit such an amendment of the Tariff as will empower His Excellency the Governor General in Council to increase the existing duties on Imports from any foreign country to the extent of any drawbacks allowed by such Country on goods exported to Canada."

Mr. *Blanchet*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Statement of the amounts paid to the Crown Attorneys, *in re Berlinquette & Bertrand vs. Reg*. (Petition of Right): with copies of the accounts as filed by the said Attorneys.

Mr. *Archibald*—On Tuesday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend Cap. 8, 37th Vic., entitled 'An Act to impose license duties on compounders of spirits, and to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue,' and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs."

No. 45

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No. 46.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The Petition of the Temperance Association of the North Riding of the County of Bruce, was read and received; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the traffic in Intoxicating Liquors, may be amended by striking out the fifth Section thereof, and by providing for the appointment of an Official to enforce the observance of the said Act, and of the Act of 1864.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following :—

Return to the Order of The House of the 15th February, 1877; for a Statement shewing the names, ages, denomination, date of appointment, occupation and salary of all persons, except ordinary mechanics and laborers, who were in the service of the Intercolonial Railway on the 31st March, 1876; also a separate Statement giving similar information in regard to persons who were in the service of the Railway on the 31st December last.

Return to Address of the 4th March last; for copy of all correspondence, Reports and documents relating to amounts claimed by Messrs. *Carpenter* and Company, on account of their Contract for operating the Government Road, commonly known as the Dawson Route; also copy of all Orders in Council authorizing the payment of any such amounts from the 1st of January, 1877, to the present time, and a Statement of the sums so paid from time to time, and dates of such payments.

Return to the Order of The House of the 11th March, last; for a copy of the Government Engineer's Report on Victoria Harbour and Breakwater at Wolfe Island; and copies of all communications received since last Session, relating to the said works.

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for copy of Survey and Report made by *Henry F. Perley*, Esquire, Engineer, in 1874, with the view of improving the navigation of Cascumpec Harbour, in Prince Edward Island.

And,—Return to the Order of The House of the 20th March last; for copies of all correspondence, notices, letters and other documents in relation to the St. John's Bridge, on the River Richelieu.

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 4th March last; for copies of all correspondence regarding the removal of Mr. *Angus Ross*, Light-House Keeper of Bird Island Light, County of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

And,—Return to Address of the 1st instant; for copies of correspondence between the Government and *John Giblin*, of Quebec, in relation to the lease of the house, now occupied as the Culler's Office at Quebec; also of all leases between the Government and the said *John Giblin*.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole to-morrow, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That it is expedient that the Government be authorized to subscribe the sum of £15,000 Sterling of First Mortgage Bonds of the Northern Railway of Canada, at the rate of Ninety per cent., in satisfaction of the sum of £13,500 Sterling, being balance remaining due by the said Company to the Dominion of Canada.

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the Bill No. 44 to provide for the creation and registration of Homestead Exemption Estates in the Territories of Canada, as amended in Committee of the Whole, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, further amended, reported, the amendments agreed to, and the Bill read a third time, and passed on a division.

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the Bill No. 53 for the better auditing of the Public Accounts, as amended in Committee of the Whole, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, further amended, reported, the amendments agreed to, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 61 respecting the duty on Malt, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, acquainting this House that they have agreed to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, expressing the deep feeling of regret of this House at his approaching departure from Canada, and it is our duty to assure His Excellency that the zealous devotion of his great abilities on all occasions to the public interests is held in high appreciation; and that especially the visits to each of the Provinces and Territories of the Dominion by which His Excellency has familiarised himself with the character of the people and the resources of the country and the eloquent speeches in which His Excellency has enlarged on those topics, have been attended with the most beneficial results in attracting attention to Canada; and that we are highly sensible of the great degree in which literature and art and the industrial pursuits have received encouragement from His Excellency's efforts and liberality; and assuring His Excellency and his distinguished Consort that they will bear with them on leaving us our warmest wishes for their future welfare and happiness; that we rejoice in the conviction that, though Canada may no longer possess the advantage of His Excellency's experience and knowledge of public affairs in so exclusive a degree as she has enjoyed them in the past, she will continue to have in His Excellency a friend and advocate; and that it is our heartfelt wish that for many years the Empire at large may have the benefit of His Excellency's ripe wisdom, experience and eminent abilities;—and that they have filled up the blank with the words "Senate and."

Also,—informing this House that His Excellency the Governor General has appointed Tuesday next, the 16th instant, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon in the Senate Chamber to receive the Members of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, with the Joint Address of the Senate and House of Commons, expressing their deep feeling of regret at His Excellency's approaching departure from Canada, and that such Members of that House, as are Members of the Privy Council will be in attendance in the Senate Chamber at that time.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Ordered*, That the said Joint Address be presented on the part of this House, by such Members, as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

Also, agreeing to the Bill No. 48 to incorporate "La Société de construction du Comté d'Hochelaga" as a permanent Building Society, and for other purposes, without amendment.

Also,—agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill No. 54 of their own, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Fishwick's* Express and Merchants Forwarding Company (Limited)," without amendment.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 9 to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, with amendments.

Also,—with the following Bill No. 75 of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting the traffic in Intoxicating Liquors," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said Bill was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.)

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the Bill No 14 further securing the Independence of Parliament, as amended in Committee of the Whole, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same by substituting the following for the first *sub-section* of the *first* section thereof:—

(*a*) No person accepting or holding any office, commission or employment, permanent or temporary in the service of the Government of Canada, at the nomination of the Crown, or at the nomination of any of the officers of the Government of Canada to which any salary, fee, wages, allowance or emolument or profit of any kind is attached.

(*b*) No person entitled to any superannuation or retiring allowance from the Government of Canada.

(*c*) No Sheriff, Registrar of Deeds, Clerk of the Peace, or County Crown Attorney in any of the Provinces of Canada, shall be eligible as a Member of the House of Commons, nor shall he sit or vote therein.

The Bill was accordingly re-committed to a Commiitee of the Whole, amended in accordance therewith, reported, the amendments agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill No 52 to amend the Canadian Pacific Railway Act, 1874, were taken into consideration, and concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. *Galbraith*, the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 9 to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, were read the first time.—Further consideration, on Wednesday next.

The Bill No. 65 to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Cartwright's* proposed motion, —"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,"—and of Sir *John A. Macdonald's* motion in amendment thereto:—"That Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That the recent dismissal by the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec of his Ministry, was under the circumstances unwise, and subversive of the position accorded to the advisers of the Crown, since the concession of the principle of responsible Government to the British North American Colonies."

And the question being put; it was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Benoit,
Blanchet,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Caron,
Colby,
Costigan,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
DeCosmos,
Desjardins,
Dewdney,
Domville,
Donahue,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Haggart,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McQuade,
Méthot,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Orton,
Ouimet,
Palmer,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Pope (*Queens, P.E.I.*),
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Rouleau,
Roy,
Ryan,
Schultz,
Short,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Ottawa*)
Wright (*Pontiac*).—70.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Aylmer,
Béchard,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Hagar,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Pouliot,
Power,
Ray,
Richard,
Robillard,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Scatcherd,

Casey,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Cook,
Coupal,
Davies,
Dawson,
Delorme,
De St. Georges,
DeVeber,
Devlin,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wood,
Yeo,
Young.—112.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was proposed :—

IX.—IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

60	Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés	$ 26,550 00
	Salaries of Travelling Agents	13,000 00
	Medical Inspection of the Port of Quebec	2,600 00
	Quarantine, Grosse Isle	11,820 00
	do St. John	3,000 00
	do Pictou, N.S.	800 00
	do Halifax, N.S.	3,600 00
	do Charlottetown, P.E.I.	1,000 00
	To meet expenses of further precautionery measures for the Public Health	20,000 00
	Contingencies of Canadian and other regular Agencies	24,000 00
	Travelling expenses of Travelling Agents	14,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock· midnight;

TUESDAY, 16TH APRIL, 1878.

Resolution 60 was then adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

61	Towards assisting Immigration and Immigration Expenses, including estimated expenses of transport of Mennonites	$110,000 00

X.—PENSIONS.

62	Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Asssmbly	$400 00	
	John Bright, Messenger, House of Assembly	80 00	
	Mrs. Antrobus	800 00	
			$1,280 00

New Militia Pensions.

	Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children	$238 00
	Rhoda Smith	110 00
	Janet Anderson	110 00
	Margaret Mackenzie	80 00
	Mary Ann Richey and one child	288 00
	Mary Morrison	80 00
	Louise Prud'homme and two children	110 00
	Virginie Charron and four children	150 00
	Paul M. Robins	146 00
	Charles T. Bell	73 00
	Alex. Oliphant	109 50
	Charles Lugsden	91 25
	Thomas Charters	91 25
	Charles T. Robertson	110 00
	Percy G. Routh	400 00
	Richard S. King	400 00
63	George A. Mackenzie	73 00
	Edward Hilder	146 00
	Fergus Scholfield	73 00
	John Bradley	109 50
	James Bryan	109 50
	Jacob Stubbs	73 00
	Ensign W. Fahey	200 00
	Mary Connors	110 00
	Mary Hodgins and three children	191 00
	John Martin	110 00
	A. W. Stevenson	110 00
	Mrs. J. Thorburn	150 00
	Mrs. P. T. Worthington and children	378 00
	Mrs. J. H. Elliott and children	130 00
	Ellen Kirkpatrick and three children	266 00
	Mrs. George Prentice and children	400 00
	Mary Hannah Temple and child	298 00
64	To meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812	35,000 00
65	Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land	7,000 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 5 minutes after 3 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bourbeau*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to open a Post Office at the place called "Lavallée Corners," on the line of the South Eastern Counties Railway, at the intersection of the said Railway with the front road of the 9th and 10th Ranges of the Township of Grantham, in the Parish of St. Germain de Grantham, County of Drummond ?

Mr. *Killam*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have learned that an arrangement has been made between Spain and the United States under which the measurement of the Shipping of the United States is accepted in the Ports of Spain and Cuba, for the purpose of collecting tonnage duties; and whether any steps have been taken by the Government to place Canadian vessels upon an equal footing ?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to establish Post Offices at "Dallas" and "Stonewall," in the Province of Manitoba ?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to light and buoy the navigable mouth of the Red River in the Province of Manitoba ?

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—That when the House adjourns on that day it shall stand adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday; and that Government Measures shall have precedence immediately after Routine Proceedings.

Mr. *Mills*—On consideration of amendment made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 46): An Act to amend an Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba—That this House doth disagree with the said amendment, for the following reasons:—

1st. That the proposed amendment is at variance with the general scope and title of the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands in Manitoba, under which the question whether any person has a claim against the Crown is not referred to the Commissioners, but only the cases of persons who had acquired some estate or interest in land from the Hudson's Bay Company, or the cases of adverse or conflicting claims between persons under sub-sections *three* and *four* of section thirty-two of the *Manitoba Act*, and in respect of which it has been previously established to the satisfaction of the Minister charged with the administration of Dominion Lands, that there has been undisturbed occupancy of the same. The question whether any person has a claim against the Crown, is and should be determined by the Minister prior to any reference to the Commissioners.

2nd. That the machinery provided by the Dominion Lands Act enables the Minister in charge to make the necessary investigation in the cases provided for by the amendment more expeditiously, efficiently and cheaply than can be done under this amendment, should it become Law.

3rd. That the amendment would prevent the Minister from deciding adversely to the claimant without first making a reference to the Commissioners, although the evidence accompanying the application may conclusively shew that the person asking for a patent has no valid claim.

4th. That the amendment will injuriously impede the administration of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, and delay the allotment of some of the Half-breed reservations.

No. 46.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 16TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker communicated to The House the following letter, which he had received :—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
OTTAWA, 15th April, 1878.

SIR,—I am directed by His Excellency the Governor General to inform you, that it is His Excellency's intention to proceed to the Senate Chamber, to-morrow at three o'clock, for the purpose of assenting, in Her Majesty's name, to certain Bills passed by the Senate and House of Commons.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient, humble Servant,
E. G. P. LITTLETON,
Governor General's Secretary.

The Honorable
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. Speaker also communicated to the House the following letter, which he ha received :—

OTTAWA, 16th April, 1878.

JAMES SOMERVILLE, *et al.*,
(Petitioners) *Appellants*,

AND

The Honorable RODOLPHE LAFLAMME,
(Defendant) *Respondent.*

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

SIR,—In conformity with Section 48 of the Supreme and Exchequer Court Act, I beg leave to send you a certified copy of the Judgment and decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in the matter of the above appeal.

I also send you copy of the evidence contained in the case submitted to the Judges of the Supreme Court.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
ROBERT CASSELLS, JR.,
Registrar, Supreme Court of Canada.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA.

JAMES SOMERVILLE, *et al.*,

Appellants,

AND

The Honorable RODOLPHE LAFLAMME,

Respondent.

Judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada in the above Appeal.

Certified to the Honorable The Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada, pursuant to Section 48 of the Supreme and Exchequer Court Act, by the Registrar of the Court.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA.

Monday, the fifteenth day of April, A.D. 1878.

PRESENT :

The Honorable The CHIEF JUSTICE,
" " MR. JUSTICE STRONG,
" " MR. JUSTICE TASCHEREAU,
" " MR. JUSTICE FOURNIER,
" " MR. JUSTICE HENRY.

JAMES SOMERVILLE, LOUIS PARÉ, JOSEPH LARCHE, LOUIS BARRÉ, JEAN BAPTISTE PICARD, LUDGER TASSÉ, LOUIS COUSINEAU, ARISTIDE ROCHON, FRANÇOIS XAVIER LECAVALIER AND HYACINTHE CHARLEBOIS (Petitioners),

Appellants,

AND

The Hon. RODOLPHE LAFLAMME (Defendant),

Respondent.

The Appeal of the above named Appellants from the Judgment of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, rendered by the Honorable Mr. Justice *Dorion*, on the Seventh day of July, A.D., 1877, by which it was adjudged, ordered and declared that the Election Petition of the said Appellants complaining of the illegality of the Election of the said Respondent as a Member of the House of Commons of Canada for the Electoral District of Jacques Cartier, should be, and the same was dismissed with costs, and the said Respondent, the Honorable *Rodolphe Laflamme* was declared duly elected, having come on to be heard before this Court on the twenty-first, twenty-second, twenty-third, twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth days of January, A.D. 1878, in presence of Counsel, as well for the Appellants as the Respondent, whereupon and upon hearing what was alleged by Counsel aforesaid, this Court was pleased to direct that the said Appeal should stand over for judgment, and the same having come on this day for judgment this Court did order and adjudge that the said Appeal should be and the same was dismissed and that the said judgment of the said Superior Court for the Province of Quebec should be and the same was affirmed and this Court did further order and adjudge and determine as follows :—

1. That the said the Honorable *Rodolphe Laflamme* was duly elected and returned for the said Electoral District of Jacques Cartier to serve as a Member in the House of Commons of Canada at the Election which took place on the twenty-first and twenty-eighth days of November, A.D. 1877.

2. That no corrupt practice has been proven to have been committed during the said Election by or with the knowledge and consent of any Candidate at such Election.

3. That no persons have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of any corrupt practice.

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

5. That the said Appellants should pay to the said Respondent as well the costs incurred by him in the said Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, as his costs of the said Appeal to this Court, and

6. That the sum of one hundred dollars, deposited by the said Appellants as security for costs in this Appeal be paid over to the said Respondent to apply on his Costs in the matter of this Appeal.

Certified.

ROBERT CASSELLS, JR.,
Registrar, Supreme Court of Canada.

And the said Judgment was ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House

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

Mr. *MacDonnell*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 74 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Victoria Elizabeth Lyon*," without amendment.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill No 40 for the amendment of the Law of Evidence in certain cases of Misdemeanor, reported the said Bill, with amendments.

Mr. *Archibald* introduced a Bill No. 76 to amend 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 8, intituled: "An Act to impose license duties on compounders of spirits; to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs;" which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow.

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

Accordingly Mr. Speaker with The House, went to the Senate Chamber;—and being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, that The House had, in accordance with a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, attended His Excellency in the Senate Chamber, and that His Excellency had been pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Bills, *viz.*:—

An Act to reduce the capital stock of the Merchants' Bank of Canada.

An Act to incorporate the "*Société de construction Mutuelle*" under the name of the "*Société de prêts et placements de Québec*," and for other purposes.

An Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway.

An Act to extend to the Province of Prince Edward Island "The Railway Act, 1868," and certain Acts amending the same.

An Act to amend and consolidate, as amended, the several Acts relating to the Quebec Fire Assurance Company.

An Act respecting the Bank of Liverpool.

An Act to incorporate "The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company."

An Act to authorize and confirm the scheme of arrangement of the Canada Southern Railway Company.

An Act to authorize the National Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock; and for other purposes.

An Act respecting the Northern Railway Company of Canada.
An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.
An Act to amend "The Post Office Act, 1875."
An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Sydenham Harbor Company.
An Act respecting the Maritime Court of Ontario.
An Act to incorporate "The Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec."
An Act respecting the Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz.*:—
No. 61. Respecting the duty on Malt.
No. 63. To Repeal Section 23 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876," as to ships in Canadian waters.
No. 62. To amend the Law respecting Deck Loads.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill No. 65 to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies, being read;
On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction that they have power to amend Section 12, by inserting the following words after the word "accrues":—"or in case (whether or not any such loss accrues) they have after the issue of the Writ of attachment or the making of the assignment re-insured without the consent of one Company, then"—
The Bill was accordingly re-committed to a Committee of the Whole; amended in accordance therewith, reported, the amendment agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, this day.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution, to authorize the Government to subscribe the sum of £15,000 Sterling of First Mortgage Bonds of the Northern Railway of Canada, etc.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—
Resolved, That it is expedient that the Government be authorized to subscribe the sum of £15,000 Sterling of First Mortgage Bonds of the Northern Railway of Canada, at the rate of Ninety per cent., in satisfaction of the sum of £13,500 Sterling, being balance remaining due by the said Company to the Dominion of Canada.
Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and concurred in.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill No. 14 further securing the Independence of Parliament, being read;
Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment thereto, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to strike out all that part of the Bill, which refers to persons receiving Superannuation or retiring allowances;—which was negatived on a division.
Mr. *Ouimet* then moved in amendment thereto, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same, by adding to it the following Clause:—
"No member of the Senate or of the House of Commons of Canada, shall be appointed to any office, commission, or employment, permanent or temporary in the Service of Canada, to which any salary, fee, wages, allowance or emolument, or profit

of any kind is attached, unless he has ceased for six months previous to hold a seat in the said Senate or House of Commons of Canada"; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Béchard,
Benoit,
Blake,
Blanchet,
Bourassa,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Costigan,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Desjardins,
Dewdney,
Domville,
Donahue,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gill,
Harwood,
Holton,
Hurteau,
Jetté,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McCraney,
McQuade,
Malouin,
Méthot,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Orton,
Ouimet,
Palmer,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Roscoe,
Roy,
Ryan,
Schultz,
Skinner,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Ottawa*),
Wright (*Pontiac*) — 69.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Aylmer,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Borron,
Bowman,
Brouse,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Colby,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Kirk,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
McGregor,
McInnes,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Pouliot,
Ray,
Richard,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Sinclair,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),

Cook,	Langlois,	Snider,
Davies,	Laurier,	Taschereau,
Delorme,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
De St. Georges,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Trow,
Devlin,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Tupper,
Dymond,	MacDonnell (*Inverness*),	Wallace (*Albert*),
Ferris,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Wood,
Fleming,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Yeo,
Forbes,	Mackenzie,	Young.—96.

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk) then moved in amendment thereto, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same, by adding to Section 5, the following words:—

"If any Minister of the Crown shall knowingly be a party to any transaction whereby under any of the provisions of this Act the seat of any Member of the House of Commons shall be voided, he the said Minister shall void his seat and forfeit his office, and shall be disqualified for seven years thereafter from being appointed to, or for holding any office under the Crown"; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Bowell* then moved in amendment thereto, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with an instruction that they have power to amend the same, by adding to Section 5, the following words:—

"If any Minister of the Crown shall knowingly be a party to any contract or agreement, whereby under any of the provisions of this Act the seat of any Member of the House of Commons shall be vacated, the seat of the said Minister shall thereby be also vacated, and the said Minister shall become subject to the penalties imposed by this Section"; which was negatived on a division.

The question being then put; it was agreed to, and the said Bill accordingly read a third time, and passed on a division.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 19 respecting the Port Whitby Harbor Company, without amendment.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill No. 65, to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies, being read;

Mr. *White* (Renfrew) moved in amendment thereto, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the same, by inserting after the word "months," in line 8, of Clause 12, the following words:—"or from the time such re-insurance shall have been effected;" which was negatived on a division.

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and the said Bill accordingly read a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was proposed:—

XI.—MILITIA.

Ordinary.

66 Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff..... $ 28,600 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1878.

Resolution 66 was then adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

67	Salaries of Brigade Majors		$ 20,000 00
68	Allowance for Drill Instruction		40,000 00
69	Ammunition	$40,000 00	
	Clothing	50,000 00	
	Military Stores	40,000 00	
			130,000 00
70	Public Armouries and care of arms, including Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen and the rents, fuel and light of Public Armouries		52,000 00
71	Drill pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and training of the Militia		155,000 00
72	Contingencies and general service, not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Artillery and Rifle Associations and Bands of efficient Corps		50,000 00
73	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges		10,000 00

Extraordinary.

74	Care and maintenance of Military Properties transferred from the Ordnance and Imperial Government, including rents	10,000 00

Special.

75	Military College	50,000 00
77	Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and Schools of Gunnery at Kingston and Quebec....	115,000 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 5 minutes before 1 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

The following was erroneously omitted in the Votes and Proceedings of yesterday, page 277.

The two following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow, *viz:*—

No. 63. To repeal Section 23 of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876," as to ships in Canadian waters.

No. 62. To amend the Law respecting Deck Loads ; and

The Bill No. 69 to amend Chapter 68 of "The Penitentiary Act of 1875, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

No. 47.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Cartwright* presented the reply of His Excellency the Governor General to the Joint Address of both Houses, and which is as follows:—

Honorable Gentlemen:

It is difficult for me to find befitting words in which to thank you for the signal and unprecedented honour which has been conferred upon me by this Joint Address from your two Houses.

Regarding as I do the utterances of Parliament as the most august and authoritative expression of the popular sentiment, it affords me unmeasured satisfaction to be thus assured of the confidence and esteem of the inhabitants of the Dominion.

To win the good will of a nation is the greatest achievement open to human ambition, and to learn from you that I hold a place in the affections of the people of Canada is alike the highest triumph and the greatest pleasure I am ever likely to enjoy.

It would not become me to inquire how far this result is to be attributed rather to your own generosity than to any exertions upon my part. It is a happy principle rooted in the nature of Englishmen of all estates to content themselves with the simple discharge of those duties which lie to their hand, without considering too curiously to what degree their conduct may influence the personal estimation in which they are held by others, and their reward, when it arrives, is often as great a surprise as it is a satisfaction. All that I can say is that, from the moment I came amongst you, I have had but one thought—the desire to render faithful service to our Queen, to the Empire, and to Canada.

If there are no positive advantages to which I can point as having resulted from my administration, there is one boast I can fairly make. No act or word of mine has had a tendency to damp your personal devotion to the Crown, to discourage your attachment to the Empire, or to discredit the system of Constitutional Government under which you live.

I found you a loyal people, and I leave you the truest-hearted subjects in Her Majesty's Dominions. I found you proud of your descent and anxious to maintain your connection with the Mother Country; I leave you more convinced than ever of the solicitude of Great Britain to reciprocate your affection, of her dependence on your fidelity in every emergency. I found you men of various nationalities—of English, French, Irish, Scotch and German descent, working out the problems of Constitutional Government with admirable success; I leave you with even a deeper conviction in your minds that the due application of the principles of Parliamentary Government is capable of resolving every political difficulty, and of controlling the gravest Ministerial Crises, to the satisfaction of the people at large, and of their leaders and representatives of every shade of opinion.

When I resign the temporary Vice-royalty with which I have been invested into the hands of my Sovereign, I shall be able to assure her that not a leaf has fallen from her Maple Chaplet, that the lustre of no jewel in her transatlantic diadem has been dimmed.

Thanks to the opportunities afforded me by the liberality of Parliament, I have been enabled to traverse the fertile regions of your North West, to appreciate your inexhaustible resources and to scan the vast expanse of your territories from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The Speeches to which you refer in such flattering terms have been but the natural, the irresistible exclamations evoked by the sights I have beheld.

Closely associated with me in the discharge of all my duties has been the Lady to whom your Address refers in so kind a manner. Moving amid a society, where the proverbial gallantry of Frenchmen combines with English and Celtic chivalry to create in every Canadian home an atmosphere of purity and refinement; she naturally regards the six years she has passed amongst you as one of the happiest periods of her life, and I am commissioned to convey to you her warmest thanks for the good wishes you have expressed in her regard.

In conclusion allow me to assure you that I shall esteem it one of the greatest privileges of my future life to watch the progressive development of your prosperity, to advocate your interests in the British Parliament, and to confirm our fellow-countrymen at home in their conviction of the high degree to which Canada is destined to contribute to the welfare, the strength, and the renown of the British Empire.

Mr. *Laurier* presented,—Return to Address of the 10th instant; for copies of all Orders in Council relating to the recent seizure of Mr. *J. K. Boswell's* Brewery, in the City of Quebec; and to the imposition of certain fines and penalties in connection therewith; also copies of all correspondence between the Department and others, relating to said matters; and also a copy of all Reports made by officers of the Department, sent down from Ottawa to Quebec, to investigate the same.

Mr. *Cartwright* presented,—Return to Address of the 1st instant; for a Return shewing:—

1st. The number, if any, of Cadets nominated annually to the Royal Navy, by the several Colonies of the Empire; and what proportion is nominated by the Dominion of Canada and the several Provinces thereof.

2nd. The names of such Cadets as have been nominated to Her Majesty's Royal Navy by Canada, since the 1st July, 1867; such Return to exhibit the proportion coming from each of the several Provinces of the Dominion, and the total number to which Canada is entitled to nominate.

Mr. *Smith* presented,—Return to Address of the 3rd instant; for a copy of the Order in Council, regulating and determining the rights, powers and duties imposed on the Harbour Master for the Port of Collingwood, and fixing his remuneration, and any other Order or Orders amending the same; and a Statement shewing the moneys received by the Harbour Master of the said Port for the year ending on the 31st day of December last, and how much has been retained thereof, and how much paid over to the Receiver-General.

Return to the Order of The House of the 20th February, last; for copies of accounts and vouchers shewing the amount of expenses incurred in running the steamer "Northern Light," between Georgetown and Pictou up to date; also the costs of repairs of said steamer during the summer of 1877.

Return to Address of the 1st instant; for copies of all correspondence, Memorials, Reports or papers connected with a Lease from the Government of Nova Scotia and from the Dominion Government to the Hon. *Alex. McFarlane*, of certain mud flats and oyster beds in the Counties of Colchester and Cumberland; with copies of said Leases; also, Statement of the amount of rent received for said property by the Government.

On motion of Mr. *Holton* it was *Ordered*, That in consequence of severe indisposition, leave of absence till the end of the Session be granted to *W. A. Thomson*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Welland, and that his Sessional indemnity be computed, as for the whole Session.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for the Return of the original papers made and signed by the Deputy Heads of the different Public Departments purporting to be made in obedience to the Order of this House of the fifth day of March, 1877, as follows: "The names of persons appointed to office between the 1st of January and the 7th of November, 1873, the names of the officials whose salaries were increased during the same period; the names of those so appointed whose appointments were cancelled subsequent to the 7th of November. A statement shewing whether the positions which were filled up by those whose appointments were cancelled have remained unfilled or have been since filled up—and if so when and by whom—and whether the salaries of those officials which were increased during the period named have been since reduced or increased, and shewing the reduction or increase in each office respectively."

And a Debate arising thereon;

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The Bill No. 72 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Missionary Society of The Bible Christian Church in Canada," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 74 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Victoria Elizabeth Lyon*," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and reported.

Mr. *Cameron* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time; which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Bain,
Bertram,
Blain,
Borron,
Bowell,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Cameron,
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Church,
Cook,
Davies,
Dawson,
Dewdney,
Dymond,
Fraser,
Galbraith,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gillies,
Guthrie,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Landerkin,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
Macdonald (*Toronto*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Macmillan,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Pickard,
Platt,
Ross (*Durham*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Schultz,
Shibley,
Skinner,
Snider,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Wallace (*Albert*),

Ferguson,	McCallum,	White (*Renfrew*),
Ferris,	McCarthy,	Wood,
Fleming,	McCraney,	Young.—68.
Flesher,	McGregor,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Delorme,	Lajoie,
Béchard,	DeVeber,	Langevin,
Benoit,	Devlin,	Lanthier,
Bernier,	Dugas,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Bourassa,	Fiset,	Malouin,
Bourbeau,	Geoffrion,	Pope (*Compton*),
Boyer,	Gill,	Robillard,
Caron,	Holton,	Robitaille,
Cheval,	Irving,	Roy,
Cuthbert,	Jetté,	Smith (*Peel*),
Daoust,	Laflamme,	Smith (*Westmoreland*).—33.

The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed on a division.

On motion of Mr. *Galbraith*, the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 9 to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies, were taken into consideration, and concurred in.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill No. 39 respecting the Canada Vine Growers' Association, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Peel), the said Order was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

(*Public Bills and Orders under Rule* 19.)

The Bill No. 4 to amend the Law relating to Stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, was considered in Committee of the Whole.—And after some time spent therein, and progress having been made, the Committee rose, and obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

No. 48.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 18TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

The Petition of the Rev. *Edouard Dufour*, Curé, and others, of St. Roch des Aulnets, was read and received; praying that the excise duty on the manufacture of foreign tobacco may be increased by ten cents per pound, or the same duty on the manufacture of Canadian tobacco reduced by a similar amount.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright* it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it shall stand adjourned until 3 o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday; and that Government Measures shall have precedence immediately after Routine Proceedings.

The Bill No. 73 respecting persons imprisoned in default of giving sureties to keep the peace, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendment concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 20 to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 19TH APRIL, 1878.

And some progress have been made, the Committee rose, and obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 15 minutes after 12 o'clock A.M., until to-morrow.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. *McCallum*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to extend the Railway to the end of the survey at Fort William towards the mouth of the Kaministiquia River; and if so, how soon?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Government or the officials of the Intercolonial Railway and Mr. *John McDonald*, of Barnaby's River, in reference to Land taken from him for the purposes of said Railway.

Mr. *McInnes*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to declare the Route and Terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway in British Columbia before the Prorogation of the House; and whether actual construction will be commenced during the coming summer?

Mr. *McInnes*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to have the New Westminster, B.C., Penitentiary occupied before the first of July next?

Mr. *McInnes*—On Saturday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for copies of all communications and correspondence relative to the non-occupation of the New Westminster, B.C., Penitentiary since the first of January, 1877.

No. 49.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Ottawa Board of Trade and others, Merchants of the City of Ottawa; praying that the inspection of Butter may be made compulsory, and that other consequent amendments may be made to the Act respecting the inspection of staple articles of Canadian produce.

Of *S. Dionne* and others, of St. Denis; of *C. T. Anctil* and others, of St. Philippe de Néri; and of the Reverend *E. Demers* and others, of Mont Carmel; severally praying that the excise duty on the manufacture of foreign tobacco may be increased by ten cents per pound, or the same duty on the manufacture of Canadian tobacco reduced by a similar amount.

Mr. *Jones* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 20th March, last; for a Return giving in detail the amount of ammunition furnished during the years 1875, 1876 and 1877, to the Active Volunteer Battalions and Companies of the Dominion; specifying the Battalion to which each Company belonged, and the amount purchased, and the prices paid by each Company or Battalion respectively; also the amount served out to the several Battalions or Companies for practice, and specifying the Companies or Battalions receiving the same, for which no charge was made.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 3 to provide that persons charged with common assault, shall be competent as witnesses in their own behalf, without amendment.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 30 to grant certain powers to the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada, and to change its name, with amendments. (On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, the said amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in.)

The House went again into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 20 to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons.—And further progress having been made, the Committee rose, and obtained leave to sit again, this day.

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the amendment made by the Senate to the Bill No. 46 respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba, being read ;

On motion of Mr. *Mills* it was *Resolved*, That this House doth disagree with the said amendment, for the following reasons:—

1st. That the proposed amendment is at variance with the general scope and title of the Act respecting conflicting claims to lands in Manitoba, under which the question whether any person has a claim against the Crown is not referred to the Commissioners, but only the cases of persons who had acquired some estate or interest in land from the Hudson's Bay Company, or the cases of adverse or conflicting claims between persons under sub-sections *three* and *four* of section thirty-two of the *Manitoba Act*, and in respect of which it has been previously established to the satisfaction of the Minister charged with the administration of Dominion Lands, that there has been undisturbed occupancy of the same. The question whether any person has a claim against the Crown, is and should be determined by the Minister prior to any reference to the Commissioners.

2nd. That the machinery provided by the Dominion Lands Act enables the Minister in charge to make the necessary investigation in the cases provided for by the amendment more expeditiously, efficiently and cheaply than can be done under this amendment, should it become Law.

3rd. That the amendment would prevent the Minister from deciding adversely to the claimant without first making a reference to the Commissioners, although the evidence accompanying the application may conclusively shew that the person asking for a patent has no valid claim.

4th. That the amendment would injuriously impede the administration of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, and delay the allotment of some of the Half-breed reservations.

On motion of Mr. *Mills* it was *Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate, acquainting their Honors, that this House hath disagreed to the said amendment for the foregoing reasons.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Rasolutions were adopted:—

XIII.—OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

Dominion Steamers.

113	Maintenance and Repairs of Steamers *Napoleon III.*, *Newfield*, *Druid*, *Glendon*, *Sir James Douglas* and *Northern Light*	$130,000 00
120	To provide for the examination of Masters and Mates	4,250 00
121	For purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers, and Rewards for Saving Life	3,000 00
122	To provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and collection of information relating to disasters to Shipping	500 00
123	Expenses in connection with Canadian Registration of Shipping	500 00
124	Montreal Water Police	14,090 00
125	River Police, Quebec	23,500 00
126	Removal of Obstructions in Navigable Rivers	500 00

XIV.—LIGHTHOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

127	Salaries and Allowance of Lighthouse Keepers.....	$151,558 00
128	Maintenance and Repairs.....	260,675 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *McInnes*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for correspondence and Petitions relative to establishing Post Offices at North Arm, Mud Bay and Langley Prairie, New Westminster District, British Columbia.

Mr. *McInnes*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a Salmon Hatchery on the Fraser River, British Columbia, this year.

Mr. *McInnes*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for correspondence and petitions respecting Mail communication between New Westminster and Nanaimo, British Columbia.

Mr. *McInnes*—On Monday next—ORDER OF THE HOUSE for correspondence, &c., &c., relative to establishing a direct monthly line of Steamers between New Westminster, British Columbia, and San Francisco, California.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 22ND APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of Joliette and Terrebonne, for the year 1877.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 20th March, last; for copies of all Petitions, correspondence and other papers in relation to any application for aid in behalf of certain ratepayers of the Parish of St. Athanase in the County of Iberville, who have suffered loss by floods.

Supplementary Return to the Order of The House of the 16th April, 1877; for Return of all quantities of iron purchased by any of the Departments of the Government, for other than Railway purposes, the person from whom purchased, the prices paid, and whether the same was purchased by tender or otherwise and the purpose for which said iron is required.

And,—Return to Address of the 3rd instant; praying His Excellency the Governor General to apply the 9th Sub-section of Section 6, Chapter 7, 34 *Victoria*, in order to obtain from the City and District Savings Bank of Montreal, and to cause to be laid before this House when so obtained:

1st. A statement shewing the position of the Bank at the period of its re-organization in 1871.

2nd. A statement shewing how the Directors fixed at $180,000 the *surplus* or *poor Fund*, and by what process they arrived at that figure, and if said surplus was limited to aforesaid amount.

3rd. A statement shewing how the capital stock was taken up, the names of shareholders, and if said stock was subscribed before or after the day and hour when the books should have been opened according to Law.

4th. The sums paid by the shareholders upon their subscription of stock since 1871, and date of re-organization.

5th. A statement shewing which of the shareholders paid in cash; those that did not; and how they did pay; if by promissory notes, and if so, when discounted and whether retired at maturity.

6th. A statement of the dividends paid in each year since 1871, date of re-organization.

7th. A list of the present Directors and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

8th. A list of the present shareholders, and what amount of stock they respectively hold in the Bank.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

XV.—FISHERIES.

Salaries and Disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens.

130	Ontario		$12,000 00
	Quebec		12,000 00
	Nova Scotia, including Inspector and Assistant		15,000 00
	New Brunswick, including Inspector		10,500 00
	Prince Edward Island		1,800 00
	Manitoba		200 00
	British Columbia		1,000 00
131	Maintenance and repairs of Steamer for protection of Fisheries		18,000 00
132	Fish-breeding, Fishways and Oyster beds		16,000 00

XVI.—SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

Observatories.

133	Observatory, Quebec		$2,400 00
134	do Toronto		4,800 00
135	do Kingston		500 00
136	do Montreal		500 00
137	do New Brunswick		850 00
138	Grant for Meteorological Observatories, including instruments and cost of telegraphing Weather-Warnings		37,000 00

XVII.—MARINE HOSPITALS FOR SICK AND DISTRESSED SEAMEN.

Marine Hospitals.

139	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec			$20,000 00
140	Montreal General Hospital	$3,000 00		
	Other Ports in Quebec	2,000 00		
				5,000 00
141	St. Catharines Hospital, Ontario	500 00		
	Kingston do	500 00		
				1,000 00
142	Halifax General Hospital	3,500 00		
	Other Ports in Nova Scotia	11,250 00		
				14,750 00
143	Hospital of St. John	4,000 00		
	Other Ports in New Brunswick	7,750 00		
				11,750 00
144	Ports in British Columbia			4,000 00
145	do Prince Edward Island			3,000 00

Expenses of Shipwrecked and Disabled Seamen.

146	Province of Quebec		2,000 00
	do Nova Scotia		4,000 00
	do New Brunswick		1,000 00
	do British Columbia		1,000 00
	do Prince Edward Island		500 00
147	To reimburse Board of Trade, London, for expenses incurred in connection with shipwrecked and distressed seamen of the Dominion		3,000 00

XVIII.—STEAMBOAT INSPECTION.

SALARIES, &c.

	Chairman	$1,800 00
	Deputy Chairman	1,400 00
	Inspector, Toronto District	1,200 00
	do Montreal District	1,200 00
	do Three Rivers District	1,000 00
	do Quebec District	1,000 00
	do East Ontario District	1,000 00
	do British Columbia District	750 00
	do Manitoba District	100 00
	Travelling expenses of Chairman and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection	900 00
	Clerk to Inspector	300 00
148	Travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia	825 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector of Toronto District, and contingencies of office	430 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector, Three Rivers	125 00
	do do Quebec	150 00
	do do East Ontario	260 00
	do do Montreal	200 00
	do do Manitoba	100 00
	For purchase of Instruments and Steam Gauges	200 00
	To provide travelling expenses, office rent, &c., of Inspector, British Columbia	750 00
	Engraving and printing Engineers' certificates, and printing Steamboat Inspection Act in French	300 00

XIX.—INSPECTION OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

149	To meet expenses in connection with the inspection of Insurance Companies	6,000 00

XXI.—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

150	Geological Survey	50,000 00

And the House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1878.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

XXII.—INDIANS.

151	For Indians of Quebec		2,200 00
152	Purchase of Blankets for aged and infirm Indians of Ontario and Quebec		1,600 00
153	Indians of Nova Scotia, relief, &c		4,500 00
154	do New Brunswick, relief, &c		4,500 00
155	do Prince Edward Island, relief, &c		2,000 00
	Indians of British Columbia.		
156	Victoria Superintendency	$18,240 00	
	Fraser do	18,321 00	
			36,561 00

Indians of Manitoba.

157	For Annuities under Treaties Nos. 1 and 2		$27,000 00
158	do do 3		15,640 00
159	do do 5		15,860 00
160	Agricultural implements, cattle, seed-grain, tools, waggons, ammunition, freighting, &c., furnished under the above-mentioned Treaties Nos. 1 and 2		12,950 00
161	do do 3		6,410 00
162	do do 5		4,890 00
163	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under the above-mentioned Treaties		16,500 00
164	Triennial supply of clothing under above Treaties		2,200 00

Sioux on Little Saskatchewan.

165	Purchase of agricultural implements, seed-grain, tools, &c., and salary of an Agent residing on their Reserve	2,600 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 20 minutes after 1 o'clock, A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to see that Railway Crossings are put in at once on the portion of the Pembina Branch on which rails have been laid?

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The Bill No. 20 to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, further amended, reported, the amendments concurred in, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 11th March, last; for copy of all correspondence respecting the removal of the Post Office at South Gut of Ste. Ann's, County of Victoria, Nova Scotia; and

Return to the Order of The House of the 11th March, last; for copies of all papers and correspondence regarding the conveyance of the mails between Port Hastings and Grand Narrows in Nova Scotia, shewing the amount of the contract and whether the lowest tender was awarded the contract; also all subsequent correspondence regarding the changing of the route.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Bolduc* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, "That, whereas, over one million dollars worth of "Tobacco is imported every year, and, whereas, that plant might be cultivated to "advantage in this country, this House is of the opinion that the cultivation thereof "should be encouraged by the abolition of duties on Tobacco grown in Canada."

And the question being put; it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Flesher,	Monteith,
Benoit,	Fraser,	Montplaisir,
Bernier,	Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Orton,
Blanchet,	Haggart,	Pinsonneault,
Bolduc,	Harwood,	Platt,
Bourassa,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Plumb,
Bowell,	Langevin,	Pope (*Compton*),
Campbell,	Lanthier,	Robinson,
Caron,	Little,	Rochester,
Casgrain,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Ryan,

Coupal,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Schultz,
Currier,	McKay (*Colchester*),	Short,
Cuthbert,	Macmillan,	Stephenson,
Desjardins,	McCallum,	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Dewdney,	McCarthy,	Tupper,
Dugas,	McGregor,	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Ferguson,	McInnes,	White (*Renfrew*).—53.
Fiset,	McQuade,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Gibson,	Mills,
Archibald,	Gillies,	Norris,
Biggar,	Gillmor,	Oliver,
Blackburn,	Goudge,	Paterson,
Blain,	Guthrie,	Perry,
Blake,	Haddow,	Pettes,
Borden,	Hall,	Pickard,
Borron,	Higinbotham,	Robillard,
Bowman,	Horton,	Roscoe,
Boyer,	Huntington,	Ross (*Durham*),
Brouse,	Jetté,	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Brown,	Jones (*Halifax*),	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Buell,	Kerr,	Rymal,
Burk,	Killam,	Scatcherd,
Burpee (*St. John*),	Kirk,	Scriver,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Laflamme,	Shibley,
Cartwright,	Lajoie,	Sinclair,
Casey,	Landerkin,	Skinner,
Charlton,	Langlois,	Smith (*Peel*),
Cheval,	Laurier,	Smith (*Selkirk*),
Christie,	Macdonald (*Toronto*),	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Church,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Snider,
Cockburn,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	St. Jean,
Coffin,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Taschereau,
De Veber,	Mackenzie,	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Dymond,	McCraney,	Trow,
Ferris,	McIntyre,	Wallace (*Albert*),
Flynn,	McNab,	Wood,
Galbraith,	Malouin,	Yeo,
Geoffrion,	Metcalfe,	Young.—90.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

XXII.—INDIANS.—(*Continued.*)

Manitoba Superintendency.

166	For General expenses of the Manitoba Superintendency.....	$18,300 00
167	Salaries of School Teachers and cost of School Buildings.....	5,000 00

Indians of the North-West.

168	Annuities under Treaty No. 4.....	32,300 00
169	do do 6.....	40,050 00

170	For Annuities under Treaty No. 7	$33,050 00
171	Agricultural implements, cattle, &c., under Treaties Nos. 4, 6 and 7 (in last year, Nos. 4 and 6 only)	38,000 00
172	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under Treaties Nos. 4, 6 and 7 (in last year, Nos. 4 and 6 only)	37,000 00
173	Ammunition, twine and rifles (Treaties Nos. 4, 6 and 7)	7,000 00
174	Sioux at Qu'Appelle	1,000 00
175	Surveys for Indian Reserves in the North-West	35,000 00

And the House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 24TH APRIL, 1878.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

176	For General expenses of the North-West Superintendency	18,500 00
177	Salaries of School Teachers, &c	7,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE.

178	To aid Indians' schools in Ontario and Quebec where most required	5,000 00
179	Bring up the annuities payable under the Robinson Treaty to the Chippewas of Lakes Huron and Superior, from 96 cents to $4 per head	14,000 00

XXIII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

180	*Canada Gazette*	4,000 00
181	Miscellaneous Printing	10,000 00
182	Unforseen Expenses; Expenditure thereof, to be under Order in Council, and a detailed statement to be laid before Parliament during the first 15 days of the next Session	50,000 00
183	Commutation in lieu of remission of Duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy	12,000 00
185	For the expenses of Government in the District of Keewatin	5,000 00
186	For construction of Barracks in the North-West Territories	15,000 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 25 minutes before 2 o'clock, A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Ryan*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any tender for the ironing and completion of the Pembina Branch has been accepted; and if not, why not?

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 24TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

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

Return to Order,—Shewing the names, ages and denominations of all persons in the service of the Intercolonial Railway on the 31st March, 1876, &c.

Return to Address,—Shewing amounts of six lowest tenders for Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11 of the Lachine Canal, with names of tenderers, &c.

Return to Address,—Relating to the creation of the office of Harbor Master at Port Colborne, and to the appointment of *Charles H. Carter* to such office.

Return to Order,—Detailed statement of the expenses during the years 1874, 1875 and 1876, in advertising on behalf of the Government in the public journals of the Dominion.

Return and Supplementary Return to Order,—For all quantities of Iron purchased by any of the Departments of the Government for other than Railway purposes, from whom purchased, and prices paid.

Return to Order,—Giving in detail the amount of ammunition furnished during the years 1875, 1876 and 1877 to the Active Volunteer Battalions and Companies of the Dominion.

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

Return to Order,—Statement which of the Bridges and Culverts of the Intercolonial Railway between Pictou and Halifax received extensive repairs or were renewed in 1875 and 1876.

Return to Order,—Expenditure for repairs and additions incurred by the Intercolonial Railway Department on the Tupper House, Halifax.

Return to Address,—Shewing what sales were made of Timber on Indian Lands on the North Shore of Lake Huron, or on the Islands in the Georgian Bay since 1st January, 1873.

General Rules and Orders,—As have been made by the Judges of the Supreme and Exchequer Courts since last Session of Parliament.

Supreme Court of Canada,—James Somerville, et al., Appellants, and the Hon. *R. Laflamme*, Respondent.

Special Reports,—On the condition of the Fish-breeding establishment, Miramichi, New Brunswick.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Dominion and Imperial Governments in reference to a site for building a Quarantine Hospital at Sydney, C. B.

Return to Order,—Statement shewing the number of Lots south of the Assiniboine River, in the Parish of Poplar Point, in Manitoba, for which Patents have been issued.

Return to Order,—Statement in detail of all moneys paid or obligations incurred, to 1st January last, in connection with the Paris Exhibition.

Return to Order,—Correspondence in connection with the change of contractors for the enlarging St. Peter's Canal, and shewing what funds are still in the hands of the Government, belonging to Mr. *Tuck*, the original contractor.

Return to Address (*Senate*),—Tenders received for the leasing the exclusive right of Salmon fishing and netting in the Fraser River, B.C.

Return to Address,—Relating to amounts claimed by Messrs. *Carpenter* on account of their contract for operating the Government Road, known as the Dawson Route.

Return to Order,—Copy of the Government Engineer's Report on Victoria Harbor and Breakwater at Wolfe Island.

Return to Order,—Copy of Survey and Report made by *Henry F. Perley*, Esq., Engineer, in 1874, relating to Cascumpec Harbor, P.E.I.

Return to Order,—Correspondence in relation to the St. John's Bridge, on River Richelieu.

Return to Order,—Correspondence relating to the removal of Mr. *Angus Ross*, Lighthouse Keeper, of Bird Island Light, County of Victoria, N.S.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government and *John Giblin*, relative to the lease of the house occupied as the Cullers' Office at Quebec.

Return to Address,—Shewing the number, if any, of Cadets annually nominated to the Royal Navy, by the several Colonies of the Empire, &c.

Return to Address,—Copy of Order in Council, regulating and determining the rights, powers and duties imposed on the Harbor Master of the Port of Collingwood.

Return to Order,—Accounts and Vouchers shewing expenses incurred in running the Steamer "Northern Light" between Georgetown and Pictou, to date.

Return to Address,—Correspondence connected with a lease from the Government of Nova Scotia, and from the Dominion Government, to Hon. *Alex. McFarlane*, of certain mud flats in the Counties of Colchester and Cumberland.

Return to Address,—Correspondence in relation to certain ratepayers of the Parish of St. Athanase, in the County of Iberville, who have suffered loss by floods.

Return to Address,—To obtain, from the City and District Savings Bank of Montreal, certain statements from 1 to 8, relating to said Bank.

Return to Order,—Accounts for payment for printing as entered in the Public Accounts for 1873-4, as made out of the Contingencies of the Department of Justice, to *I. B. Taylor* and *J. G. Moylan.*

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, to whom was referred by an Order of The House, of the 20th March, last:—"all accounts, vouchers and papers connected with the payments for printing, as entered in the Public Accounts for 1873-74, as made out of Contingencies of the Department of Justice, to *I. B. Taylor*, the Citizen Printing Company, and *J. G. Moylan*," presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

That they have examined into the aforesaid matters so far as they relate to the payments to *J. G. Moylan*, those to *I. B. Taylor* and the *Citizen* Printing Company appearing to have been made in the ordinary course of business and not to require special investigation.

As regards the payment of $2,500, charged as having been paid to *J. G. Moylan*, your Committee have to report:—

That on the 14th August, 1869, Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, then Minister of Justice and Premier of Canada, gave an order on Mr. *Thos. Ross*, Accountant of Contingencies, for an advance of the sum of $1,200 in favor of Mr. *J. G. Moylan*, then proprietor of the *Canadian Freeman*, a paper published in the City of Toronto, and supporting the Government of the day. The order was as follows:—

"The undersigned desires that the sum of twelve hundred dollars be advanced by the Accountant of Contingencies to *J. G. Moylan*, Esq., proprietor of the *Canadian Freeman*, to be repaid by work in printing for the several Departments [and that with this object the several Departments do send their orders for printing through the Accountant of Contingencies].

"(Signed) JOHN A. MACDONALD."

That the portion bracketted was added by Mr. *John Langton*, the Auditor, after communication with the Minister of Justice;

That Mr. *Moylan* acknowledged the receipt of the money by signing his name on the face of the order;

That on the 22nd January, 1872, during a temporary visit to Canada from Ireland—where he was acting as Immigration Agent for the Dominion Government—Mr. *Moylan* obtained a further order from the Minister of Justice upon the Accountant of Contingencies, for the sum of three hundred dollars in the following terms:—

"MONDAY, 22nd January.

"MY DEAR ROSS,—Will you be good enough to make an advance to the proprietor of the *Canadian Freeman* of three hundred dollars, to be repaid by printing work.

"Yours truly,

"(Signed) JOHN A. MACDONALD.

"THOS ROSS, Esq.,
"Clerk of Contingencies;"

That the receipt of this amount was also acknowledged by Mr. *Moylan's* signature on the face of the order;

That on the 27th March, 1872, Mr. *Moylan*, having then returned finally to Canada, and desiring to collect from certain of the Departments a sum of $197, which had accrued, in his absence, for Government advertising in the *Freeman*, and payment being,—in the view of the terms, of the advances above referred to—demurred to by the Departmental clerks, obtained from Sir *John A. Macdonald* the following:—

"27th March.

"My DEAR ROSS,—Will you pay *Moylan's* printing accounts without reference to the back balance?

"Yours,

"(Signed) "J. A. MACDONALD.

"T. Ross, Esq;

That on the authority of this order, Mr. *Moylan's* accounts, above mentioned, were paid;

That on the 19th June, 1872, Mr. *Moylan* obtained a further order from Sir *John A. Macdonald*, in the following terms:—

"Mr. *Ross*, Clerk of Contingencies, will please to make an advance to *J. G. Moylan*, Esq., *Canadian Freeman*, for printing, for one thousand dollars, and oblige.

"(Signed) "JOHN A. MACDONALD.

"JUNE 19th, 1872;

That the receipt for this amount was also acknowledged by Mr. *Moylan's* signature on the face of the order;

That the several amounts thus paid, and aggregating $2,500, were not entered in the books of the Department at the time the advances were made, and did not,—except as regards the last advance of $1,000 which was inadvertently posted in the contingency book for 1872-3,—appear in the Public Accounts presented to Parliament, until the close of the year 1873-4, or nearly five years after the first advance of $1,200 in August, 1869; that they seem to have been entered previously in a private memorandum book kept by Mr. *Ross*, and represented so much cash in hand, the account being closed at the end of the year and the balance treated as a refund, which was resumed as soon as fresh drafts, in favour of contingencies, were obtained;

That in the year 1872-3, the total sum charged to contingencies of the Department of Justice, appeared, by the Public Accounts, to be $6,254.58, but this did not include the following items—

On 31st July, Sir *John A. Macdonald*	$1,000
On 30th December, per do	500
On 31st do per do	500
January 30th, *J. G. Moylan*	1,000
Total	$3,000

which made the actual amount, chargeable at the date named, $9,254.58, but which sums were deducted from the gross total, and held in suspense as above described;

That no check appears to have been kept on the Accountant's cash balances nor was any audit made into the state of his accounts so far as the cash balances or payments held in suspense were concerned;

That no demand was made on Mr. *Moylan* for the repayment of the several advances nor any serious effort to obtain from him printing work, or advertising as a set-off thereto;

That on the 5th of November, 1873, the day on which Sir *John A. Macdonald's* Government resigned office, Mr *Ross* carried the sum $2,500 to the account of "contingencies" as for printing done for the Department of Justice, and in the Public Accounts of Canada for 1873-4 the sum of $2,500 accordingly appears under that head;

That your Committee have devoted considerable attention to an inquiry into the circumstances under which this large amount was paid and charged without any services having been rendered to the Dominion of Canada or work done in accordance with the terms of the orders on which the money was advanced, or for the purpose designated in the Public Accounts;

That they have taken the evidence for this purpose of Mr. *J. G. Moylan*, Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, M.P., Mr. *Ross*, the Accountant of Contingencies, and Mr. *John Langton*, Auditor, as well as that of the Hon. *L. H. Holton*, M.P., who was Finance Minister in the Government of the late Mr. *Sandfield Macdonald* in 1863; of the Hon. *Wm. McDougall*, C.B., who was Commissioner of Crown Lands in the same administration, and of *Joseph Rymal*, Esq., M.P., who was, in 1863, a member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada;

That *A. F. Macdonald*, Esq., M.P., brother and executor of the late Hon. *John Sandfield Macdonald*, attended before your Committee and exhibited certain documents relating to an alleged claim for advertising of Mr. *J. G. Moylan* against the Province of Canada in 1862-3.

That Mr. *Moylan's* explanation is in substance as follows:—

That in the fall of 1863 he visited Quebec, where the Legislature was then in session; that he had a claim for printing and advertising done during the *régime* of the *Cartier-Macdonald* Administration in 1861-2, and that he applied for payment not by presenting his accounts to the several Departments, but to the Hon. *John Sandfield Macdonald*, as the head of the Government then in power; that Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald* refused to pay the accounts, amounting in the aggregate

to $1,983, in consequence of Mr. *Moylan* "declining to support his (Mr. *J. S. Macdonald's*) Government at the forthcoming elections;" that he (*Moylan*) then spoke to Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the leader of the Opposition, and one of the principal members of the former Administration; that Sir *John A. Macdonald* certified the accounts to the extent of giving his name *quantum valeat*, and promised to see the Premier on the subject; that he (*Moylan*) understood that interview did take place, but that no action was taken towards the settlement of his claims as the result of Sir *John A. Macdonald's* offices; that he (*Moylan*) never applied to or saw Mr. *John Sandfield Macdonald* again before the year 1867, after parting from him at Quebec in 1863, and leaving in Mr. *John Sandfield Macdonald's* hands the accounts as certified *quantum valeat* by Sir *John A. Macdonald*;

That during the brief return of a Conservative Government to power in the spring of 1864, he (*Moylan*) spoke to Sir *John A. Macdonald* as a leading member of that Government, who promised "to take his claim into consideration";

That he applied for but did not urgently press his claims on three or four occasions previous to 1st July, 1867, when the first Dominion Government under Sir *John A. Macdonald* came into office;

That he once called at the office of Mr. *John Sandfield Macdonald*, the Premier of Ontario, in Toronto, subsequent to 1867, but did not take any special steps to secure his aid in procuring a settlement;

That the book in which the business to which his accounts related was entered, was lost accidentally in 1864; and that he had subsequently, and has now, in his possession no record of these transactions whatsoever. Meantime, in, as he (*Moylan*) believes, the year 1864 or 1865, he had published, at the instance of the late Hon. *D'Arcy McGee* a very large edition of a pamphlet on cholera and was paid the bulk of the sum due to him for that service, but a balance of $500, alleged to have accrued from translations, corrections, and other extras, was not paid. He states that no other Minister than Mr. *D'Arcy McGee* had anything to do with this matter; that he (*Moylan*) more than once applied for payment to Mr. *McGee*, but unsuccessfully up to the date of that gentleman's untimely death in 1868.

That your Committee, in view of the evidence submitted to them, regard the payment of such claims as those set up by Mr. *Moylan*, as altogether questionable and highly irregular, and open to grave objections. That it was shown that while Sir *John A. Macdonald* regarded the employment of Mr. *Moylan* to do printing work for his Government in 1861-2, and the insertion of Government advertisements into the *Freeman* as a legitimate exercise of Government patronage, to the benefit of which Mr. *Moylan* was fully entitled, the charges made had not arisen in his (Sir *John A. Macdonald's*) Department; that he had no personal knowledge of the items included in the accounts; that he had never made, and did not make then or at any future time, any investigation into their accuracy or the reasonableness of the several amounts; that, being at the time only a private member of the Legislature, he had no official responsibility in the premises; and that he had not then nor at any future time any other knowledge or information concerning these accounts other than their exhibition to him by Mr. *Moylan*, with, in certain cases, some newspaper slips appended to the accounts, representing the advertisements charged for therein; that Mr. *Moylan* has not tendered any evidence, either oral or documentary, showing he had either general or specific authority for the work or advertising in question; that his representations of the motive which prompted Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald* to resist his claim in 1863 are contradicted by the fact that the elections had taken place at a period anterior to his interview with Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald*; that Mr. *Holton's*, Mr. *McDougall's*, and Mr. *Rymal's* evidence all goes to prove that Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald* objections to pay the amount were founded on the fact that no sufficient authorization for the work or service done, or of the correctness of the charges made was forthcoming; that his (*Moylan's*) want of energy in pressing the claims from 1864 onwards, while his political friends were in power, and when Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald* was, owing to political changes, no longer likely to bear him any ill-will on political grounds, while he was at all times accessible as a witness of *Moylan's* original demands, are wholly

inconsistent with Mr. *Moylan's* financial position as described by Sir *John A. Macdonald;* and that the same remark applies to the $500 said to have accrued in 1864 or 1865.

That the account found among the papers of the late Honorable *John S. Macdonald* by his executor, and the circumstances connected with its retention and non-payment by Mr. *J. S. Macdonald* afford evidence that Mr. *Moylan's* claims on the Province of Canada were at least highly problematical in their character.

Your Committee also find a very wide discrepancy between the evidence of Mr. *Moylan* and Sir *John A. Macdonald,* in regard to the payment of the several amounts representing the sum of $2,500, included in the order of reference.

Sir *John A. Macdonald* expresses his belief in the validity of Mr. *Moylan's* claims, and asserts that they would have been paid as a just debt of the old Province of Canada, if he (*Moylan*) could have procured from Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald* the accounts left in his hands; but it does not appear that either Mr. *Moylan* or Sir *John A. Macdonald* ever took any pains to secure the evidence thus professedly required, while the last payment of $1,000 was made after Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald's* decease in 1872.

Sir *John A. Macdonald* states that the sum of $1,200 was advanced to Mr. *Moylan* to enable him to carry on his paper, the *Freeman,* successfully, while himself absent in Ireland as an Immigration Agent of the Dominion Government, and that the order correctly expressed his (Sir *John A. Macdonald's*) understanding of the terms of the advance, namely, that it should be recouped by advertising or printing to be done in the *Freeman* office. It was, in fact, owing to the Departments declining, in 1872, to pay the *Freeman* accounts, amounting to $197, in view of that order, that Sir *John A. Macdonald* revoked his instructions to the Departments, under his note to Mr. *Ross,* of 27th March, 1872, and virtually converted the advance into a free gift. This is in direct contradiction to Mr. *Moylan's* statement that he received the money "as part payment of the old debt."

The sum of $300 paid to Mr. *Moylan* on the 14th January, 1872, is admitted by both to have been intended to cover the expenses sustained by Mr. *Moylan* owing to a protracted stay in Ottawa, in 1871-2, in connection with immigration affairs. Sir *John A. Macdonald* further admits that he had no expectation or intention that this payment should be recouped to the Government by printing and that his order, therefore, did not correctly express the understanding on which the money was paid. Sir *John A. Macdonald* further admits that the sum of $1,000, advanced to Mr. *Moylan* on the 19th June, 1872, was intended to cover losses sustained by Mr. *Moylan* through his absence from Canada in the public service; that he, Sir *John A. Macdonald,* did not contemplate its repayment at any time, unless the old claim of Mr. *Moylan* should be established by the production of the accounts and vouchers left in Mr. *J. Sandfield Macdonald's* hands in 1863, and that consequently his own order to advance money for printing did not correctly represent his intentions when he directed that advance and gave the order to the Accountant of Contingencies.

Your Committee feel it their duty to point out that the intimate political relation of Mr. *Moylan* and the Government and party of which Sir *John A. Macdonald* was the head, as shown by Mr. *Moylans'* publication at his own risk of a political campaign sheet in the interest of Sir *John A. Macdonald* in 1867; by the continuous support given for many years by the *Freeman* to Sir *John A. Macdonald's* Administration; by Mr. *Moylan's* appointment as Immigration Agent in 1869, and by the efforts made in 1873 by Sir *John A. Macdonald* and other prominent members of the Conservative party to secure for the *Freeman* substantial pecuniary assistance, rendered it especially incumbent on Sir *John A. Macdonald* to avoid the appearance of any laxity or irregularity in transactions in which Mr. *Moylan* was an interested party.

Your Committee are however obliged to report:—

1. That the sum of $1,200 was advanced in an irregular and improper manner to Mr. *J. G. Moylan* on the authority of Sir *John A. Macdonald* on the 14th August, 1869.

2. That the terms of the said advance of $1,200 were not, and have not since been complied with, and that the account of the said advance was improperly closed by charging it for printing to the Department of Justice under the head of contingencies in the Public Accounts of 1873-4.

3. That the sum of $300 was advanced on the 14th January, 1872, for other purposes than those designated in the order for the said advance given by Sir *John A. Macdonald;* that Sir *John A. Macdonald* admits the tenor of the said order to have been contrary to his intentions in the premises; and that the said sum of $300 was improperly charged to printing for the Department of Justice, in the Public Accounts.

4. That the sum of $1,000 advanced ostensibly for printing, on the authority of Sir *John A. Macdonald* to Mr. *J. G. Moylan* on the 14th June, 1872, is alleged by Sir *John A. Macdonald* to have been paid on account of an alleged claim of *J. G. Moylan* on the old Province of Canada, that the purport and object of the said advance was incorrectly described by Sir *John A. Macdonald* in the order for payment given by him and improperly charged to printing for the Department of Justice under the head of contingencies in the Public Accounts.

5. That for the advances of $1,200 on the 14th August, 1869, and the further advance of $1,000 on the 19th June, 1872, respectively, the Dominion of Canada has received no value or consideration whatever.

6. That the alleged claim of *J. G. Moylan* upon the old Province of Canada, being in dispute, and unproven, afforded no lien or security for the repayment of the sum of $2,200 by the said *J. G. Moylan* to the Dominion of Canada, and that the said *J. G. Moylan* never took any steps, subsequent to the advance of the said moneys, to obtain proof of the validity of his alleged claim on the old Province of Canada, or to repay the sums so advanced.

7. That the Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* was called upon, by letter dated November 10th, 1876, by the Government of Canada, to explain the circumstances under which the said payments to *J. G. Moylan* were made, and promised, in a letter to the Secretary of State, written on the 22nd November, 1876, to "look into his papers and communicate the result of his enquiries"; but that, although, again invited by a letter written by the Secretary of State on the 29th December, 1876, to give the required explanation, he did not then, or until examined before your Committee, offer any information on the subject.

8. That *J. G. Moylan*, in reply to an application from the Minister of Finance, dated 22nd October, 1874; and again in reply to an application from the Minister of Justice, dated 25th September, 1876, stated in accordance with his evidence given before your Committee, that the several payments above mentioned, were made in discharge of his alleged claim on the old Province of Canada, and that in his letter, containing this statement, he asked for an investigation before a Committee of Your Honourable House, at which Sir *John A. Macdonald* might be present and give the desired information.

9. That the several sums aggregating $2.500, were improperly and irregularly held in suspense account from the dates of the several advances until carried to account on the 5th November, 1873.

Your Committee, in conclusion, reccomend that a more efficient audit should be provided of the cash balances of all persons charged with the payment of the public moneys in the several Departments.

All which, with the evidence and the proceedings of the Committee of this day (Tuesday, 23rd April, 1878), is respectfully submitted.

(*For the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings of the Committee of the 23rd instant, see Appendix No.* 1.)

On motion of Mr. *Laurier*, the Bill No. 76 to amend 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 8, intituled: "An Act to impose License duties on compounders of spirits; to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drinks, and Drugs," was placed on the Government Orders for a second reading, to-morrow.

The following Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General were voted,—and Orders of The House issued to the proper officer, *viz.*:—

By Mr. *Tupper*:—Order of The House; for a copy of the Report of Exploration made by Mr. *Bell*, C.E., on the proposed route of the Canada Pacific Railway from Nipigon to the junction with the Thunder Bay, or Kaministiquia Branch of the said Railway.

By Mr. *Rochester*:—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all correspondence between the Government, or the Minister of Justice, and the creditors of one *Olivier Latour*, or any of them, or any persons on their behalf, in relation to the alleged forfeiture of its Charter by La Banque Nationale by reason of its illegally trading in Lumber and in the manufacture and sale of Square Timber and Saw Logs, and the produce thereof, and in other goods, chattels and merchandize, in violation of the Banking Act, to the prejudice of other banking institutions, the Lumber Trade and the said creditors.

Also, for copies of all contracts, depositions, statements and writings submitted to the Government, or to the Minister of Justice, evidencing said (illegal) trading, and also copies of the opinion of the ex-Minister of Justice and the present Minister of Justice thereon, and of all Orders in Council having reference to said illegal act of said Bank.

Also, for copies of the registered Timber Trade Mark of the said Bank, as registered in the office of the Minister of Agriculture, and of all papers and documents in said office relating thereto.

And also, for copies of all correspondence between the said Bank, or any of its officers, and the Government, or any member thereof, with reference to said alleged violation and forfeiture of its Charter by said Bank.

Mr. *Greenway* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all correspondence or Petitions with reference to transferring the Mails on the London, Huron and Bruce Railway.

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

By Mr. *Palmer*:—Order of The House; that the Clerk do lay on the Table a Statement shewing the ages, names, present salaries and length of service of each officer and permanent Clerk in his Department; also, the ages, names and salaries or daily pay, with date of employment and date when pay commenced, of the Sessional or Extra Clerks at present employed in the service of The House; also, a Statement by the Sergeant at Arms shewing the ages, names, salaries or daily pay and length of service of Messengers and others in his Department, whether employed permanently or otherwise.

By Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds):—Order of The House; for Return of all "Railway Plant," "Machinery," "Tools," "Implements" and "Merchandize," imported in Bond, for use by contractors or others, on the Welland Canal improvements, at the ports of "Port Colborne, Clifton, and St. Catherines," from 1st July, 1870, to 1st January, 1878.

By Mr. *Béchard*:—Order of The House; for copies of all correspondence in relation to the construction of a bridge on the River Chaudière, in the County of Lévis.

By Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton):—Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all correspondence and Petitions in the hands of the Government, respecting the use of Trawls, by Foreigners, off the coasts of Nova Scotia.

By Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton):—Order of The House; for a copy of Return of Expenditure in detail, of money expended on the Breakwater at Cow Bay, for the year 1877; giving the names of all persons who performed any work on that Break-

water, stating the amount of wages paid each person per day; also the quantity of timber purchased, and the price paid for it, and to whom; also salary, commission, or wages of Superintendent of Work, and vouchers of payment.

By Mr. *Langevin*:—Order of The House; for a Statement shewing the names of the Valuators employed on the line of the Intercolonial Railway, in the Counties of Temiscouata and Rimouski for the purchase of lands, the amount of damages assessed; the period of time during which such Valuators were employed and the salary paid to each of them in the several cases.

Also, a list of all claims made upon the Government for damages caused subsequent to the expropriation of lands and the passing of the said Line of Railway through the said Counties, the amount allowed by the said Valuators upon each of the said claims, with the names of the persons who have accepted the amounts offered, and of those who refused the same, from the 30th June, 1876, up to this date.

Sir *Albert Smith* presented,—Return to the Order of The House, of this day; for copies of all correspondence and Petitions in the hands of the Government respecting the use of Trawls or Bultons by Foreigners, off the coasts of Nova Scotia.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, without amendment, *viz*:—

No. 29. To grant relief to the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company.

No. 62. To amend the Law respecting Deck Loads.

No. 63. To repeal Section 23 of "The Merchant's Shipping Act, 1876," as to ships in Canadian waters;—and

No. 61. Respecting the duty on Malt.

At 6 o'clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P. M.

7.30 P. M.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 27th March, last; for copies of all correspondence between the Hudson Bay Company and the Dominion Government, relative to alleged losses at the Red River Settlement, connected with the insurrection in 1869-70.

(*The Order for Public Bills and Orders was called under Rule* 19.)

The Bill No. 4 to amend the Law relating to Stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, and reported.

Mr. *Guthrie* moved, that the said amendments be now taken into consideration, and concurred in.

And objection being taken to this Bill being proceeded with, on the ground that it imposes an impost, and therefore should have been introduced, after the consent of the Government had been given;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows:—The whole question occurs to me at the present moment in this light. In the first place I may say that the 54th Clause of the British North America Act, 1867, has no bearing whatever, in my opinion, on the case. It relates merely to approprfations. Hon. Members in reading it over rather cursorily are led into a mistake, owing to the peculiar reading of it, and this Clause is as follows:—"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 each Vote Resolution, Address, or Bill is proposed."

It does not bear on the question of the imposition of taxes at all. It merely relates to appropriations, the general law of Parliament however is very clear—that whenever it is proposed to impose a new tax, this should be done by the Government on recommendation. But we have ourselves here a Rule relating to the mode in which Bills of this kind shall be introduced.—The 88th Rule is as follows:—"If any motion be made in The House for any public aid or charge upon the people, the consideration and Debate thereof may not be presently entered upon, but shall be adjourned till such further day, as The House shall think fit to appoint; and then it shall be referred to a Committee of the Whole House, before any Resolution or Vote of The House do pass therepon."

Under this Rule it is clearly necessary that any measure purporting to impose a burden on the people, should be introduced in the first place by Resolution of the Committee of the Whole House. On that point there can be no doubt whatever. Now the only question that rises is as to whether this Bill would impose, if passed, or would not impose an additional tax on the people. This question was raised soon after the Bill was introduced, possibly on the second reading, and then the Hon. Mover stated distinctly to The House that it would not impose any additional burden; that it required no additional stamps to be attached to any instrument whatever, and that he introduced it merely for the purpose of removing doubts which had arisen in some of the Courts as to the value to be attached to the re-stamping of Foreign Bills of Exchange accepted in this Country. He stated—and nobody seemed to contradict him, and none of the lawyers in The House did so—that it has been the practice, and this was again stated this evening—where parties in this Country received Foreign Bills of Exchange which had not the required stamps attached in the first instance, to put on double stamps when they received them; that suits have arisen on Notes and Bills so stamped, and that some doubt existed, in the Courts as to whether this putting on of the double stamp did or did not give validity to the Note. If that were so, this would be merely an explanatory Act, which did not create any new burden or impose any new burden, but simply defined what the law was. It occurs to me that the matter stands in this way at all events; if this Bill now before The House provided that certain stamps should be attached to Foreign Bills of Exchange in certain cases, that in other cases double stamps might be affixed and that unless in the first instance a proper stamp were affixed or unless in the other case double stamps were affixed the Note would be valueless, then I think that it would impose a tax on the people; but as it stands at present, the penalty is clearly inoperative. If a Foreign Bill of Exchange comes into the hand of an innocent holder not stamped at all or insufficiently stamped, it is valueless, absolutely valueless, and if the doubts that are entertained are well founded as to the right to put double stamps on, then he cannot possibly render that valuable, and it cannot certainly to that individual be a loss or burden,—that he may make that which the law declares otherwise valueless to have a fair value by a certain operation. The question is one rather for a Law Court than for a Speaker of the House of Commons to determine. This is very clear. It is very much to be regretted that this Bill, was not in the first instance introduced by Resolution, and if I had then been consulted on the subject, I would have advised it; but as the matter now stands I cannot perceive that if the Bill passed it would impose any burden on anybody. The only persons who would pay the duty are the persons relieved by affixing the stamps to the Bill, and who would thus be enabled to collect whatever the face value of the document or instrument purported to be.

The said amendments were then taken into consideration and concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 40 for the amendment of the Law of Evidence in certain cases of Misdemeanor, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 55 to amend the Law respecting Building Societies, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Tupper's* proposed motion, that an Order of The House do issue, for a Statement showing:—for

1. The amount of the Loan of 1876, and the amount actually received therefor;
2. The number of allotments, and the amount awarded to each allottee;
3. A Statement shewing, when, and how the amount of said Loan was received, and whether allottees or any of them, and if any of them, which of them, availed themselves of the privilege of pre-payment, and if so, whether they were allowed interest or discount thereon and the total amount of such discount;
4. The amount of interest accrued or accruing on said stock allowed to the said allottees respectively, as against the amount payable to them respectively;
5. The item of Commission and charges of, and incident to the said Loan in detail, and to whom paid;
6. The rate of interest payable by the Dominion on the said Loan, regard being had to the amount actually received, and the period it has to run.

And the question being put; it was agreed to, and the Order of The House issued accordingly.

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House, Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Hon. the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency, the Governor General in Council, on the 18th April, 1878, which is as follows:—

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration the questions relating to the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the extension westward of the Canada Central Railway, in consideration of a subsidy to be paid by the Government, as provided by the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874.

That a contract was entered into in 1874, with Mr. *A. B. Foster*, for the building of the Georgian Bay Branch, under which Mr. *Foster* was to execute all the surveys, as well as perform the work of construction from the mouth of French River, eighty-five miles eastward.

That on the 28th February, 1876, this contract was annulled, and Mr. *Foster* was paid such portions of his expenditures on the survey as were reported by the Chief Engineer to be serviceable to the Department in completing the survey.

That on the 4th November, 1874, an Order in Council was passed under the terms of the Act 37 *Vic.*, Cap. 14, known as the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874, whereby a subsidy of $12,000 per mile was granted to the Canada Central Railway Company, for a distance not exceeding 120 miles from the eastern end of the Georgian Bay Branch above referred to, upon the conditions:—

1st. That the road should be built upon a line to be approved by the Minister of Public Works, but which was defined generally, as ascending the valley of the Bonnechère from the vicinity of Douglas Village, *viâ* Golden Lake and Round Lake, and thence by as direct a line as might be found, to Burnt Lake, and thence to the proposed terminus of the Georgian Bay Branch—about the 85th mile from Georgian Bay.

2nd. That the Company should, within one month, satisfy the Minister of Public Works that they had entered into a *bonâ fide* contract for the building of the Railway.

3rd. That running powers should be given to certain roads on stated conditions.

4th. That the Government or the lessees of the Government line from Georgian Bay, should possess running powers on similar terms to the Companies designated.

5th. That payment of the subsidy should be made on the completion of the Railway in sections of not less than 20 miles, upon the certificate of an Engineer to be appointed by the Government.

That in consequence of the annulling of the contract for building the Georgian Bay Branch, it was considered best to complete the survey of the country to be

traversed. which had been to a great extent executed by the Engineers of the Contractor, with the result of raising some doubts as to the best direction.

That it was deemed unadvisable to urge the Canada Central Railway Company to proceed with the building of the subsidized line until the more complete examination and survey of the country should have been accomplished.

That Mr. *Hazlewood*, the Engineer originally charged with making an examination of the country from the mouth of French River to the neighbourhood of Douglas and Pembroke, reported that a line, with fair gradients and average work was practicable, in the direction indicated by the Order in Council referred to.

That the Engineers of the Canada Central, and those employed by Mr. *Foster*, reported more serious obstacles in grades and engineering work, and difficulties after leaving the lower part of the Bonnechère valley; and though the Chief Engineer stated that he believed that a more thorough exploration would prove that they were mistaken, it became necessary to ascertain the facts with greater particularity.

That Mr. *Lumsden* was therefore despatched early in the season of 1876, with a strong party to do the work.

That this Engineer has reported, as the result of the season's operations, that a fair line can be obtained on Mr. *Hazlewood's* plan, but that for a considerable distance the work will be somewhat heavy in consequence of the prevalence of rock cutting, and that the maximum grade rising eastward would be 52·80 feet per mile in an aggregrate distance of about seven miles, and that there are three miles of the same grade rising westward. That this grade though not excessive, is much higher than Mr. *Hazlewood* expected.

That the Engineer employed by the Canada Central Railway Company has reported that so far as works of construction are concerned, a more favorable line could be obtained ascending from Pembroke on a line nearly parallel with the Ottawa River, and distant from the same after leaving the Petewawa River, an average of 8 or 10 miles, and touching in its course the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing.

That the same Engineer reports generally that the alignment of the road is good, and that it will not exceed six per cent. of curvature; that from Pembroke to Nipissing Road, five rivers are crossed, four requiring bridges of a span of 100 feet, and one (the Petewawa), a span of 400 feet; that forty miles are through a spruce, tamarac and hardwood country, and 90 miles through burnt woods and open country, the soil generally being of a sandy or gravelly character, with considerable reaches of clayey sand and sandy loam.

That the estimated distance from Pembroke to the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing is about 130 miles. This point is about 20 miles further west than the point previously determined on as the eastern terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway (thus saving to the public the construction of about 20 miles of railway.) From this point westward to Cantin's Bay, the projected station on French River, the distance is between 50 and 55 miles.

That the Canada Central Railway Co., in a letter dated the 10th February, 1877, proposed that the Company should build the Westward extension from Pembroke on this line, to the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing for a total bonus of $1,440,000, being at the rate of $12,000 per mile upon 120 miles; that payment of the subsidy should be made on the basis of 80 per cent of the expenditure, the drawback of 20 per cent to be paid on the completion of every ten miles, the line to be completed within three (3) years, and 75 per cent of the value of rails delivered on the ground to be paid as the rails are delivered.

That Mr. *Fleming*, Engineer-in-Chief, to whom the proposal was referred, reports as follows:—

"CANADA PACIFIC RAILWAY,
"OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF.
"OTTAWA, February 16th, 1877.

"The Hon. *A. Mackenzie*,
"Minister of Public Works.

"SIR,—I have the honor to report on the proposal made by the Canada Central Railway Co., in the communication addressed to you of date 10th inst.

"I do not altogether concur with the view expressed as to the impossibility of finding a line and building a first class railway on the route originally laid down by the valley of the Bonnechère. It is due, I think, to an officer on my staff, Mr. *Hazlewood*, to state that the surveys which have since been made substantially confirm the report on the reconnaissance which he made in 1874. He was instructed to walk over the ground, and report if it would be practicable to build a railway across the country in a direct course. On his return he reported that he felt quite safe in stating that a railway could be located on a direct course between the mouth of French River and Burnt Lake; in fact that the departure from a straight line would probably not increase the distance more than 5 per cent."

He further reported on the character of the country between Burnt Lake and Renfrew, *viâ* the valley of the Bonnechère River, and expressed the opinion that there would not be any great difficulty in finding a practicable line for the railway.

"While I have, as yet, seen nothing to alter my own views with respect to the general accuracy of Mr. *Hazlewood's* report, I am satisfied that there are no engineering objections to the proposal now submitted by the Canada Central Railway Company to extend the line westerly from Pembroke instead of from Renfrew.

"Indeed the information obtained goes to show that a line with more favorable gradients may be obtained on the route now proposed to be adopted by the Canada Central, and that it will serve the interests of the Country fully as well. I have therefore, no hesitation in recommending that the proposal be favorably entertained.

"I think it would be well to stipulate with the Canada Central Company that the gradients ascending westerly may be as high as 52·80 per mile, but that the maximum ascending in the opposite direction should be 26·40 per mile; and that the curvature and general alignment should be approved by the Department."

"(Signed) SANDFORD FLEMING."

That the House of Assembly of the Province of Quebec on February 13th, 1875, passed a Resolution which was communicated to the Government of Canada stating that "according to the reports of eminent men on the nature and configuration of the ground, it appears that a trace which would follow the Matawan would present the cheapest, the easiest, the shortest route for the development of the vast commerce of the West and of the Pacific, as well for the branch of the Pacific to the East of the Georgian Bay as for the line to be subsidized by the Government * * * * and that in the event the exploration proves that a preferable line to that of the Matawan exists to the South of the River Ottawa, the line to be subsidized by the Government, be brought to Pembroke, and not to Renfrew, where a junction with the railway system of the Province of Quebec is impossible, seeing the enormous expense which it would entail."

That since that period the Government of Quebec have commenced the construction of railways on the northern side of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers, and the railway from Montreal westward to Ottawa has been completed by that Government.

That though the line would be lengthened by this deflection to the northward, the western end of the subsidized line would, as stated, reach a point much further to the westward of the previously proposed terminus, or junction with that portion of the Canada Pacific Railway proposed to be built under the terms of the Act, to the French River, and would thus save to the public the cost of constructing about 20 miles of railway.

The Committee of Council, after fully considering the facts as already summarized, recommend,—

First.—That the proposition of the Canada Central Railway Company to extend the line to such point as may be selected by the Government as the terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway at or near the crossing of the Nipissing Road at the South East Corner of Lake Nipissing for the sum of one million and four hundred and forty thousand dollars ($1,440,000) should be accepted, upon the condition as to grades,

recommended by the Chief Engineer—and that the total payment to be made shall not, under any circumstances, exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) per mile.

Second.—That the Company shall, within three months of the ratification of this Order in Council by the House of Commons, satisfy the Minister of Public Works that they have entered into a *bonâ fide* contract or contracts, for the building of the Railway, and have provided sufficient means, with the Government bonus, to secure the competition of the line—and also that the Company shall, from the date of such contracts, make continuously such progress as will justify the hope of the completion of the line within the time mentioned.

Third.—That the Company shall enter into an agreement to grant running powers, on terms to be approved by the Governor in Council, to the Montreal, Ottawa and Western Railway, now in process of construction, from Montreal, on the northern side of the Ottawa River, or any railway in extension thereof, from any point of intersection west of the Town of Renfrew, that may be approved of by the Governor in Council, and also to the Kingston and Pembroke Railway Company, from the intersection of their line, provided such point of intersection is at or west of Renfrew, and to such other Companies as may have the termini of their systems on or towards Lake Huron, and which may be designated by the Governor in Council as entitled to such running powers: Provided that the terms of such running powers to any of the said Companies or roads may be mutually agreed upon by the Canada Central Railway Company and the Quebec Government, and the other Companies named, and in the event of disagreement, the conditions to be settled by arbitration, one arbitrator to be selected by each party, and one by the Governor in Council.

The Government of Canada and the lessees or future owners of the Government road, westward of the western terminus of the subsidized line, shall possess running powers in the said railway on similar terms to the Companies designated.

Fourth.—That payments be made to the extent of eighty (80) per cent. of the said bonus of $12,000 per mile on the completion of every ten miles—one-half of such payment may be advanced when work equal to five miles is completed on any one section, on the certificate of the Chief Engineer that satisfactory progress is being made—and payment to the extent of sixty (60) per cent may be made on work extending over twenty-five miles, upon the certificate of the Chief Engineer that such work is equal to ten miles of completed track.

The balance to be paid on the entire completion of the railway to the Nipissing Road at the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing; Provided that payments may be made upon rails delivered, to the extent of seventy-five (75) per cent. of the market value thereof—the amount so paid on rails to be deducted from each settlement of ten miles.

All payments to be made on the certificate of the Chief Engineer.

They further recommend that payments be made to the extent of eighty (80) per cent. of the work actually executed, on the completion of every ten miles, in the proportion which ten thousand dollars per mile bears to the actual cost of each Section.

The Company, however, to have the option of substituting the payment by the Government of the interest (or part of the interest) on bonds of the Company, running over such term of years as may be hereafter approved by the Governor in Council, in lieu of the mileage subsidy referred to.

The terms and conditions in all other respects to be the same as above provided.

The grant to be operative only after the ratification of this Order in Council by resolution of the House of Commons.

Certified. W. A. HIMSWORTH,
Clerk, Privy Council.

Mr. *Mackenzie* also laid before The House,—Agreement made between the Hon. *Alexander Mackenzie*, and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company, which is as follows:—

This Agreement made this twenty-third day of April, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, between the Honorable *Alexander Mackenzie*, as Minister of Public Works of Canada, and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company;

Whereas it is advisable for the better working of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton, to organize a system of Gas and Water Works to supply the Workshops at Moncton with these articles;

And whereas the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company, who are about to establish Gas Works and Water Works at the Town of Moncton, in the Province of New Brunswick, for the use of that Town, have signified their willingness to supply the Intercolonial Railway at that place with such quantity of gas and water as may be required from their proposed Works;

And whereas, by Order in Council of the 26th March, 1878, the Minister of Public Works of Canada was authorized to enter into an agreement with the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company for the supply of water and gas for the Intercolonial Workshops at Moncton, N.B., in accordance with the conditions hereinafter specified for such a number of years as may be deemed best in the interest of the Railway:

Now, therefore, the said Minister and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company do agree as follows:—

1st. Water Supply.

1st. The Moncton Gas and Water Company agree to provide a reservoir giving a head of water, at the Railway Works, of about one hundred feet, and that their supply pipes leading to and up to the Railway grounds, shall not be less than twelve inches in diameter and one-half inch or nine-sixteenths of an inch in thickness.

2nd. The said Company agree also to supply the Intercolonial Railway with all the water they require for the use of their engines, station, workshops and every purpose within the Railway grounds at Moncton, including a full pressure through such hydrants as may now exist, or may hereafter exist for fire purposes.

3rd. The said Company shall give and secure a full supply of pure and wholesome water to the Railway for all the purposes it may require, whether specially stated in the foregoing clause or not.

4th. Should the Company fail to provide a full and regular supply of water, such as may be required at any time, the Government reserves the privilege of refusing any longer to receive water from the Company, on giving them written notice to that effect; and in such case the Company shall not be entitled to any compensation, on account of the cancelling of this agreement at any time before the expiration of the period of the present agreement.

5th. The Government agrees that the Railway shall not necessarily waste water, and shall not supply water through their pipes outside of the Railway grounds to other parties.

6th. The Government shall pay the sum of *Three Thousand Dollars* a year for such water supply, for a period of ten years, from the date at which the supply shall commence. And the Government shall have the option, at the end of such period of ten years, of renewing the contract for the supply of water for a further period of ten years, if they so desire, on the same terms. Provided the supply of water required does not exceed the average quantity used during the said previous term of ten years. And in case such supply should be increased, the sum to be paid for such additional quantity of water required, shall be fixed by mutual agreement between the parties, and in case of disagreement, the value thereof shall be submitted for settlement by arbitration, each party naming an arbitrator, and the two arbitrators so chosen, selecting a third.

2nd. Gas Supply.

1st. The Moncton Water and Gas Company agree to establish Gas Works at Moncton and to supply, at the boundary of the Intercolonial Railway grounds, good gas, of a proper illuminating power, as regular, and in such quantities as the Railway may require.

2nd. The gas shall be measured by means of approved meters furnished by the Company, and situated within the Railway grounds.

3rd. If, at any time, hereafter, impure gas be furnished, or if the supply of good gas should be insufficient or irregular, the Company, at the first request, shall take immediate steps to furnish pure and proper gas, and in the quantities, and as regularly as may be required by the Railway.

4th. The Government agree to pay, therefor, at a rate not exceeding three dollars and twenty-five cents ($3.25) per thousand feet, on the distinct understanding, that, if any lower rate or price is charged to any other consumer, whether by discount or otherwise, the Government shall have the benefit of such reduced rate or price charged to and paid by others consumers, which rate or price shall be paid quarterly.

5th. The Government reserves the privilege of terminating the present agreement at any time after a period of ten years (unless sooner determined by reason of breach of any of the conditions of this contract) without, in either case, the said Company being entitled to any compensation or indemnity whatsoever.

6th. This agreement to be subject to the approval of the House of Commons of Canada during its present Session.

In witness whereof the said parties hereunto have set their hands and seals at the day and year first above written, in duplicate.

Signed, sealed and delivered in behalf of the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company, by *John Leonard Harris*, the President of said Company, in presence of

H. A. FISSIAULT,
E. BANCE.

JOHN L. HARRIS,
President.

[L.S.]

Signed, sealed and delivered by the Minister of Public Works of Canada, and countersigned by the Secretary of said Public Works, in presence of

F. H. FISSIAULT.
E. BANCE.

A. MACKENZIE.
F. BRAUN,
Secretary.

[L.S.]

23RD APRIL, 1878.

AGREEMENT

(Subject to approval of the Parliament of Canada)

BETWEEN

THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS OF CANADA

AND

THE MONCTON GAS LIGHT AND WATER COMPANY.

For the supply of Gas and Water for the Intercolonial Railway Workshops at Moncton, N.B.

No. 5623.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Blake*—In Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 68) respecting the Supreme Court—The following new clause:—

Clause 48 of the said Act is hereby amended by inserting after the word "dissatisfied" in the 10th line, the words following "with any decision of a Judge which has the effect of finally disposing of the petition or;" and after the word "questions" in the 37th line the words following "and only so much of the record as is material to the questions which are the subject of the appeal shall be printed for the appeal;" and after the word "just" in the 44th line, the words following "but the appellant shall be ordered to pay to the respondent his cost of the appeal in respect of any question on which the appeal fails."

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—That when The House adjourns on that day, it shall stand adjourned until three o'clock on Saturday, and that Government business shall have precedence immediately after Routine Proceedings.

No. 53.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 24TH APRIL, 1878.

5th Session, 3rd Parliament, 41 Victoria, 1878.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 25TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that in obedience to the Order of The House, of yesterday, the Clerk of The House had laid on the Table, a Statement shewing the ages, names, present salaries and length of service of each officer and permanent clerk in the Department of the Clerk of The House; also the names and salaries or daily pay, with date of employment, and date when pay commenced of the Sessional or extra clerks, at present employed in the service of The House.—Also a Statement by the Serjeant at Arms, shewing the ages, names, salaries or daily pay and length of service of Messengers and others in his Department, whether employed permanently or otherwise.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following Returns, *viz.*:—

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th March, last; for copy of all notices and letters issued by the Department of Public Works calling either by the public press or otherwise, for tenders for the supply of Railway Spikes for the Canada Pacific Railway, with copy of all answers or tenders received from the 1st January, 1876, to the 31st December, 1877, and the names of the parties to whom the Contract or Contracts were awarded, and for what quantity and what price in each case; and also a similar Return for spikes required for the Intercolonial Railway, from the 1st January, 1872.

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for copies of all papers and correspondence between the Superintendent of the Prince Edward Island Railway, and the Department of Public Works, shewing how many miles of wire fence has been taken down and replaced by post and batten fence, and also papers shewing the cost of erecting said post and batten fence, and vouchers for the same.

Return to Address of the 1st instant; for copies of all correspondence between the Government and *T. M. Boggs*, in relation to his dismissal from the office of Train Despatcher at Truro on the Intercolonial Railway; together with all correspondence with the General Superintendent of the Government Railways; with any Reports or minutes of investigation in relation to said dismissal of Mr. *Boggs*, and a statement of the number of persons now engaged in performing the duties imposed upon Mr. *Boggs* at the time of the accident which led to his dismissal.

Return to the Order of The House of the 27th March, last; for copies of correspondence between Mrs. *Edward Murphy*, of Barnaby River, Miramichi, N.B., and officers of the Intercolonial Railway, in relation to the killing of a cow on said Railway; also copies of all evidence and Reports in relation to the same.

Return to the Order of The House of the 28th February, last; for copies of all Reports of Engineers, memorials, papers and correspondence relating to the survey and location of the line of the Pacific Railway between the Red River and Battleford, and not heretofore laid before Parliament; and also all Reports, memorials, papers and correspondence relating to the proposed line of said Railway between the same points but South of Lake Manitoba.

Return to the Order of The House of the 11th March, last; for copy of a Report of Surveys made of Lakes Manitoba and Winnipegoosis, the Waterhen River and Little Saskatchewan River.

Return to Address of the 1st instant; for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council or Reports, connected with the removal from office or resignation of *George Taylor*, from the office of Assistant Railway Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Huntington* presented the following Returns, *viz.*:—

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for copies of all papers, &c., relating to the dismissal of *D. McDonald*, Post Master at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton.

Return to Address of the 4th March, last; for copies of petitions from the inhabitants of the Parish of Perth, in the County of Victoria, N.B., praying for the establishment of new Way or Post Offices in that parish, and all correspondence between the Government and the Inspector of Post Offices for New Brunswick, and all other correspondence bearing upon the same subject.

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for copies of all correspondence touching the resignation *J. Cadigan*, as Post Master at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for copies of all correspondence relating to the dismissal of *James Corbett*, Post Master at Lorway Mines, Cape Breton County.

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for copies of all correspondence between the Post Office Department and all persons touching the Post Master and Post Office affairs at Victoria Mines, Cape Breton County, for the past three years.

Mr. *Burpee* presented the following Returns, *viz.*:—

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th March, last; for a copy of the Report, for the year 1877, of *J. P. Gauvreau*, Esquire, in his character of Collector of Customs for the Port of Rimouski.

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th March, last; for copies of all correspondence respecting the establishing of Bonded Warehouses at the Village of Carron Brook and Town of Clinton, in the County of Huron.

Return to the Order of The House of the 4th March, last; for a Return of the amount of all Tubing imported into Canada during the year immediately preceding the imposition of duty on Tubing by the Tariff of last Session. Said Return to give the name of the Importer, quantity imported, invoice price, and at what Port entered.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the Ninth Report of the said Committee, reporting the two following Bills, with amendments, *viz.*:—

No. 71. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to confer certain powers on the Montreal Building Association, by the name of 'The Montreal Investment and Building Company.'"

No. 55. To amend the Law respecting Building Societies.

With reference to the last mentioned Bill, the Committee would recommend that, in consequence of the advanced period of the Session, and as the provisions of the Bill, affect mainly private interests, the same be placed among the Private Bill Orders for consideration in Committee of the Whole House.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, in accordance with the foregoing, the said Bill was ordered to be placed among the Private Bill Orders for consideration in Committee of the Whole House, and the Rule on Standing Orders, relative to Private Bills, was suspended in relation thereto.

Mr. *Laflamme* moved that the Bill No. 20 to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons, be now read a third time.

Mr. *Burpee* (Sunbury) moved in amendment thereto, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the same, by inserting the following new Clause :—

"When in any Province a non-resident Elector is entitled by the Laws in force in the Province to notify to the proper officer his selection of a polling district for polling his vote; such notice for any election to the House of Commons may be given to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District not less than 8 days before the nomination, and the name of such elector shall thereupon be entered on the list of voters for the selected polling district, and erased from any other list of voters for the Electoral District."

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

Mr. *Langevin* then moved in amendment, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend Section 13 by adding in line 17 after the word "*situated*," the following words:—"or the Prothonotary of the said Court, in the absence of the said Judge from the said Electoral District,"—and in line 26 after the word "*Judge*" the following words:—"or Prothonotary as the case may be"; which was negatived on a division.

The original motion was then agreed to, and the said Bill read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton) moved in amendment thereto, that all the words after the word "that" to the end of the said motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"in the opinion of this House; it is advisable to impose a duty of seventy-five cents per ton, upon all coals imported into the Dominion; so as to help to meet the financial deficiency, and at the same time give a stimulus to a most important industry."

And a Debate arising thereon;

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1878.

And the question being put; it was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bourbeau,	Haggart,	McQuade,
Bowell,	Little,	Orton,
Bunster,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Plumb,
Campbell,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Robinson,
DeCosmos,	MacDonnell (*Inverness*),	Schultz,
Dewdney,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Ferguson,	Macmillan,	Tupper,
Flynn,	McCallum,	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	McInnes,	White (*Hastings*).—27.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Dymond,	McIntyre,
Archibald,	Farrow,	Malouin,
Aylmer,	Ferris,	Metcalfe,
Baby,	Fiset,	Mills,
Bain,	Fleming,	Mitchell,
Barthe,	Flesher,	Monteith,
Béchard,	Forbes,	Montplaisir,
Benoit,	Fraser,	Norris,
Bernier,	Fréchette,	Oliver,
Bertram,	Galbraith,	Ouimet,
Biggar,	Geoffrion,	Paterson,
Blackburn,	Gibson,	Perry,
Blain,	Gillies,	Pettes,
Blake,	Gillmor,	Pickard,
Bolduc,	Goudge,	Pinsonneault,
Borden,	Greenway,	Platt,
Borron,	Guthrie,	Pope (*Compton*),
Bourassa,	Haddow,	Ray,
Bowman,	Hagar,	Richard,
Brooks,	Hall,	Ross (*Durham*),
Brouse,	Harwood,	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Brown,	Higinbotham,	Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Buell,	Holton,	Rouleau,
Burk,	Horton,	Ryan,
Burpee (*St. John*),	Huntington,	Rymal,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Hurteau,	Scatcherd,
Carmichael,	Jetté,	Scriver,
Caron,	Jones (*Halifax*),	Shibley,
Cartwright,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Short,
Casey,	Kerr,	Sinclair,
Casgrain,	Killam,	Skinner,
Charlton,	Kirk,	Smith (*Peel*),
Cheval,	Lajoie,	Smith (*Selkirk*),
Christie,	Landerkin,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Church,	Langevin,	Snider,
Cockburn,	Langlois,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	Lanthier,	St. Jean,
Costigan,	Laurier,	Taschereau,
Coupal,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Currier,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Trow,
Cuthbert,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),	Wallace (*Albert*),
Daoust,	Mackenzie,	White (*Renfrew*),
Delorme,	McCarthy,	Wood,
DeVeber,	McCraney,	Yeo,
Dugas,	McGregor,	Young.—135.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

78 Mounted Police, N.W.T..... $305,000 00

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the two following Bills, without amendment, *viz.*:—

No. 69. To amend Section 68 of "The Penitentiary Act 1875;" and

No. 44. To provide for the creation and registration of Homestead Exemption Estates in the Territories of Canada.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 10 to authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its capital stock, and for other purposes, with amendments.

The House then adjourned at 20 minutes before 3 o'clock, A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

No. 54.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 25TH APRIL, 1878.

5th Session, 3rd Parliament, 41 Victoria, 1878.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The Petition of *Joseph Aumond*, and others, of St. Jacques de l'Achigan, County of Montcalm, was read and received; praying for the reduction of the duties on Canadian Tobacco, or the increase of duties on Foreign Tobacco.

The Petition of *Ferdinand Macculloch*, and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the repeal of the Act incorporating The Canadian Securities Company (Limited), being read;

And motion being made, that the said Petition be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—"that in accordance with Rule 49, the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills having expired, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following Returns, *viz.*:—

Return to Address of the 1st instant; for Return of all Appeals instituted before the Supreme Court of Canada since its creation, shewing the names of parties, the Court from whose judgment each Appeal has been brought, and indicating the cases already disposed of by the said Supreme Court (whether by confirmation or reversal) and the cases yet pending.

Return to Address of the 1st instant; for a Return of all Petitions of Right transmitted to the Secretary of State since the passing of the "Petition of Right Act, 1876;" shewing the names of Suppliants, the amount and nature of each claim, in what cases His Excellency's *fiat* that *right be done to the parties* was granted, and in what cases refused.

And,—Return to Address of the 1st instant; for Return of all cases instituted in the Exchequer Court of Canada since its creation, shewing the names of parties, nature and amount of each claim, nature of proceeding (whether by Petition of Right or otherwise) and indicating separately the cases disposed of by the said Court and those yet pending.

Mr. *Huntington* presenting the following Returns, *viz.*:—

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for copies of all correspondence relating to the removal of the Post Master at Cow Bay, Cape Breton, together with all other correspondence between the Post Office Department and all other parties touching the cause of his removal.

Return to the Order of The House of the 19th February, last; for copy of al correspondence about the carrying of the mails by water from Quebec to Murray Bay, in the County of Charlevoix, for the year 1877; copy of all tenders received for

said service for same period; copy of all arrangements for carrying the mail during the same period; together with a Statement shewing the total cost of said service for the season of 1877, and a separate Statement for the carrying of the same mails for the same period during the season of 1876, including in both instances the cost of carrying the mails to Tadousac, Chicoutimi, Eboulements and Bay St. Paul.

And,—Return to Address of the 20th February, last; for copies of all tenders received in 1877 for the carrying by land of the mails from Quebec to Eboulements or Murray Bay; also a copy of all Orders In Council or Departmental Orders relating to the same, shewing the reasons why one special tender has been accepted, and also a Statement shewing the name of the late contractor for the carrying of said mails, the amount paid him, and the amount now paid and to whom for the same service, together with a copy of the correspondence on the said subject.

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

That on the 11th March, 1878, they ordered that *Peter Sutherland*, of Winnipeg, should be summoned to appear before them to give evidence in reference to alleged irregularities in the awarding of Government contracts in Winnipeg;

That on the 14th March, the following telegram was received from Mr. *Sutherland*:—

"OTTAWA, 14th March, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk, Committee on Public Accounts, Ottawa.*

"Your telegram of 11th instant just received. Family and business reasons urgently forbid my leaving home unless absolutely necessary. My bookkeeper, *Wm. G. Scott*, knows all that I do, and if summoned, can leave forthwith. Please reply.

"P. SUTHERLAND."

That on the 21st March the Committee ordered that *Wm. G. Scott*, Mr. *Sutherland's* bookkeeper, should be summoned to appear before them and give evidence in reference to the alleged irregularities in the awarding of Government contracts in Winnipeg; to which Mr. *Scott* replied on the same day, stating that he would leave for Ottawa on Saturday;

That on the 28th March, Mr. *D. A. Smith*, M.P., laid the following telegrams before the Committee:—

"OTTAWA, 22nd March, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to Donald A. Smith, House of Commons, Ottawa.*

"Neither myself nor *W. G. Scott* can give testimony against Mr. *Nixon* of a serious nature, and would ask to be relieved from going down. After mature consideration, I object to *Scott* giving evidence in my behalf.

"PETER SUTHERLAND."

"OTTAWA, 22nd March, 1878.

"*To Peter Sutherland, Esq., Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"Telegram received. Have no authority. Matter rests with Public Accounts Committee. Mr. *Young*, Chairman.

"DON. A. SMITH."

The Chairman also read the following telegrams:—

"OTTAWA, 23rd March, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg to Mr. Young, Chairman Public Accounts Committee, Ottawa.*

"Neither myself nor *W. G. Scott* can give direct testimony implicating Mr. *Nixon*, and ask that summons to *Scott* be revoked. Answer.

"P. SUTHERLAND."

"OTTAWA, 25th March, 1878.

"*To P. Sutherland, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"Have no power to revoke order of Committee without its sanction.

"J. YOUNG,
"*Chairman.*"

The Committee thereupon directed that a peremptory order be sent to Messrs. *Sutherland* and *Scott* of Winnipeg, requiring their immediate attendance.

That on the 1st April Mr. *W. G. Scott* reported himself in attendance before the Committee, in obedience to their summons;

That on the 12th April the Committee directed that another summons be sent to Mr. *Sutherland*, of Winnipeg, directing him to appear before them and to bring with him his letter and account books;

That on the 15th April the following telegram was sent:—

"OTTAWA, 15th April, 1878.

"*To P. Sutherland, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"Committee insist on your immediate attendance. Answer yea or nay.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

To which the following reply was received:—

"OTTAWA, 16th April, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk, Public Accounts Committee.*

"Have no wish to avoid examination; if compelled to go down have to close my store; will go, if indemnified for loss. Answer.

"P. SUTHERLAND."

That on the 17th April the Committee directed that Mr. *Sutherland* be informed that the Committee insisted on his attendance, and that the usual expenses would be allowed;

That on the 19th April, the following telegram was received:—

"19th April, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk, Committee on Public Accounts.*

"Order examination here; will shield no one; absence disastrous to my affairs; cannot leave.

"P. SUTHERLAND."

The Committee have considered it their duty to state the foregoing facts for the information of The House, as they deem it to be a most serious offence for any witness to refuse to obey the order of the Committee when it has been clothed by The House, with power to send for persons; as the Session is too near its close, however, to enforce the order of the Committe, they take this means of placing the facts on record, so that action may be taken thereon at a future Session, if deemed advisable.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented as their Seventh Report, the Report of their Sub-Committee, appointed with the view of re-arranging the distribution of Public Printed Documents, which, with the lists annexed thereto, numbered from one to thirteen, inclusive, they respectfully recommend to the consideration of both Houses.

COMMITTEE ROOM, 23rd April, 1878.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, appointed with the view of re-arranging the distribution of Public Printed Documents, beg leave to report,—

That they have carefully revised the old Lists of Distribution, and from them, with certain alterations and additions, have prepared the annexed Lists, numbered as follows:

1st. —England and Library Exchanges.
2nd.—His Excellency the Governor General, and the Departments at the Seat of Government.
3rd.—The Province of Ontario.
4th.—The Province of Quebec.
5th.—The Province of Nova Scotia.
6th.—The Province of New Brunswick.
7th.—The Province of British Columbia.
8th.—The Province of Manitoba.
9th.—The Province of Prince Edward Island.
10th.—The North-West Territories.

The distribution recommended in these Provinces, comprising their Honors the Lieutenant Governors, the Executive Councils, the Public Departments, the Members of the Legislatures, the Clerks of the same, the Legislative Libraries, the Judges, the Colleges, the Education Offices, and such other Public Institutions as have Libraries.

11th.—The several Colonies, comprising the Lieutenant Governors thereof.
12th.—Summary of Distribution.
13th.—The total number of Documents printed, and the edition of bound volumes and their distribution to the Members of Parliament, &c., in accordance with the foregoing lists.

The Sub-Committee, in recommending the sending copies of the bound volumes of the Journals and Sessional Papers, to each of the Members of the Local Legislatures, the Legislative Libraries, their Officials and Public Departments, trust that, in like manner, the Journals of the Local Legislatures will be sent to each Member of the Parliament of the Dominion, representing the respective Provinces, the Dominion Officials and Public Departments, and to the Library of Parliament, in exchange. The Sub Committee would also recommend that, in the event of the admission of other Provinces into the Dominion, the Distribution, as above, be extended to such Provinces.

The Sub-Committee would also recommend that the copies of the Blue Books furnished to the several Departments on their requisition, be charged and paid for at the actual cost per copy. The charge for cancelled matter and corrections to be made and paid for as at present.

The Sub-Committee would also recommend that the copy of the Votes and Proceedings, of the House of Commons, be filed as in the Senate, each morning, by the Pages, and placed on each Member's desk ready for reference.

G. W. ROSS,
Chairman of Sub-Committee.

DISTRIBUTION OF PARLIAMENTARY PRINTED MATTER.

LIST No. 1.

England and Foreign.	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
House of Lords	.....	.....	1	.....
House of Commons	.....	.....	1	.....
Colonial Office	1	.....	1	.....
Board of Trade	1	.....	1	.....
The British Museum	.....	.....	1	.....
The Foreign Office	.....	.....	1	.....
Canada Emigration Office	1	.....	1	.....
Sir John Rose	1	.....	1	.....
Royal Colonial Institute	1	.....	1	.....
The United States of America.				
The President of the United States, Washington	1	.....	1	.....
The British Minister	.....	.....	1	.....
The Clerk of the Senate	1	.....	.....	.....
" House of Representatives	1	.....	.....	.....
Library Exchanges	.....	.....	40	.....
Total	8	.....	51	.....

LIST No. 2.

Departmental, Seat of Government.	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. — Sess. Papers.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
His Excellency the Governor General	2	.....	2	1
Office of the Privy Council	14	3	1	1
The Minister of Justice	1	.....	1	1
Deputy of do	1	.....	.....	.....
Minister of Militia	1	.....	1	1
Deputy of do	1	1	.....	.....
Secretary of State for Canada	1	.....	1	1
Under Secretary of do	1	1	.....	.....
Minister of Finance	1	.....	1	1
Deputy Inspector General	1	.....	.....	.....
Postmaster General	1	.....	1	1
Deputy of do	1	.....	.....	.....
Minister of Agriculture	1	1	1	1
Deputy of do	1	1	.....	.....
Minister of Inland Revenue	1	.....	1	1
Commissioner of do	1	.....	.....	.....
Receiver General	1	.....	1	1
Deputy of do	1	.....	.....	.....
Minister of Public Works	1	.....	1	1
Deputy of do	1	1	.....	.....
Chief Engineer	1	.....	.....	.....
Minister of Customs	1	.....	1	1
Commissioner of do	1	.....	.....	.....
Minister of the Interior	1	.....	1	1
Deputy of do	1	.....	.....	.....
Minister of Marine and Fisheries	1	.....	1	1
Deputy of do do	1	.....	.....	.....
Adjutant General of Militia	1	.....	.....	.....
Governor General's Secretary	1	.....	1	1
Auditor	1	.....	.....	.....
Speaker of the Senate	1	.....	.....	.....
Speaker of the House of Commons	1	.....	.....	.....
Library of Reference	.....	.....	1	1
Supreme Court Judges	6	.....	6	.....
Total	52	8	23	16

LIST No. 3.

Province of Ontario.	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. — Sess. Papers.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
His Honor the Lieut. Governor	1	.....	1	.....
The Executive Council Office, Toronto	2	.....	1	.....
The Members of Legislative Assembly, 88, each one copy	.....	.....	88	.....
The Clerk of Legislative Assembly	1	.....	.....	.....
The Legislative Library	1	.....	3	.....
The Judges	14	.....	14	.....
Education Office	.....	.....	1	.....
University College	.....	.....	1	.....
Knox College	.....	.....	1	.....
St. Bazile College	.....	.....	1	.....
Trinity College	.....	.....	1	.....
Congregational College	.....	.....	1	.....
Queen's College, Kingston	.....	.....	1	.....
Victoria College, Cobourg	.....	.....	1	.....
Albert University, Belleville	.....	.....	1	.....
Canadian Literary Institute, Woodstock	.....	.....	1	.....
Helmuth College, or London Coll. Institute, London	.....	.....	1	.....
Ontario College, Picton	.....	.....	1	.....
Le College d'Ottawa, Ottawa	.....	.....	.....	1
Law Society, Osgoode Hall, Toronto	1	.....	1	.....
Total	20	.....	120	1

LIST No. 4.

Province of Quebec.	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. — Sess. Papers.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
His Honor the Lieut.-Governor	1	1	1	1
The Executive Council Office	2	2	1	1
The Members of the Legislative Council, 8 English, 16 French, each one copy	.....	.....	8	16
The Members of the Legislative Assembly, 18 English, 47 French, each one copy	.....	.....	18	47
The Clerk of the Legislative Council	1	1	.....	.....
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	1	1	.....	.....
The Legislative Library	1	1	3	3
The Judges	19	12	19	12
Education Office, Quebec	.....	.....	.....	1
Morrin College, Quebec	.....	.....	1	.....
McGill University, Montreal	.....	.....	1	.....
Lennoxville College, Lennoxville	.....	.....	1	.....
St. Francis College, Sherbrooke	.....	.....	1	.....
Presbyterian College, Montreal	.....	.....	1	.....
L'Université Laval, Quebec	.....	.....	.....	1
Le Collége de St. Hyacinthe, St. Hyacinthe	.....	.....	.....	1
do Nicolet, Nicolet	.....	.....	.....	1
do Lévis, Point Lévis	.....	.....	.....	1
do Trois Rivières, Trois Rivières	.....	.....	.....	1
do Ste. Marie, Montreal	.....	.....	.....	1
do Ste. Marie de Rouville, Montreal	.....	.....	.....	1
do Rimouski, Quebec	.....	.....	.....	1
do Ste. Anne, do	.....	.....	.....	1
do Ste. Thérèse, do	.....	.....	.....	1
Le Séminaire de St. Sulpice, Montreal	.....	.....	.....	1
Le Collége de l'Assomption	.....	.....	.....	1
do Rigaud	.....	.....	.....	1
do Masson, Terrebonne	.....	.....	.....	1
Law Library, Quebec	1	.....	1	.....
do Montreal	1	.....	1	.....
Advocates' Library Association, Montreal	.....	.....	1	.....
Merchants' Exchange, do	1	.....	.....	.....
Canadian Institute, do	.....	1	.....	.....
Quebec Exchange, Quebec	1	.....	.....	.....
Historical Society, do	.....	.....	1	.....
Canadian Institute, do	.....	1	.....	.....
Normal School, Montreal	.....	.....	1	.....
Ecole Normale Jacques Cartier, Montreal	.....	.....	.....	1
Ecole Normale Laval, Quebec	.....	.....	.....	1
Methodist College, Stanstead	.....	.....	1	.....
Total	29	20	61	97

LIST No. 5.

Province of Nova Scotia.	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. Sess. Papers.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
His Honor the Lieut. Governor	1	.....	1	.....
The Executive Council Office	2	.....	1	.....
The Members of the Legislative Council, 21, each one copy	.....	.....	21	.....
The Members of the Legislative Assembly, 38, each one copy	.....	.....	38	.....
The Clerk of the Legislative Council	1	.....	.....	.....
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	1	.....	.....	.....
The Legislative Library	1	.....	3	1
The Judges	8	.....	8	.....
The Admiral on the Station, Halifax	.....	.....	1	.....
The Commander of the Forces, Halifax	.....	.....	1	.....
Dalhousie College, Halifax	.....	.....	1	.....
St. François Xavier College, Antigonish	.....	.....	1	.....
Acadia College, Wolfville	.....	.....	1	.....
St. Mary's College, Halifax	.....	.....	1	.....
King's College, Windsor	.....	.....	1	.....
Education Office, Halifax	.....	.....	1	.....
Normal School, Truro	.....	.....	1	.....
Law Society, Windsor	1	.....	1	.....
The Halifax Library, do	.....	.....	1	.....
Finance Department of Canada, Auditor's Office	1	.....	1	.....
Total	16	.....	84	1

LIST No. 6.

Province of New Brunswick.	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. Sess. Papers.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
His Honor the Lieutenant Governor	1		1	
The Executive Council Office	2		1	
The Members of the Legislative Council, 18, each one copy			18	
The Members of the Legislative Assembly, 41, each one copy			41	
The Clerk of the Legislative Council	1			
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	1			
The Legislative Library	1		3	1
The Judges	6		6	
Education Office			1	
Exchange Reading Room	1			
University of New Brunswick			1	
Baptist Seminary			1	
Methodist Academy, Sackville			1	
Presbyterian College, Woodstock			1	
Memramcook College, Memramcook				1
Roman Catholic College, Chatham			1	
Law Society, Frederickton	1		1	
Total	14		77	2

LIST No. 7.

British Columbia.				
His Honor the Lieut.-Governor	1		1	
The Executive Council Office	1		1	
The Members of the Legislative Assembly			25	
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	1			
The Legislative Library	1		3	
The Judges	3		3	
	8		33	

LIST No. 8.

Manitoba.	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. Sess. Papers.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
His Honor the Lieut.-Governor	1	.....	1	.....
The Executive Council	2	2	1	1
The Members of the Legislative Assembly	.....	.....	17	7
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	1	1	.....	.....
The Legislative Library	1	1	3	3
The Judges	3	.....	3	.....
Total	8	4	25	11

LIST No. 9.

Prince Edward Island.				
His Honor the Lieut.-Governor	1	.....	1	.....
The Executive Council	2	.....	1	.....
The Members of the Legislative Council	.....	.....	16	.....
do do Assembly	.....	.....	37	.....
The Clerk Legislative Council	1	.....	.....	.....
do do Assembly	1	.....	.....	.....
Legislative Library	1	.....	3	.....
Judges	4	.....	4	.....
Total	10	.....	62	.....

LIST No. 10.

North-West Territories. 6 (*d*).				
His Honor the Lieut-Governor	1	.....	1	.....
Executive Council	2	.....	1	.....
	3	.....	2	.....

LIST No. 11.

The Colonies of	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. Sess. Papers.	
	E.	F.	E.	F.
Newfoundland:—His Honor the Lieutenant Governor...	.....	.....	1	.....
Melbourne, Australia:—His Excellency the Governor General	.....	.....	1	.....
Sydney, New South Wales, Australia:—His Excellency the Governor General	.....	.....	1	.....
Adelaide, South Australia:—His Excellency the Governor General	.....	.....	1	.....
Hobart Town, Tasmania, Australia:—His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Auckland, New Zealand, Australia:—His Exeellency the Governor-in-Chief.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Queensland, Australia:—His Excellency the Governor...	.....	.....	1	.....
Cape of Good Hope:—His Excellency the Governor General	.....	.....	1	.....
Bermuda Island:—His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor	.....	... .	1	.....
Island of Barbadoes:—His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Jamaica:—His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief	.. ..	..... .	1	.....
India:—His Excellency the Governor General.....	.....	.....	1	.....
The Council of State	.....	.....	1	.....
Total	.....	.....	13	.....

LIST No. 12.

	Votes and Docts.		Bound Vols. Sess. Papers.	
Summary of Outside Distribution.	E.	F.	E.	F.
England and Exchanges	8	.....	51	.....
Departments of Seat of Government	52	8	23	16
Ontario	20	.....	120	1
Quebec	29	20	61	97
Nova Scotia	16	.....	84	1
New Brunswick	14	.....	77	2
British Columbia	8	.....	33	.....
Manitoba	8	4	25	11
Prince Edward Island	10	.....	62	.....
North-West Territories	3	.....	2	.....
Colonies	.....	.....	13	.....
Newspapers	490	50	.....	.....
Total distributions	658	82	551	128
Recapitulation.				
The Members of the LocalLegislatnres	.....	.....	327	70
Department and Outside	168	32	224	58
Newspapers	490	50	.....	.....
Total as above	658	82	551	128

LIST No. 13.
METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION.

	Eng.	Fr.
Minutes of the Senate.		
The Senate.—60 Members, English, 1 copy each	60	.....
17 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French copy	17	17
The Commons.—159 Members, English, 1 copy each	159	.....
47 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French copy	47	47
Departments and outside	168	32
Newspapers	490	50
Remainder	159	79
Total, Minutes	1,100	225
Votes, House of Commons.		
The Senate.—60 Members, English, 1 copy each	60	.....
17 " French, 1 English and 1 French copy.	17	17
The Commons.—159 Members, English, 1 copy each.	159	.....
47 " French, 1 English and 1 French copy.	47	47
Departments and outside	168	32
For Binding	175	50
Newspapers	490	50
Remainder	200	50
Total, Votes and Proceedings	1,316	246
Orders of the Day,—House of Commons.		
The Senate.—60 Members, English, 1 copy	60	.....
17 " French, 1 English and 1 French	17	17
The Commons.—159 Members, English, 1 copy each	159	.....
47 " French, "	47	47
Departments, Officers, &c., &c	117	86
Total, Orders of the Day	400	150
Public Bills and Documents.		
The Senate.—60 Members, English, 1 copy each	60	.....
17 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French	17	17
The Commons.—159 Members, English, 1 copy each	159	.....
47 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French	47	47
Departments and outside	168	32
Newspapers	490	0
Remainder	175	0
Total, Public Bills and Documents	1,116	246

LIST No. 13.—*Continued.*

METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION.—*Continued.*

PRIVATE BILLS.	ENG.	FR.
The Senate.—60 Members, English, 1 copy each	60	.....
17 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French.	17	17
The Commons.—159 Members, English, 1 copy each	159	.....
47 " French, 1 English and 1 French	47	47
Remainder (Committees, &c.)	317	136
Total, Private Bills	600	200
THIRD READING OF BILLS.—THE SENATE.		
The Senate.—For Officers, &c	25	15
The Commons.—159 Members, English, 1 copy each	159	.....
47 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French copy	47	47
Remainder (Committees, &c.)	119	68
Total, Third Readings, Senate	350	130
THIRD READING OF BILLS.—HOUSE OF COMMONS.		
The Senate.—60 Members, English, 1 copy each	60	.....
17 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French copy	17	17
For Committees, Officers, &c	65	40
The Commons.—Remainder	108	43
Total, Third Reading of Bills, Commons	250	100
DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS.		
The Senate.— 60 Members, English, 2 copies each	120	.....
17 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French copy	17	17
The Commons.—159 Members, English, 2 copies each	318	.....
47 " French, 1 English copy and 1 French copy	47	47
Departments and outside	168	32
Newspapers	490	50
Remainder	190	54
Total, Departmental Reports	1,350	200

LIST No. 13.—*Continued.*
METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION—*Continued.*

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS—*Continued.*	E.	F.
Brought forward	1,350	200
The Commons.—And of the Public Accounts, 100 English extra, for use of the Committee	100	.....
	1,450	200
THE BOUND VOLUMES.		
The Senate, Journals.—60 Members, Senate, English, 1 copy each.	60	.....
17 " " French, "	.....	17
159 " Commons, English, 1 copy each.	159	.....
47 Members, Commons, French, 1 copy each..	.....	47
The Members of Local Legislatures	327	70
Outside distribution, as per List	224	58
Remainder	75	50
Total, Senate Journals	845	242
The Commons, Journals.—60 Members, Senate, English, 1 copy each	60	.....
17 Members, Senate, French, 1 copy each	.....	17
159 Members, Commons, English, 1 copy each	159	.....
47 Members, Commons, French, 1 copy each	.....	47
The Members of the Local Legislatures..	327	70
Outside distribution, as per List	224	58
Remainder	100	50
Total Journals, Commons	870	242
The Sessional Papers.—60 Members, Senate, English, 1 copy each.	60	.....
17 " " French, "	.....	17
159 " Commons, English, 1 copy each	159	.....
47 Members, Commons, French, 1 copy each	.....	47
The Members of the Local Legislatures	327	70
Outside distribution, as per List	224	58
Remainder	100	50
Total, Sessional Papers	870	242

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Prince Edward), it was *Ordered*, That in consequence of illness, leave of absence, till the end of the Session, be granted to *James Yeo*, Member for Prince County, P.E.I.; and that his Sessional indemnity be computed, as for the whole Session.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That when The House adjourns this day, it shall stand adjourned until three o'clock, P. M., to-morrow, and that Government business shall have precedence immediately after Routine Proceedings; and that for the remainder of the Session on and after Monday next, The House shall meet at two o'clock in the afternoon, on each day, including Saturdays.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton) moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That by a Return of The House of the 16th February, 1877, dated 1st March, 1877,—and also by a Return to an Order of The House of the 19th March, 1877, and dated 20th March, 1877, for copies of all tenders and contracts, plans and other correspondence, relating to the Ingonish Harbor contract, in Nova Scotia, it appears:—

That on the 10th May, 1873, the contract for building Ingonish Harbor, was awarded to *F. W. McKenrie*, for the sum of $78,208.60 cents; that in pursuance thereof an agreement was entered into, on the 22nd July, 1873, between *F. W. McKenrie* and the Minister of Public Works; that under the terms of the agreement, afterwards renewed between *Ross & McKay*, to whom the contract was transferred by the said *F. W. McKenrie* and the present Government on the 5th February, 1874, it was stipulated, that any change which the Government Engineer deemed necessary to be made in the original plans, should be so made by the contractor, and if extra expenses were entailed by such changes, the contractor should be paid extra for them; but should the change lessen the original expense, then such should be deducted from the amount of the contract;

That by the said contract, the said *Ross & McKay* were bound to build a Breakwater 700 feet long, and were to make good all damages it might sustain during its construction; that they were to dredge a channel into the Harbor 200 feet wide, and fifteen feet deep; that the contract was to be finished on or before the 31st December, 1874; that the contractor was liable for any salary or wages due the person superintending the work, in behalf of the Government, for any time he might serve in so superintending beyond the 31st December, 1874;

That on the 30th September, 1875, Mr. *Perley*, Government Engineer, six months after the work should have been finished, recommended extra work, estimated to cost $2,000;

That it appears the said Breakwater was not taken off the hands of the contractors before the 17th February, 1877; that at that time there was but 565 feet of the Breakwater, the contractor was to construct completed—or 135 feet less than allowed by the terms of the contract;

That it does not appear that the channel has been dredged 200 feet wide, and 15 feet deep, as per terms of contract, and as recommended on the 26th January, 1876, both by Mr. *Perley* and Mr. *Baillargé;* but on the contrary the papers go to show, that it has been dredged only 60 feet wide, and 12 feet deep;

That it appears the sum of $1,975 was paid one *Angus McLeod*, Superintendent on this work, in behalf of the Government for attendance subsequent to the 31st December, 1874, the terms on which the work should have been completed;

That notwithstanding the reduction in the length of the Breakwater, and that the dredging was not done to the width of 200 feet, and to the depth of 15 feet, but only to 60 feet wide, and 12 feet deep, and the extension of the time for building it to over two years, the Government paid the full amount of contract $78,208.60 cents; and also extras to the amount of $3,643, without deducting therefrom the allowance for the

Breakwater being less in length, and the dredging less in width and depth as aforesaid, and with out deducting the $1,975, paid for the services of Superintendent after the time allowed for the completion of the contract;

That in the opinion of this House, there was paid to the contractors a great deal more than ought to have been paid, causing serious loss to the Country;—which was negatived on the following division.—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Benoit,
Bolduc,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Campbell,
Caron,
Costigan,
Currier,
Daoust,
Dewdney,
Donahue,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Harwood,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Orton,
Ouimet,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Rochester,
Rouleau,
Ryan,
Schultz,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
Wright (*Ottawa*), and
Wright (*Pontiac*).—49.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Bain,
Béchard,
Bernier,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Blake,
Borden,
Borron,
Brouse,
Brown,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Cockburn,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
McIntyre,
Malouin,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Ray,
Richard,
Robillard,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,

Coffin,
Cook,
Coupal,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGregor,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wood, and
Young.—98.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

And it being 6 o'clock, P.M., Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and left it, 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 two following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz:*—

No. 55. To amend the Law respecting Building Societies.

No. 71. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to confer certain powers on the Montreal Building Association by the name of 'The Montreal Investment and Building Company,'" (as amended.)

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 10 to authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock; and for other purposes, were taken into consideration, and concurred in.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 7 respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company, with amendments.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 73, respecting persons imprisoned in default of giving sureties to keep the peace, without amendment.

(*The Committee of Supply resumed.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

XXXI.—POST OFFICE.

205	For Ontario	$777,000 00	
	Quebec	474,000 00	
	New Brunswick	167,000 00	
	Nova Scotia	196,000 00	
	Prince Edward Island	46,000 00	
	Manitoba	24,000 00	
	British Columbia	69,000 00	
	North-West Territory	14,000 00	
			$1,767,000 00

CANALS.

84	Lachine	2,000,000 00

And the House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1878.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

85	Cornwall	250,000 00
86	St. Lawrence	46,000 00

87	Welland	$2,500,000 00
88	St. Anne's Lock and Canal	50,000 00
89	Carillon Lock and Canal	240,000 00
90	Grenville	250,000 00
91	Culbute (improving approach to Canal)	24,000 00
93	Miscellaneous	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.

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes before 3 o'clock A.M. until 3 o'clock P.M., this day.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have asked for tenders for construction of the Western Section of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, which runs through British Columbia ?

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

1. That doubts exist regarding the Northerly and North-Easterly Boundaries of the North-West Territories and Rupert's Land, transferred to Canada by Order of Her Majesty in Council, of the 23rd June, 1870, incorporating the Territories of the Hudson's Bay Company and the North-West Territories with Canada.

2. That the discovery and working of minerals, in the vicinity of Cumberland Sound, have recently been reported, and other matters have transpired which make it important that all doubt respecting the jurisdiction of Canada over those parts of British North America should be removed with as little delay as possible.

3. That correspondence has taken place on the subject, between the Government of Canada and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, which, through the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has intimated its willingness to transfer, to the Dominion of Canada, all the Territories in question, and has invited an expression of the views of the Government of Canada respecting the propriety of Legislation for that purpose.

4. That it is expedient that the right of Canada to all of British North America, and the Islands adjacent thereto (not including the Province of Newfoundland) should be placed beyond question, and that the offer of Her Majesty's Government to transfer the said Territories to Canada be accepted.

5. That to avoid all doubt in the matter, it is desirable that an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland should be passed defining the North-Easterly, Northerly and North-Westerly Boundaries of Canada, as follows, that is to say: On the East by the Atlantic Ocean, which boundary shall extend towards the North by Davis Straits, Baffin's Bay, Smith's Straits and Kennedy Channel, including all the Islands in and adjacent thereto, which belong to Great Britain by right of discovery or otherwise ; on the North the Boundary shall be so extended as to include the entire continent to the Arctic Ocean, and all the Islands in the same Westward to the one hundred and forty-first meridian West of Greenwich ; and on the North-West by the United States Territory of Alaska.

6. That the Parliament of Canada, on the transfer of the before mentioned Territories being completed, shall have authority to legislate for their future welfare and good government, and the power to make all needful rules and regulations respecting them, the same as in the case of the other Territories; and the Parliament of Canada expresses its willingness to assume the duties and obligations consequent thereon.

7. That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty embodying these Resolutions.

No. 55

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1878.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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No. 56.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented as their Third Report, the evidence taken in regard to the alleged irregularities in the awarding of Government Contracts in Winnipeg; together with all the telegrams which have passed between the Committee, and the different witnesses summoned.

"*Montreal Telegraph Company.*

"OTTAWA, 11th March, 1878.

"*To Peter Sutherland, Winnipeg.*

"By order of the Public Accounts Committee, you are hereby summoned to appear before them forthwith, to give evidence respecting awarding of Government contracts in Winnipeg.—Answer.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

"OTTAWA, 11th March, 1878.

"*To Thomas Nixon, Winnipeg.*

"The following Resolution passed Public Accounts Committee this morning:—'That there have been very great irregularities in the awarding of Government contracts in Winnipeg, and that Mr. *Peter Sutherland* can give important testimony in relation thereto, that Mr. *Peter Sutherland* be summoned to appear before this Committee, that Mr. *Thomas Nixon* also be summoned and informed of the nature of the Resolution.' You are accordingly summoned to appear before the Committee forthwith.—Answer.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

"OTTAWA, 14th March.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk of Public Accounts Committee, Ottawa.*

"Telegram did not reach till last night. Will leave to-night.

"THOS. NIXON."

"OTTAWA, 14th March, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk Committee Public Accounts, Ottawa.*

"Your telegram of eleventh instant just received. Family and business reasons urgently forbid my leaving home unless absolutely necessary. My bookkeeper, *Wm. G. Scott*, knows all that I do, and, if summoned, can leave forthwith. Please reply.

"PETER SUTHERLAND."

"Collect."

"OTTAWA, 21st March, 1878.

"*To Wm. G. Scott, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"By order of the Public Accounts Committee you are summoned to appear before them forthwith, to give evidence regarding the awarding of Government contracts in Winnipeg.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

"*Montreal Telegraph Company.*

"OTTAWA, March 21st, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk of Public Accounts Committee.*

"Will go on first boat which leaves here on Saturday.

"W. G. SCOTT.

"Collect."

"OTTAWA, March 22nd, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to Donald A. Smith, House of Commons, Ottawa.*

"Neither myself nor *W. G. Scott* can give testimony against Mr. *Nixon* of a serious nature, and would ask to be relieved from going down. After mature consideration, object to *Scott* giving evidence in my behalf.

"PETER SUTHERLAND.

"$3.93—Collect."

"OTTAWA, March 21st, 1878.

"*To Peter Sutherland, Esq., Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"Telegram received. Have no authority. Matter rests with Public Accounts Committee, Mr. *Young*, Chairman.

"DON. A. SMITH."

"OTTAWA, 23rd March, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg to Mr. Young, Chairman Public Accounts Committee, Ottawa.*

"Neither myself nor *W. G. Scott* can give direct testimony implicating Mr. *Nixon*, and ask that summons to *Scott* be revoked. Answer.

"P. SUTHERLAND."

"OTTAWA, 25th March, 1878.

"*To P. Sutherland, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"Have no power to revoke order of Committee without its sanction.

"J. YOUNG,
"*Chairman.*"

"OTTAWA, 28th March, 1878.

"*To W. G. Scott, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"By order of the Public Accounts Committee you are hereby peremptorily summoned to appear before them forthwith.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

"OTTAWA, 28th March, 1878.

"*To P. Sutherland, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"By Order of the Public Accounts Committee, you are hereby peremptorily summoned to appear before them forthwith.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

"March 29th, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Toronto* 29, *to Jas. Young, M.P., Chairman Public Accounts Committee, House of Commons.*

"Just arrived here from Winnipeg. Do you want me at once? Answer immediately, care *W. McNaught.*

"W. G. SCOTT."

"OTTAWA, 12th April, 1878.

"*To P. Sutherland, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"By Order of the Public Accounts Committee, you are hereby summoned to appear before them forthwith, and to bring your letter-book and account-books with you.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*

"OTTAWA, 13th April, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba,* 12, *to Manager, Ottawa.*

"Yours to-day to *Sutherland,* signed *Hartney,* delivered 4:30, P.M., to himself.

"WINNIPEG.

"Collect."

"OTTAWA, 15th April, 1878.

"*To P. Sutherland, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"Committee insist on your immediate attendance.—Answer yea or nay.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

"OTTAWA, 16th April, 1878.

"*By Telegraph from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk, Public Accounts Committee.*

"Have no wish to avoid examination; if compelled to go down, have to close my store. Will go if indemnified for loss.—Answer.

"P. SUTHERLAND."

"OTTAWA, 17th April, 1878.

"*To P. Sutherland, Winnipeg, Manitoba.*

"Committee insist that you obey summons—Usual expenses will be allowed.

"E. P. HARTNEY,
"*Clerk of Committee.*"

"19th April, 1878.

"*By Telegram from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to E. P. Hartney, Clerk of Committee Public Accounts.*

"Order examination here. Will shield no one. Absence disastrous to my affairs. Cannot leave.

"P. SUTHERLAND."

(*For the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings of the Committee, see Appendix No.* 1.)

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Select Committee to supervise the official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session, with power to report from time to time, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee finding that at this late period of the Session, difficulties have presented themselves in maturing any plan for official reporting of the Debates for the next Session of Parliament, respectfully recommend that His Honor the Speaker be empowered to make such arrangements during the recess, as will ensure the official taking of notes of the Debates of next Session, till such time as The House may take action in the matter.

Mr. *Langevin* moved, that The House do now adjourn.

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

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, OTTAWA.

94	Grounds		$ 28,100 00
	Extension of Western Block		25,000 00

XII.—PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

IMPROVEMENT OF NAVIGABLE RIVERS.

95	Improvement of Navigable Rivers	10,000 00	
	St. Lawrence, removal of Chains and Anchors	15,000 00	
	Neebish Rapids, River St. Mary, Lake Huron	9,000 00	
			34,000 00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Ontario.

96	Guelph Custom House, Excise and Post Office	$ 4,000 00	
	Kingston Military College	30,000 00	
	do Repairing Fortifications		
			34,000 00

Quebec.

97	Repairing Fortifications, Quebec	60,000 00	
	Post Office and Custom House, St. John, P.Q.	4,000 00	
			64,000 00

New Brunswick.

98	Custom House, St. John, N.B.	85,000 00	
	Saving Bank do	30,000 00	
	Post Office do	70,000 00	
			185,000 00

Nova Scotia.

99	Marine Hospital, Lunenburgh	3,000 00

British Columbia.

100	Public Buildings, repairs	1,000 00	
	Custom House, Store House, Wharf, Victoria	5,000 00	
			6,000 00
101	Public Buildings Generally		10,000 00

PENITENTIARIES.

102	General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces	17,000 00	
	St. Vincent de Paul	9,000 00	
	Manitoba (out building)	3,000 00	
	British Columbia Penitentiary	10,000 00	
	Kingston Penitentiary	12,500 00	
			51,500 00

RENTS, REPAIRS, &c.

103	Rents, Repairs, Furniture, Heating, &c.	170,000 00	
	Heating Public Buildings	40,000 00	
	Removal of Snow, Public Buildings, Ottawa	1,800 00	
	Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa	18,000 00	
	Allowance for Fuel and Light, Rideau Hall	5,000 00	
			234,800 00

HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

Ontario.

104	Kincardine	5,000 00	
	Morpeth, Lake Erie	7,500 00	
	Toronto	12,000 00	
	Collingwood Harbour	10,000 00	
			34,500 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The House then adjourned until 2 o'clock P.M., on Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

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

1. That by Section twenty-two of the Dominion Lands Act, Sections 11 and 29 of the Public Lands in each Township of the Province of Manitoba are set apart, to be sold at some future time in order that a fund may be realized for the maintenance of public schools within the Province.

2. That the Government of Manitoba have applied to the Government of Canada to have the School lands within the limits of that Province transferred to them, to be sold for the purpose of creating an Educational endowment, or that a sum of money for which these lands may be pledged, shall be annually granted by the Dominion for school purposes.

3. That it is not in the public interest in consequence of the sparseness of the population and its probable rapid increase within a few years, and in consequence of the additional value which these lands are likely to acquire because of that increase in the population, that they should be disposed of at the present time.

4. That it is expedient however to assist in the meantime the cause of education in the Province, and that with this view a sum of ten thousand dollars be placed at the disposal of the Government of Manitoba in aid of the public schools therein, annually for a period not exceeding three years, and that the several sums so advanced with the interest thereon, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, be recouped to the Dominion Government from the first sales of the lands so set apart as aforesaid for educational purposes.

No. 56.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1878.

2 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

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

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the Fourth and Fifth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

Quebec.

105	Lower St. Lawrence, repairing various Breakwaters.....		$20,000 00

New Brunswick.

106	St. John Harbour.....	$16,000 00	
	Black River, St. John Co.....	4,500 00	
	Grand Anse, Gloucester Co.....	2,000 00	
	Shippegan Breakwater, Gloucester Co.....	6,000 00	
			28,500 00

Nova Scotia.

107	Annapolis River, Annapolis Co.....	1,500 00	
	Mordon, Kings Co.....	1,000 00	
	Ragged Pond.....	2,000 00	
	Cow Bay, Cape Breton.....	1,000 00	
	Bayfield.....	5,000 00	
	Scott's Bay.....	3,000 00	
	Canada Creek.....	3,000 00	
	Pudding Pan.....	6,000 00	
	West Arichat.....	6,000 00	
	Somerville.....	5,000 00	
	Hampton.....	3,000 00	
	Dulap's Cove.....	2,000 00	
	General Repairs, Maritime Provinces.....	15,000 00	
			53,500 00

Prince Edward Island.

108	Colville Bay, Souris	$20,000 00	
	Malpeque Breakwater	3,500 00	
	New London	1,500 00	
			$25,000 00

DREDGING.

109	Dredge Vessels	10,000 00	
	Dredging	100,000 00	
			110,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

110	Miscellaneous Works not otherwise provided for ...	10,000 00
111	Surveys and Inspection	45,000 00
112	Arbitration and Awards	15,000 00
129	For Completion and Construction of Lighthouses and Fog Alarms...	60,000 00

MAIL SUBSIDIES.

114	Steam Communication between Halifax and St. John, *viâ* Yarmouth	10,000 00
115	do on Lakes Huron and Superior	12,500 00

The following Resolution being proposed :—

116	Steam Service between San Francisco and Victoria, British Columbia	54,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1878.

The said Resolution was adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

117	Steam Communication with the Magdalen Islands ..	4,200 00
118	do between Nova Scotia and St. Pierre	5,000 00
119	do between Grand Manan Island, N.B., and Mainland	1,500 00
76	Military Schools in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	10,000 00
92	St. Peters Canal	144,100 00
6	The Department of Militia and Defence	36,450 00

COLLECTION OF REVENUE.

XXIV.—CUSTOMS.

SALARIES AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SEVERAL PORTS.

187	In Province of Ontario	216,383 00	
	do Quebec	200,445 00	
	do New Brunswick	93,195 00	
	do Nova Scotia	105,635 00	
	do Manitoba and North-West Territories	12,450 00	
	do British Columbia	22,308 00	
	do Prince Edward Island	24,420 00	
	Salaries and travelling expenses of Inspectors of Ports and travelling expenses of other Officers on Inspection	16,000 00	
	Contingencies of Head Office, covering blank books, printing, stationery, &c., for the several Ports of Entry	15,000 00	

XXV.—EXCISE.

188	Salaries of Officers and Inspectors of Excise.....	$174,040 00	
	Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, &c.....	40,000 00	
	Preventive Service.....	5,500 00	
	To pay Collectors of Customs allowance on Duties collected by them.....	2,000 00	
			$221,540 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

Mr. *Burpee* presented the following Returns, *viz.* :—

Return to the Order of The House of the 27th March, last; for a Statement of the names of Railway Companies who entered in bond, since the 1st July, 1867, railway locomotives, engines, cars, and other railway rolling stock, the date of such entry, a Statement of the articles so entered, and the date of payment of custom duties;—Also the names of such companies, whose said locomotives, engines, cars and other rolling stock were ordered to be sold by the Minister of Customs.

And,—Return to the Order of The House of the 18th February, last; for copy of a Return shewing the receipts for Customs and Excise in British Columbia for the six months ending on December 31st last; also, a Return of the Customs and Excise collected on Stickine River for the same period; also, a Return of the imports and exports of the said Province for the same period; also, a Return shewing the imports into the said Province of all merchandize, duty free or subject to Customs or Excise, from the other Provinces of the Dominion, from and including 1871 to 31st December, 1877, setting forth the respective quantities and values the production and growth of Canada.

The House then adjourned at 1.30 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *MacDonnell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intends to resume dredging the Harbor of Cheticamp, in the County of Inverness, during the coming summer or fall?

Mr. *MacDonnell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intends taking any steps to close the northern entrance of the Harbor of Port Hood, in the County of Inverness, for the purpose of preserving and improving said harbor, and when?

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex)—On Wednesday next—The adoption of the Second Report of the Committee on Official Debates.

Mr. *Little*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—When the Petition addressed by the Orange Grand Lodge of Western Ontario to His Excellency the Governor General, and placed in the hands of the Secretary of State by a Deputation from said Grand Lodge on the 14th March last, will be answered?

No. 57.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1878.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1878.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

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

Return to Address (Senate),—Correspondence with the Government, or Superintendent of Railways, relating to shipment of grain, &c., by way of Intercolonial Railway, at Halifax for Europe.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Hudson Bay Company, and the Dominion Government, relative to alleged losses at the Red River Settlements connected with the insurrection of 1869-70.

Return to Order,—Tenders for the supply of Railway spikes for the Canada Pacific Railway, from 1st January, 1876, to 31st December, 1877, and also similar Return for the Intercolonial Railway.

Return to Address,—Report of surveys made of Lakes Manitoba, Winnipegoosis the Waterhen River and Little Saskatchewan River.

Return to Order,—Reports of Engineers relating to the survey and location of the line of the Pacific Railway between Red River and Battleford, &c.

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

Return to Address (Senate),—Correspondence, &c., relative to the fixing of the headquarters of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government and *T. M. Boggs,* relative to the dismissal from Office of Train Despatcher at Truro, on the Intercolonial Railway.

Return to Address,—Correspondence connected with the removal from office of *George Taylor* from the office as Assistant Railway Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway.

Return to Order,—Correspondence between Mrs. *Edward Murphy* and officers of the Intercolonial Railway, in relation to the killing of a cow.

Return to Address (Senate),—Respecting a Railway Bridge across the Falls at St. John, N.B., to connect the Intercolonial Railway with that of Western Extension at said Falls.

Return to Address,—Return of all appeals instituted before the Supreme Court of Canada since its creation, with the names of parties, and the Court from whose judgment such appeal has been brought.

Return to Address,—Return of all Petitions of Right transmitted to the Secretary of State since the passing of the "Petition of Right Act, 1876," with names of Suppliants, &c.

Return to Address,—Return of all cases instituted in the Exchequer Court of Canada since its creation, shewing the names of parties, &c.

Return to Order,—Correspondence respecting the removal of the Post Office at South Gut of Ste. Ann's, County of Victoria, N.S.

Return to Order,—Correspondence regarding the conveyance of the Mails between Port Hastings and Grand Narrows in Nova Scotia.

Return to Order,—Correspondence between the Superintendent of the P.E.I. Railway and Department of Public Works, shewing how many miles of Wire Fence have been taken down and replaced by Post and Batten Fence.

Return to Order,—Papers, &c., relating to the dismissal of *D. McDonald,* Postmaster at Little Glace Bay, C.B.

Return to Address,—Petitions from inhabitants of Parish of Perth, in the County of Victoria, N.B., praying for the establishment of new Way or Post Offices in that Parish.

Return to Order,—Correspondence touching the resignation of *J. Cadigan,* as Postmaster at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

Return to Order,—Correspondence relating to the dismissal of *James Corbett,* Postmaster at Lorway Mines, Cape Breton County.

Return to Order,—Correspondence touching the Postmaster and Post Office affairs at Victoria Mines, Cape Breton County.

Return to Order,—Report for the year 1877, of *J. P. Gauvreau,* Esq., Collector of Customs for the Port of Rimouski.

Return to Order,—Correspondence respecting the establishing of Bonded Warehouses at the Village of Carron Brook and Town of Clinton, County of Huron.

Return to Order,—Amount of Tubing imported into Canada, during the year immediately preceding the imposition of duty on Tubing by the Tariff of last Session.

Return to Order,—Correspondence relating to the removal of the Postmaster at Cow Bay, C.B.

Return to Order,—Correspondence about the carrying of the Mails by water from Quebec to Murray Bay, in the County of Charlevoix, for the year 1877.

Return to Address,—Tenders received in 1877, for the carrying by land of the Mails from Quebec to Murray Bay.

Return to Address (Senate),—Detailed statement of the quantities of Plaster of Paris or Gypsum imported from the United States during the past fiscal year.

Return to Order,—Correspondence respecting the use of Trawls or Bultows by Foreigners off the coasts of Nova Scotia.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

XXVI.—CULLING TIMBER.

Quebec Office.

1 Supervisor	$2,000 00
1 Deputy Supervisor and Book-keeper	1,600 00
1 Cashier	1,200 00
3 Specification Clerks	1,900 00
1 Messenger	400 00

189	9 Specification Clerks, viz.:—1 at $1,000; 2 at $700; 4 at $600; and 2 at $500 (8 months)	$ 5,800 00
	Pay of Cullers	55,000 00
	Contingencies	5,000 00

MONTREAL OFFICE.

	1 Deputy Supervisor	800 00
	Book-keeper, Specification Clerks	1,000 00
	Pay of Cullers	2,755 00
	Contingencies	300 00

XXVII.—WEIGHTS AND MEASURES AND GAS.

190	Salaries of 96 Deputy Inspectors of Weights and Measures	54,300 00
191	do 32 Gas Inspectors	11,000 00
192	Rent, Furniture and means of heating Weights and Measures Offices	15,000 00
193	do do Gas Offices	3,500 00
194	Contingencies: Travelling Expenses, Fuel, &c	25,000 00

XXVIII.—INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

195	For the purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other expenditure under the Act	3,000 00

XXIX.—ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

196	To meet expenses under the Act 36 Vic., chap. 49	10,000 00

XXX.—PUBLIC WORKS.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS.

197	Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers	32,020 00
198	Collection of Slide and Boom Dues	20,245 00
199	Repairs and Working Expenses of above	366,500 00

The following Resolution being proposed, *viz.*:—

200	Intercolonial Railway	1,600,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 1ST MAY, 1878.

The said Resolution was then adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

201	Prince Edward Island Railway	$200,000 00
202	Telegraph Lines, British Columbia (including Subsidy)	41,500 00
203	do between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.	2,000 00
204	Agent and Contingencies, British Columbia	4,000 00

XXXII.—DOMINION LANDS.

206 Surveys of Land, Manitoba and the North-West (including Commission and Staff and Land Agencies)..... $80,000 00

XXXIII.—MINOR REVENUES.

207 Estimate of amount for which a vote is required.... ..... 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.

A Message was received from the Senate, that they do not insist on the amendment made to the Bill No. 46 to amend an Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba, to which this House hath disagreed.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 65 to make provision for the winding up of Insolvent Incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies, without amendment.

The House then adjourned at 25 minutes before 2 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Blake*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled: "An Act to continue 'An Act for the better prevention of crime and outrage in certain parts of Canada' until the end of the next Session of Parliament."

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—The following Resolution:—That this House do ratify the Order in Council dated April 18, 1878, respecting a subsidy to the Canada Central Railway Company, passed under authority of "An Act to provide for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway," 37th *Victoria*, Chapter 14.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—The following Resolution:—That this House do ratify and approve an agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company, providing for a supply of Water and Gas for the Government Workshops and Offices at Moncton, in New Brunswick, as contained in the Votes and Proceedings of this House of the 24th day of April last.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 1st MAY, 1878.

2 o'clock P.M.

PRAYERS.

The Petition of *David Bertans*, and others, Policy holders in the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, was read and received; praying that the Act 40 *Victoria*, Chapter 42 may be so amended, as to exempt them from its operation, and to permit the said Company to carry on its business under the Laws of Canada, as they did prior to the passing of said Act.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill No. 77 for the better prevention of certain crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, to-morrow, and to be placed on the Government Orders.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following Returns, *viz.* :—

Return to Address of the 10th April, last; for copy of a Return shewing: 1st. The amounts of the six lowest tenders received in September or October, 1873, for Sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 of the new Welland Canal, together with the names of tenderers; 2nd. The amounts of the six lowest tenders for the same Sections, received in 1874, together with the names of the tenderers; 3rd. The names of the tenderers to whom these Sections were awarded; 4th. Copies of the Orders in Council awarding such Sections; 5th. Copy of all Correspondence relating to such award.

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st April, last; for copies of all correspondence relating to the dismissal of *R. McNeil*, Esq., as Shipping Officer at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

And,—Return to Address, of the 21st February, last; for a copy of the Report, with accompanying map, of the Engineer who was employed last year in determining the probable boundary line between British Columbia and Alaska; also a copy of his instructions, with a copy of the treaty or convention between Great Britain and Russia respecting the said boundary; and also such other papers, as relate to the defining of the boundary line between Alaska and British territory, and the navigation of the rivers passing from Columbia, through Alaska to the sea.

Mr. *Mills* laid before The House,—Report of Progress of the Geological Survey of Canada, by Alfred R. C. Selwyn, F.R.S., F.G.S., Director, for the year 1876-77.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) moved, that the Sessional Papers, number 67 (two Returns) of last Session, relating to Ingonish Harbor, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

And the said motion was, in conformity with Rule 94, referred to the said Committee.

Mr. *Mackenzie* laid before The House,—Reports and documents in reference to the location of the line and the Western Terminal Harbor, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, by *Sandford Fleming*, C.M.G., Engineer in Chief, 1878.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) moved, that the Second Report of the Select Committee appointed, to supervise the official Report of the Debates of this House during the present Session, be now concurred in; which was negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Béchard,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Bunster,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Charlton,
Colby,
Cook,
Costigan,
DeCosmos,
Dewdney,
Dugas,
Dymond,
Farrow,
Fleming,
Flesher,
Galbraith,
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gillmor,
Haddow,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McInnes,
McQuade,
Mitchell,
Orton,
Paterson,
Perry,
Platt,
Plumb,
Robinson,
Rochester,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ryan,
Sinclair,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Young.—51.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Bain,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Blake,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Brouse,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Church,
Coffin,
Coupal,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Flynn,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Hagar,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Kerr,
Killam,
Langlois,
Laurier,
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Monteith,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Ray,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wood.—69.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all Correspondence, Reports and Memorials in reference to increased Mail accommodation from Brookfield to Upper Stewiacke, in the County of Colchester.

Also,—An Address to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all Correspondence, Reports and Memorials in reference to the change of Mail route between Great Village and Five Islands, *viâ* Portapique Mountain, in the County of Colchester.

On motion of Mr. *White* (Renfrew), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General; for copies of all Orders in Council fixing the rate of Tolls to be collected by the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company, on saw logs and timber passing through their works.

Mr. *Bunster* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General; for a copy of any Petition or Petitions to His Excellency, or any Member of his Government, praying for the removal of Mr. *W. R. Spaulding*, Stipendiary Magistrate at Nanaimo and Comox, and for such correspondence as may have taken place with reference thereto, either between His Excellency's Government, and the Government of British Columbia, or with any other person or authority.

And a Debate arising thereon;

At 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

7.30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The amendments made by the Senate to Bill No. 7 respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company, were taken into consideration, and concurred in.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendment made by this House to the Bill No. 71 of their own, intituled: "An Act to confer certain powers on the Montreal Building Association by the name of 'The Montreal Investment and Building Company,'" without amendment.

Also,—agreeing to the two following Bills, with amendments, *viz.*:—

No. 53. For the better auditing of the Public Accounts.

No. 52. To amend the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874.

(*Public Bills and Orders under Rule* 19.)

The House resumed the further consideration of the proposed motion of Mr. *McCarthy*, that an Order of The House do issue to the proper officer, for the Return of the original papers made and signed by the Deputy Heads of the different Public Departments purporting to be made in obedience to the Order of this House of the fifth day of March, 1877, as follows: "The names of persons appointed to office between the 1st of January and the 7th of November, 1873, the names of the officials whose salaries were increased during the same period; the names of those so appointed whose appointments were cancelled subsequent to the 7th of November. A statement shewing whether the positions which were filled up by those whose appointments were cancelled have remained unfilled or have been since filled up—and if so when and by whom—and whether the salaries of those officials which were increased during the period named have been since reduced or increased, and shewing the reduction or increase in each office respectively."

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved in amendment thereto, "That the said Resolution be amended, by adding to it the following words:—'and that such Return be referred to a Special Committee of seven Members to report on the same, with power to send for persons, papers and records.'"

Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment thereto, that the said proposed amendment be amended, by striking out all the words after "That" and inserting the following instead thereof:—"inasmuch as it is alleged by the Hon. the Member for Cardwell, that the Return submitted to the different Departments to be answered, is different from the Return asked for by this House, and inasmuch as it is further alleged that such Return, as made, omits matters asked for by The House, and adds matters not asked for by The House, and inasmuch as it is further alleged by the Hon. Member for Cardwell that such omissions and additions are calculated to mislead this House, and is therefore a contempt of this House, be it *Resolved*, That the said Return be referred to a Special Committee of seven Members to enquire into said allegations, with power to report, and to send for persons, papers, and records;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bowell,
Brooks,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Caron,
Colby,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,
Daoust,
Dewdney,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Haggart,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Méthot,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Orton,
Platt,
Plumb,
Pope (*Compton*),
Robinson,
Rochester,
Rouleau,
Ryan,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Pontiac*).—47.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Bain,
Béchard,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Borden,
Borron,
Bowman,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Christie,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Haddow,
Hagar,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Langlois,
Laurier,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pickard,
Ray,
Richard,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
St. Jean,

Church,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),	Taschereau,
Coffin,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Cook,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Trow,
Dymond,	MacKay (*Cape Breton*),	Wallace (*Albert*),
Fiset,	Mackenzie,	Wood,
Fleming,	McCraney,	Young.—81.

The question being then put on the proposed amendment; it was negatived on the same division.

The main motion was then agreed to, and an Order of The House issued accordingly.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

No. 59.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 2ND MAY, 1878.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Sir *Albert J. Smith* laid before The House,—Reports of the Chairmen of the Boards of Steamboat Inspection and Examiners of Masters and Mates, the Toronto, Montreal, Quebec and Pictou Harbor Commissioners, the Pilotage authorities, the Harbor and Shipping Masters, the Port Wardens, and on the Harbor Police of Montreal and Quebec; together with statement of wrecks and casualties and list of rewards for saving life, chiefly up to the 31st December, 1877;—being Supplement No. 2 to the Tenth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the fiscal year ended, 30th June, 1877.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 19th February last, was reported, read twice, and agreed to, and is as follows:—

III.—CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

2 To defray the salaries of the Governor General's Secretary Office... $8,100 00

The Resolution adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 12th March, last, was reported, read twice, and agreed to, and is as follows:—

III. CIVIL GOVERNMENT.—(*Continued.*)

3 To defray the salaries of the Department of the Queen's Privy Council of Canada..... $15,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Thursday, the 14th March, last, were reported, read twice, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

III. CIVIL GOVERNMENT.—(*Continued.*)

The Salaries of the Staff of the following Departments and Offices:—

4	The Department of Justice		$11,700 00
5	do	do Penitentiary Branch	3,900 00
7	do	Secretary of State	35,120 00
8	do	Minister of the Interior	45,720 00
9	do	Receiver-General	20,180 00
10	do	Finance	51,100 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Friday, the 15th March, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows:—

III. CIVIL GOVERNMENT.—(*Concluded.*)

The Salaries of the Staff of the following Departments and Offices:—

11	The Department of Customs	$29,200 00
12	do Inland Revenue	26,767 50
13	do Public Works	49,780 00
14	Post Office Department	87,850 00
15	Department of Agriculture	29,340 00
16	do Marine and Fisheries	26,000 00
17	Treasury Board Office	4,100 00
18	Departmental Contingencies	159,000 00
19	Stationery Office for Stationery	13,000 00
20	To meet the possible amount required for new appointments by an extension of the Staff, or any other change	10,000 00

IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

21	Miscellaneous Justice, North-West Territories	20,000 00
22	Travelling Expenses of Stipendiary Magistrates in North-West Territories	4,500 00
23	Circuit Allowances, British Columbia	15,000 00
24	do Manitoba	1,500 00
25	Precis Writer of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	1,900 00
26	Clerk of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	475 00
27	Senior Messenger of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	500 00
28	Second Messenger of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court	360 00
29	Contingencies and Disbursements, including printing, binding and distributing Reports, Judges' travelling expenses; also salaries of Officers (Sheriff, Usher, &c.,) in the Supreme and Exchequer Courts of Canada, and $150 for books for Judges	7,000 00
30	Sundry Disbursements connected with the Maritime Court of Ontario, Seals for Court, Judges' travelling expenses, Law Stamps, Court Books	500 00
31	Salary of Registrar of Vice-Admiralty Court, Quebec	666 66
32	Salary of Marshal of Vice-Admiralty Court, Quebec	333 34
33	For the salary of one County Court Judge, to provide, if necessary, for the vacancy created by the death of the late A. T. Bushby, Esq.	2,425 00

V.—POLICE.

34	Dominion Police	11,000 00

VI.—PENITENTIARIES.

35	Kingston Penitentiary	130,646 52

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Monday, the 8th April, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows:—

VI. PENITENTIARIES.—(*Continued.*)

36	Halifax Penitentiary (balances to be transferred to Dorchester Penitentiary, if required)	$24,966 35

37	St. John Penitentiary, (balances to be transferred to Dorchester Penitentiary, if required)	$41,806 00
38	St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary	84,278 09
39	Manitoba Penitentiary	19,468 00
40	British Columbia Penitentiary	20,950 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 9th April, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows :—

VII.—LEGISLATION.

SENATE.

41	Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate	$51,518 00

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

42	Salaries per Clerks' Estimate	60,100 00
43	Expenses of Committees, Extra Sessional Clerks, &c	12,800 00
44	Contingencies	19,600 00
45	Publishing Debates	15,000 00
46	Salaries and Contingencies, per Sergeant-at-Arms' Estimates	28,050 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

47	Grant to Parliamentary Library, including $3,000 for Law Books	10,000 00
48	Salaries of Officers (additional) and Contingencies of Library	5,000 00
49	Printing, Binding and Distributing the Laws	12,000 00
50	To meet the estimated expenses in connection with Consolidation of the Laws	8,000 00
51	Printing, Printing Paper and Bookbinding	70,000 00
52	Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery	1,200 00
53	Miscellaneous Printing	2,000 00

VIII.—ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

54	To meet expenses in connection with the care of the Archives	3,000 00
55	To meet expenses in connection with the organization of Patent Record	7,200 00
56	To meet expenses in connection with preparation of Criminal Statistics	5,000 00
57	To meet expenses in connection with Paris Exhibition	25,000 00
58	To meet expenses in connection with Entomological Commission	2,000 00
59	To meet expenses in connection with Australian Exhibition	5,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Monday, the 15th April, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows :—

IX.—IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

60	Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés	$26,550 00
	Salaries of Travelling Agents	13,000 00
	Medical Inspection of the Port of Quebec	2,600 00
	Quarantine, Grosse Isle	11,820 00
	do St. John	3,000 00
	do Pictou, N.S	800 00
	do Halifax, N.S	3,600 00
	do Charlottetown, P.E.I	1,000 00
	To meet expenses of further precautionary measures for the Public Health	20,000 00
	Contingencies of Canadian and other regular Agencies	24,000 00
	Travelling expenses of Travelling Agents	14,000 00

61	Towards assisting Immigration and Immigration Expenses, including estimated expenses of transport of Mennonites		$110,000 00

X.—PENSIONS.

62	Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly	$400 00	
	John Bright, Messenger, House of Assembly	80 00	
	Mrs. Antrobus	800 00	
			1,280 00

New Militia Pensions.

	Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children		238 00
	Rhoda Smith		110 00
	Janet Anderson		110 00
	Margaret Mackenzie		80 00
	Mary Ann Richey and one child		288 00
	Mary Morrison		80 00
	Louise Prud'homme and two children		110 00
	Virginie Charron and four children		150 00
	Paul M. Robins		146 00
	Charles T. Bell		73 00
	Alex. Oliphant		109 50
	Charles Lugsden		91 25
	Thomas Charters		91 25
	Charles T. Robertson		110 00
	Percy G. Routh		400 00
	Richard S. King		400 00
63	George A. Mackenzie		73 00
	Edward Hilder		146 00
	Fergus Scholfield		73 00
	John Bradley		109 50
	James Bryan		109 50
	Jacob Stubbs		73 00
	Ensign W. Fahey		200 00
	Mary Connors		110 00
	Mary Hodgins and three children		191 00
	John Martin		110 00
	A. W. Stevenson		110 00
	Mrs. J. Thorburn		150 00
	Mrs. P. T. Worthington and children		378 00
	Mrs. J. H. Elliott and children		130 00
	Ellen Kirkpatrick and three children		266 00
	Mrs. George Prentice and children		400 00
	Mary Hannah Temple and child		298 00
64	To meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812		35,000 00
65	Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land		7,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 16th April, last, were reported, and are as follows:—

XI.—MILITIA.

Ordinary.

66	Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff	$28,600 00
67	Salaries of Brigade Majors	20,000 00
68	Allowance for Drill Instruction	40,000 00

69	Ammunition	$40,000 00	
	Clothing	50,000 00	
	Military Stores	40,000 00	
			$130,000 00
70	Public Armouries and care of arms, including Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen and the rents, fuel and light of Public Armouries		52,000 00
71	Drill pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and training of the Militia		155,000 00
72	Contingencies and general service, not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Artillery and Rifle Associations and Bands of efficient Corps		50,000 00
73	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges		10,000 00

Extraordinary.

74	Care and maintenance of Military Properties transferred from the Ordnance and Imperial Government, including rents	10,000 00

Special.

75	Military College	50,000 00
77	Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and Schools of Gunnery at Kingston and Quebec	115,000 00

Resolution 66, Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff, being read a second time;

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, that the said Resolution be not now agreed to, but that it be *Resolved*, That in view of the present financial condition of the Country, it is desirable to reduce the expenses of the Militia Staff, by striking out the amounts of $14,400 and $6,000 provided in the said Resolution for 12 District Adjutants General, with their allowances, as well as the sum of $6,600 provided for 12 District Paymasters; which was negatived on a division.

Resolution 66 was then agreed to.

Resolution 67, Salaries of Brigade Majors, being read a second time;

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, that the said Resolution be not now agreed to, but that it be *Resolved*, That in the present depressed condition of the Country, it is inadvisable to vote the entire sum of $20,000, provided for Brigade Majors in the said Resolution; which was negatived on a division.

Resolution 67 was then agreed to.

Resolutions 68 to 74, inclusive, being severally read twice, were agreed to.

Resolution 75, Military College, being read a second time;

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, that the said Resolution be not now agreed to, but that it be *Resolved*, That in the present depressed condition of the Country, it is inadvisable to vote so large a sum as $50,000 for the support and maintenance of a Military College; which was negatived on a division.

Resolution 75 was then agreed to.

Resolution 77 being read twice, was agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Saturday, the 20th April last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows:—

XIII.—OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

Dominion Steamers.

113	Maintenance and Repairs of Steamers *Napoleon III.*, *Newfield*, *Druid*, *Glendon*, *Sir James Douglas* and *Northern Light*	$130,000 00

120	To provide for the examination of Masters and Mates	$4,250 00
121	For purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers, and Rewards for Saving Life	3,000 00
122	To provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and collection of information relating to disasters to Shipping	500 00
123	Expenses in connection with Canadian Registration of Shipping	500 00
124	Montreal Water Police	14,090 00
125	River Police, Quebec	23,500 00
126	Removal of Obstructions in Navigable Rivers	500 00

XIV.—LIGHTHOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

127	Salaries and Allowance of Lighthouse Keepers	151,558 00
128	Maintenance and Repairs	260,675 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Monday, the 22nd April, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows:—

XV.—FISHERIES.

SALARIES AND DISBURSEMENTS OF FISHERY OVERSEERS AND WARDENS.

130	Ontario	$12,000 00
	Quebec	12,000 00
	Nova Scotia, including Inspector and Assistant	15,000 00
	New Brunswick, including Inspector	10,500 00
	Prince Edward Island	1,800 00
	Manitoba	200 00
	British Columbia	1,000 00
131	Maintenance and repairs of Steamer for protection of Fisheries	18,000 00
132	Fish-breeding, Fishways and Oyster beds	16,000 00

XVI.—SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

Observatories.

133	Observatory, Quebec	2,400 00
134	do Toronto	4,800 00
135	do Kingston	500 00
136	do Montreal	500 00
137	do New Brunswick	850 00
138	Grant for Meteorological Observatories, including instruments and cost of telegraphing Weather-Warnings	37,000 00

XVII.—MARINE HOSPITALS FOR SICK AND DISTRESSED SEAMEN.

MARINE HOSPITALS.

139	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec		20,000 00
140	Montreal General Hospital	3,000 00	
	Other Ports in Quebec	2,000 00	
			5,000 00
141	St. Catharines Hospital, Ontario	500 00	
	Kingston do	500 00	
			1,000 00
142	Halifax General Hospital	3,500 00	
	Other Ports in Nova Scotia	11,250 00	
			14,750 00
143	Hospital of St. John	4,000 00	
	Other Ports in New Brunswick	7,750 00	
			11,750 00
144	Ports in British Columbia		4,000 00
145	do Prince Edward Island		3,000 00

EXPENSES OF SHIPWRECKED AND DISABLED SEAMEN.

146	Province of Quebec		$2,000 00
	do	Nova Scotia	4,000 00
	do	New Brunswick	1,000 00
	do	British Columbia	1,000 00
	do	Prince Edward Island	500 00
147	To reimburse Board of Trade, London, for expenses incurred in connection with shipwrecked and distressed seamen of the Dominion		3,000 00

XVIII.—STEAMBOAT INSPECTION.

SALARIES, &c.

	Chairman		1,800 00
	Deputy Chairman		1,400 00
	Inspector,	Toronto District	1,200 00
	do	Montreal District	1,200 00
	do	Three Rivers District	1,000 00
	do	Quebec District	1,000 00
	do	East Ontario District	1,000 00
	do	British Columbia District	750 00
	do	Manitoba District	100 00
	Travelling expenses of Chairman and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection		900 00
	Clerk to Inspector		300 00
148	Travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia		825 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector of Toronto District, and contingencies of office		430 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector,	Three Rivers	125 00
	do	Quebec	150 00
	do	East Ontario	260 00
	do	Montreal	200 00
	do	Manitoba	100 00
	For purchase of Instruments and Steam Gauges		200 00
	To provide travelling expenses, office rent, &c., of Inspector, British Columbia		750 00
	Engraving and printing Engineers' certificates, and printing Steamboat Inspection Act in French		300 00

XIX.—INSPECTION OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

149	To meet expenses in connection with the inspection of Insurance Companies	6,000 00

XXI.—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

150	Geological Survey	50,000 00

XXII.—INDIANS.

151	For Indians of Quebec	2,200 00
152	Purchase of Blankets for aged and infirm Indians of Ontario and Quebec	1,600 00
153	Indians of Nova Scotia, relief, &c	4,500 00
154	do New Brunswick, relief, &c	4,500 00
155	do Prince Edward Island, relief, &c	2,000 00

Indians of British Columbia.

156	Victoria Superintendency	$18,240 00	
	Fraser do	18,321 00	
			$36,561 00

Indians of Manitoba.

157	For Annuities under Treaties Nos. 1 and 2	27,000 00
158	do do 3	15,640 00
159	do do 5	15,860 00
160	Agricultural implements, cattle, seed-grain, tools, waggons, ammunition, freighting, &c., furnished under the above-mentioned Treaties Nos. 1 and 2	12,950 00
161	do do 3	6,410 00
162	do do 5	4,890 00
163	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under the above-mentioned Treaties	16,500 00
164	Triennial supply of clothing under above Treaties	2,200 00

Sioux on Little Saskatchewan.

165	Purchase of agricultural implements, seed-grain, tools, &c., and salary of an Agent residing on their Reserve	2,600 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 23rd April, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows:—

XXII.—Indians.—(*Continued.*)

Manitoba Superintendency.

166	For General expenses of the Manitoba Superintendency	$18,300 00
167	Salaries of School Teachers and cost of School Buildings	5,000 00

Indians of the North-West.

168	Annuities under Treaty No. 4	32,300 00
169	do do 6	40,050 00
170	Annuities under Treaty No. 7	33,050 00
171	Agricultural implements, cattle, &c., under Treaties Nos. 4, 6 and 7 (in last year, Nos. 4 and 6 only)	38,000 00
172	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under Treaties Nos. 4, 6 and 7 (in last year, Nos. 4 and 6 only)	37,000 00
173	Ammunition, twine and rifles (Treaties Nos. 4, 6 and 7)	7,000 00
174	Sioux at Qu'Appelle	1,000 00
175	Surveys for Indian Reserves in the North-West	35,000 00
176	General expenses of the North-West Superintendency	18,500 00
177	Salaries of School Teachers, &c	7,000 00

Miscellaneous Expenditure.

178	To aid Indians' schools in Ontario and Quebec, where most required.	5,000 00
179	Bring up the annuities payable under the Robinson Treaty to the Chippewas of Lakes Huron and Superior, from 96 cents to $4 per head	14,000 00

XXIII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

180	*Canada Gazette*	4,000 00
181	Miscellaneous Printing	10,000 00

182 Unforseen Expenses; Expenditure thereof, to be under Order in Council, and a detailed statement to be laid before Parliament during the first 15 days of the next Session..... $50,000 00
183 Commutation in lieu of remission of Duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy..... 12,000 00
185 For the expenses of Government in the District of Keewatin..... 5,000 00
186 For construction of Barracks in the North-West Territories..... 15,000 00

The Resolution adopted in Committee of Supply, on Thursday, the 25th April, last, was reported, and is as follows :—

78 Mounted Police, N.W.T..... $306,000 00

And the said Resolution being read a second time;

Mr. *Mitchell* moved, that the said Resolution be not now agreed to, but that it be *Resolved*, That inasmuch as the expenditure for the maintenance of the Mounted Police N.W.T., seems to be out of proportion to the requirements of the service, it is desirable to reduce the said sum of $306,000 for that service, to the sum of $256,000; which was negatived on a division.

Resolution 78 was then agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Friday, the 26th April, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows :—

XXXI.—POST OFFICE.

205	For Ontario	$777,000 00	
	Quebec	474,000 00	
	New Brunswick	167,000 00	
	Nova Scotia	196,000 00	
	Prince Edward Island	46,000 00	
	Manitoba	24,000 00	
	British Columbia	69,000 00	
	North-West Territory	14,000 00	
			$1,767,000 00

Canals.

84 Lachine..... 2,000,000 00
85 Cornwall..... 250,000 00
86 St. Lawrence..... 46,000 00
87 Welland..... 2,500,000 00
88 St. Anne's Lock and Canal..... 50,000 00
89 Carillon Lock and Canal..... 240,000 00
90 Grenville..... 250,000 00
91 Culbute (improving approach to Canal)..... 24,000 00
93 Miscellaneous..... 10,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Saturday, the 27th April, last, were reported, and are as follows:—

Public Buildings, Ottawa.

94	Grounds.....	$ 28,100 00
	Extension of Western Block.....	25,000 00

XII.—PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

Improvement of Navigable Rivers.

95	Improvement of Navigable Rivers	$10,000 00	
	St. Lawrence, removal of Chains and Anchors	15,000 00	
	Neebish Rapids, River St. Mary, Lake Huron	9,000 00	
			$34,000 00

Public Buildings.

Ontario.

96	Guelph Custom House, Excise and Post Office	4,000 00	
	Kingston Military College	30,000 00	
	do Repairing Fortifications		
			34,000 00

Quebec.

97	Repairing Fortifications, Quebec	60,000 00	
	Post Office and Custom House, St. John, P.Q.	4,000 00	
			64,000 00

New Brunswick.

98	Custom House, St. John, N.B.	85,000 00	
	Saving Bank do	30,000 00	
	Post Office do	70,000 00	
			185,000 00

Nova Scotia.

99	Marine Hospital, Lunenburgh		3,000 00

British Columbia.

100	Public Buildings, repairs	1,000 00	
	Custom House, Store House, Wharf, Victoria	5,000 00	
			6,000 00
101	Public Buildings Generally		10,000 00

Penitentiaries.

102	General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces	17,000 00	
	St. Vincent de Paul	9,000 00	
	Manitoba (out building)	3,000 00	
	British Columbia Penitentiary	10,000 00	
	Kingston Penitentiary	12,500 00	
			51,500 00

Rents, Repairs, &c.

103	Rents, Repairs, Furniture, Heating, &c.	170,000 00	
	Heating Public Buildings	40,000 00	
	Removal of Snow, Public Buildings, Ottawa	1,800 00	
	Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa	18,000 00	
	Allowance for Fuel and Light, Rideau Hall	5,000 00	
			234,800 00

HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

Ontario.

104	Kincardine	$5,000 00	
	Morpeth, Lake Erie	7,500 00	
	Toronto	12,000 00	
	Collingwood Harbour	10,000 00	
			$34,500 00

Resolutions 94 to 103, inclusive, being severally read twice, were agreed to.

Resolution 104, Harbors and Breakwaters, Ontario, being read a second time;

Mr. *McCallum* moved, that the said Resolution be not now agreed to, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions that they have power to amend the same by striking out the sum of $7,500, provided for Morpeth, Lake Erie,—the said expenditure not being in the interest of the Public; which was negatived on a division.

Resolution 104 was then agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Monday, the 29th April, last, were reported, and are as follows:—

Quebec.

105	Lower St. Lawrence, repairing various Breakwaters	$20,000 00

New Brunswick.

106	St. John Harbour	$16,000 00	
	Black River, St. John Co	4,500 00	
	Grand Anse, Gloucester Co	2,000 00	
	Shippegan Breakwater, Gloucester Co	6,000 00	
			28,500 00

Nova Scotia.

107	Annapolis River, Annapolis Co	1,500 00	
	Mordon, Kings Co	1,000 00	
	Ragged Pond	2,000 00	
	Cow Bay, Cape Breton	1,000 00	
	Bayfield	5,000 00	
	Scott's Bay	3,000 00	
	Canada Creek	3,000 00	
	Pudding Pan	6,000 00	
	West Arichat	6,000 00	
	Somerville	5,000 00	
	Hampton	3,000 00	
	Dulap's Cove	2,000 00	
	General Repairs, Maritime Provinces	15,000 00	
			53,500 00

Prince Edward Island.

108	Colville Bay, Souris	20,000 00	
	Malpeque Breakwater	3,500 00	
	New London	1,500 00	
			25,000 00

DREDGING.

109	Dredge Vessels	$10,000 00	
	Dredging	100,000 00	
			$110,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

110	Miscellaneous Works not otherwise provided for	10,000 00
111	Surveys and Inspection	45,000 00
112	Arbitration and Awards	15,000 00
129	For Completion and Construction of Lighthouses and Fog Alarms	60,000 00

MAIL SUBSIDIES.

114	Steam Communication between Halifax and St. John, *viâ* Yarmouth	10,000 00
115	do on Lakes Huron and Superior	12,500 00
116	Steam Service between San Francisco and Victoria, British Columbia	54,000 00
117	Steam Communication with the Magdalen Islands	4,200 00
118	do between Nova Scotia and St. Pierre	5,000 00
119	do between Grand Manan Island, N.B., and Mainland	1,500 00
76	Military Schools in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	10,000 00
92	St. Peters Canal	144,100 00
6	The Department of Militia and Defence	36,450 00

COLLECTION OF REVENUE.

XXIV.—CUSTOMS.

SALARIES AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SEVERAL PORTS.

187	In Province of Ontario	216,383 00	
	do Quebec	200,445 00	
	do New Brunswick	93,195 00	
	do Nova Scotia	105,635 00	
	do Manitoba and North-West Territories	12,450 00	
	do British Columbia	22,308 00	
	do Prince Edward Island	24,420 00	
	Salaries and travelling expenses of Inspectors of Ports and travelling expenses of other Officers on Inspection	16,000 00	
	Contingencies of Head Office, covering blank books, printing, stationery, &c., for the several Ports of Entry	15,000 00	

XXV.—EXCISE.

188	Salaries of Officers and Inspectors of Excise	174,040 00	
	Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, &c	40,000 00	
	Preventive Service	5,500 00	
	To pay Collectors of Customs allowance on Duties collected by them	2,000 00	
			221,540 00

Resolutions 105 to 108, inclusive, being severally read twice, were agreed to.

Resolution 109, Dredge Vessels and Dredging, being read a second time;

Mr. *Stephenson* moved, that the said Resolution be not now agreed to, but that it be re-committed for the purpose of specifying the certain localities and improvements on which the sum, or part of the sum of $110,000 mentioned therein, shall be applied, so as not to leave so large a sum of money to be expended, at the mere will or whim of the Executive, without appropriating the sum as far as possible to the works approved of by this House; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Benoit,
Bolduc,
Bowell,
Cameron,
Caron,
Costigan,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Harwood,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Méthot,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,
Orton,
Ouimet,
Plumb,
Rochester,
Roy,
Ryan,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wright (*Pontiac*).—49.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Bain,
Béchard,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blake,
Borden,
Borron,
Bowman,
Brouse,
Brown,
Buell,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Coffin,
Cook,
Delorme,
Devlin,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Guthrie,
Hagar,
Higinbotham,
Horton,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McNab,
Malouin,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Ray,
Richard,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wood,
Young.—86.

Resolution 109 was then agreed to.

The remaining Resolutions being severally read twice, were agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 30th April, last, were reported, read twice, agreed to, and are as follows:—

XXVI.—CULLING TIMBER.

Quebec Office.

189	1 Supervisor	$2,000 00
	1 Deputy Supervisor and Book-keeper	1,600 00
	1 Cashier	1,200 00
	3 Specification Clerks	1,900 00
	1 Messenger	400 00
	9 Specification Clerks, viz.:—1 at $1,000; 2 at $700; 4 at $600; and 2 at $500 (8 months)	5,800 00
	Pay of Cullers	55,000 00
	Contingencies	5,000 00

Montreal Office.

	1 Deputy Supervisor	800 00
	Book-keeper Specification Clerks	1,000 00
	Pay of Cullers	2,755 00
	Contingencies	300 00

XXVII.—WEIGHTS AND MEASURES AND GAS.

190	Salaries of 96 Deputy Inspectors of Weights and Measures	54,300 00
191	do 32 Gas Inspectors	11,000 00
192	Rent, Furniture and means of heating Weights and Measures Offices	15,000 00
193	do do Gas Offices	3,500 00
194	Contingencies: Travelling Expenses, Fuel, &c	25,000 00

XXVIII.—INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

195	For the purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other expenditure under the Act	3,000 00

XXIX.—ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

196	To meet expenses under the Act 36 Vic., chap. 49	10,000 00

XXX.—PUBLIC WORKS.

Maintenance and Repairs.

197	Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers	32,020 00
198	Collection of Slide and Boom Dues	20,245 00
199	Repairs and Working Expenses of above	366,500 00
200	Intercolonial Railway	1,600,000 00
201	Prince Edward Island Railway	200,000 00
202	Telegraph Lines, British Columbia (including Subsidy)	41,500 00
203	do between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland	2,000 00
204	Agent and Contingencies, British Columbia	4,000 00

XXXII.—DOMINION LANDS.

206 Surveys of Land, Manitoba and the North-West (including Commission and Staff and Land Agencies)..... $80,000 00

XXXIII.—MINOR REVENUES.

207 Estimate of amount for which a vote is required.... ..... 10,000 00

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 3RD MAY, 1878.

The Bill No. 77 for the better prevention of crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament, was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Blake*, *McCarthy*, *Laflamme*, *Jetté*, *Devlin*, *Langevin*, and *Kirkpatrick*.

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

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, copies of a correspondence which has passed with Her Majesty's Government respecting the inclusion within the Boundaries of the Dominion of Territories on the North American Continent.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA, 2nd May, 1878.

The two following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, at the next sitting of This House, this day, *viz*:—

No. 75. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the traffic in Intoxicating Liquors."

No. 68. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 11, intituled: "An Act to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada."

The House then adjourned at 25 minutes to 1 o'clock, A.M

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between Mr. *James Goodwin*, who held a contract or contracts on the Grenville Canal, and the Government or the Department of Public Works or the officers thereof, since the said contract or contracts were let; also, copies of the original contract or contracts held by Mr. *James Goodwin* on the said canal, with any alterations or changes that may have been made therein to the present time; also, all Reports to Council on the said subject, with Reports of Engineers in relation to the said works; also, all claims made for extra work or extra remuneration or increased prices over original contract price, with Reports of the officers of the Government thereon; also, copies of all Orders in Council made in relation to the said work; also, a Statement of the amount (if any) which has been paid to Mr. *James Goodwin* over and above the original contract price, stating the price per yard of increase on each of the several classes of work, with the date when these increases (if any) were made, and a Statement of the items and dates of payments thereof; the several dates at which such increases were made, with the several Orders in Council and Departmental correspondence authorizing the same; also, a Statement of the rates at which he is now, and also for the past year has been paid for said work; also, the total amount paid Mr. *Goodwin* on said work; also, a Statement of the original estimate of the total cost of his contract; also, a Statement of the terms and prices under which Mr. *Goodwin* is now carrying on such work.

No. 60.

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2 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the two following Returns, *viz.* :—

Return to the Order of The House of the 27th March, last; for a Return shewing: 1st. The several sums of money paid out of the $39,256.01, deposited in the Bank of Montreal, to pay certain parties for land taken for Canal purposes, and payable on certificates of the Department of Justice; 2nd. The names of the parties to whom such several sums of money have been paid, and the dates of such several payments.

Return to Address of the 18th March, last; for a copy of all correspondence not now in the possession of Parliament respecting the pensions for Public Officers, who were in the service of British Columbia at the date of Union, 1871.

Mr. *Blake*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill No. 77 for the better prevention of crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament, reported the same with amendments.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) moved, that the Sixth and Seventh Report of Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, be now concurred in.

Mr. *Young* moved in amendment thereto, that the Seventh Report be concurred in, except in regard to the number of copies of the Votes and Proceedings, Bills and Blue Books to be received by each Member for distribution, the number of which shall remain as heretofore;—which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Fleming,	McCallum,
Benoit,	Flynn,	McInnes,
Blain,	Forbes,	Malouin,
Bolduc,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Metcalfe,
Bourbeau,	Gillies,	Méthot,
Burpee (*Sunbury*),	Goudge,	Mitchell,
Cameron,	Greenway,	Norris,
Campbell,	Guthrie,	Paterson,
Caron,	Hagar,	Platt,
Cook,	Haggart,	Pope (*Compton*),
Costigan,	Harwood,	Ryan,

Currier,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Scatcherd,
Cuthbert,	Langevin,	Skinner,
Daoust,	Lanthier,	Smith (*Selkirk*),
Dewdney,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Dugas,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	White (*Renfrew*),
Farrow,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),	Young.—53.
Ferris,	Macmillan,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Coupal,	Mackenzie,
Bain,	Delorme,	McGregor,
Béchard,	Dymond,	McNab,
Bernier,	Flesher,	Mills,
Bertram,	Galbraith,	Oliver,
Biggar,	Geoffrion,	Perry,
Blackburn,	Gibson,	Pettes,
Blake,	Gillmor,	Pickard,
Borron,	Hall,	Power,
Bowman,	Higinbotham,	Ray,
Brooks,	Holton,	Robillard,
Brouse,	Horton,	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Brown,	Huntington,	Scriver,
Buell,	Irving,	Sinclair,
Burk,	Jetté,	Smith (*Peel*),
Burpee (*St. John*),	Kerr,	Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Carmichael,	Kirk,	Snider,
Cartwright,	Kirkpatrick,	St. Jean,
Cheval,	Laflamme,	Taschereau,
Christie,	Lajoie,	Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Church,	Macdonald (*Cornwall*),	Trow,
Coffin,	Macdougall (*Elgin*),	Wallace (*Norfolk*),
Colby,	McDougall (*Renfrew*),	Wood.—69.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain proposed Resolutions to be embodied in an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the North-Easterly, Northerly and North-Westerly Boundaries of Canada, and declaring it desirable that An Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland should be passed defining the same.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*,—That doubts exist regarding the Northerly and North-Easterly boundaries of the North-West Territories and Rupert's Land, transferred to Canada by Order of Her Majesty in Council, of the 23rd June, 1870, incorporating the Territories of the Hudson's Bay Company and the North-West Territories with Canada.

2. *Resolved*,—That the discovery and working of minerals, in the vicinity of Cumberland Sound, have recently been reported, and other matters have transpired which make it important that all doubt respecting the jurisdiction of Canada over those parts of British North America should be removed with as little delay as possible.

3. *Resolved*,—That correspondence has take place on the subject, between the Government of Canada and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, which, through the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the

Colonies, has intimated its willingness to transfer, to the Dominion of Canada, all the Territories in question, and has invited an expression of the views of the Government of Canada respecting the propriety of Legislation for that purpose.

4. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that the right of Canada to all of British North America, and the Islands adjacent thereto (not including the Province of Newfoundland) should be placed beyond question, and that the offer of Her Majesty's Government to transfer the said Territories to Canada be accepted.

5. *Resolved*,—That to avoid all doubt in the matter, it is desirable that an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland should be passed defining the North-Easterly, Northerly and North-Westerly Boundaries of Canada, as follows, that is to say: On the East by the Atlantic Ocean, which boundary shall extend towards the North by Davis Straits, Baffin's Bay, Smith's Straits and Kennedy Channel, including all the Islands in and adjacent thereto, which belong to Great Britain by right of discovery or otherwise; on the North the Boundary shall be so extended as to include the entire continent to the Arctic Ocean, and all the Islands in the same Westward to the one hundred and forty-first meridian West of Greenwich; and on the North-West by the United States Territory of Alaska.

6. *Resolved*,—That it is desirable that the Parliament of Canada, on the transfer of the before mentioned Territories being completed, should have authority to legislate for their future welfare and good government, and the power to make all needful rules and regulations respecting them, the same as in the case of the other Territories; and the Parliament of Canada expresses its willingness to assume the duties and obligations consequent thereon.

7. *Resolved*,—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty embodying these Resolutions.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Mills*, *Mackenzie*, *Laflamme*, Sir *Albert J. Smith*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, and *Langevin*, to draft an Address embodying the same.

Mr. *Mills*, from the said Committee, reported the draft of an Address to Her Majesty, which was read a second time, and agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed, and is as follows:—

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing:

That doubts exist regarding the Northerly and North-Easterly Boundaries of the North-West Territories and Rupert's Land, transferred to Canada by Order of Your Majesty in Council, of the 23rd June, 1870, incorporating the Territories of the Hudson's Bay Company and the North-West Territories with Canada.

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On motion of Mr. *Mills*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting their Honors will unite with this House in the said Address.

A motion being made by Mr. *Mills*, That this House will on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions to provide that a sum of Ten Thousand Dollars shall be placed at the disposal of the Government of Manitoba annually, for a period not exceeding three years, in aid of the Public Schools in the said Province, to be recouped to the Dominion Government from the first sales of lands set apart for educational purposes;

Mr. *Mackenzie*, by command of His Excellency, acquainted The House that His Excellency the Governor General having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of The House.

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

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, it was *Resolved*, That this House do ratify and approve an agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company, providing for a supply of Water and Gas for the Government Workshops and Offices at Moncton, in New Brunswick, which Agreement is to the following effect:—

Copy of Agreement made between the Hon. *Alexander Mackenzie*, and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company:

This agreement made this twenty-third day of April, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, between the Honorable *Alexander Mackenzie*, as Minister of Public Works of Canada, and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company;

Whereas it is advisable for the better working of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton, to organize a system of Gas and Water Works to supply the Workshops at Moncton with these articles;

And whereas the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company, who are about to establish Gas Works and Water Works at the Town of Moncton, in the Province of New Brunswick, for the use of that Town, have signified their willingness to supply the Intercolonial Railway at that place with such quantity of gas and water as may be required from their proposed Works;

And whereas, by Order in Council of the 26th March, 1878, the Minister of Public Works of Canada was authorized to enter into an agreement with the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company for the supply of water and gas for the Intercolonial Workshops at Moncton, N.B., in accordance with the conditions hereinafter specified for such a number of years as may be deemed best in the interest of the Railway :

Now, therefore, the said Minister and the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company do agree as follows:—

1st. Water Supply.

1st. The Moncton Gas and Water Company agree to provide a reservoir giving a head of water, at the Railway Works, of about one hundred feet, and that their supply pipes leadidg to and up to the Railway grounds, shall not be less than twelve inches in diameter and one-half inch or nine-sixteenths of an inch in thickness.

2nd. The said Company agree also to supply the Intercolonial Railway with all the water they require for the use of their engines, station, workshops and every purpose within the Railway grounds at Moncton, including a full pressure through such hydrants as may now exist, or may hereafter exist for fire purposes.

3rd. The said Company shall give and secure a full supply of pure and wholesome water to the Railway for all the purposes it may require, whether specially stated in the foregoing clause or not.

4th. Should the Company fail to provide a full and regular supply of water, such as may be required at any time, the Government reserves the privilege of refusing any longer to receive water from the Company, on giving them written notice to that effect; and in such case the Company shall not be entitled to any compensation, on account of the cancelling of this agreement at any time before the expiration of the period of the present agreement.

5th. The Government agrees that the Railway shall not necessarily waste water, and shall not supply water through their pipes outside of the Railway grounds to other parties.

6th. The Government shall pay the sum of *Three Thousand Dollars* a year for such water supply, for a period of ten years, from the date at which the supply shall commence. And the Government shall have the option, at the end of such period of ten years, of renewing the contract for the supply of water for a further period of ten years, if they so desire, on the same terms. Provided the supply of water required does not exceed the average quantity used during the said previous term of ten years. And in case such supply should be increased, the sum to be paid for such additional quantity of water required, shall be fixed by mutual agreement between the parties, and in case of disagreement, the value thereof shall be submitted for settlement by arbitration, each party naming an arbitrator, and the two arbitrators so chosen, selecting a third.

2nd. Gas Supply.

1st. The Moncton Water and Gas Company agree to establish Gas Works at Moncton and to supply, at the boundary of the Intercolonial Railway grounds, good gas, of a proper illuminating power, as regular, and in such quantities as the Railway may require.

2nd. The gas shall be measured by means of approved meters furnished by the Company, and situated within the Railway grounds.

3rd. If, at any time hereafter, impure gas be furnished, or if the supply of good gas should be insufficient or irregular, the Company, at the first request, shall take immediate steps to furnish pure and proper gas, and in the quantities, and as regularly as may be required by the Railway.

4th. The Government agree to pay, therefor, at a rate not exceeding three dollars and twenty-five cents ($3.25) per thousand feet, on the distinct understanding, that, if any lower rate or price is charged to any other consumer whether by discount or otherwise, the Government shall have the benefit of such reduced rate or price charged to and paid by other consumers, which rate or price shall be paid quarterly.

5th. The Government reserves the privilege of terminating the present agreement at any time after a period of ten years (unless sooner determined by reason of breach of any of the conditions of this contract) without, in either case, the said Company being entitled to any compensation or indemnity whatsoever.

6th. This agreement to be subject to the approval of the House of Commons of Canada during its present Session.

In witness whereof the said parties hereunto have set their hands and seals at the day and year first above written, in duplicate.

Signed, sealed and delivered in behalf of the Moncton Gas Light and Water Company, by *John Leonard Harris*, the President of the said Company, in presence of

H. A. FISSIAULT,
E. BANCE.

JOHN L. HARRIS,
President.

[L.S.]

Signed, sealed and delivered by the Minister of Public Works of Canada, and countersigned by the Secretary of said Public Works, in presence of

F. H. FISSIAULT,
E. BANCE.

A. MACKENZIE.

F. BRAUN,
Secretary.

[L.S.]

The Bill No. 68 to amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 11, intituled: "An Act to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada," was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill No. 75 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors," was considered in Committee of the Whole.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 4TH MAY, 1878.

And after some time spent therein, the Committee rose, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

Mr. *Laflamme* laid before The House,—Return under the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 73, Section 6, shewing the average number of Dominion Police employed during each month of the year, ended 31st December, 1877; the cost of pay, and of travelling expenses expended in respect thereof.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the two following Bills with amendments, *viz.*:—

No. 55. To amend the Law respecting Building Societies. (On motion of Mr. *Gibbs* (South Ontario), the said amendments were taken into consideration and concurred in.)

No. 4. To amend the Law relating to Stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

The said amendments were read, and are as follows:—

Page 2, line 9.—After "thereto" insert Clause A and Clause B.

Clause A.

"After a note or instrument requiring to be stamped under this Act has been settled or paid, no penalty shall be enforced against any party thereto, or against any person or corporation who had been the holder thereof, by reason of such note or instrument having been insufficiently stamped, or the stamps thereon insufficiently effaced, unless it be proved that the party from whom a penalty is demanded, was aware before, or at the date of the maturity of such note or instrument, of the defect in the stamping thereof, or in the effacing of the stamps thereon, and did not thereupon affix double stamps thereto, in the manner provided by this Act, and the reception of such note or instrument by any party to such note or instrument, or by the holder thereof, whether such holder be a corporation or not, or by any employé or agent of such party or holder, shall not be evidence sufficient to justify a conviction or such penalty."

Clause B.

"Neither the said Act nor any Act amending the same nor this Act shall be construed to require that any stamp be impressed on or affixed to any instrument executed *en brevet* or otherwise before a notary in his official capacity."

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

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1878; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA, 2nd May, 1878.

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

The House then adjourned at 20 minutes after 2 o'clock, A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

No. 61.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 3RD MAY, 1878.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 4TH MAY, 1878.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration & Colonization, presented the Final Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee made an examination at their several sittings during the Session into the following subjects:—

The Immigration into the Dominion and the means taken to promote it, and in their several relations to Immigration;

The Meat and Cattle Trade with the United Kingdom;

The manufacture of Beet Root Sugar;

The adaptability of British Columbia for settlement, and its timber interests;

The opening up of the Dawson Route for transportation of passengers and freight into Manitoba and the North-West;

The Forests of the Dominion;

The manufacture of Peat; and

The navigation of Hudson's Bay.

On the subject of Immigration, and the system pursued, the Committee examined very fully the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, from whose evidence they find the following facts:—

The Commercial and Industrial depression which continued to prevail during the past year materially and unfavourably affected the Immigration from Europe to the Continent of America as compared with former years. It appears, however, that Canada has suffered less material loss, arising from the number of immigrants arriving, than the United States; the percentage of loss in the latter in 1877 as compared with 1876 being 18·63; while in the case of Canada there is an actual increase of 5·65 per cent., in a comparison of the same years. The following figures show the total Immigration to Canada and the United States from 1873 to 1877, inclusive:—

Immigration to Canada.

1873	50,050	*Decrease per cent.*
1874	39,373	21·33 from 1873
1875	27,382	30·20 from 1874
1876	25,633	6·38 from 1875
1877	27,082	*Increase per cent.*
		5·65 from 1876

Immigration to United States.

1873	459,804	*Decrease per cent.*
1874	313,339	31·84 from 1873
1875	228,498	27·07 from 1874
1876	169,886	25·65 from 1875
1877	138,222	18·63 from 1876

The following figures show the total movement of emigration from the United Kingdom for the same years including both foreigners and persons of British origin:—

Emigration from the United Kingdom.

1873	310,612	*Decrease per cent.*
1874	241,014	22·40 from 1873
1875	173,809	27·92 from 1874
1876	138,222	20·47 from 1875
1877	119,971	13·24 from 1876

The actual emigration of persons of British origin alone from the United Kingdom in 1877, was 95,195, while there was an immigration during the same year of persons of British origin of 63,890, showing that the net loss to the population was only 31,305.

It is, in the opinion of the Committee, proper to consider these general movements of population in any attempt to appreciate the immigration to Canada. The emigration from Great Britain last year touched the lowest point of any year since 1861, and is considered by the statists of the Board of Trade to be at its minimum. Even the emigration to Australasia received a slight check in 1877, the figures being 31,071 against 33,191 the previous year, notwithstanding the great exertions and very large expenditure of that group of colonies to promote it.

The immigrants reported as having settled in Canada in 1877, entered at the following ports:—

Quebec	4,201
Suspension Bridge	6,453
Halifax, N.S	930
St. John, N.B	141
Portland, Me	1,513

Manitoba from U.S... 2,084; and there were further reported with settlers goods by frontier Custom Houses 11,759, making a total of 27,082 settlers. In addition to these a considerable number of passengers entered at our ports to go to the Western States. These swell the total number of immigrant arrivals in Canada during the year to 35,285.

The amount of money and value of effects ascertained to have been brought into the Dominion by immigrants during the last year was $632,269; and the unascertained values of effects and money brought would probably swell these figures to about a million dollars. This amount, however, would represent but a very small proportion of the value to the Dominion of the immigrant settlers during the year.

It is the immigrant himself who is the chief value. Every immigrant who successfully settles in the country, becomes, at once, both a producer and a consumer; in the former capacity he contributes to the general wealth, in the latter to the general revenue, and so helps to place the Dominion in a better position to undertake those great public works, yet necessary for its full development. The actual money and value of effects brought into the country by immigrants was about nine fold greater last year, than the whole of the ordinary expenditure of the Dominion Government for the service of immigration; and this quite apart from the infinitely greater value of the immigrants themselves.

As regards the classes of immigrants induced to come by the Government Agents, these were entirely confined to female domestic servants and agriculturists, *viz* :—

Tenant farmers with small means and Agricultural labourers. Employment was found for all the agricultural labourers. In fact the demand was not in all cases fully satisfied; and there have been no reports of persons of this class, in the country parts, being out of employment during the winter. No inducements were held out to persons of the mechanic class to come to Canada, in view of the industrial depression which has prevailed. Persons of this class, however, received information from their respective Trades; and those who came found employment. The persons out of employment have been residents of towns, but it is not believed the number is nearly so large as last year; and it is to be remarked that even in the most prosperous times there are always found some persons in towns out of employment.

The expenditure for Immigration in 1877, shows a very marked reduction as compared with the previous year. The gross total expenditure as shown by the Department charged with Immigration, was, during that year $183,672, against $284,065 for the previous year. But even this amount should be further reduced by refunds paid by the Provinces, partly on account of advances made for transport, and partly on account of the expenses of the London Office, to the amount of $42,285; and still further by loans to Icelanders to be repaid to the amount of $30,717, making the net ordinary expenditure for the year $110 670, this being the smallest expenditure for Immigration since 1871. It includes the cost of the whole service and all the establishments both in Canada and in Europe. The net *per capita* cost of Immigrants was $4.08. This *per capita* cost is calculated on the whole amount of the ordinary expenditure, and the whole number of Immigrant settlers. Any other mode would be sure to lead to error. All Immigrants who come to the country—even the Immigrant passengers who take advantage of Canadian routes to go to the United States,—necessarily receive directing attention from the Agencies in Canada.

It appears to the Committee that the Immigration establishments have been reduced to as narrow limits as possible, if establishments are at all to be maintained. The number of Travelling or Lecturing Agents in the United Kingdom has been reduced to four, as, against the number of thirty-five employed for longer or shorter periods in 1873. The number of Stationary Agents in the United Kingdom is six, *viz* :—at London, Liverpool, Glasgow, Belfast, Dublin and Limerick—and on the Continent, three, *viz*,—at Hamburg, Paris, and in Switzerland. An active propagandism appears to be made, and the service efficiently and economically conducted.

On the general subject of Immigration to Canada, and the best means of promoting it from an English point of view, the Committee examined Mr. *Henry Simpson*, lately connected with the English Press. His evidence is published in the Appendix herewith. The Committee also took evidence on the same subject from Mr. *Peter O'Leary*, whose evidence is also contained in the Appendix.

The Department of Agriculture has, during the year, published several pamphlets and other valuable documents containing reliable information to intending settlers regarding the great resources of Manitoba and the North-West and its adaptability for successful settlement. These respective documents have been distributed gratuitously throughout the older Provinces and also in Europe with beneficial results.

The Immigration into the Province of Manitoba during the year 1877 was about 7,000, which is very considerable in view of the limited population of that Province, and the yet imperfectly developed means of access. It appears, however, from the most recent evidence that has been taken before the Committee, that the Immigration to that Province has commenced this spring on a much more extended scale, viz.: at the rate of about 200 a day, which would make the Immigration in one month nearly equal to the whole of that of last year. A very large proportion of these immigrants have moved from the old Provinces of the Dominion. There a e

also considerable numbers from the United States. And the (it may be almost called) unrivalled richness of the soil of that Province, and its special adaptation to the growth of wheat of the most valuable quality, have begun to attract attention in Europe.

THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AS A FIELD FOR COLONIZATION.

On the subject of the adaptability of the Province of British Columbia for Colonization, the Committee examined Mr. *Henry J. Cambie*, District Engineer, in charge of Surveys for the Canadian Pacific Railway, from whom they obtained much valuable information, which was given by him with clearness and precision, and is published in the report of his evidence, appended hereto. Mr. *Cambie* showed that there are large tracts of land in the Province which, at comparatively moderate expense, can be made available. This is a fact of particular importance in view of the very great resources of that Province in mineral wealth, in fish and in forests. The evidence of Mr. *Peter O'Leary*, who visited that Province as an observer in view of the interests of the emigrant classes in Great Britain, is in the same sense as that of Mr. *Cambie*, and the information given by him will be received with confidence by the classes for whom he more particularly obtained it.

The Committee are of opinion that this already serious movement of population towards the North-West Prairies of the Dominion will very soon grow to large dimensions, and this is a fact of grave importance, both to the Government and Parliament, in view of the necessity of providing adequate means of ingress and egress, both for immigrants and ordinary passenger traffic and freights. A large and sudden Immigration into a new country will, at first, of course, put a strain on its resources, and probably upon those of the Immigration Department, to see that it is properly directed.

The Committee find that the Special Schemes of Colonization, in Manitoba and Kewatin, viz.: of the Mennonites, the Icelanders, and repatriated Canadians from the United States, have been fairly successful, and appear to be likely, in the future, to attract further additions without further aid from the Government.

The Committee find from the facts already established, that even with the present inferior facilities, wheat can be brought from Winnipeg and placed in connection with the Grand Trunk system at Sarnia for 30 cents a bushel, and this fact, coupled with the large average production per acre on the prairies of the North-West, will probably, in the almost immediate future, severely test the wheat-growing capabilities of competition of Ontario, or the other older Provinces of the Dominion.

The Committee in view of this fact, and also of its relations to Immigration, thought it advisable to examine witnesses on the subject of the Meat and Cattle Trade which is now springing up between Canada and the United Kingdom, and which, it may be here incidentally remarked, was in the first place advocated and set on foot by one of the Canadian Emigration Agents. The movement thus started spread to the United States.

It appears from the evidence of Mr. *Thos. Cramp*, a director of the Dominion Line of Steamships, that the vessels of this Line are specially fitted up for the carriage of Live Stock, to the exclusion of other freights from Canada. This line carried last year 3,513 oxen, 8,273 sheep and 1,233 swine, together with 213 horses. The exports of all these animals are rapidly increasing and the steamers are engaged to their full capacity for some months in advance. Other lines, particularly, the Allan, the Beaver, and Temperley, have carried considerable numbers of these animals. The total number of Cattle carried in 1877 was 7,412 and of sheep 11,825, against about one third of these numbers the previous year. The extent of this trade for many years to come will probably be only limited by the capability of Canada to supply it.

Very strong representations were made to the Committee as to the crushing effect which the Bill of the Duke of Richmond, would have had on this trade by compelling the slaughter of all cattle at the port of debarkation. It has afforded them great satisfaction to learn that the Bill is to be so amended as to permit the entry of

Canadian Cattle alive. This favorable result is undoubtedly in a very large measure, owing to the representations made to the Imperial authorities, by Order in Council of the Canadian Government; and Sir *John Rose* and Mr. *Dyke*, the Canadian Immigration Agent, at Liverpool, to the Committee of the House of Lords, to whom the Bill was referred.

Many of the steamers, particularly, of the Allan Line, are fitted with cold and desiccated compartments to carry fresh meat from Canadian ports to England. This trade appears to be measurably successful although it has not hitherto extended so rapidly as that in live stock. It appears to be subject to certain draw-backs which, however, may be overcome, as they have reference to methods of refrigeration and desiccation and the adequate care of the meat at the several points after leaving the compartments of the Ocean Steamships.

The witnesses whose evidence may be particularly consulted with respect to these trades are Messrs. *Cramp*, *O'Leary* and *MacShane*. The successful development of these trades will attract to Canada a class of Emigrants with capital, which the country would not otherwise have obtained, besides inducing a very beneficial change in the farming of the older Provinces, where grain has been continuously grown to an extent of somewhat impoverishing the land.

The Committee examined Mr. *Edward Burrard*, Director of Agriculture of the Province of Quebec, on the subject of the cultivation of the Sugar Beet, and its manufacture into sugar. The facts elicited prove beyond question, that the soil and climate of the old Provinces of the Dominion are peculiarly adapted to the successful growth of the Sugar Beet, rich in saccharine matter, and notwithstanding the unsuccessful attempts which have been hitherto made to manufacture beet-root Sugar in the United States, this fact is sufficient to encourage an attempt to demonstrate the feasibility of its manufacture in Canada, especially in view of its very great importance. It is also well to bear in mind the long tentative efforts which were made in Enrope, before the great success of the manufacture was fully established. Success in Canada would mean very considerable increase of wealth, besides a favorable adaptation of circumstances in view of the cattle trade now opening up. The Committee are, therefore, of opinion that this incipient or projected industry is worthy of any fostering care of Parliament that could be consistently bestowed upon it.

The evidence given by Mr. *Thague* on the Forests of Canada, their products and the advisability of care to be taken for their preservation, will be found to contain a statement of facts and suggestions of great value for the whole Dominion. This question is one which affects both the climate and natural wealth of the whole country. It is, therefore, of especial interest in connection with Immigration. All nations in Europe are now bestowing very particular care on forest preservation. The Committee are aware that in all the old Provinces of the Dominion, the forests have been placed by the Act of Confederation, in charge of the Provincial Governments. The Committee are yet, however, of opinion, taking into consideration the general importance of the subject in view of every interest of the Dominion, that it may not be inopportune for them respectfully to call the attention of the Local Governments through the Parliament of Canada, to the necessity of measures for forest preservation in the interest of the general welfare of the country.

As cognate to the use of forests for fuel may be mentioned the manufacture and use of peat, of which there are large supplies in many parts of the Dominion. It is found in Manitoba where wood is scarce; and there it may become specially valuable. On this subject the Committee believe that the evidence of Lieutenant-Colonel *Thompson* will be found worthy of particular consideration. It contains a description of a new process of manufacture by artificial drying in a very much shorter time than the old methods, of much greater capacity with regard to the quantities that can be produced and of much greater certainty, when the chances of the weather for drying have to be taken into consideration. The great value of peat for fuel is undoubted, and this resource of the Dominion is one to be highly prized.

Professor *Hind* furnished to the Committee very elaborate evidence on the feasibility of the navigation of Hudson's Straits and Hudson's Bay from the point of the mouth of Nelson River to Liverpool, as a means of outlet for the future trade of a large portion of the North West Territory. Port Nelson is less distant from Liverpool by about one hundred miles than New-York, and when there, on the westward trip, the traveller is more than half way across the continent. The statements made by Professor *Hind* in his exposition are certainly full of interest; and furnish reasons why more particular information on some points in doubt should be obtained. It is to be particularly borne in mind that a combination of physical facts renders the climate in the North Western portion of this continent much milder and more suitable for agricultural operations, and consequently for settlement, than corresponding latitudes on the Eastern or Atlantic side. These favorable circumstances seem to arise for one reason from the configuration of the continent and the depression of the Rocky Mountains allowing the prevalent Pacific winds charged with moisture to exercise their genial influence over that portion of the Territory in question. It is certain that degrees of latitudes over a very large portion of the American continent do not simply imply either heat or cold. Port Nelson in Hudson's Bay is about the latitude of Edinburgh. The corresponding latitude on the Labrador Coast implies a degree of cold which forbids agricultural colonization, while the same line carried due west into the Peace River Territory of the Dominion would bring the traveller into conditions of climate and soil highly favorable for agriculture. Whatever the immediate interests may be attaching to the proposed navigation of Hudson's Bay it appears certain that as population pushes itself into the territories north-west of Manitoba, if an outlet at the point of Port Nelson is at all feasible, it will surely be developed and made available. It is for the Government to consider what steps may be deemed advisable to obtain further information on this subject.

THE UTILIZATION OF THE DAWSON ROUTE AND PORTIONS OF CANADA PACIFIC RAILWAY ABOUT TO BE COMPLETED AS A ROUTE TO MANITOBA.

On the subject of the Dawson Route from a consideration of facts stated in evidence by Mr. *Hugh Sutherland*, the Committee find that it would be advisable to utilize the portions of Railway being constructed and about to be finished by means of tramways around the portages between Port Savanne and Kettle Falls, the tramways being worked by light cars on a narrow gauge drawn by horses and towed on barges along the water stretches without breaking bulk. A transhipment to be made at Kettle Falls to steamers plying between that point and Rat Portage, whence the Railway would take it directly to Winnipeg. Mr. *Sutherland* states that 50 tons per day of freight could be carried by this mode more rapidly than by the present routes through United States Territory, with much less vexation as regards bonding arrangements, at prices which can compete with the present rates, and with perfect immunity as regards Immigrants from the systematic tampering with them that now takes place in their passage through American Territory. Mr. *Sutherlaud* states that the required work can be done during the present season at a cost not exceeding $150,000; and he is of opinion that the proposed improvements are necessary to, and would lead to the colonization of the cultivable lands along Rainy River and other parts of the Dawson Route, and moreover, a point which is of great importance, furnish the Province of Manitoba with increased facilities for obtaining lumber at a much cheaper rate than at present. For considerations of this nature the improvements in question will have permanent interest and value, after the Pacific Railway shall have been constructed all the way between Manitoba and Lake Superior. There is a further consideration, in view of the rapidity with which Manitoba and the adjacent Territory are now filling up, the proposed route would afford another outlet for their products of grain, and of ingress for their necessary supplies from the older Provinces of the Dominion, which would prove to be of great value to both.

The evidence herewith appended is submitted as a part of the Report of the Committee.

The Committee, before closing their Report, have great pleasure in stating that they have received very valuable information and assistance from *John Lowe*, Esq., Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and Immigration.

(*For the Minutes of Evidence accompanying this Report, See Appendix No.* 2.)

The Bill No. 77 for the better prevention of crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended and reported; and the Bill as amended, to be taken into consideration, on Monday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

XII.—PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

Railways.

79	Intercolonial		$20,000 00
80	do Extension into Halifax		20,000 00
81	do To Deep Water at St. John		100,000 00
82	Pacific—Fort William to Sunshine Creek	5,500 00	
	do Sunshine Creek to English River	214,000 00	
	do Rat Portage to Cross Lake	1,033,000 00	
	do Cross Lake to Red River	52,500 00	
	do Telegraph Lines and Roadway	164,700 00	
	do Fort Frances Lock	10,000 00	
	do Main Land British Columbia	500,000 00	
	do Pembina Branch	550,000 00	
	do Spikes	20,000 00	
			2,549,700 00
83	Prince Edward Island Railway		49,000 00
184.	For the expenses of Government in the North-West Territories		17,000 00

II.—CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

1	Financial Inspector	2,600 00	
	Office of Assistant Receiver-General, Toronto	7,600 00	
	do do Montreal	5,500 00	
	Auditor and do Halifax, N.S.	10,000 00	
	do do St. John, N.B.	11,400 00	
	do do Fort Garry	6,500 00	
	do do Victoria, B.C.	7,000 00	
	do do Charlottet'n, P.E.I.	4,000 00	
	Country Savings Banks, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia	12,000 00	
	Seigniorial Tenure and Commission	2,500 00	
			$69,100 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

A message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 20 respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons, without amendment.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill No. 14 further securing the Independence of Parliament, with amendments.

The said amendments were read, and are as follows:—

Page 1, line 10.—Leave out from "attached" to "no" in line 12.

Page 1, line 13.—Leave out "Clerk of the Peace."

Page 3, line 36.—Leave out from "disqualified" to "No" in page 4, line 13, and insert "No person being a member of the Senate shall, directly or indirectly, knowingly and wilfully be a party to or concerned in any contract under which the public money of Canada is to be paid, and if any person, being a member of the Senate, shall knowingly and wilfully become a party to or concerned in any such contract, he shall thereby forfeit the sum of two hundred dollars for each and every day during which he continues to be such party or so concerned, and such sum may be recovered from him by any person who will sue for the same, by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, in any Court of competent civil jurisdiction in Canada; provided always, this section shall not prevent any Senator, who, at the passing of this Act, has any contract for which the public money of Canada is to be paid, from completing such contract, or render him liable to the penalties imposed by this section, nor shall it render any Senator liable for such penalties, by reason of his being a shareholder in any incorporated Company, having a contract or agreement with the Government of Canada, except Companies undertaking contracts for the building of public works, and any Company incorporated for the construction or working of any part of the Pacific Railway."

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—That the Government business shall have precedence on Wednesday next immediately after Routine Proceedings.

No. 62.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 4TH MAY, 1878.

5th Session, 3rd Parliament, 41 Victoria,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 63.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 6TH MAY, 1878.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The Petition of the Chief Justice and Judges of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, was read and received; praying that certain duties proposed to be assigned by them under a Bill now before Parliament, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons," may not be imposed on them.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

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

Two Returns to Addresses of last Session, Nos. 67,—Relating to the construction and building of Ingonish Harbor, Nova Scotia (being a reference to the Committee by the House of Commons.) (*For distribution only and without the map.*)

Return to Address,—Shewing amounts of six lowest tenders received in September or October, 1873, for Sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 of the new Welland Canal, with names of tenderers; also same for 1874, &c. (*Condensed.*)

Return to Order,—Shewing receipts for Customs and Excise, British Columbia, for the six months ending on December 31st last, also Customs and Excise collected on Stickine River for same period, &c.

Return to Address,—Report, with map, on the probable boundary line between British Columbia and Alaska, with copy of Treaty between Great Britain and Russia respecting said boundary. (*In Sessional Papers only, with maps.*)

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

Report by Sandford Fleming, C.M.G., Engineer in Chief, in reference to the location of the line and a Western Terminal Harbor of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Return to Address,—Orders in Council relating to the recent seizure of Mr. *J. K. Boswell's* Brewery in the City of Quebec, &c.

Return to Order,—Statement of the names of Railway Companies who entered in Bond, since 1st July, 1867, Locomotives, Engines, Cars or other Railway Stock, &c.

Return to Order,—Correspondence relating to the dismissal of *R. McNeil*, Esq., as Shipping Officer at Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton County.

Report Progress of the Geological Survey of Canada, by *A. R. C. Selwyn*, F.R.S., F.G.S., Director, for the year 1876-7.

Message, — Transmitting correspondence with Her Majesty's Government respecting the inclusion within the boundaries of the Dominion of Territories on the North American Continent.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That the Government business shall have precedence on Wednesday next, immediately after Routine Proceedings.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following Returns, *viz.*:—

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st April, last; for Return of ranks and names of all officers who have attended and taken long or short course certificates at the "A" or "B" Battery Schools of Gunnery; the corps to which they belonged with the dates of their appointments; their ranks and corps at present or the dates and reasons for their retirement.

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st April, last; for a Statement of all sales or leases of the Islands in the River St. Lawrence lying between Brockville and Kingston, known as the "Thousand Islands," during the years 1874-5, 1875-6 and 1876-7; shewing what Islands or parts of Islands were sold or leased; names of said Islands; quantity of land in each sold or leased; time for such leases or sales to run; the names of purchasers or Lessees, with the amount to be paid *en bloc*, or per acre, for such purchase or leases.

Return to Address of the 24th April, last; for copies of all correspondence between the Government, or the Minister of Justice, and the creditors of one *Olivier Latour*, or any of them, or any persons on their behalf, in relation to the alleged forfeiture of its Charter by La Banque Nationale by reason of its illegally trading in Lumber and in the manufacture and sale of Square Timber and Saw Logs, and the produce thereof, and in other goods, chattels and merchandize, in violation of the Banking Act, to the prejudice of other banking institutions, the Lumber Trade and the said creditors.

Also, for copies of all contracts, depositions, statements and writings submitted to the Government, or to the Minister of Justice, evidencing said (illegal) trading, and also copies of the opinion of the ex-Minister of Justice and the present Minister of Justice thereon, and of all Orders in Council having reference to said illegal act of said Bank.

Also, for copies of the registered Timber Trade Mark of the said Bank, as registered in the office of the Minister of Agriculture, and of all papers and documents in said office relating thereto.

And also, for copies of all correspondence between the said Bank, or any of its officers, and the Government, or any member thereof, with reference to said alleged violation and forfeiture of its Charter by said Bank.

Return to the Order of The House of the 24th April, last; for a copy of the Report of Exploration made by Mr. *Bell*, C.E., on the proposed route of the Canada Pacific Railway from Nipigon to the junction with the Thunder Bay, or Kaministiquia Branch of the said Railway.

Return to Address of the 1st instant; for copies of all Orders in Council fixing the rate of Tolls to be collected by the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company, on saw logs and timber passing through their works.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 52 to amend the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874, were taken into consideration.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that this House doth disagree in the amendments made by the Senate to the said Bill, for the following reasons:—

"Because it is contrary to the uniform practice of Parliament, that contracts into which the Executive is authorized to enter, should be made subject to the approval of the Upper Chamber.

"Because in recognition of the practice, the Executive was authorized by the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874 to make all contracts for the construction of that great work subject to the approval of the House of Commons only.

"Because in further recognition of the practice the Executive was by the same Act authorized to make contracts for leasing or working one of the Branch Railways, in connection with any other Railway, subject to the approval of the House of Commons only.

"Because on the principle on which the approval of the Senate was not required to such contracts it ought not to be required to a contract for leasing or working another of the Branch Railways;"—which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Bain,
Béchard,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Blake,
Borron,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Brown,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Coffin,
Coupal,
Devlin,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McInnes,
McNab,
Malouin,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Power,
Ray,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Young.—92.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Benoit,
Bolduc,
Bourbeau,
Daoust,
Desjardins,
Dewdney,
Dugas,
Flesher,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gill,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
McQuade,
Masson,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Robinson,
Rochester,
Roy,
Ryan,
Tupper,
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*).—32.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, to acquaint them with the foregoing reasons.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the North Easterly, Northerly and North Westerly boundaries of Canada, and declaring it desirable that an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland should be passed, defining the same;—by filling the blank with the words "Senate and."

Also,—That they have passed an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty, on the subject of the North Easterly, Northerly, and North Westerly boundaries of Canada, and declaring it desirable that an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland should be passed defining the same; and to request that the Commons will unite with them in the said Address.

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, a Message was sent to the Senate, informing their Honors that this House hath concurred in their Address to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty, on the subject of the North Easterly, Northerly, and North Westerly boundaries of Canada, and declaring it desirable that an Act of the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland should be passed defining the same, in such a way as to His Excellency may seem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne;—by filling up the blank with the words "and Commons."

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill No. 77 for the better prevention of crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament, were taken into consideration, and concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

208	For additional amount required for Seigniorial Tenure Commission	$ 1,500 00

PENITENTIARIES.

209	Kingston—Staff, salaries	450 00
	Clothing	35 00
	Capital Account, new machinery	415 00
210	St. Vincent de Paul—Staff, Gratuities to retiring Officers	1,100 00
	Convicts' maintenance	2,035 47
	Repairs to buildings	200 00
	Capital Account, to complete Tramway	780 00
	Farm and Stables, to replace loss by fire	6,200 06
211	St. John—Staff, salaries	360 00
	Convicts' maintenance	5,630 00
	Maintenance of machinery	300 00
	Material for manufacture	600 00
212	Manitoba—Convicts' maintenance	2,700 00
	Farm	827 40
	Maintenance of buildings	357 14
	Capital Account: Furnishings for the new building, lumber, machinery and surgical instruments	1,952 42

LEGISLATION.

213	House of Commons—Amount required for the publication of the Debates	$10,000 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

214	Criminal Statistics—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	4,558 75
215	Sydney Exhibition—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	6,959 81
216	Paris Exhibition—Amount required to complete the service for the year	50,000 00

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

217	Mennonite Loan—Balance of 1876-77 (Revote)	7,600 00

MILITIA.

218	Ammunition—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	23,854 99
219	Clothing—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	10,078 12
220	Military Stores—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	25,642 21
221	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	2,771 54
222	Ordnance and Equipment of Garrison Artillery—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	9,626 48
223	Mounted Police, N.W.T.—Amount required to pay for supplies furnished in previous years	10,772 78
	Amount required to cover expenditure incurred for buildings in 1875-76	8,110 43
	Amount required for buildings, 1877-78	10,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

224	Beaver Rock, B.C.—Unexpended balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	9,800 00
225	Guelph Custom House—Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	6,378 26
	Toronto Post Office—To pay amount of Official Arbitrators' Award to Contractors, &c., partly paid out of "Unforeseen Expenses," *vide* Parliamentary Paper	20,000 00
226	Quebec and Lévis Fortifications, Repairs—Expenditure required for this service	7,200 00
	Montreal Examining Warehouse—Estimated cost for completion of building	10,000 00
	Montreal Post Office—Amount required for completion of building	16,037 07

227	St. John, N.B., Public Buildings—Amount of Special Warrant granted for clearing away debris and rebuilding, during the year, the Public Buildings destroyed by fire	$50,000 00
228	Buildings, Battleford, N.W.T.—Amount of Special Warrant granted to complete these buildings	30,000 00
	Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant, on 30th September, 1877 (Revote)	4,587 88
229	Penitentiary, B.C.—Amount of Unexpended Balance, 30th September, 1877, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	19,106 89
230	Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa—To pay for increased consumption during the year	5,000 00
231	Cobourg Harbour—Part of Unexpended Balance of 1876-77 (Revote)	6,533 31
232	Shippegan Breakwater, N.B.—Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	9,630 37
233	Cow Bay, C.B.—Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	1,343 87
234	Colville Bay, Souris Breakwater—Balance due to Contractor	8,500 00

LIGHTHOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

235	Maintenance—To replace Dioptric Apparatus for Machias Seal Island Light destroyed in St. John Fire	3,000 00
	To replace Oil destroyed in St. John fire	3,500 00
	Repairing damages at Rondeau Lighthouse	1,500 00
	Repairing damages to Breakwater, Goderich Lighthouse	2,600 00
	New Light Ship for the Traverse	6,000 00

FISHERIES.

236	Fish-breeding, &c.—For new Fish-breeding Establishment, Prince Edward Island	2,500 00
	For new Fish-breeking Establishment, Cape Breton	2,500 00

SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

237	To aid in constructing and maintaining Telegraph Line between Matane and Fox River	5,000 00

STEAMBOAT INSPECTION.

238	To complete remeasurement of Steamers in Inland waters	300 00

INDIANS.

239	Indians, Manitoba and North-West—Further amount required for this service	10,927 66

MISCELLANEOUS.

240	Halifax Commission—Amount required to cover expenditure (partly to be refunded)	57,000 00
241	To pay the Hon. Sir Alex. T. Galt, K.C.M.G., for services rendered as Commissioner, Halifax	12,000 00
242	Parliamentary Companion—To pay for 350 copies	525 00
243	Commutation of Duties, Army and Navy—Further amount required for this service	4,000 00
244	To pay His Grace Archbishop Taché balance of his expenses incurred on the occasion of his return from Rome in 1870, at the request of the Government of Canada	3,000 00

245 His Excellency the Governor General's visit to Manitoba—Balance of expenditure incurred and paid through "Unforseen Expenses." *Vide* Parliamentary paper $1,778 45

246 Grasshopper Relief—Unexpended balance of 1876–77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)..... 381 81

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

CUSTOMS.

247 Amount required to complete this service (Manitoba and N.W.T.) 2,500 00

EXCISE.

248 Preventive Service—Amount required to complete this service.... 2,000 00

INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

249 Amount required to complete this service..... 2,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS.

250 Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways—To meet expenditure caused by increased traffic..... 100,000 00

251 Canals—For payment of one year's salary to Mr. Woodruff, in recognition of his services as Superintendent of Welland Canal, after 28 years' service..... 3,000 00

252 Telegraph Line—Haro Strait, B.C..... 3,500 00

POST OFFICE.

253 To pay Grand Trunk Railway for claim for daily transport of mails over 149 miles of railway, between the Canada Boundary Line and Danville Junction (Maine), from 1st July, 1867, to 31st December, 1874, when by Postal Convention with the United States, the conveyance of these mails was assumed by the United States Post Office..... 7,776 22

DOMINION LANDS.

254 Further required to complete this service 12,500 00

UNPROVIDED ITEMS OF 1876–77.

255 *Vide* Public Accounts, 1876–77, part ii, page 338..... 188,965 64

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 7TH MAY, 1878.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The following Orders of the Day were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, *viz.* :—

House again to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 43 further to amend the Acts respecting Stamps on Bills and Notes.

House to go into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions for the carrying out of the provisions of the Bill No. 32 to facilitate the Colonization of Dominion Lands, by providing for the incorporation of Railway Companies, and aiding the construction of Railways traversing such Lands.

House to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill No. 32 to facilitate the Colonization of Dominion Lands, by providing for the incorporation of Railway Companies, and aiding the construction of Railways, traversing such Lands.

Second reading of the Bill No. 47 to provide for the transfer of Lands and Estates and Interests in Lands, in the Territories of Canada, by Registration of Titles.

House to go into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to provide that the Montreal Harbour Commissioners may, with the approval of the Governor in Council, make provision for licensing a second class of pilots for all steamers, not exceeding 250 tons register, and for other vessels exceeding 80 and not exceeding 250 tons register, navigating the River St. Lawrence between the Harbour of Quebec and the upper limits of the Harbour of Montreal, and may establish rates of pilotage to be paid by such steamers and vessels compulsorily, except ferry boats and steamers having on board a second class pilot as master or mate thereof, or vessels not exceeding 250 tons register when in tow of a steamer in charge of a licensed pilot; and to amend the Pilotage Acts of Canada accordingly.

The Bill No. 76 to amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 8, intituled: "An Act to impose License duties on compounders of spirits; to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Cartwright* delivered two Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, which were read by Mr. Speaker, and are as follows :—

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, further Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1878; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA, 2nd May, 1878.

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, further Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1879; 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, 6th May, 1878.

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

The Bill No. 75 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors," was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and the amendments concurred in.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *White* (Renfrew) moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole with instructions that they have power to amend the same, by striking out sub-section 8 of Clause 99;—which was negatived on a division.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain proposed Resolutions to provide that a sum of $10,000 shall be placed at the disposal of the Government of Manitoba, in aid of Public Schools, etc.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That by Section twenty-two of the Dominion Lands Act, Sections 11 and 29 of the Public Lands in each Township of the Province of Manitoba are set apart, to be sold at some future time in order that a fund may be realized for the maintenance of public schools within the Province.

2. *Resolved*, That the Government of Manitoba have applied to the Government of Canada to have the School lands within the limits of that Province transferred to them, to be sold for the purpose of creating an Educational endowment.

3. *Resolved*, That it is not in the public interest in consequence of the sparseness of the population and its probable rapid increase within a few years, and in consequence of the additional value which these lands are likely to acquire because of that increase in the population, that they should be disposed of at the present time.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient however to assist in the meantime the cause of education in the Province, and that with this view a sum of ten thousand dollars be placed at the disposal of the Government of Manitoba in aid of the public schools therein, annually for a period not exceeding three years, and that the several sums so advanced with the interest thereon, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, be recouped to the Dominion Government from the first sales of the lands so set apart as aforesaid for educational purposes.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Mills* then introduced a Bill No. 78, to authorize the advance of certain sums to the Province of Manitoba, in aid of the Public Schools therein, which was read the first and a second time, and ordered for a third reading, at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 20 minutes before 2 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. *Mills*—On Wednesday next—BILL to establish the Rule of decision in the Courts of the North West Territories of Canada.

No. 63.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 6TH MAY, 1878.

5th Session, 3rd Parliament, 41 Victoria, 1878.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 64.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 7TH MAY, 1878.

2 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

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

Return to Address (Senate),—Copies of all documents and pleadings relating to the questions decided by the award rendered at Halifax, on the subject of the indemnity of five million five hundred thousand dollars, under the Treaty of Washington, particularly the twenty-second and twenty-third Articles of that Treaty, and all copies of all letters and despatches between Her Majesty's Government and those of the United States of America and of Canada on the same subject since the rendering of the award. (500 *copies in English and* 200 *copies in the French language.*)

Return to Address (Senate),—Copies of all contracts, &c., on which tenders were invited for the construction of Houses for the Engineers on the branch of the Canada Pacific Railway from Fort William to Selkirk. (*Condensed.*)

Return to Address (Senate),—Statement setting forth the names of the Foreign Mutual Life and Stock Companies that have not complied with the Consolidated Insurance Act of last Session, in respect of deposits for future business, &c.

Return to Address (Senate),—Report made by Honorable *A. Morris*, Commissioner under the Act 38 *Vic.*, Cap. 53, in the putting into execution of that Law, and its operation in Manitoba.

Report of the Select Standing Committee (House of Commons),—On Immigration and Colonization. (20,000 *copies in English, and* 10,000 *copies in French.*)

The Committee also respectfully recommend that the following documents *be not printed, viz.:*—

Return to Address (Senate),—Reports, &c., made within the last two years, in connection with the enlargement of St. Peter's Canal, in the Island of Cape Breton.

Return,—Shewing the average number of Dominion Police employed during each month of the year ended 31st Dec., 1877, &c.

Return to Address (Senate),—Correspondence respecting the sale of Canadian-built ships in France on the same favourable terms as are enjoyed by vessels of British construction.

Return to Address (Senate),—On the subject of the lands at Rat River Settlement, &c., on the Red River, in the County of Provencher, &c., taken possession of for actual settlement before or after the admission of the North-West Territory into the Dominion.

Return to Address (Senate),—Contracts, &c., relating to the service of the Marine and Fishery Department at Prince Edward Island since July, 1873.

Return to Order,—Shewing the several sums of money paid out of the $39,256.01 deposited in the Bank of Montreal to pay certain parties for land taken for Canal purposes.

Return to Address,—Correspondence respecting the pensions for public officers who were in the service of British Columbia at the date of Union, 1871.

Return to Address (Senate),—Reports, &c., connected with the improvement of the navigation of the River St. John at the Oromocto Shoals.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the Eighth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.

Sir *Albert J. Smith* laid before The House,—Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries, for the year ended 31st December, 1877; being Supplement No. 5 to the Tenth Annual Report of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, for the year 1877.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 4th March, last; for copies of all papers, correspondence and Orders in Council connected with the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, the Windsor Branch and the Western Counties Railway; and all papers and Orders in Council and correspondence in connection with the purchase of an Annuity by the W. C. Co., or the guarantee of an annual sum of money to that Company for a special number of years.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that this House do ratify the Order in Council, dated the 18th April, 1878, respecting a subsidy to the Canada Central Railway Company, passed under authority of "An Act to provide for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway," 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 14, which Order is to the following effect:—

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration the questions relating to the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the extension westward of the Canada Central Railway in consideration of a subsidy to be paid by the Government, as provided by the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874.

That a contract was entered into in 1874, with Mr. *A. B. Foster*, for the building of the Georgian Bay Branch, under which Mr. *Foster* was to execute all the surveys, as well as perform the work of construction from the mouth of French River, eighty-five miles eastward.

That on the 28th February, 1876, this contract was annulled, and Mr. *Foster* was paid such portions of his expenditures on the survey as were reported by the Chief Engineer to be serviceable to the Department in completing the survey.

That on the 4th November, 1874, an Order in Council was passed under the terms of the Act 37 *Vic.*, Cap. 14, known as the Canadian Pacific Railway Act of 1874, whereby a subsidy of $12,000 per mile was granted to the Canada Central Railway Company, for a distance not exceeding 120 miles from the eastern end of the Georgian Bay Branch above referred to, upon the conditions:—

1st. That the road should be built upon a line to be approved by the Minister of Public Works, but which was defined generally, as ascending the valley of the Bonnechère from the vicinity of Douglas Village, *viâ* Golden Lake and Round Lake, and thence by as direct a line as may be found, to Burnt Lake, and thence to the proposed terminus of the Georgian Bay Branch—about the 85th mile from Georgian Bay.

2nd. That the Company should, within one month, satisfy the Minister of Public Works that they had entered into a *bonâ fide* contract for the building of the Railway.

3rd. That running powers should be given to certain roads on stated conditions.

4th. That the Government or the lessees of the Government line from Georgian Bay, should possess running powers on similar terms to the Companies designated.

5th. That payment of the subsidy should be made on the completion of the Railway in sections of not less than 20 miles, upon the certificate of an Engineer to be appointed by the Government.

That in consequence of the annulling of the contract for building the Georgian Bay Branch, it was considered best to complete the survey of the country to be traversed, which had been to a great extent executed by the Engineers of the Contractor, with the result of raising some doubts as to the best direction.

That it was deemed unadvisible to urge the Canada Central Railway Company to proceed with the building of the subsidized line until the more complete examination and survey of the country should have been accomplished.

That Mr. *Hazlewood*, the Engineer originally charged with making an examination of the country from the mouth of French River to the neighbourhood of Douglas and Pembroke, reported that a line, with fair gradients and average work, was practicable, in the direction indicated by the Order in Council referred to.

That the Engineers of the Canada Central, and those employed by Mr. *Foster*, reported more serious obstacles in grades and engineering work, and difficulties after leaving the lower part of the Bonnechère valley; and though the Chief Engineer stated that he believed that a more thorough exploration would prove that they were mistaken, it became necessary to ascertain the facts with greater particularity.

That Mr. *Lumsden* was therefore despatched early in the season of 1876, with a strong party to do the work.

That this Engineer has reported, as the result of the season's operations, that a fair line can be obtained on Mr. *Hazlewood's* plan, but that for a considerable distance the work will be somewhat heavy in consequence of the prevalence of rock cutting, and that the maximum grade rising eastward would be 52·80 feet per mile in an aggregrate distance of about seven miles, and that there are three miles of the same grade rising westward. That this grade though not excessive, is much higher than Mr. *Hazlewood* expected.

That the Engineer employed by the Canada Central Railway Company has reported that so far as works of construction are concerned, a more favorable line could be obtained ascending from Pembroke on a line nearly parallel with the Ottawa River, and distant from the same after leaving the Petewawa River, an average of 8 or 10 miles, and touching in its course the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing.

That the same Engineer reports generally, that the alignment of the road is good, and that it will not exceed six per cent. of curvature; that from Pembroke to Nipissing Road, five rivers are crossed, four requiring bridges of a span of 100 feet, and one (the Petewawa), a span of 400 feet; that forty miles are through a spruce, tamarac and hardwood country, and 90 miles through burnt woods and open country, the soil generally being of a sandy or gravelly character, with considerable reaches of clayey sand and sandy loam.

That the estimated distance from Pembroke to the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing is about 130 miles. This point is about 20 miles farther west than the point previously determined on as the eastern terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway (thus saving to the public the construction of about 20 miles of railway.) From this point westward to Cantin's Bay, the projected station on French River, the distance is between 50 and 55 miles.

That the Canada Central Railway Co., in a letter dated the 10th February, 1877, proposed that the Company should build the Westward extension from Pembroke on this line, to the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing for a total bonus of $1,440,000, being at the rate of $12,000 per mile upon 120 miles; that payment of the subsidy should be made on the basis of 80 per cent. of the expenditure, the drawback of 20 per cent to be paid on the completion of every ten miles, the line to be completed within three (3) years, and 75 per cent. of the value of rails delivered on the ground to be paid as the rails are delivered.

That Mr. *Fleming*, Engineer-in-Chief, to whom the proposal was referred, reports as follows:—

"CANADA PACIFIC RAILWAY,
"OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF,
"OTTAWA, February 16th, 1877.

"The Hon. *A. Mackenzie*,
"Minister of Public Works.

"SIR,—I have the honor to report on the proposal made by the Canada Central Railway Co., in the communication addressed to you of date 10th inst.

"I do not altogether concur with the view expressed as to the impossibility of "finding a line and building a first class Railway on the route originally laid down "by the valley of the Bonnechère. It is due, I think, to an officer on my staff, Mr. "*Hazlewood*, to state that the surveys which have since been made substantially con- "firm the report on the reconnaissance which he made in 1874. He was instructed "to walk over the ground and report if it would be practicable to build a Railway "across the country in a direct course. On his return he reported that he felt quite "safe in stating that a Railway could be located on a direct course between the "mouth of French River and Burnt Lake ; in fact that the departure from a straight "line would probably not increase the distance more than 5 per cent."

He further reported on the character of the country between Burnt Lake and Renfrew, *viâ* the valley of the Bonnechère River, and expressed the opinion that there would not be any great difficulty in finding a practicable line for the Railway.

"While I have, as yet, seen nothing to alter my own views with respect to the "general accuracy of Mr. *Hazlewood's* report, I am satisfied that there are no "engineering objections to the proposal now submitted by the Canada Central Railway "Company to extend the line westerly from Pembroke instead of from Renfrew.

"Indeed the information obtained goes to show that a line with more favorable "gradients may be obtained on the route now proposed to be adopted by the Canada "Central, and that it will serve the interests of the Country fully as well. I have "therefore, no hesitation in recommending that the proposal be favorably enter- "tained.

"I think it would be we'l to stipulate with the Canada Central Company that "the gradients ascending westerly may be as high as 52·80 per mile, but that the "maximum ascending in the opposite direction should be 26·40 per mile; and that "the curvature and general alignment should be approved by the Department."

"(Signed) SANDFORD FLEMING."

That the House of Assembly of the Province of Quebec on February 13th, 1875, passed a Resolution which was communicated to the Government of Canada stating that "according to the reports of eminent men on the nature and configuration of "the ground, it appears that a trace which would follow the Matawan would present "the cheapest, the easiest, the shortest route for the development of the vast commerce "of the West and of the Pacific, as well for the branch of the Pacific to the East of the "Georgian Bay as for the line to be subsidized by the Government * * * * "and that in the event the exploration proves that a preferable line to that of the "Matawan exists to the South of the River Ottawa, the line to be subsidized by the "Government, be brought to Pembroke and not to Renfrew, where a junction with "the railway system of the Province of Quebec is impossible, seeing the enormous "expense which it would entail."

That since that period the Government of Quebec have commenced the construction of Railways on the northern side of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers, and the Railway from Montreal westward to Ottawa has been completed by that Government.

That though the line would be lengthened by this deflection to the northward, the western end of the subsidized line would, as stated, reach a point much further to the westward of the previously proposed terminus, or junction with that portion of the Canada Pacific Railway proposed to be built under the terms of the Act, to the French River, and would thus save to the public the cost of constructing about 20 miles of railway.

The Committee of Council, after fully considering the facts as already summarized, recommend,—

First.—That the proposition of the Canada Central Railway Company to extend the line to such point as may be selected by the Government as the terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway at or near the crossing of the Nipissing Road at the South East Corner of Lake Nipissing for the sum of one million and four hundred and forty thousand dollars ($1,440,000) should be accepted, upon the condition as to grades recommended by the Chief Engineer—and that the total payment to be made shall not, under any circumstances, exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) per mile.

Second.—That the Company shall, within three months of the ratification of this Order in Council by the House of Commons, satisfy the Minister of Public Works that they have entered into a *bonâ fide* contract or contracts, for the building of the Railway, and have provided sufficient means, with the Government bonus, to secure the completion of the line—and also that the Company shall, from the date of such contracts, make continuously such progress as will justify the hope of the completion of the line within the time mentioned.

Third.—That the Company shall enter into an agreement to grant running powers, on terms to be approved by the Governor in Council, to the Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, now in process of construction, from Montreal, on the northern side of the Ottawa River, or any railway in extension thereof, from any point of intersection west of the Town of Renfrew, that may be approved of by the Governor in Council, and also to the Kingston and Pembroke Railway Company, from the point of intersection of their line, provided such point of intersection is at or west of Renfrew, and to such other Companies as may have the termini of their systems on or towards Lake Huron, and which may be designated by the Governor in Council as entitled to such running powers: Provided that the terms of such running powers to any of the said Companies or roads may be mutually agreed upon by the Canada Central Railway Company and the Quebec Government, and the other Companies named, and in the event of disagreement, the conditions to be settled by arbitration, one arbitrator to be selected by each party, and one by the Governor in Council.

The Government of Canada and the lessees or future owners of the Government line westward of the western terminus of the subsidized line, shall possess running powers in the said Railway on similar terms to the Companies designated.

Fourth.—That payments be made to the extent of eighty (80) per cent. of the said bonus of $12,000 per mile on the completion of every ten miles—one-half of such payment may be advanced when work equal to five miles is completed on any one section, on the certificate of the Chief Engineer that satisfactory progress is being made—and payment to the extent of sixty (60) per cent. may be made on work extending over twenty-five miles, upon the certificate of the Chief Engineer that such work is equal to ten miles of completed track.

The balance to be paid on the entire completion of the Railway to the Nipissing Road at the south-east corner of Lake Nipissing; Provided that payments may be made upon rails delivered, to the extent of seventy-five (75) per cent. of the market value thereof—the amount so paid on rails to be deducted from each settlement of ten miles.

All payments to be made on the certificate of the Chief Engineer.

They further recommend that payments be made to the extent of eighty (80) per cent. of the work actually executed, on the completion of every ten miles, in the proportion which ten thousand dollars per mile bears to the actual cost of each Section.

The Company, however, to have the option of substituting the payment by the Government of the interest (or part of the interest) on bonds of the Company, running over such terms of years as may be hereafter approved by the Governor in Council, in lieu of the mileage subsidy referred to.

The terms and conditions in all other respects to be same as above provided.

The grant to be operative only after the ratification of this Order in Council by resolution of the House of Commons.

Certified. W. A. Himsworth,
Clerk, Privy Council.

Mr. *Cameron* moved in amendment thereto, that all the words after "that" to the end of the said motion be left out, and the following words inserted instead thereof:—

"In the opinion of this House no subsidy should be granted to the Canada Central Railway Company for the construction of a Railway to connect with the Eastern Terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway, or the Georgian Bay Branch thereof, except upon an agreement being entered into by the Company to grant running powers on terms to be approved of by the Governor in Council to all Railways intersecting or connecting with the said Railway, in accordance with the provisions of the 'Canada Pacific Railway Act, 1874;'" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Gibbs (*Ontario South*),	Montplaisir,
Benoit,	Gill,	Mousseau,
Bolduc,	Harwood,	Orton,
Bourbeau,	Hurteau,	Ouimet,
Bowell,	Jones (*Leeds*),	Pinsonneault,
Bunster,	Kirkpatrick,	Platt,
Cameron,	Langevin,	Robinson,
Campbell,	Lanthier,	Robitaille,
Caron,	Little,	Rochester,
Costigan,	Macdonald (*Kingston*),	Roy,
Cuthbert,	McDonald (*Cape Breton*),	Ryan,
Daoust,	McDougall (*Three Rivers*),	Short,
Dewdney,	Macmillan,	Stephenson,
Dugas,	McCallum,	Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Farrow,	McCarthy,	Tupper,
Ferguson,	McQuade,	Wade,
Flesher,	Méthot,	Wallace (*Norfolk*), and
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),	Monteith,	White (*Hastings*).—54.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Fiset,	McGregor,
Aylmer,	Fleming,	McIntyre,
Bain,	Flynn,	McNab,
Barthe,	Forbes,	Metcalfe,
Béchard,	Galbraith,	Mills,
Bernier,	Geoffrion,	Oliver,
Bertram,	Gibson,	Paterson,
Biggar,	Gillies,	Perry,
Blackburn,	Gillmor,	Pettes,
Blain,	Goudge,	Pickard,
Borden,	Greenway,	Power,
Borron,	Hagar,	Ray,
Bourassa,	Hall,	Richard,
Bowman,	Higinbotham,	Ross (*Middlesex*),
Boyer,	Holton,	Rymal,
Brown,	Horton,	Scatcherd,
Buell,	Huntington,	Shibley,
Burk,	Jetté,	Sinclair,
Burpee (*St. John*),	Jones (*Halifax*),	Skinner,
Cartwright,	Kerr,	Smith (*Peel*),
Casey,	Kirk,	Smith (*Selkirk*),

Casgrain,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Coffin,
Coupal,
Currier,
DeCosmos,
De St. Georges,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Laflamme,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wood, and
Young.—94.

Mr. *Bowell* then moved in amendment, that the following be added to the said motion :—"That in ratifying the said Order in Council this House desires to express its opinion that no payment should be made to the Canada Central Railway Company on account of the subsidy for the construction of a Railway to connect with the Eastern Terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway or the Georgian Bay Branch thereof, upon rails delivered to the extent of 75 per cent. of the market value thereof, except upon rails delivered at some point of the line to be constructed, and upon condition that such rails do become the property of the Government, until they are laid on the road for use;" which was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Benoit,
Bolduc,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Caron,
Costigan,
Cuthbert,
Daoust,
Dewdney,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Flesher,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Méthot,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Roy,
Ryan,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wallace (*Norfolk*,)
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*), and
Wright (*Pontiac*).—53.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Aylmer,
Bain,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Borden,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Power,

Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Coffin,
Coupal,
Currier,
DeCosmos,
De St. Georges,
Dymond,
Greenway,
Hagar,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Kirk,
Laflamme,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
Ray,
Richard,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wood,
Wright (*Ottawa*), and
Young.—96.

The question being then put on the main motion; it was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,
Aylmer,
Baby,
Bain,
Barthe,
Béchard,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bourbeau,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brown,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Caron,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flesher,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gill,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Hagar,
Hall,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Landerkin,
Langevin,
McIntyre,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Méthot,
Mills,
Montplaisir,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Power,
Ray,
Richard,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
Stephenson,
St. Jean,

Christie,
Church,
Coffin,
Coupal,
Currier,
Daoust,
DeCosmos,
Desjardins,
De St. Georges,
Dewdney,
Langlois,
Lanthier,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McGregor,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*),
White (*Renfrew*),
Wood,
Wright (*Ottawa*),
Wright (*Pontiac*), and
Young.—115.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Bowell,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Costigan,
Cuthbert,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Little,
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Monteith,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,
Platt,
Plumb,
Robinson,
Roy,
Ryan,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*), and
White (*Hastings*).—32.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *McCarthy* moved in amendment thereto, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be "*Resolved*, That The House regrets that in the face of annual deficits during the period in which the present Administration have been in power, amounting to $3,360,812.72 cents, (as appears from the Public Accounts), the annual expenditure has not been curtailed so as to confine it within the Revenue, and instead of practically adopting a policy of retrenchment, the Government have expended more in each of the years 1874-75, 1875-76, and 1876-77, than the largest amount ever expended prior to the year 1874-75;"—which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Benoit,
Bernier,
Bolduc,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Cameron,
Campbell,
Caron,
Costigan,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Desjardins,
Dewdney,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Gibbs (*Ontario North*),
Gibbs (*Ontario South*),
Gill,
Haggart,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kirkpatrick,
Langevin,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
McDonald (*Cape Breton*),
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCarthy,
McQuade,
Méthot,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Plumb,
Robinson,
Robitaille,
Roy,
Ryan,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Wade,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White (*Hastings*),
White (*Renfrew*), and
Wright (*Pontiac*).—52.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Aylmer,
Bain,
Béchard,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blake,
Borden,
Borron,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cheval,
Christie,
Church,
Coffin,
De St. Georges,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Goudge,
Greenway,
Hagar,
Higinbotham,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Kerr,
Kirk,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
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McDougall (*Renfrew*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McNab,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Perry,
Pickard,
Power,
Ray,
Richard,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Trow,
Wallace (*Albert*)
Wood, and
Young.—86.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

270 Required to meet estimated expenditure for Extra Clerks in the Department of Agriculture..... $ 6,000 00

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

271 To provide for sundry expenses in connexion with the Maritime Court of Ontario, including Seals for the Court, Judges' travelling expenses, Court Books, &c..... 300 00

PENITENTIARIES.

272 Staff—Increase to salary of Surgeon, Manitoba Penitentiary..... 200 00

LEGISLATION.

273 To meet expenditure in connection with Senate Hansard..... ... 3,000 00

MILITIA.

274	Additional amount required for Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges.....	$10,000 00

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	Brantford Public Offices	25,000 00
278	Fredericton Public Offices.....	13,000 00

The following Resolution being proposed, *viz.* :—

279	Sydney, C.B.—Quarantine Hospital.....	2,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 8TH MAY, 1878.

The said Resolution was then adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

280	Pickering Harbour.....	$5,000 00
281	Matane Harbour	10,000 00
	Chicoutimi Harbour (to pay St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company for money expended).....	4,151 65
282	Woodward's Cove, Grand Manan.....	2,500 00
	Roche Bay Pier, Anderson's Hollow.....	3,000 00
	Clifton Breakwater.....	1,000 00
283	Margaree, C.B.....	3,000 00
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284	Big Miminegash, P.E.I.....	4,000 00
	Wood Island Breakwater.....	4,000 00
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287	To pay expenses of Survey of Coast in vicinity of Capes Tormentine and Traverse on Prince Edward Island and Mainland, and a suggested Railway connection between said Capes to Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways, with a view to secure winter communication with the Island.....	5,000 00

OCEAN AND RAILWAY SERVICE.

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COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

Weights and Measures.

295	Amount required to provide for the carrying out of the Act in British Columbia	500 00

Public Works.

296	Towards building Telegraph Line from Victoria to Nanaimo, B.C.	7,000 00

Dominion Lands.

297	Surveys—Amount required for Township Surveys, Saskatchewan	10,000 00
	do Highways, Manitoba	2,500 00
	Offices—To provide for rent, stationery, &c., for three new offices	1,900 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 20 minutes after 2 o'clock A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 7TH MAY, 1878.

No. 65.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 8TH MAY, 1878.

2 o'clock P.M.

PRAYERS.

The Bill No. 78 to authorize the advance of certain sums to the Province of Manitoba in aid of Public Schools therein, was read a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

256	Intercolonial Railway—Balance of appropriation for 1876-77 unexpended 30th Sept., 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant on account of freight cars (Revote)	$76,736 72
257	Intercolonial Railway—Balance of appropriation for 1876-77 unexpended 30th Sept., 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant on account of expenses before Supreme Court (Revote)	8,575 14
258	Intercolonial Railway—Amount awarded by arbitrators to Chipman estate for land taken for St. John Station	33,000 00
259	Intercolonial Railway—Amount required for constructing conductors', cattle and fish freight cars	16,000 00
260	Intercolonial Railway—Amount required to complete construction of railway	78,500 00
261	Prince Edward Island Railway—To pay Messrs. Schrieber & Burpee in full settlement of all claims in connection with their contract for building the railway	4,551 86
262	Pacific Railway—Fort William to Sunshine Creek	80,000 00
	Sunshine Creek to English River	288,000 00
	Rat Portage to Cross Lake	373,000 00
	Cross Lake to Red River	13,100 00
	Telegraph lines and roadway	9,800 00
	Fort Frances Lock	60,000 00
263	Carillon and Grenville Canal—Land taken	459 57
264	Lachine Canal—Further amount required to pay for enlargement	485,600 00
265	Cornwall Canal do do do	50,005 00
267	Welland Canal do do do	138,500 00

268	Rideau Canal—Draw-bridge.....	$6,000 00
269	Ottawa Buildings—Unexpended balance of appropriation of 1876-77 for "Tower," carried forward 30th Sept., 1877, by Special Warrant (Revote).....	8,965 15
	Unexpended balance of appropriation of 1876-77 for "Western Block Extension," carried forward 30th Sept., 1877, by Special Warrant (Revote).....	142,325 86

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendments made by this House, to the Bill No. 75 of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting the traffic in Intoxicating Liquors," without amendment.

Also,—acquainting this House, that the Senate doth insist in their amendments made to the Bill No. 52 to amend the Canadian Pacific Railway Act, 1874, to which this House hath disagreed, and for the following reason, *viz.*:—

1st. That the Senate doth insist on the said amendments for the reason that without them the Bill would provide for the disposal of public property for a term of years, without obtaining the sanction of both Houses to the terms of the transfer.

2nd. And for the reason that the terms of the lease of a railway running to a foreign country, and forming the only outlet from the Province of Manitoba and the North-West Territories until the completion of the Pacific Railway, easterly from Red River, involve questions of public policy likely materially to affect the course of traffic, and the prosperity of the Dominion, and is one of those agreements, which should be laid on the Table of the Senate, as well as on that of the Commons, before becoming operative.

3rd. And for the reason that the practice of Parliament referred to in the first reason given in the Message from the House of Commons has never extended beyond contracts for the completion of Public Works, for which money voted by the Commons is in the course of being expended, other contracts having been constantly submitted for the approval of both Houses, for example:—

(*a.*) The transfer of the Windsor Branch Railway, Nova Scotia, to the Western Counties Railway, and for the working it in the meantime—Resolution of the Commons, 23rd May, 1873, and of the Senate of the same day—Chapter 16 of the Statutes of 1874.

(*b.*) The transfer of the Pictou and Truro Railway, authorized to be made to any Company constructing a Railway to the Gut of Canso, and to provide for its temporary disposition in the meantime—Resolution of the House of Commons, 19th May, 1874—Chapter 46 of the Statutes of 1877.

(*c.*) Contract for the Ocean Mail Service in 1869 (32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 5), and that in 1873 (36 *Victoria*, Chapter 33), on account of their general bearing on the trade and business of the Dominion, were made subject to ratification by both Houses of Parliament.

4th. The Pacific Railway Act of 1874, was only submitted to the Senate towards the very close of the Session, and was in Committee the day before the prorogation, the Bill was not considered Clause by Clause, and the provisions for leasing a Branch Railway to connect the Eastern terminus of the Pacific Railway with existing or proposed lines of Railway, escaped observation, or it would not have been sanctioned.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Saturday, the 4th instant, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

XII.—PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

Railways.

79	Intercolonial			$20,000 00
80	do	Extension into Halifax		20,000 00
81	do	To Deep Water at St. John		100,000 00
82	Pacific	Fort William to Sunshine Creek	$5,500 00	
	do	Sunshine Creek to English River	214,000 00	
	do	Rat Portage to Cross Lake	1,033,000 00	
	do	Cross Lake to Red River	52,500 00	
	do	Telegraph Lines and Roadway	164,700 00	
	do	Fort Frances Lock	10,000 00	
	do	Main Land, British Columbia	500,000 00	
	do	Pembina Branch	550,000 00	
	do	Spikes	20,000 00	
				2,549,700 00
83	Prince Edward Island Railway			49,000 00
184	For the expenses of Government in the North-West Territories			17,000 00

II.—CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

1	Financial Inspector		2,600 00	
	Office of Assistant Receiver-General	Toronto	7,600 00	
	do	Montreal	5,500 00	
	Auditor and	Halifax, N.S	10,000 00	
	do	St. John, N.B	11,400 00	
	do	Fort Garry	6,500 00	
	do	Victoria, B.C	7,000 00	
	do	Charlottet'n, P.E.I.	4,000 00	
	Country Savings Banks, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia		12,000 00	
	Seigniorial Tenure and Commission		2,500 00	
				69,100 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Monday, the 6th instant, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows :—

CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

208	For additional amount required for Seigniorial Tenure Commission	$ 1,500 00

PENITENTIARIES.

209	Kingston	Staff, salaries	450 00
		Clothing	35 00
		Capital Account, new machinery	415 00
210	St. Vincent de Paul	Staff, Gratuities to retiring Officers	1,100 00
		Convicts' maintenance	2,035 47
		Repairs to buildings	200 00
		Capital Account, to complete Tramway	780 00
		Farm and Stables, to replace loss by fire	6,200 06
211	St. John	Staff, salaries	360 00
		Convicts' maintenance	5,630 00
		Maintenance of machinery	300 00
		Material for manufacture	600 00

212	Manitoba—Convicts' maintenance	$2,700 00
	Farm	827 40
	Maintenance of buildings	357 14
	Capital Account: Furnishings for the new building, lumber, machinery and surgical instruments	1,952 42

LEGISLATION.

213	House of Commons—Amount required for the publication of the Debates	10,000 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

214	Criminal Statistics—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	4,558 75
215	Sydney Exhibition—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	6,959 81
216	Paris Exhibition—Amount required to complete the service for the year	50,000 00

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

217	Mennonite Loan—Balance of 1876-77 (Revote)	7,600 00

MILITIA.

218	Ammunition—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	23,854 99
219	Clothing—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	10,078 12
220	Military Stores—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	25,642 21
221	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	2,771 54
222	Ordnance and Equipment of Garrison Artillery—Balance of Appropriation of 1876-77 unexpended on 30th September, 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	9,626 48
223	Mounted Police, N.W.T.—Amount required to pay for supplies furnished in previous years	10,772 78
	Amount required to cover expenditure incurred for buildings in 1875-76	8,110 43
	Amount required for buildings, 1877-78	10,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

224	Beaver Rock, B.C.—Unexpended balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	9,800 00
225	Guelph Custom House—Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	6,378 26
	Toronto Post Office—To pay amount of Official Arbitrators' Award to Contractors, &c., partly paid out of "Unforeseen Expenses," *vide* Parliamentary Paper	20,000 00

226	Quebec and Lévis Fortifications, Repairs—Expenditure required for this service	$7,200 00
	Montreal Examining Warehouse—Estimated cost for completion of building	10,000 00
	Montreal Post Office—Amount required for completion of building	16,037 07
227	St. John, N.B., Public Buildings—Amount of Special Warrant granted for clearing away debris and rebuilding, during the year, the Public Buildings destroyed by fire	50,000 00
228	Buildings, Battleford, N.W.T.—Amount of Special Warrant granted to complete these buildings	30,000 00
	Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant, on 30th September, 1877 (Revote)	4,587 88
229	Penitentiary, B.C.—Amount of Unexpended Balance, 30th September, 1877, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	19,106 89
230	Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa—To pay for increased consumption during the year	5,000 00
231	Cobourg Harbour—Part of Unexpended Balance of 1876-77 (Revote)	6,533 31
232	Shippegan Breakwater, N.B.—Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	9,630 37
233	Cow Bay, C.B.—Unexpended Balance of 1876-77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	1,343 87
234	Colville Bay, Souris Breakwater—Balance due to Contractor	8,500 00

LIGHTHOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

235	Maintenance—To replace Dioptric Apparatus for Machias Seal Island Light destroyed in St. John Fire	3,000 00
	To replace Oil destroyed in St. John fire	3,500 00
	Repairing damages at Rondeau Lighthouse	1,500 00
	Repairing damages to Breakwater, Goderich Lighthouse	2,600 00
	New Light Ship for the Traverse	6,000 00

FISHERIES.

236	Fish-breeding, &c.—For new Fish-breeding Establishment, Prince Edward Island	2,500 00
	For new Fish-breeking Establishment, Cape Breton	2,500 00

SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

237	To aid in constructing and maintaining Telegraph Line between Matane and Fox River	5,000 00

STEAMBOAT INSPECTION.

238	To complete remeasurement of Steamers in Inland waters	300 00

INDIANS.

239	Indians, Manitoba and North-West—Further amount required for this service	10,927 66

MISCELLANEOUS.

240	Halifax Commission—Amount required to cover expenditure (partly to be refunded)	57,000 00

241	To pay the Hon. Sir Alex. T. Galt, K.C.M.G., for services rendered as Commissioner, Halifax	$12,000 00
242	Parliamentary Companion—To pay for 350 copies	525 00
243	Commutation of Duties, Army and Navy—Further amount required for this service	4,000 00
244	To pay His Grace Archbishop Taché balance of his expenses incurred on the occasion of his return from Rome in 1870, at the request of the Government of Canada	3,000 00
245	His Excellency the Governor General's visit to Manitoba—Balance of expenditure incurred and paid through "Unforseen Expenses." *Vide* Parliamentary paper	1,778 45
246	Grasshopper Relief—Unexpended balance of 1876–77, carried forward by Special Warrant (Revote)	381 81

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

CUSTOMS.

247	Amount required to complete this service (Manitoba and N.W.T.)	2,500 00

EXCISE.

248	Preventive Service—Amount required to complete this service....	2,000 00

INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

249	Amount required to complete this service	2,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS.

250	Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways—To meet expenditure caused by increased traffic	100,000 00
251	Canals—For payment of one year's salary to Mr. Woodruff, in recognition of his services as Superintendent of Welland Canal, after 28 years' service	3,000 00
252	Telegraph Line—Haro Strait, B.C.	3,500 00

POST OFFICE.

253	To pay Grand Trunk Railway for claim for daily transport of mails over 149 miles of railway, between the Canada Boundary Line and Danville Junction (Maine), from 1st July, 1867, to 31st December, 1874, when by Postal Convention with the United States, the conveyance of these mails was assumed by the United States Post Office	7,776 22

DOMINION LANDS.

254	Further required to complete this service	12,500 00

UNPROVIDED ITEMS OF 1876–77.

255	*Vide* Public Accounts, 1876–77, part ii, page 338	188,965 64

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Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 27th March, last; for a Statement shewing all contracts given since 1867, including those of the Intercolonial Railway, those awarded to the lowest tender, and those given to others; the difference between the price given and that stated in the lowest tender, and the reasons why the contract was not awarded to the lowest tender; and all Orders in Council relating to the same.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 53 to provide for the better auditing of the Public Accounts, were taken into consideration, and concurred in.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 14 further securing the Independence of Parliament, were taken into consideration.

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, the first amendment, page 1 line 10. Leave out from "attached" to "No" in line 12,—and the second amendment, page 1 line 13. Leave out "Clerk of the Peace," were disagreed to, for the following reasons:—

Because the independence of this House (which it is the object of the first Clause amended to secure) might be impaired if persons entitled to superannuation or retiring allowances were eligible for seats in this House, as some of such recipients might be called into active service by the Administration of the day under the penalty of abandoning their provisions or allowances.

Because it might lead to the superannuation of civil servants in order to make them eligible for Election to this House whereby the public service would be injured and the independence of the House affected

Because another class, *viz:* Judges, are entitled to retiring allowances only when suffering from bodily or mental infirmity disabling them from work or are retired under the discretionary power of the Government for reasons alleged to affect the administration of Justice. It would therefore tend to affect the independence of the Bench as well as interfere with the independence of this House.

As to the second amendment:—

Because it is contrary to sound policy to allow the Clerks of the Peace who are in several Provinces the custodians of the lists of voters which must be used at the Election of Members of the House of Commons to become Candidates.

The third amendment was agreed to, and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, to acquaint them with the foregoing reasons.

The Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill No. 4 to amend the Law relating to Stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, were taken into consideration, and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That there shall be to-morrow two distinct sittings; the first to begin at 2 o'clock P.M., and end at 6 o'clock P.M.,—the second to begin at half past seven o'clock P.M., and continue until the adjournment of The House.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

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2 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

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

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

Return to Address,—Papers connected with the Windsor and Annapolis Railway; The Windsor Branch and Western Counties Railway.

Return to Order,—Report of exploration made by Mr. *Bell*, C.E., on the proposed route of the Canada Pacific Railway, from Nipigon to Thunder Bay, &c.

Return to Address (Senate),—Return of all Duties of Excise for the Dominion for July, August, September, October, November and December, 1877, &c.

Return to Address (Senate),—Bill of Complaint and the Decree in the suit of Her Majesty's Attorney General for Canada *vs. Hawes*, now pending in the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice in England.

The Committee would also respectfully recommend that their recommendation as contained in their Ninth Report that, "The Reports and documents in reference to the location of the line and a *Western Terminal Harbour, Canadian Pacific Railway*" *be not printed*, be *rescinded*, and would now, on re-consideration, respectfully recommend that they *be printed*.

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

Return to Address,—Orders in Council relating to the balances of appropriations of 1876-7, which may have lapsed and been carried over to the following year.

Return to Order,—Return of ranks and names of all officers who have attended and taken long or short course certificates at the "A" or "B" Battery Schools of Gunnery.

Return to Order,—Statement of all sales or leases of the Islands in the River St. Lawrence, lying between Brockville and Kingston.

Return to Address,—Correspondence with the creditors of one *Olivier Latour*, in relation to alleged forfeiture of Charter by La Banque Nationale, by reason of its illegally trading in Lumber, &c.

Return to Address,—Order in Council fixing the rate of Tolls to be collected by the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company on Sawlogs and Timber.

Mr. *Huntington* presented the four following Returns, *viz.:*—

Return to the Order of The House of the 1st April, last; for a Statement shewing the amounts paid annually for carrying the Mail between Kamouraska and the Railway Station at St. Pascal, since the Express Train on the Intercolonial Railway began to deliver the Mail at that Station; also the names of the persons to whom such amounts have been paid, up to date.

Return to the Order of The House of the 27th March, last; for copies of correspondence in relation to closing Muir Post Office; for copies of correspondence in relation to dismissal of *Charles Lilley* as Postmaster in London East, and the appointment of Mr. *Mills* as Postmaster in his stead; also the cause of the change of locality of Post Office, from original, to present locality.

Return to Address of the 1st instant; for copies of all Correspondence, Reports and Memorials in reference to the change of Mail route between Great Village and Five Islands, *viâ* Portapique Mountain, in the County of Colchester.

Return to the Order of The House of the 11th March, last; for 1st. For copy of any complaint made in 1875 against *J. S. Vallée*, Esquire, Postmaster of Montmagny; 2nd. Copy of the Enquête held in 1875 by Mr. *Achille Talbot*, Deputy Post Office Inspector, on said complaint; 3rd. Copy of all correspondence to and from the Post Office Department on this subject; 4th. Copy of the subsequent Enquête held in connection with the matter by *W. E. Sheppard*, Esquire, Inspector of Post Offices at Quebec.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 4th March, last; for a Return of all fees paid by the Government of Canada to, and the names of all Counsel, Solicitors, or Attorneys employed in connection with the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into the affairs of the Northern Railway; also the names of all Counsel, Solicitors or Attorneys that have been employed by the Dominion Government or by any Department or Head of Department of said Government, and a statement of all fees paid to such persons by the Government or received by them for services in connection with the business of the Government of Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, the Ninth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in, with the exception of that part which relates to the printing of the Report of Mr. *Fleming* on the Pacific Railway;—and also the Tenth and Eleventh Report of the same Committee, were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell* it was *Ordered*, That the Return to the Address of the Senate, dated the 8th March, 1877, and communicated to this House on the 4th April, last, relative to certain contracts for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mail from Sydney to Cow Bay, Little and Big Glace Bays and Bridgeport, in the County of Cape Breton, be returned to the Senate, and that the Clerk of The House do deliver the same.

On motion of Mr. *Dewdney* it was *Ordered*, That the Accountant of this House be authorized to pay to *T. R. McInnes*, M. P., the newly elected Member for the Electoral District of New Westminster, the full amount of his indemnity, as if he had been in attendance in this House for the full number of days of the Session.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, yesterday, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

256 Intercolonial Railway—Balance of appropriation for 1876-77 unexpended 30th Sept., 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant on account of freight cars (Revote)..... $76,736 72

257 Intercolonial Railway—Balance of appropriation for 1876-77 unexpended 30th Sept., 1877, and carried forward by Special Warrant on account of expenses before Supreme Court (Revote)..... 8,575 14

258	Intercolonial Railway—Amount awarded by arbitrators to Chipman estate for land taken for St. John Station	$33,000 00
259	Intercolonial Railway—Amount required for constructing conductors', cattle and fish freight cars	16,000 00
260	Intercolonial Railway—Amount required to complete construction of railway	78,500 00
261	Prince Edward Island Railway—To pay Messrs. Schrieber & Burpee in full settlement of all claims in connection with their contract for building the railway	4,551 86
262	Pacific Railway—Fort William to Sunshine Creek	80,000 00
	Sunshine Creek to English River	288,000 00
	Rat Portage to Cross Lake	373,000 00
	Cross Lake to Red River	13,100 00
	Telegraph lines and roadway	9,800 00
	Fort Frances Lock	60,000 00
263	Carillon and Grenville Canal—Land taken	459 57
264	Lachine Canal—Further amount required to pay for enlargement	485,600 00
265	Cornwall Canal do do do	50,000 00
267	Welland Canal do do do	138,500 00
268	Rideau Canal—Draw-bridge	6,000 00
269	Ottawa Buildings—Unexpended balance of appropriation of 1876-77 for "Tower," carried forward 30th Sept., 1877, by Special Warrant (Revote)	8,965 15
	Unexpended balance of appropriation of 1876-77 for "Western Block Extension," carried forward 30th Sept., 1877, by Special Warrant (Revote)	142,325 86

The said Resolutions were then referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The House accordingly went into Committee of Ways and Means.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

1. *Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year, ending 30th June, 1878, the sum of $2,721,404.33 cents be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

2. *Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year, ending 30th June, 1879, the sum of $19,458,856.95 cents be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to,—and the Committee to sit again, at the second sitting of The House, this day.

Mr. *Cartwright* then introduced a Bill No. 80 for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the public service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1878, and the 30th June, 1879; and for other purposes relating to the public service; which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading at the second sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned until half past seven o'clock P.M.

7.30 P.M.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 1st April, last; for a Return showing in detail all fees paid by the Department of Justice, or by any other Department, or in connection with the Intercolonial Railroad, to Counsel and Attorneys in connection with any business before the Supreme Court since its formation, and the names of the Counsel and Attorneys, and the several suits in respect of which such fees were paid.

The Bill No. 80 for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the public service for the financial years ending respectively 30th June, 1878, and 30th June, 1879, and for other purposes relating to the public service, was read the second and a third time, and passed.

Mr. Speaker communicated the following letter, which he had received:—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
OTTAWA, 9th May, 1878.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you, that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber to prorogue the Session of the Dominion Parliament, on Friday, the 10th instant, at 3 o'clock P.M.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
E. G. P. LITTLETON,
Governor General's Secretary.

The Honorable
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the two following Bills, without amendment, *viz.*:—

No. 78. To authorize the advance of certain sums to the Province of Manitoba, in aid of the Public Schools therein; and

No. 76. To amend the Act 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 8, intituled: "An Act to impose license duties on compounders of spirits; to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink, and Drugs."

Also,—acquainting this House, that the Senate doth not insist on its second amendment to the Bill No. 14 further securing the Independence of Parliament, to which this House doth disagree,—but that they do insist on its first amendment to which this House disagrees, and for the following reasons:—

1st. Because in view of our system of Government, under which the people of the different Provinces are represented in Local Legislatures, and in general Parliament, a large number of suitable representatives is needed as compared to the educated population and it is unwise to restrict the choice of the people by declaring ineligible a class likely to present from education and knowledge of affairs, persons with strong claims to the confidence of an electorate.

2nd. Because when once a Superannuation allowance is granted under the Statute, to retired Public Officers, it becomes an indefeasable right and cannot be withheld at the discretion of Ministers of the Crown, or except for cause defined in the Statute.

3rd. Because the Superannuation Act is administered under the responsibility of Ministers of the Crown to Parliament, and they would be amenable to the censure of Parliament for any infringement of public or private rights in connection therewith.

4th. Because the tenor of Imperial Legislation of late years has been to justify the presence of retired Civil Servants in both Houses of Parliament, on account of the great public advantage to be derived from their knowledge and experience in public affairs; and no inconvenience has resulted from their liability (under any circumstances very remote) of being recalled to the Public Service.

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, to acquaint their Honors, that this House doth not insist in its disagreement to the first amendment, and that it now agrees to the same.

Also,—agreeing to the two following Bills, with amendments, *viz.* :—

No. 77. For the better prevention of crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament. (On motion of Mr. *Laflamme*, the said amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in).

No. 68. To amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 11, intituled : "An Act to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada."

On motion of Mr. *Laflamme* it was *Resolved*, That this House doth disagree in the said amendments, for the following reasons :—

Because the first amendment by inserting the word "highest" will in effect destroy this Section, which was intended to remove doubts as to the provisions of the Law as it exists, respecting the Right of Appeal from the Court of final resort ;

Because the second amendment would deprive parties of the Right of Appeal to the Supreme Court, in matters wherein an appeal lies to the Privy Council—and because there seems to be no reason, why an appeal should be refused in matters relating to titles to land, annual rents, or such like matters or things, where the rights in future might be bound ; and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, to acquaint them with the foregoing reasons.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 10TH MAY, 1878.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to the Order of The House of the 1st instant; for the Return of the original papers made and signed by the Deputy Heads of the different Public Departments purporting to be made in obedience to the Order of this House of the fifth day of March, 1877, as follows:—The names of persons appointed to office between the 1st of January and the 7th of November, 1873, the names of the officials whose salaries were increased during the same period; the names of those so appointed whose appointments were cancelled subsequent to the 7th of November. A statement shewing whether the positions which were filled up by those whose appointments were cancelled have remained unfilled or have been since filled up—and if so when and by whom—and whether the salaries of those officials which were increased during the period named have been since reduced or increased, and shewing the reduction or increase in each office respectively.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill No. 80 for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the public service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1878 and the 30th June, 1879, and for other purposes relating to the public service, without amendment.

Also.—acquainting this House that the Senate doth insist upon the amendments made to the Bill No. 68 to amend the Act 38 *Victoria*, Chapter 11, intituled: "An Act to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada," to which this House disagreed, for the following reason:—

"As to the first amendment:—

"That it is unwise to allow an appeal, save from the Highest Court of final resort in each Province, and that the word "Highest" was inserted by the Senate's first amendment to prevent doubt on that point, and maintain the right of appeal as it now exists.

"As to the second amendment:—

"That the words struck out apply to cases involving the title to, or questions relating to, the laws of immovables in the Province of Quebec, laws derived from France which are not familiar to the majority of the members of the Supreme Court, nor is the French language, and that an appeal to Her Majesty's Privy Council from the Courts of their own Province affords in both respects a satisfactory tribunal to the people of Lower Canada; and that it is unwise to deprive them of the right they now enjoy in this respect."

Sir *Albert J. Smith* presented,—Return to Address of the 1st April, last; for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Sir *Hugh Allan* and the Montreal Telegraph Company, in relation to the construction of a Telegraph Line, between Matane and Fox River.

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

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with The House, went to the Senate Chamber;—when His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Bills, *viz* :—

An Act to incorporate the Fishwick's Express and Merchants' Forwarding Company (Limited.)

An Act further to amend the Act intituled "An Act respecting the Public Works of Canada."

An Act to incorporate "La Société de Construction du Comté d'Hochelaga" as a Permanent Building Society, and for other purposes.

An Act respecting the Port Whitby Harbour Company.

An Act to provide that persons charged with common assault shall be competent as witnesses.

An Act to grant relief to the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company.

An Act to incorporate the Missionary Society of The Bible Christian Church in Canada.

An Act to amend the Law respecting Deck Loads.

An Act respecting the Duty on Malt.

An Act to provide for the creation and registration of Homestead Exemption Estates in the Territories of Canada.

An Act to amend section sixty-eight of "The Penitentiary Act of 1875."

An Act respecting persons imprisoned in default of giving securities to keep the peace.

An Act to make provisions for the winding up of insolvent incorporated Fire or Marine Insurance Companies.

An Act to amend "An Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba."

An Act to grant certain powers to the Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada, and to change its name.

An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company, and the Canada Central Railway Company, and to provide for the amalgamation of the said Companies.

An Act to confer certain powers on the Montreal Building Association by the name of "The Montreal Investment and Building Company."

An Act to authorize the Stadacona Fire and Life Insurance Company to reduce its Capital Stock and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, Chapter eight, intituled: "An Act to impose license duties on compounders of spirits; to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, and to prevent the adulteration of Food, Drink and Drugs."

An Act to authorize the advance of certain sums to the Province of Manitoba, in aid of the Public Schools therein.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Election of Members of the House of Commons.

An Act respecting the Ontario Express and Transportation Company.

An Act to amend the Law respecting Building Societies carrying on business in the Province of Ontario.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Stamps on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

An Act to provide for the better auditing of Public Accounts.

An Act respecting the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors.
An Act further securing the Independence of Parliament.
An Act for the better prevention of crimes of violence in certain parts of Canada, until the end of the next Session of Parliament.

The Speaker of the House of Commons then said :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The Commons of Canada have voted the Supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service.

In the name of the Commons, I present to Your Excellency a Bill intituled : "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1878, and the 30th of June, 1879, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service," to which I humbly request Your Excellency's assent.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

After which His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to reserve the following Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon :—

An Act to repeal Section twenty-three of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1876," as to Ships in Canadian Waters.
An Act for the relief of *Hugh Hunter*.
An Act for the relief of *Victoria Elizabeth Lyon*.
An Act for the relief of *George Frothingham Johnston*.

His Excellency the Governor General was then pleased to address the two Houses in the following Speech :—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I am glad to be able to relieve you from further attendance in Parliament after a somewhat long and laborious Session.

I shall take the necessary steps, at an early day after the close of the financial year, to give effect to the measure you have passed for the better auditing of the Public Accounts.

I shall call the attention of Her Majesty's Government to your Address praying that all of British America, except Newfoundland, shall be, by imperial action, declared to be within the Dominion of Canada.

I rejoice that during the term of my administration this final step to consolidate British interests on the continent of America has been taken with so much unanimity, and that henceforth the Dominion Government will, under Her Majesty, exercise undisputed sway over the northern half of this continent.

I am happy to be able to state that, pending the final settlement of the question of boundary, a conventional line has been adopted by my Government and the Government of the United States, between Alaska and British Columbia on the Stickine River.

The large sums you have appropriated for the great works of internal improvement will be expended with the most rigid regard to economy, and in the expectation that the principal canals under construction may be nearly completed within the next financial year.

The settlement of Manitoba and the North-West Territories has been proceeding this year with unexampled rapidity, and if the efforts of my Government to obtain a railway connection with Winnipeg at a very early day should be successful, I anticipate, next year, a still larger increase to the population.

It is specially gratifying to find so many Canadians who had in former years emigrated to the United States now returning to the newly organized territories of their native land.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I thank you for the supplies which you have granted for the various public services.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

Nothing could have given me more gratification than the joint Address with which you have honored me on the eve of my departure.

My interest in Canada shall not cease when my mission as Her Majesty's Viceroy shall have terminated, and I am glad to know that you have taken so favourable a view of my efforts to fittingly represent our most gracious Queen in this the most important of Her Majesty's Colonial Possessions.

I now bid you farewell, and earnestly trust you may find in the future the manifold blessings which I shall ever pray may be continually showered upon you.

The Parliament of the Dominion of Canada was then prorogued to Wednesday, the 19th June, next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

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