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No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, APRIL 15TH, 1869.

The House having met;

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

The House attended accordingly; and being returned,

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

Of the Honorable *William Pierce Howland*, C.B., Member for the West Riding of the County of York (Ontario), by resignation.—

Of *Charles Boucher DeNiverville*, Esq., Member for the City of Three Rivers, by resignation.—

Of *Louis Leon Lesieur Desaulniers*, Esq., Member for the County of St. Maurice, by resignation.—

Of the Honorable *Charles Fisher*, Member for the Electoral District of York (New Brunswick), by acceptance of the Office of Judge of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick.

Of the Honorable *John Mercer Johnson*, Member for the Electoral District of Northumberland (New Brunswick), by decease.

Of *Thomas Sutherland Parker*, Esq., Member for the Centre Riding of the County of Wellington, by decease.

Of *Thomas Killam*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Yarmouth, by decease.

Of the Honorable *Joseph Howe*, Member for the Electoral District of Hants, by acceptance of the Office of President of the Privy Council;—

And of *William Joseph Croke*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Richmond (Nova Scotia), by decease,—and that he had issued his several warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out new writs of Election for the said places respectively.

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

Of *Amos Wright*, Esq., for the West Riding of the County of York (Ontario).

Of *William McDougall*, Esq., for the City of Three Rivers.

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

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

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

I have great satisfaction in having recourse to your advice, and I rejoice to think that on this, the first occasion on which I have had the honor of addressing you, we may congratulate ourselves on the aspect of public affairs at home and abroad, on the prevalence of peaceful counsels amongst nations, and on indications of agreement and tranquillity favorable alike to the development of foreign commerce and the prosecution of domestic industry.

The great scheme of Confederation was successfully inaugurated under the auspices of my Predecessor.

It is to me a source of pride to find my name in honorable association with the rising fortunes of the Dominion of Canada, and I shall count it a happiness, as well as a duty, to cooperate, to the utmost of my ability, in furthering your efforts to strengthen the ties that bind the different provinces together, and to ensure the attachment of the people to the soil, by the enactment of wise and equal laws.

Your efforts in these directions seem now, more than ever, likely to be called into action, inasmuch as the terms upon which great accessions are offered to the Dominion will be submitted for your immediate consideration.

In consequence of the Duke of *Buckingham* and *Chandos'* despatch of the 8th August of last year, stating that His Grace proposed to enter into negotiations with the Hudson's Bay Company, as to the terms on which they would be willing to surrender their rights and claims in the North-West Territory, Lord *Monck* sent home to England two members of the Privy Council as a deputation to watch the course of the proceedings and attend to the interests of Canada.

The Conference in London, and the correspondence on the subject have been brought to a definitive issue by the proposal which, after a full review of the circumstances, Earl *Granville* made on the part of Her Majesty's Government for the consideration of the people of Canada and of the Hudson's Bay Company.

I have received the intelligence that the Hudson's Bay Company has, after some deliberation, decided upon accepting the terms laid down by the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

I have directed that the report of the mission, and all the papers connected therewith, shall be duly laid before Parliament, and I commend them to your serious consideration, in view of the great importance of the subject no less than in the hope that this long vexed question may be closed without further delay.

I was much gratified by communications from the Governor of Newfoundland, expressing the desire for admission into the Union which prevails amongst the inhabitants of that Colony, and especially by his despatch of the 20th March last, covering copies of Resolutions which have been passed by the Council and Assembly, and which set forth the conditions they consider it desirable to advance.

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In accordance with the suggestion of Her Majesty's Government, an earnest attempt has been made to allay the discontent unhappily existing in Nova Scotia. The papers connected with this subject will be submitted for your favorable consideration.

In continuance of the course commenced last session, Bills will be presented to you for the assimilation of the Criminal laws existing in the several Provinces. No greater boon can be conferred on a Country than a well defined code of criminal law of general application and easy ascertainment.

Among other measures, Bills will be presented to you for the establishment of uniform and amended laws respecting Parliamentary Elections, Bankruptcy and Insolvency, and Patents of invention and discovery.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,—

The estimates for the expenditure of the coming financial year will be submitted to you. They have been framed with every economy compatible with the efficiency of the Public Service. I have also desired that the financial accounts of the past year shall be laid before you.

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

The charters of several Banks are drawing to a close, and the important subjects of Banking and Currency will be brought under your notice.

In considering these questions, which so deeply affect, not only the important interests of Commerce, but the daily transactions of life, I feel assured that you will endeavour to adopt such principles as, in their application, may ensure the greatest measure of safety to the Public, without curtailing the facilities requisite for the encouragement and extension of Trade.

I have enumerated a variety of topics, but they are of moment and press for decision within the limits of the Session. I commit them in all confidence to your deliberate judgment, earnestly hoping that a blessing may attend your counsels and enable you to discharge, with dignity and effect, the great trust to which the order of Providence has called you.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—BILL intituled, "An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Navigation of the River Sydenham."

Mr. *Jones*—(North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, 1st, Whether it is the intention of the Government to allow the Member for the North Riding of Norfolk, to retain his seat in this House, as a paid Commissioner of the Intercolonial Railway, without re-election. 2nd, Whether the Government has decided on the amount of salary to be paid to each of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners; if so, what is the amount. 3rd, Whether the trips of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners to the Maritime Provinces last Fall, were at the expense of the Dominion.

Mr. *Jones*—(North Leeds and Grenville)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the survey and management of the Intercolonial Railway, since the 1st April, 1868.

Mr. *Magill*—On Monday next—BILL intituled, "An Act to repeal certain clauses of the Act 27th and 28th Victoria, chapter 17, "An Act respecting Insolvency," and also to repeal certain clauses of the Act 29th Victoria, chapter 18, amending the same, viz., "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act," and generally to amend the said Acts respecting Insolvency."

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, APRIL 16TH, 1869.

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

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

THE REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN UPON THE STATE OF THE LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT, RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:—

That since last Session the collection of works upon French Law,—which was left at Quebec, upon the removal of the Seat of Government to Ottawa, in charge of the Commissioners for Codifying the Laws of Lower Canada,—has been brought hither, and deposited in the Library.

In order to obtain room for these Books, it became necessary to construct another gallery across the main Library apartment. Advantage was taken of the opportunity to put up additional shelves in other available places, thereby providing further accommodation for about six thousand volumes. Nevertheless, the provision for Books in the present apartments is still quite insufficient for the existing wants of the Library, irrespective of its annual increase. In many cases, double rows of Books have to be crowded upon a shelf and a quantity of Books, not in ordinary demand, have to be stowed away in the garrets. Moreover, the close proximity of the shelves, in certain parts of the Library, to the heating apparatus, a difficulty occasioned by the rooms not having been originally designed for the reception of books, has already been the means of damaging a considerable number of volumes; and it is impossible, under present circumstances, to prevent a continuance of the evil.

These considerations compel your Librarian to represent to your Honorable House the pressing necessity which exists for the immediate completion of the edifice intended for the Library, as he is persuaded that if the work be further delayed, a large portion of the books will be irretrievably injured. Additional reasons for the speedy completion of the new building, and which mainly concerned the security and accessibility of the books, were stated by your Librarian in his last Annual Report, to which he would again solicit the attention of The House.

Under the provisions of the Copy-right Act of 1868, your Librarian has received from the Minister of Agriculture various Canadian publications, copy-righted by their respective authors during the past year[1]. The total number of such works is considerably in excess of the deposits in any former year, as will appear by the list hereunto appended.

Donations of Books continue to be received from official bodies in Canada, and in other places, as well as from private individuals. A list of those obtained since the last Report is herewith submitted. One of the donations, however, calls for special mention. Through His Excellency the late Governor General, Her Majesty the Queen has transmitted to the Library copies, appropriately bound, of "The Early years of the late Prince Consort," and of The Queen's "Journal of our Life in the Highlands." These volumes contain inscriptions signed by the Queen herself, presenting the Books to the Library of the Canadian Parliament. In a Despatch from the Colonial Secretary to Governor *Monck*, dated April 15, 1868, forwarding these volumes, it is stated that similar presentations have been made to other Public Libraries in the Colonies, "as tokens of the interest with which Her Majesty regards the development of institutions which tend to the spread of knowledge and intelligence in Her Colonial Possessions, and because She believes that these records of the earlier days of their Sovereign and the Prince Consort will not fail to be valued by Her Subjects in Canada."

A careful enumeration has been made of the number of books now upon the shelves of the Library, and after

a reasonable allowance for books still absent upon receipts, the total extent of the Library is computed at sixty-one thousand five hundred bound volumes, exclusive of a quantity of unbound pamphlets.

An Alphabetical Catalogue of the additions to the Library during the past year has been prepared and printed for the use of Members.

All which is respectfully submitted,

ALPHEUS TODD,
LIBRARIAN,
House of Commons.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,
April 15, 1869.

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

Nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.—

Mr. *Cartwright*, from the Select Committee on the Argenteuil Election Petition reported, that Messrs. *Webb* and *Colby*, Members of the said Committee, were not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee, this day, in consequence of which the meeting of the said Committee was adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 o'clock noon.—

James Ross, Esq., Member for the Electoral Division of the Centre Riding of the County of Wellington having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.—

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Select Committee on the Joliette Election Petition reported, that the Hon. *John Jones Ross* (Champlain), a Member of the said Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee, this day, in consequence of which the meeting of the said Committee was adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*, from the Select Committee on the Bagot Election Petition, presented the following Report:—

That after the Petition complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Pierre Samuel Gendron*, Esq., had been before the said Committee, and proceedings had been taken thereupon, the same was, on or about the 8th day of May last past, lost or mislaid, and although diligent searches were then and have since been made, the said Petition cannot be found.

The Committee therefore, under the provisions of the 161st section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, have substituted for the original Petition a verified and sworn copy thereof, and report the facts for the information of The House.

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

Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bolton*,—

1. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session, and further to assure His Excellency, that we are grateful to His Excellency for the expression of his great satisfaction in having recourse to our advice, and that we rejoice to think that on this, the first occasion on which we have had the honor of being addressed by him, we may congratulate ourselves on the aspect of public affairs at home and abroad, on the prevalence of peaceful counsels amongst nations, and on indications of agreement and tranquillity favorable alike to the development of foreign commerce and the prosecution of domestic industry.

2. That we shall always remember with pleasure that the great scheme of Confederation was successfully inaugurated under the auspices of His Excellency's Predecessor.

3. That we thank His Excellency for the assurance that it is a source of pride to him to find his name in honorable association with the rising fortunes of the Dominion of Canada, and that he will count it a happiness, as well as a duty, to co-operate, to the utmost of his ability, in furthering our efforts to strengthen the ties that bind the different provinces together, and to ensure the attachment of the people to the soil, by the enactment of wise and equal laws.

4. That we feel with His Excellency that our efforts in these directions seem now, more than ever, likely to be called into action, inasmuch as His Excellency is pleased to inform us that the terms upon which great accessions are offered to the Dominion will be submitted for our immediate consideration.

5. That we learn with the deepest interest, that in consequence of the Duke of *Buckingham* and *Chandos'* despatch of the 8th August of last year, stating that His Grace proposed to enter into negotiations with the Hudson's Bay Company, as to the terms on which they would be willing to surrender their rights and claims in the North-West Territory, Lord *Monck* sent home to England two members of the Privy Council as a deputation to watch the course of the proceedings and attend to the interests of Canada:—that the Conferences in London, and the correspondence on the subject have been brought to a definitive issue by the proposal which, after a full review of the circumstances, Earl *Granville* made on the part of Her Majesty's Government for the consideration of the people of Canada and of the Hudson's Bay Company,—and that His Excellency has received the intelligence that the Hudson's Bay Company has, after some deliberation, decided upon accepting the terms laid down by the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

6. That we thank His Excellency for having directed that the report of the mission, and all the papers connected therewith, shall be duly laid before Parliament, and that we shall not fail to give them our serious consideration, in view of the great importance of the subject no less than in the hope that this long vexed question may be closed without further delay.

7. That we share with His Excellency the gratification afforded him by communications from the Governor of Newfoundland, expressing the desire for admission into the Union which prevails amongst the inhabitants of that Colony, and especially by his despatch of the 20th March last, covering copies of Resolutions which have been passed by the Council and Assembly, and which set forth the conditions they consider it desirable to advance.

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The first to the sixteenth paragraph inclusive of the said proposed Address being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Resolution for an Address was referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, and Messieurs *Simpson* and *Bolton*.

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

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

May it Please Your Excellency :—

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We shall respectfully consider the estimates for the expenditure of the coming financial year which Your Excellency informs us are to be submitted to us, feeling sure that they have been framed with every economy compatible with the efficiency of the Public Service. We thank Your Excellency for having also directed that the financial accounts of the past year shall be laid before us.

We are aware that the charters of several Banks are drawing to a close, and that important subjects of Banking and Currency must necessarily be brought under our notice.

In considering these questions, which so deeply affect, not only the important interests of Commerce, but the daily transactions of life, Your Excellency may rest assured that we shall endeavour to adopt such principles as, in their application, may ensure the greatest measure of safety to the Public, without curtailing the facilities requisite for the encouragement and extension of Trade.

We feel with Your Excellency that the various topics to which you have directed our attention are of great moment and press for decision within the limits of the Session, and we shall endeavour to justify the confidence with which Your Excellency is pleased to commit them to our deliberate judgment, earnestly hoping that a blessing may attend our counsels and enable us to discharge, with dignity and effect, the great trust to which the order of Providence has called us.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, it was *Resolved*,—That that part of His Excellency's Speech, at the opening of the present Session, relating to Supply, be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Morris*—On Monday next—BILL intituled, "An Act to provide for carrying out of Capital Punishment within Prisons."

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Reports, Plans, Surveys and other documents sent in to the Board of Public Works' Department during the past ten months, and having reference to the location of a Harbor of Refuge on the North Shore of Lake Erie, between Port Colborne and Point Pelée.

Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government intend to erect a Penitentiary in the Province of Quebec, as recommended by the Inspectors in their last Report.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Correspondence relative to the Surveys of the several proposed routes for the Intercolonial Railway, with copies of all documents relating to the same; also copies of all Orders in Council.

Mr. *Ross* (Victoria)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill during the present Session securing to Nova Scotia the financial terms concluded with the Honorable the President of the Council, and Mr. *McLelan*, the Member for Colchester.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Monday next—Select Committee of Members to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps for the reduction of the value of American Silver now in circulation in this country.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Tuesday next—BILL intituled, "An Act to regulate and fix the rate to be taken for the loan of money in Canada."

No. 2.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 16TH APRIL, 1869.

2nd Session, 1st Parliament, 32 Victoria, 1869.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 19TH APRIL, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House the following Annual Reports, viz :—

Of the Canada Life Assurance Company of Hamilton, for the year ending the 30th April, 1868.

Of the Beaver Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Toronto, for the year ending the 30th November, 1868, with an appended list of Guarantee Stockholders.

Of the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for the year ending the 31st December, 1868, with an appended list of Guarantee Stockholders.

And Statement of the Affairs of the Montreal City and District Savings' Bank, for the year ending the 31st December, 1868.

Also,—Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Counties of Brome, Drummond, and Napierville, for the year 1867,—and in the Districts of Bedford and Montmagny, for the year 1868.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Municipal Council of the County of York; praying for certain amendments to the Militia Act.

Of the Council of the Agricultural and Arts Association of the Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act for the regulation of the transport of live stock.

Of *Jean Gauvreau*, and others, holders of Salmon Fishing Licenses in the waters of Baie des Chaleurs, County of Bonaventure; and of *William Lynd*, and others, Salmon Fishers, within the Estuary Fishing on the Grand Cascapedia river, County of Bonaventure; severally praying for certain amendments to the Fisheries Act.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Norfolk; praying that the export duties levied upon saw logs, shingle bolts and stave bolts, under schedule F of the tariff of 1868, may be repealed.

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Select Committee on the Joliette Election Petition reported the absence of the Hon. *John Jones Ross* (Champlain), a Member of the Committee, within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee on Saturday last, and, on this day, in consequence of which the meeting of the said Committee was further adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock, a. m.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. *Ross* (Champlain), do attend in his place to-morrow.—

Mr. *Cartwright*, from the Select Committee on the Argenteuil Election Petition reported the absence of Messrs. *Webb* and *Colby*, Members of the Committee, within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee on Saturday last, and on this day, in consequence of which the meeting of the said Committee was further adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock noon.

Ordered, That Messrs. *Webb* and *Colby* do attend in their places to-morrow.—

The Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* delivered the following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General :—

JOHN YOUNG.

His Excellency the Governor General communicates to The House of Commons the appointment of the Honorable Sir *John Alexander Macdonald*, K. C. B., Minister of Justice, and Attorney General; the Honorable

Hector Louis Langevin, C. B., Secretary of State for Canada; the Honorable *William McDougall*, C. B., Minister of Public Works,—and the Honorable *Samuel Leonard Tilley*, C. B., Minister of Customs, to act with the Speaker of the House of Commons, as Commissioners for the purposes and under the provisions of the 31st Victoria, Chapter 27, intituled "An Act respecting the internal economy of the House of Commons, and for other pur- "poses."

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 19th April, 1869.

JOHN YOUNG.

No. 98, June 1st, 1868.

The Governor General communicates to The House of Commons the accompanying copy of a despatch received by Lord *Monck* from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in answer to the Address voted to Her Majesty, on the 28th April, 1868.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 19th April, 1869.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor General.

(Copy.—Canada.—No. 98.)

DOWNING STREET, 1st June, 1868.

MY LORD,—I laid before the Queen a copy of Your Lordship's despatch, No. 71, of the 30th of April, in which you submitted an expression of your sympathy with Her Majesty on the occasion of the attempted assassination of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, and forwarded an Address unanimously adopted by both Houses of the Canadian Parliament, signifying their horror and indignation at the crime.

Her Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously the expression of Your Lordship's sympathy tendered by you.

The Queen commands me to state that she received with deep satisfaction the Address of the Canadian Parliament, and that in this and in all other trials she derives consolation and support from the affectionate attachment of Her People in all parts of Her Dominion.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,) BUCKINGHAM & CHANDOS.

Governor,
The Right Hon. Viscount Monck.

JOHN YOUNG.

His Excellency the Governor General transmits for the information of The House of Commons, a copy of the Canada *Gazette* by Authority, dated December 19th, 1868, by which it will be seen that His Excellency was pleased to appoint *Aquila Walsh*, Esq., M.P., the Honorable *Edward Barron Chandler*, *Charles John Brydges*, Esq., and *William Foster Coffin*, Esq., as Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway under Statute 31st Victoria, Chapter 13.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 16th April, 1869.

Mr. *Magill* introduced a Bill (No. 2) to repeal the Act 27 & 28 Vict., Cap. 17, respecting Insolvency, and the Act 29 Vict., Cap. 18, amending the same.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Morris* introduced a Bill (No. 3) to provide for carrying out of capital punishment within Prisons.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable *John A. Macdonald*, a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*, Honorable Mr. *McDougall*, Honorable Mr. *Gray*, Honorable Mr. *Dorion*, Honorable Mr. *Smith*, Honorable Mr. *Blanchet*, Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, and Messrs. *Morris*, *Chamberlin* and *Mills*, was appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library; and a Message was sent to the Senate to acquaint them therewith.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Special Committee was appointed to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Thursday the 15th instant, consisting of the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, Honorable Mr. *McDougall*, Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, Honorable *J. S. Macdonald*, Honorable Mr. *Dorion*, Honorable Mr. *Holton*, Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, Honorable Mr. *Smith*, Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Walsh*, *Cartwright*, *Dufresne*, *Bolton*, Honorable Mr. *McKeagney*, and the mover.

Honorable Mr. *Rose* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General:

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of The House of Commons, certain correspondence and documents relative to the agreement made by the Government with the Great Western Railway Company of Canada, for the settlement of the debt due by that Company; which he recommends to the favorable consideration of The House.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 16th April, 1869.

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the survey and management of the Intercolonial Railway, since the 1st of April, 1868.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence relative to the surveys of the several proposed routes for the Intercolonial Railway, with copies

of all documents relating to the same ; also, copies of all orders in Council relative to the same, since the last Return.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to provide for the construction of the Murray Canal in the appropriations to be made during the present session of Parliament.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for the Report of Court of Enquiry ordered to investigate certain charges preferred against Lieut.-Col. *Shaw*, Brigade Major, Kingston, and copies of all correspondence and official reports relative to the case.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of Col. *McDougall's* letter resigning the office of Adjutant General, and copies of all official correspondence relative to such resignation.

Mr. *Béchard*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is too late to give any information as to the approaching negotiation of a Reciprocity Treaty with the United States.

Mr. *Bellerose*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all officers or employés of the Government in the different Departments of the Civil Service in the City of Ottawa and in the several Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, giving the names of such officers or employés, the amount of annual salary payable to them, or which is paid to them respectively, either as salary in cash or by fees of office, or by both, shewing also allowances for lodging, fuel, light, or for the use of any article, animal, &c., belonging to the Government.

Mr. *Mills*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to authorize the extradition of persons from Canada charged with having committed crimes in the United States.

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

Mr. *Stirton*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of accounts with and between the same, and concerning the Arbitrators appointed by the Dominion and Provincial Governments respectively; also a statement of moneys paid on account of said Arbitration, and to whom, with all documents connected therewith.

Mr. *McConkey*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to declare the first day of July in each and every year a public holiday throughout the Dominion.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting Insolvency.

The Honorable Mr. *Rose*—On Wednesday next,—will move that on a day to be then named, the House do go into Committee of the whole to consider the following Resolutions which he will then propose :

1. That it is expedient to confirm the agreement made by the Government and the Great Western Railway Company for the settlement of the debt due by the Company to Her Majesty, as stated in the papers accompanying the message of His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the day of April, instant, and for that purpose to provide : That if bonds of the Company to the amount of two million seven hundred and sixty eight thousand, two hundred and thirty-four dollars and thirty-three cents, in such form as the Minister of Finance may direct or approve, secured by a first hypothec, mortgage and lien on all the property of the Company, and payable to bearer with interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, from the 1st day of January last, at such dates respectively as that bonds to the amount of one-fourth of the said sum shall be redeemable at the end of each year from the said 1st day of January last, be delivered to the Receiver General within from the passing of the Act to be founded on these resolutions, and if the said bonds be duly paid when due, then the amount thereof, with the sum of one hundred thousand pounds sterling paid by the Company on the 10th day of February now last, shall be accepted in full satisfaction and payment of all sums owing by the Company to Her Majesty on the first day of January now last, in principal and interest, for the causes mentioned in the documents accompanying His Excellency's message: but that on any failure on the part of the Company to comply with the said conditions all the rights and privileges of Her Majesty and of the Dominion, as well with respect to any further amount owing by the Company on the last mentioned as to the mortgage, hypothec and lien by which the whole debt is secured shall remain in force.

2. That it is expedient to give effect to the preceding resolution by an Act confirming the said agreement, and giving the Company the powers necessary for carrying out the conditions above mentioned.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting the Finance Department of Canada.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Wednesday next—That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to consider the subject of the Banking and Currency of the Dominion, to report thereon from time to time, and with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting Larceny and other similar offences.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting malicious injuries to Property.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting offences against Public Justice.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting Perjury.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting Forgery.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting offences against the Person.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting offences relating to the Coin.

Mr. *J. S. Ross*—On Wednesday next—BILL to limit the rate of interest.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce during the present Session a measure to limit the rate of interest throughout the whole Dominion.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend His Excellency the Governor General to exercise the Royal Prerogative of mercy in favor of the Reverend Mr. *McMahon* and other Fenian prisoners now confined in the Penitentiary or other prisons of the Dominion.

Mr. *Lawson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return showing the extent of land reserved on the shores of Long Point in the County of Norfolk for fishing purposes, at what point such reservation commences; also whether such reservation has been leased, if so, to whom and for what purposes, the amount paid, the date of such leases and the length of time they have to run, and whether such leases give the lessees control over such reservation except for fishing purposes.

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence relative to the dismissal of Mr. *Cameron*, late Post Master of River Inhabitants in the County of Inverness, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to make any change in the ferrying of Her Majesty's Mail across the Strait of Canso, in the Province of Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Casault*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any petitions, correspondence, reports, orders in Council, or other orders, regulations or instructions, in relation to the establishment of Post Offices in St. Roch de Quebec and St. Sauveur, in the *banlieue* of Quebec, and also in relation to the rates of Postage on letters sent from the Post Office in the upper town of Quebec to the said offices in St. Roch and St. Sauveur respectively, and from either of the said two last offices to the other, and also relating to the payment, salary or emoluments received by or paid to each of the Post Masters in St. Roch and St. Sauveur.

Mr. *Casault*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to cause to be erected at Quebec the Post Office for which an appropriation was made by the Parliament of the former Province of Canada, and whether the same is still available for the construction of that building.

Mr. *Irvine*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government with respect to the exercise within the Dominion of the Royal Prerogative of mercy.

Mr. *Pâquet*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to raise the maximum amount of deposit, now fixed at $1,000, which the Post Office Savings' Banks of the Dominion are authorized to receive under the Act 31st Vict., Cap. 10, by substituting for that sum $2,000 or more, the restriction having caused complaint.

Mr. *Lawson*—On Wednesday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to inquire into the working of the Act imposing an Export duty on shingle bolts, stave bolts, pine, oak and spruce logs.

Mr. *Young*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for any report or recommendation made by Messrs. *Parent, Griffin, Bouchette, Langton, Smith* and *Ross*, who were appointed a Commission, on the 22nd June last, to enquire into the present state and the probable requirements of the Civil Service, with a statement shewing the expense incurred on account of the said Commission, for salaries or otherwise, during their deliberations.

No. 3.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1869.

Ten Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table :

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa) moved, that the Petition of the Reverend *C. Guillaume*, Curé, and others, presented on Friday the 16th instant, be now received and read.

Objection being taken by Mr. *Mackenzie*, that the Petition prays for the removal of "obstructions," which can only be done by a grant of public money, and is therefore contrary to Parliamentary practice, which prohibits the reception of Petitions, praying for grants of money directly or indirectly.

Mr. Speaker decided as follows :—

The reception of this Petition is objected to, because of the rule adopted last Session, when for the first time the English practice was introduced into this Chamber. These are the words in which the decision of the Chair was then announced :—

Though there is no Rule of this House expressly applicable to the Question, yet by Rule 116 it is ordered, that in unprovided cases, the Rules, Usages, and Forms of the English House of Commons are to be followed.

The practice in *England* has been clearly against the reception of such Petitions, and I find by a Standing Order of the House of Commons of the 20th March, 1866, it is declared : "That this House will receive no "Petition for any sum relating to Public Service or proceed upon any Motion for a grant or charge upon the "Public Revenue, whether payable out of the Consolidated Fund, or out of moneys to be provided by Parliament; "unless recommended from the Crown."

That decision having been given, The House agreed unanimously to adopt it as the Rule to be followed in future. The present Petition does not in my opinion come within that Rule. It is very general in its terms. It sets out a variety of facts with reference to the construction of a work which would no doubt involve an expenditure of money, but it concludes with these words :

"Therefore your Petitioners humbly request that Your Honorable House will take such measures as will "cause the obstructions to this navigation to be removed, and an uninterrupted line, to the full capacity of the "leading channel and the supply of water from the summit level, opened throughout."

Now, as I take it, this is not a Petition asking for any grant, which would be a charge on the public exchequer, and I do not think it would be my duty, sitting in this Chair, to interfere with the right of the people to Petition this House, unless there is a clear Rule of this House, which would prevent the Petition, beyond a doubt, from being received. I cannot so apply the Rule, for by express language it does not cover this case. This is not a Petition asking for money. It is a Petition asking simply for legislation, and were I to say that the Petition came within that Rule, I should be opposing my authority against the rights of the public at large to approach this House.

If it is the pleasure of the House to exclude Petitions of this class in future, the proper way would be to adopt a substantive Rule which would clearly exclude such Petitions.

I consider therefore that the Petition must be received.

The said Petition was accordingly received and read; praying that The House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel and the supply of water from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

The following Petitions were also received and read:—

Of *Patrick Moore*, Mayor, and others, of Egan and Kensington, County of Ottawa; of *John McConnell*, Mayor, and others, of Bouchette, County of Ottawa; and of *George Dunton*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Eardley, County of Ottawa; severally praying as above.

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

That at the instance of the Petitioner, the Committee have granted a Commission for the taking of evidence as to the qualification of the sitting Member, and matters relating thereto; and with the consent of both parties have appointed Louis Bélanger, Esq., Advocate, the Commission to examine witnesses touching the allegations above mentioned.

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

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

No. 1. Privileges and Elections.

Hon. Messrs. Blanchet,
Sir George E. Cartier,
Dorion,
Gray,
Sir J. A. Macdonald,
Messrs. Bertrand,
Burton,
Messrs. Caldwell,
Cameron (Huron),
Chamberlain,
Grant,
Grover,
Lawson,
McDonald (Antigonish),
Messrs. Mills,
Munroe,
Redford,
Snider,
Stephenson,
Thompson (Ontario), and
Wells.—21.

No. 2. Expiring Laws.

Hon. Messrs. Gray,
Kierskowski,
Macdonald (Cornwall),
Smith,
Messrs. Blake,
Cayley,
Cheval,
Cimon,
Messrs. Coffin,
Drew,
Ferris,
Godin,
Lapum,
McCallum,
McLachlin,
Pâquet,
Messrs. Pouliot,
Power,
Rankin,
Simpson,
Wilson, and
Young.—22.

No. 3. Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Hon. Messrs. Abbott,
Anglin,
Blanchet,
Campbell,
Carling,
Sir Geo. E. Cartier,
Chauveau,
Connell,
Dorion,
Dunkin,
Galt,
Holton,
Irvine,
Langevin,
Hon. Sir J. A. Macdonald,
Hon. Messrs. Macdonald (Cornwall),
McDougall,
McGreevey,
Rose,
Tilley,
Tupper,
Wood,
Messrs. Costigan,
Ferguson,
Gendron,
Jackson,
Joly,
Jones (Leeds and Grenville),
Messrs. Macdonald (Glengarry),
McDonald (Middlesex)
Mackenzie,
Masson (Soulanges),
Morrison (Niagara),
O'Connor,
Pickard,
Robitaille,
Shanly,
Street,
Sylvain,
Walsh, and
Whitehead.—41.

No. 4. Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Hon. Messrs. Carling,
Dorion,
McKeagney,
McGreevy,
Smith,
Messrs. Ault,
Bodwell,
Bourassa,
Bowell,
Messrs. Caron,
Daoust,
Fortin,
Geoffrion,
Harrison,
Heath,
McMonies,
Merritt,
Morris,
Messrs. Oliver,
Pinsonneault,
Ross (Dundas),
Savary,
Scatcherd,
Stirton,
Wallace, and
Webb.—26.

No. 5. STANDING ORDERS.

Hon. Messrs. Huntington,
Ross (Champlain,)
Messrs. Bowman,
Bown,
Burpee,
Cameron (Inverness,)
Chipman,
Gaucher,
Messrs. Gaudet,
Harrison,
Huot,
Kempt,
Little,
MacFarlane,
McCarthy.
McMillan (Vaudreuil),
Messrs. Morison (Victoria,)
Perry,
Pozer,
Ray,
Ross (Victoria,)
Rymal, and
Sproat.—23.

No. 6. PRINTING.

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

No. 7. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Hon. Messrs. Beaubien,
Galt,
Holton,
Rose,
Tilley,
Messrs. Carmichael,
Crawford (Leeds),
Messrs. Dufresne,
Gibbs,
Keeler,
Magill,
Masson (Terrebonne),
McConkey,
Morrison (Niagara),
Messrs. Pope,
Robitaille,
Ross (Prince Edward),
Ryan (Kings),
Walsh, and
Young.—20.

No. 8. BANKING AND COMMERCE.

Hon. Messrs. Abbott,
Cameron (Peel),
Campbell,
Sir George E. Cartier,
Galt,
Holton,
McDougall,
Read,
Hon. Messrs. Rose,
Tilley,
Messrs. Blake,
Bolton,
Cartwright,
Casault,
Gibbs,
Metcalfe,
Messrs. Mackenzie,
McLelan,
Morris,
Simard,
Street,
Thompson (Haldimand),
and
Workman.—23.

No. 9. IMMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION.

Hon. Messrs. Archambeault,
Carling,
Chauveau,
Connell,
Macdonald (Cornwall),
Tupper,
Messrs. Béchard,
Benoit,
Bolton,
Bown,
Messrs. Burton,
Cartwright,
Colby,
Coupal,
Crawford (Brockville),
Dobbie,
Forbes,
Fortier,
Hagar,
Holmes,
Messrs. Hurdon,
Jackson,
Lacerte,
Mackenzie,
Rénaud,
Ryan (Montreal),
Snider,
Tremblay,
Wright (Ottawa), and
Wright (York).—30.

Mr. *Webb*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, reported the absence of Mr. *Colby* from the meeting, this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Mr. *Scatcherd* from the Joliette Election Committee reported the absence of Hon. *J. J. Ross* (Champlain), from the meeting this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. *Bowell* introduced a Bill (No. 4) intituled: "The Interest Act of Canada."—Second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* delivered the following Message from His Excellency ihe Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of The House of Commons, copy of correspondence respecting the Intercolonial Railway Loan &c., &c.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 20th April, 1869.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, at the opening of the present Session, was taken into consideration.

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

Mr. *Webb* attended in his place according to order, and Mr. *Cartwright*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, submitted an affidavit of Mr. *Webb*, stating that in consequence of illness, he was unable to leave home, or to attend to his duties as a Member of the said Committee, and that his absence was caused solely by such illness.—Mr. *Webb's* excuse was deemed sufficient.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Godin*—On Monday next—BILL to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier for electoral purposes.

Mr. *Godin*—On Thursday next—BILL to limit the rate of interest in the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Bourassa*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence which has passed since the 1st May last, between the Imperial Government, the Cabinet at Washington and the Government of the Dominion of Canada, on the subject of the renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, and of all negotiations entered upon in consequence of the abrogation of that Treaty.

Mr. *Workman*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government shortly to erect a new Custom House and Examining Warehouse at the Port of Montreal, and if so, on what site.

Mr. *Mills*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act to facilitate the removal of obstructions to the navigation of the River Sydenham."

Mr. *Huot*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of the petition of Mr. *Bonaventure Viger* praying to be indemnified for certain expenses incurred by him during his exile at the Island of Bermuda, in 1838, and of all correspondence which has passed between the Government and him on that subject.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—INQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to increase the present rate of remuneration allowed Postmasters throughout the Dominion for postal services rendered; and if so, whether such increase of salary is to be made by adding to the percentage at present allowed, or by giving stated salaries to the respective postmasters according to the business done at their respective offices.

Mr. *Grant*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act to make provision for the general adoption of the practice of Vaccination."

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the amounts paid, or to be paid, by the Dominion Government for the arrest and prosecution of parties suspected of the murder of the Hon. *T. D. McGee*, and to whom said sums were paid.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement giving the names of all *Inland places* at which the Customs duty is collected, the name of the officer, his salary and expenses connected with the office, and the amount of duty collected at each office from the first day of July, 1867 until January 1st, 1869.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the report extensively circulated throughout the United States be true, that the Government has employed any person or persons to act on its behalf to endeavour to secure the passage of a new Reciprocity Treaty through Congress.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any correspondence which has taken place between the Government of the Dominion and the Governments of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, or either of them, regarding the power of Disallowance of Local Legislation, claimed by the Dominion Government under the 40th Section of the British North America Act.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to put the vessels from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, on the same footing as the other vessels of the Dominion, with regard to pilotage.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to constitute Dominion Day a legal holiday.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Thursday—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to impose similar taxes and Custom House fees upon American Vessels trading to Canadian ports, to those levied for several years past upon Canadian Vessels trading to American ports.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to impose a duty upon Grain, Coal or Hops, imported into Canada.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1869.

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No. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 21st APRIL, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Annual Statement of the Northumberland and Durham Savings' Bank, on the 1st December, 1868.

A Message was received from the Senate, naming the Hon. Messrs. *Ross, Allan, Mills, Blake, Leonard, Flint, Reesor, Letellier de St. Just, Bureau, Leslie, Lacoste, Chaffers, Chapais, Miller, Ritchie, Bourinot, Odell, Hazen,* and *Ferguson* as Members of 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.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Canadian Bank of Commerce; praying for the passing of an Act to increase their capital stock, and for Amendments to their Acts of Incorporation.

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

Of *John H. Miller*, M. A., and others, of the Town of Galt; of *George McKinnell*, and others, of Stouffville, County of York; of *William Buckingham*, and others, of the Town of Stratford, Province of Ontario; and of the Reverend *Thomas Hartin*, and others, of Canterbury Station, County of York, New Brunswick; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of 5 per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets may be repealed.

Of *V. Hudon*, and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and Amendments thereto, and for the enactment of a short and simple Act conferring on a majority of the creditors of an Insolvent, ample control over his Estate, with power to bind a minority, and also providing a speedy and severe punishment for commercial frauds.

Of *Jacob Rott* and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Township of Clinton, County of Lincoln; and of Messrs. *Parker* and *Hood*, and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Town of Woodstock, County of Oxford; severally praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and Amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of the Reverend *F. A. Blouin* and others, of the Parish of Grande Rivière, County of Gaspé; praying that payment of a certain sum borrowed by them, from the Municipal Loan Fund, may not be exacted.

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Joliette Election Committee, reported the absence of Hon. *J. J. Ross* (Champlain) from the meeting, this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A.M.

Mr. *Webb*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, reported the absence of Mr. *Colby* from the meeting, this day, in consequence of which the meeting adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Mr. *McConkey* introduced a Bill (No. 5) to declare the first day of July, or Dominion Day, a legal holiday.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. *Mills* introduced a Bill (No. 6) to authorize the extradition of persons from the Dominion of Canada, charged with having committed crimes in the United States.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Ross* (Dundas) introduced a Bill (No. 7) to limit the rate of interest.—Second reading on Monday next.

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

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

JOHN YOUNG.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:—

I receive with much satisfaction your loyal Address, and I thank you for the promise of your assistance which it contains.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented a detailed statement of all Bonds and Securities registered at the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada, submitted to the Parliament of Canada, under 31 Vic., Cap. 37, Sec. 15.

Also,—A statement of the transactions in the Post Office Savings' Banks of Ontario and Quebec, from the 1st April, 1868, to the 31st March 1869; including an account of all deposits received and paid under the authority of the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 10, from the 1st April, to 30th June, 1868, and of all the total amount due to all Depositors at the latter date.

On motion of the Hon. *Sir John A. Macdonald*, the Report of the Select Committee, appointed to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House, was concurred in.

Hon. *Sir John A. Macdonald* introduced the following Bills, which were severally ordered for a second reading on Friday next, viz.:

(No. 9) An Act respecting insolvency.
(No. 10) An Act respecting offences relating to the coin.
(No. 11) An Act respecting offences against the person.
(No. 12) An Act respecting malicious injuries to property.
(No. 13) An Act respecting perjury.
(No. 14) An Act respecting indictable offences for forgery.
(No. 15) An Act respecting larceny and other similar offences.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, viz: Messrs. *Beaty*, *Bellerose*, *Bowell*, *Brousseau*, *Chamberlin*, *Ferguson*, *McDonald* (Lunenburg), *Mackenzie*, *Sénécal*, *Simard*, *Stephenson*, and *Young*, will act as Members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

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

JOHN YOUNG.

His Excellency the Governor General transmits for the information of The House of Commons a copy of a despatch from the Governor of Newfoundland, dated the 20th March, 1869, forwarding copies of Resolutions passed by the Council and Assembly of the Colony of Newfoundland, stating the terms upon which they would consider it expedient to join the Dominion of Canada. He also transmits the Resolutions referred to in the despatch.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 21st April, 1869.

The Governor of Newfoundland to the Governor General.

(Copy—No 73.) GOVERNMENT HOUSE, NEWFOUNDLAND,
20th March 1869.

SIR.—I have the honor to forward to your Excellency printed copies of Resolutions which have been passed by the Council and Assembly of this Colony, stating the terms upon which they would consider it expedient to join the Dominion of *Canada*.

2. It is proposed by my advisers that a delegation should proceed to *Ottawa* at the termination of our Legislative session, for the purpose of explaining the views which are embodied in these Resolutions, and arriving at an agreement with your Government on the contemplated arrangement, which it to be hoped will not present many points of difficulty. I trust that the Delegation will be able to leave Newfoundland by the last mail steamer in April or the first in May.

I have, &c.,

The Right Hon. (Signed,) A. MUSGRAVE.
Sir John Young, Bart., G.C.B., G.C.M.G.,
&c., &c., &c.,

RESOLUTIONS adopted in Committee of the whole on the subject of Union of this Colony with the Dominion of Canada.

Preamble.

Whereas by the Imperial Act, 30th and 31st Victoria, Chapter 3, entitled An Act for the Union of Canada, Nova-Scotia and New Brunswick, and for purposes connected therewith, provision is made for the admission of this Colony into the Union; it is therefore

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient that this Colony should enter into the said Union as part of the Dominion of Canada, if an arrangement can be effected therefor, on fair and equitable terms.

It is the opinion of this Committee that in accordance with the general provisions of the Quebec Resolutions of 1864, and the said Act, as well as in addition to the same, and in modification thereof, the terms hereinafter specified would, as regards this Colony, form a just basis for arrangement.

Expenses paid by Canada.

2. The charges for the several Officers, Departments, and Services enumerated in Schedule A shall be annually

defrayed by the Government of the Dominion, together with the just claims of this Colony for other charges and concessions of like character with those borne or made by the Dominion with reference to the other Provinces.

Public Debt.

3. The Public Debt and Liabilities of this Colony shall be assumed by the Dominion Government, and shall be chargeable as those of the other Provinces of the Dominion.

Subsidies.

4. There shall be annually allowed by the said Government to the Government of this Colony for the support of local Institutions,—

1. The sum of eighty cents per head on the present population, and to increase with the population up to the number provided for the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. 2. The interest of five per cent. on the difference between the actual amount of the Debt of this Colony at the time of the Union, and the average amount of indebtedness per head of the population of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. 3. The annual subsidy to which this Colony would be entitled by 118th Section of the said Act; and, 4th, the sum of $175,000, in consideration of the transfer to the General Government of the ungranted and unoccupied Lands, Mines, and Minerals of this Colony.

Reserved Rights, &c.

5. The transfer mentioned in the foregoing Resolution is subject to the proviso, that there be reserved to the Colony the right of opening, constructing and controlling Roads and Bridges through any of the said Lands; and the privilege heretofore exercised by the people of cutting wood on ungranted Lands; and subject further to the reservations and Provisoes contained in the seventh and eighth Sections of the Local Act 7th Victoria, Chapter 1.

6. The preferable claims of Fishermen and Current Suppliers by the present Insolvency Law of this Colony shall be maintained, unless hereafter altered by Local enactment.

Exemption from Export Tax.

7. No tax shall be imposed on the Exports of this Colony, unless a similar tax be levied on all the staple products of the other Provinces of the Dominion.

Local Defence.

8. From the condition of the people scattered along the coast and their avocations in the Fisheries requiring their absence from home during a great part of the year, it is the opinion of this Committee that a Militia Service would be unsuited to their circumstances; but it is believed that an efficient Naval Reserve Force may be established on a satisfactory basis, and an increase in numbers and greater efficiency given to the present Volunteer organization. In the isolated and undefended position of this Island the maintenance of a Garrison force in St. John's as at present is indispensable.

Fisheries.

9. As the Dominion Government has by the said Act control over sea coast and inland Fisheries, and as the present staple industry of this Colony is its Fisheries, and their encouragement would be mutually advantageous; and as certain branches thereof, particularly the Herring and Salmon Fisheries, require encouragement and improvement to increase their industrial and commercial value, their prosecution should be stimulated by *special subsidy from the General Government.* In any Customs Act of the Dominion Importers of dried Fish shall be subject to the Provisions contained in the third Section of the Act of this Colony, 31st Victoria, Cap. 1.

Water Companies' Stock.

10. As the right of the Colony to impose a tax on coal, as at present for the purposes of the General Water Company, will cease after the Union of this Colony with Canada, the Dominion Government shall relieve the Company of its liability for the payment of the interest on the Stock of the said Company to the extent of $200,000.

Steam Communication.

11. There shall be provided by the General Government an efficient Mail Steam Service between the United Kingdom, this Colony and Canada a line of Steam Boats for cargo and passengers between Montreal and St. John's during the season of navigation; the obligations of the Colony in respect of the present Mail Service with Halifax shall be undertaken by the Government of the Dominion, and Winter Steam Communication with Halifax shall be always maintained. There shall be an efficient Coastal Steam Service, including the Labrador, in connection with the Post Office, maintained by the Government of the Dominion.

Appeal to the People.

12. That no final arrangement shall be made for the admission of this Colony into the Union until an appeal be made to the people at the next General Election.

That these Resolutions be sent to the Legislative Council for their concurrence.

[Passed the House of Assembly 5th March, 1869.]

W. V. WHITEWAY,
Speaker.

[Passed the Legislative Council 16th March, 1869.]

EDWARD MORRIS,
Senior Member present presiding.

SHEDULE A.

Charges to be borne by Dominion Government.

Governor and Secretary	$10,524	
Keeper of Lodge	277	
Fuel and Light, Government House	924	$11,725 00
Customs' Department		36,127 69

Surveyor-General and Staff	$3,061 15
Three Judges Supreme Court	9,923 08
Circuit of Judges	3,400 00
Labrador Judge and Bailiff	1,130 00
Judges of District Courts.	
Postal Department (net amount)	8,645 00
Interest on Debt	56,578 00
Coastal Steam Service	25,662 00
Protection of Fisheries	2,600 00
Volunteer Force	1,200 00
Halifax Mail Service	21,600 00
Geological Survey	2,500 00
Light-Houses	22,000 00
	$206,154 92

Assets applicable to purposes of Local Government.

Interest on $25 per head for 130,000 inhabitants, $3,250,000, at 5 per cent	$162,500
Less interest on Public Debt	56,578—$105,922
Eighty cents per head on 130,000, subject to Census	104,000
Grant for surrender of Crown Lands	175,000
Grant for additional subsidy, subject to arrangement	24,000
	$408,922

Hon. Mr. *Rose* introduced a Bill (No. 16) respecting the Department of Finance.—Second reading on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all officers or employés of the Government in the different Departments of the Civil Service in the City of Ottawa and in the several Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, giving the names of such officers or employés, the amount of annual salary payable to them, or which is paid to them respectively, either as salary in cash or by fees of office, or by both, shewing also allowances for lodging, fuel, light, or for the use of any article, animal, &c., belonging to the Government.

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

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to confirm the agreement made by the Government and the Great Western Railway Company for the settlement of the debt due by the Company to Her Majesty, as stated in the papers accompanying the message of His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the day of April, instant, and for that purpose to provide: That if bonds of the Company to the amount of two million seven hundred and sixty eight thousand, two hundred and thirty-four dollars and thirty-three cents, in such form as the Minister of Finance may direct or approve, secured by a first hypothec, mortgage and lien on all the property of the Company, and payable to bearer with interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, from the 1st day of January last, at such dates respectively as that bonds to the amount of one-fourth of the said sum shall be redeemable at the end of each year from the said 1st day of January last, be delivered to the Receiver General within from the passing of the Act to be founded on these resolutions, and if the said bonds be duly paid when due, then the amount thereof, with the sum of one hundred thousand pounds sterling paid by the Company on the 10th day of February now last, shall be accepted in full satisfaction and payment of all sums owing by the Company to Her Majesty on the first day of January now last, in principal and interest, for the causes mentioned in the documents accompanying His Excellency's message: but that on any failure on the part of the Company to comply with the said conditions all the rights and privileges of Her Majesty and of the Dominion, as well with respect to any further amount owing by the Company on the last mentioned as to the mortgage, hypothec and lien by which the whole debt is secured shall remain in force.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to give effect to the preceding resolution by an Act confirming the said agreement, and giving the Company the powers necessary for carrying out the conditions above mentioned.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Hon., Messrs. *Macdonald* (Cornwall), and *Wood*, Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Gibbs*, *Blake*, *Street*, Hon. *Sir George E. Cartier*, Hon. Messrs. *Galt*, *Holton*, *Chauveau*, *Dunkin*, *Tilley*, and *Smith*, Messrs. *McLelan*, *McDonald* (Lunenburg), Hon. Mr. *Campbell*, and the mover; was appointed to consider the subject of the Banking and Currency of the Dominion, with power to report thereon from time to time, and to send for persons, papers, and records, and the 79th Rule suspended.

On motion of Mr. *Lawson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a return showing the extent of land reserved on the shores of Long Point in the County of Norfolk for fishing purposes, at what point such reservation commences; also whether such reservation has been leased, if so, to whom and for what purposes, the amount paid, the date of such leases and the length of time they have to run, and whether such leases give the lessees control over such reservation except for fishing purposes.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government with respect to the exercise within the Dominion of the Royal Prerogative of mercy.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for any Report or recommendation made by *Etienne Parent*, Esquire, *William Henry Griffin*, Esquire, *Robert Shore Milnes Bouchette*, Esquire, *John Langton*, Esquire, and *William Smith*, Esquire, Deputy Heads of Departments, and *Thomas Reynolds*, Esquire, of Montreal, and *Charles S. Ross*, Esquire, of Kingston, who were appointed a

Commission, on the 22nd June, last, to enquire into the present state, and the probable requirements of the Civil Service, with a statement shewing the expense incurred on account of the said Commission, for salaries or otherwise during their deliberations.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

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

No. 1. PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

Hon. Mr. Blanchet,
Sir George E. Cartier,
Hon. Messrs. Dorion,
Gray,
Hon. Sir J. A. Macdonald,
Hon. Messrs. Bertrand,
Burton,
Messrs. Caldwell,
Cameron (Huron),
Chamberlin,
Grant,
Grover,
Lawson,
McDonald (Antigonish),
Messrs. Mills,
Munroe,
Redford,
Snider,
Stephenson,
Thompson (Ontario), and
Wells.—21.

No. 2. EXPIRING LAWS.

Hon. Messrs. Gray,
Kierzkowski,
Macdonald (Cornwall),
Smith,
Messrs. Blake,
Cayley,
Cheval,
Cimon,
Messrs. Coffin,
Drew,
Ferris,
Godin,
Lapum,
McCallum,
McLachlin,
Pâquet,
Messrs. Pouliot,
Power,
Rankin,
Simpson,
Willson, and
Young.—22.

No. 3. RAILWAYS, CANALS, AND TELEGRAPH LINES.

Hon. Messrs. Abbott,
Anglin,
Blanchet,
Campbell,
Carling,
Hon. Sir Geo. E. Cartier,
Hon. Messrs. Chauveau,
Connell,
Dorion,
Dunkin,
Galt,
Holton,
Irvine,
Langevin,
Hon. Sir J. A. Macdonald,
Hon. Messrs. Macdonald (Cornwall),
McDougall,
McGreevy,
Rose,
Tilley,
Tupper,
Wood,
Messrs. Costigan,
Currier,
Ferguson,
Gendron,
Jackson,
Joly,
Jones (Leeds and Grenville),
Messrs. Macdonald (Glengarry),
McDonald (Middlesex),
Mackenzie,
Masson (Soulanges),
Morrison (Niagara),
O'Connor,
Pickard,
Robitaille,
Shanly,
Street,
Sylvain,
Walsh,
White, and
Whitehead.—43.

No. 4. MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS.

Hon. Messrs. Carling,
Dorion,
McKeagney,
McGreevy,
Smith,
Messrs. Ault,
Bodwell,
Bourassa,
Bowell,
Messrs. Caron,
Daoust,
Fortin,
Geoffrion,
Harrison,
Heath,
Langlois,
McMonies,
Merritt,
Messrs. Morris,
Oliver,
Pinsonneault,
Ross (Dundas),
Savary,
Scatcherd,
Stirton,
Wallace, and
Webb.—27.

No. 5. STANDING ORDERS.

Hon. Messrs. Huntington,	Messrs. Gaudet,	Messrs. Morison (Victoria,)
Ross (Champlain),	Harrison,	Perry,
Messrs. Bowman,	Huot,	Pozer,
Bown,	Kempt,	Ray,
Burpee,	Little,	Ross (Victoria,)
Cameron (Inverness,)	MacFarlane,	Rymal, and
Chipman,	McCarthy,	Sproat.—23.
Gaucher,	McMillan,	

No. 6. PRINTING.

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

No. 7. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Hon. Messrs. Beaubien,	Messrs. Dufresne,	Messrs. Pope,
Galt,	Gibbs,	Robitaille,
Holton,	Keeler,	Ross (Prince Edward),
Rose,	Magill,	Ryan (Kings),
Tilley,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Walsh, and
Messrs. Carmichael,	McConkey,	Young.—20.
Crawford (Leeds),	Morrison (Niagara),	

No. 8. BANKING AND COMMERCE.

Hon. Messrs. Abbott,	Hon. Messrs. Rose,	Messrs. Mackenzie,
Cameron (Peel),	Tilley,	McLelan,
Campbell,	Messrs. Blake,	Morris,
Sir George E. Cartier,	Bolton,	Simard,
Hon. Messrs. Galt,	Cartwright,	Street,
Holton,	Casault,	Thompson (Haldimand),
McDougall,	Gibbs,	and
Read,	Metcalfe,	Workman.—23.

No. 9. IMMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION.

Hon. Messrs. Archambeault,	Messrs. Cartwright,	Messrs. Lacerte,
Carling,	Colby,	Mackenzie,
Chauveau,	Coupal,	McDougall (Three Riv.)
Connell,	Crawford (Brockville),	Pelletier,
Macdonald (Cornwall),	Dobbie,	Renaud,
Tupper,	Forbes,	Ross (Wellington),
Messrs. Béchard,	Fortier,	Ryan (Montreal),
Benoit,	Hagar,	Snider,
Bolton,	Holmes,	Tremblay,
Brown,	Hurdon,	Wright (Ottawa), and
Burton,	Jackson,	Wright (York).—33.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Friday next—That the Journals of last Session, of the 26th March and 1st April 1868, be read, with the view of subsequently moving the appointment of a Select Committee on the subject of the maritime and river fisheries, ocean and inland navigation, and the inspection of fish; such Committee to be composed of members, of whom shall form a quorum, notwithstanding the 79th and 80th rules of this House, of which he will move the suspension; and that the Hon. Messrs. *Anglin, Campbell, Chauveau, Blanchet*, and Messrs. *Simpson, Mackenzie, McCallum, Keeler, Workman, Simard, Robitaille, Renaud, Bolton, Savary, Ross* (Victoria, N.S.), *Coffin, Langlois, Ross* (Prince Edward), *James* (Halifax), *Beaty, Cimon, Bourassa* and the mover do compose the said Committee, with power to report from time to time and to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. *Benoit*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to

cause the construction of the Fortifications before the City of Montreal to be commenced in the course of the present year.

Mr. *Benoit*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government, with the view of improving the commercial relations between the Dominion and the United States, to take steps to hasten the construction of the Canal from Chambly to Longueuil, opposite Hochelaga, thus connecting the St. Lawrence and Lake Champlain by the shortest route, as suggested by Mr. *Jarvis* in his report of 1855.

Mr. *Benoit*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether, with a view to the effective protection of our manufactures, and in order to give an impetus, such as is absolutely required to the establishment thereof, it is the intention of the Government to raise the duties on foreign manufactured goods, and more particularly on articles the raw material for which abounds in the country.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Trustees appointed under Cap. 17, 31st Vict., or the Corporation of the Bank of Upper Canada, and copies of all Orders in Council or other documents connected therewith.

Hon. Mr. *Galt*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government relating to the outlay incurred by Canada in the defence of the frontier of the United States in 1863-4, and also arising out of the threatened Fenian invasion subsequently, as constituting a claim for indemnity from the United States.

Mr. *Godin*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the amount of revenue collected since last session and derived from the tax imposed upon Tobacco cultivated in Canada and not manufactured, and shewing also the amount of additional outlay occasioned by the collection of the said tax.

Mr. *Wright*—On Monday next—The reading of the Journals of this House of the 13th and 18th of May last, concerning the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into the Administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa, and the allegations contained in the petition of *Thomas McGoey* and others, and the presentation of a report from the said Committee; also the re-appointment of the Committee for the purpose of proceeding with the said enquiry; and that the Hon. do compose the same, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. *Savary*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence relative to the dismissal of Mr. *Ruggles*, late Postmaster at Annapolis, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *McConkey*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether, in view of the acquisition of the North West Territory, it is the intention of the Government to ask an appropriation to open a communication between Fort William and Fort Garry, and if so, when operations to that end will be commenced?

Mr. *Oliver*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all communications to and from the Government, relative to the exportation of American Silver, or to the reduction of its value.

Mr. *Oliver*.—On Monday next—COMMITTEE of the whole House to consider the following Resolution:

That it is expedient to alter the provisions made in the 105th Section of the British America Act, 1867, as the Parliament of Canada is by the said section empowered to do and to fix the salary of His Excellency the Governor General at $832,000 per annum, instead of $10,000 sterling, mentioned in said section.

Mr. *Bodwell*.—On Friday next—ADDRESS to his Excellency the Governor General for a return showing what progress has been made in opening up communication betwen Fort William and the Red River settlement; also what amount has been expended upon said work, together with names of parties to whom amounts have been paid in connection with such work, and for what service.

No. 5.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 21ST APRIL, 1869.

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No. 6.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *John Rankin*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Ross, County of Renfrew; of *Michael Mulligan*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Bromley, County of Renfrew; of *John Dow*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Osgoode, County of Russell; of *Martin Casselman*, and others, of the Township of Cambridge, County of Russell; and of *John Tytler*, and others, of the Township of Clarence, County of Russell; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel and the supply of water, from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

Of *William Swain*, and others, of Collingwood; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of 5 per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets may be repealed.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent; praying for the removal of the Bar at the mouth of the River Thames, the improvement of the navigation of the River Sydenham, the construction of a Harbor of Refuge at Rond Eau, and for the improvement of the entrance to the Two Creeks Harbor.

Of the Honorable *John Young*; praying for the passing of an Act to revive and amend the Act 22 Vic. cap. 101, for a Telegraphic line between Canada and Europe.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*, from the Bagot Election Committee, presented the following as their final and unanimous decision:—

Resolved, That *Pierre Samuel Gendron*, Esq., is duly elected Member to represent the Electoral District of Bagot.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Raphael Ernest Fontaine*, Esq., Advocate, of the Parish of St. Hyacinthe le Confesseur,—*Joseph Theberge*, farmer,—*Olivier Morin*, Senr., Miller,—*Olivier Morin*, Junr., also Miller, of the Parish of St. Pie, in the County of Bagot, is not frivolous, or vexatious.

Resolved, That the defence of the said *Pierre Samuel Gendron* against the said Petition is not frivolous, or vexatious.

Pursuant to the 90th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, your Committee report with its final decision, the following Resolutions upon which divisions were taken:

21st April.

It was moved, That although the Petition purports to be a Petition from the electors of the County of Bagot, and the Election to have been for a Member to represent the said County in The House of Commons, yet as the Electoral District of Bagot and the County of Bagot are one and the same, the objection that the words "the last Election for the County of Bagot of a Member to represent the said County in The House of Commons," instead of "the last Election of the Electoral District of Bagot of a Member to represent the said District in The

House of Commons," be, and the same is hereby overruled, and the question being put, the Committee divided as follows on the above motion :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Merritt,	Mr. Masson (Soulanges).—2.
Mr. Mills.—3.	

So it passed in the affirmative.

22nd April, 1869.

It was moved, That inasmuch as the Petitioners do not intend to go into a scrutiny, and no lists of objections have been filed by the Petitioners, nor any particulars furnished as to any of the charges or allegations of corruption or undue influence, and as there is no allegation of knowledge or scienter on the part of the sitting Member as to the alleged spiritual influence said to have been exercised at the said Election, which said spiritual influence, if properly alleged and true would, of itself, in the judgment of this Committee, be sufficient to render the said Election absolutely null and void, it being admitted that the sitting Member was not Postmaster. This Committee, under the peculiar circumstances of this case, without intending to lay down any general rule for the determination of future like cases, are of opinion that taking into consideration the frame of the said Petition in all its parts and the prayer thereof, that they would not be justified in declaring the said Election wholly void, and therefore that the said Petition should be dismissed, but, at the same time, they are of opinion that the said Petition is neither frivolous nor vexatious, and the question being put the Committee divided, as follows, on the said motion :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Hon. Mr. Wood,	Mr. Mills—1.
Mr. Masson (Soulanges,)	
Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),	
Mr. Merritt—4.	

So it passed in the affirmative.

(Signed,) E. B. WOOD,
Chairman.

Mr. *Webb*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, reported the absence of Mr. *Colby* from the meeting, this day, in consequence of which the meeting adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 o'clock noon.

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Joliette Election Committee, reported the absence of Hon. *J. J. Ross* (Champlain) from the meeting, this day, in consequence of which the meeting adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, Secretary of State for Canada, laid before The House,—his Report of the proceedings, transactions, and affairs of his Department during the year ending, 30th June, 1868.

Mr. *Godin* introduced a Bill (No. 17) to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier for electoral purposes.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Stephenson* introduced a Bill (No. 18) for the improvement of the navigation of the River Sydenham.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Mills* introduced a Bill (No. 19) to facilitate the removal of obstructions to the navigation of the River Sydenham.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Godin* introduced a Bill (No. 20) to limit the rate of Interest in the Dominion of Canada.—Second reading on Monday next.

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

Mr. *Lawson* moved, that a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Cartwright, Morris, McCallum, Ross* (Prince Edward), *Thompson* (Haldimand), *Bowell,* and the mover, be appointed to inquire into the working of the Act 31 Vict. Cap. 44, so far as it relates to imposing an Export Duty on Shingles and Stave bolts, Oak, Spruce, and Pine Logs, with power to report thereon, and to send for persons, papers and records.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment, that the name of Hon. Mr. *Tilley* be added to the said Committee; which was agreed to; as well as the main motion so amended.

On motion of Mr. *Stirton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of accounts with and between the same, and concerning the Arbitrators appointed by the Dominion and Provincial Governments respectively; also a statement of moneys paid on account of said Arbitration, and to whom, with all documents connected therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Bourassa*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence which has passed since the 1st May last, between the Imperial Government, the Cabinet at Washington and the Government of the Dominion of Canada, on the subject of the renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, and of all negotiations entered upon in consequence of the abrogation of that Treaty.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the amounts paid, or to be paid, by the Dominion Government for the arrest and prosecution of parties suspected of the murder of the Hon. *T. D. McGee*, and to whom said sums were paid.

Also a further Address for a statement giving the names of all Inland places at which the Customs duty is collected, the name of the Officer, his salary and expenses connected with the Office, and the amount of duty collected at each Office from the 1st July, 1867, until the 1st January, 1869.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any correspondence which has taken place between the Government of the Dominion and the Governments of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, or either of them, regarding the power of Disallowance of Local Legislation, claimed by the Dominion Government under the 90th Section of the British North America Act.

Mr. *Colby* attended in his place according to Order, and Mr. *Webb*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, submitted an affidavit of Mr. *Colby*, stating that he had been hitherto prevented from attendance upon the House and upon the said Committee on account of very urgent private business, and also in consequence of the impassable state of the roads.—Mr. *Colby's* excuse was deemed sufficient.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General :—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of The House of Commons, certain correspondence and documents relative to the affairs of the Province of Nova Scotia, and a Minute of the Privy Council embodying the terms of a certain arrangement affecting that Province, which he recommends to the favorable consideration of The House.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 22nd April, 1869.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin*—On Tuesday next—BILL intituled, " An Act for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian affairs, and extending the provisions of the Act 31st Vic. chapter 42."

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government during the present Session, to introduce a measure so amending the Post Office Act as to abolish the postage on newspapers, and to provide for a reduction of the postage on letters passing within the Dominion, to a uniform rate of two cents per ½ oz.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government during the present Session, to introduce resolutions, upon which an Address to Her Majesty, the Queen, may be founded, asking for such an amendment to the British North America Act, as will render the Senate of this Dominion elective, and to provide that members thereof accepting office under the Crown, shall vacate their seats in that House.

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the amount debt of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec on the 1st July, 1867, particularising in detail the service for which such debt has been incurred ; also, a like return shewing the debt of Nova Scotia, 1st July, 1867 ; also, like return shewing the debt of New Brunswick on the 1st July, 1867 ; also, a return shewing any payments made by the Dominion to Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, particularising in detail the services or consideration for which such payments have been made, from 1st July, 1867 to 1st April, 1869 ; also, a return shewing the amount debt in detail of the Dominion on the 1st April, 1869, particularising the services for which such debt or liability has been incurred.

Mr. *Merritt*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all papers and official reports ; 1st, having reference to the present condition of the repairs of the Welland Canal and its harbors ; 2nd, giving information as to the progress made since last Session towards obtaining the Lake Erie level ; 3rd, having in view the enlargement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for names of Commissioners or others named or appointed for codification of the Laws, the salaries to be paid to each person so employed, and the amount already paid, and to whom paid.

Mr. *Thompson* (Haldimand)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce an Act to abolish postage on newspapers sent from office of publication, or to reduce postage on single newspapers sent through the Post Office.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—To refer the Return concerning the Intercolonial Railway to the Joint Committee on Printing ; also statement of Bonds and Securities registered in the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada ; also Return entitled, A statement of the transactions in the Post Office Savings' Bank of Ontario and Quebec, from 1st April 1868 to 31st March 1869 ; also a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the proceedings of the Legislature of Newfoundland regarding the admission of that Colony to the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *McCallum*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to feed the Welland Canal from Lake Erie this season.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce during the present Session, a measure for the more speedy disposal of controverted Elections similar to that which now prevails in Great Britain.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa)—On Monday next—That the Committee to be moved by him respecting the administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa, &c., do consist of the following Members—Hon. Mr. *Cameron* (Peel), Hon. Messrs. *Holton, Campbell*, and *Huntington*, and Messrs. *Blake, Dufresne, Robitaille, Webb, Pope, Bellerose, Savary, Scatcherd*, and the mover.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of the correspondence between the Government of this Dominion and the Imperial Government relative to the disallowance of Bills passed at the last Session of this Parliament.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1869.

Hon. Mr. *Hutchison*, Member for the Electoral District of Northumberland (New Brunswick), having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *James Blanchfield Smith*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the Patent for an Invention of a new and useful improvement in the construction of portable or stationary Steam and Water Saw Mills, for a period of seven years.

Of *Allan McNab*, Reeve, and others; of *James Reynolds*, Reeve, and others, of Brudenell; of *John Gallagher*, Reeve, and others; of the Reverend *L. J. Guyon*, Curé, and others, of St. Eustache; of the Reverend *E. Desmarais* Curé, and others, of St. Placide; and of *J. B. A. Mongenais*, Mayor, and others, of Vaudreuil; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel and the supply of water from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

Of *Duncan Arbuthnot*, and others, of the Township of Thorah, County of Ontario; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of 5 per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of the Council of the Board of Trade of the City of Montreal; praying that the Insolvent Act of 1864 be not repealed, but that it be amended.

Of *Philip Pearson Harris*, of the City of Quebec; praying that the Act 29 and 30 Vic: cap 157, may be amended by extending the time for the establishment of a Factory for the manufacture of Machines for refining and deodorising Crude Petroleum Oil.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Wellington; praying for certain Amendments to the Militia Act

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Joliette Election Committee, reported the absence of Hon. *J. J. Ross* (Champlain) from the meeting this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. *Webb*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee reported, that the Committee ask leave to adjourn until the 15th of May next, for the adduction of evidence, it being the desire of both parties to the contestation.—Leave granted accordingly.—

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* on the Petition of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, for the passing of an Act to increase their Capital Stock, and for amendments to their Acts of incorporation.—Also recommending that their Quorum be reduced to seven Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.—

Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara) introduced a Bill (No. 21) to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes relating to the said Bank.

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

The House went into Committe to consider the motion proposed on the 20th instant, " That a supply be granted to Her Majesty."

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That a supply be granted to Her Majesty.
Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received on Tuesday next.—

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole for Tuesday next :—

No. 10. An Act respecting offences relating to the coin.
No. 11. An Act respecting offences against the person.
No. 12. An Act respecting malicious injury to property.
No. 13. An Act respecting perjury.
No. 14. An Act respecting indictable offences by forgery.
No. 15. An Act respecting larceny and other similar offences.
No. 16. An Act respecting the Department of Finance.—

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions declaring it expedient to confirm the agreement made by the Government and the Great Western Railway Company, for the settlement of the debt due by the Company to Her Majesty.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

1. *Resolved,* That it is expedient to confirm the agreement made by the Government and the Great Western Railway Company for the settlement of the debt due by the Company to Her Majesty, as stated in the papers accompanying the message of His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 16th day of April, instant, and for that purpose to provide: That if bonds of the Company to the amount of two million seven hundred and sixty eight thousand, two hundred and thirty-four dollars and thirty-three cents, in such form as the Minister of Finance may direct or approve, secured by a first hypothec, mortgage and lien on all the property of the Company, and payable to bearer with interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, from the 1st day of January last, at such dates respectively as that bonds to the amount of one-fourth of the said sum shall be redeemable at the end of each year from the said 1st day of January last, be delivered to the Receiver General within three months from the passing of the Act to be founded on these resolutions, and if the said bonds be duly paid when due, then the amount thereof, with the sum of one hundred thousand pounds sterling paid by the Company on the 10th day of February now last, shall be accepted in full satisfaction and payment of all sums owing by the Company to Her Majesty on the first day of January now last, in principal and interest, for the causes mentioned in the documents accompanying His Excellency's message: but that on any failure on the part of the Company to comply with the said conditions all the rights and privileges of Her Majesty and of the Dominion, as well with respect to any further amount owing by the Company on the last mentioned as to the mortgage, hypothec and lien by which the whole debt is secured shall remain in force.

2. *Resolved,* That it is expedient to give effect to the preceding resolution by an Act confirming the said agreement, and giving the Company the powers necessary for carrying out the conditions above mentioned.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor-General, for copies of all correspondence relative to the dismissal of Mr. *Cameron*, late Post Master of River Inhabitants in the County of Inverness, Nova Scotia.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Trustees appointed under Cap. 17, 31st Vict., or the Corporation of the Bank of Upper Canada, and copies of all Orders in Council or other documents connected therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Godin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the amount of revenue collected since last session and derived from the tax imposed upon Tobacco cultivated in Canada and not manufactured, and shewing also the amount of additional outlay occasioned by the collection of the said tax.

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On motion of Mr. *Bodwell*, an Address was voted to his Excellency the Governor General for a return shewing what progress has been made in opening up communication betwen Fort William and the Red River settlement; also what amount has been expended upon said work, together with the names of parties to whom amounts have been paid in connection with such work, and for what service.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce during the present Session a measure respecting Weights and Measures.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Tuesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to avoid the necessity of having public documents engrossed on parchment."

Mr. *Coffin*—On Monday next—INQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to place an armed force on the Coast of the Dominion to prevent American fishermen from fishing in our waters during the coming season; if not, what course do they intend to pursue.

Mr *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government so to amend the law respecting the postal service as to provide that all postage on letters shall be payable in advance, and also so as to allow of the free circulation of newspapers throughout the whole Dominion.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Monday next—That *B. Chamberlin*, Esquire, be added to the Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

No. 7.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burial, in the Districts of Kamouraska, Ottawa, Saguenay, Three Rivers, and Terrebonne,—and in the Counties of Arthabaska, Bagot, and St. Hyacinthe, Beauce, Beauharnois, Berthier, Bonaventure, Brome, Chateauguay, Ibervilles Joliette, L'Assomption, Maskinonge, Megantic, Missisquoi, Napierville, Soulanges, St. John's (District of Iberville), and Yamaska for the year 1868.—

Also,—Returns respecting the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company, for the year 1868.

Forty-five Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Reverend *S. Rose*, and others, of the City of Toronto, County of York; of *H. A. Day*, M. D. and others, of Trenton; of *Henry Rowsell*, and others, Booksellers of the Province of Ontario; of *E. Harrison*, and others, of the Town of Belleville, and vicinity; and of *A. Lacourse*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Lindsay, County of Victoria; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company; praying for amendment and extension of their Charter, and for the interposition of the House in their behalf to assist them in obtaining a grant of wild lands in aid of their undertaking.

Of *John Gordon*, and others, of the Province of Ontario; praying for the construction of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal.

Of *William Browne*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Stafford, County of Renfrew; of *John Howie*, and others, of the Township of Ross, County of Renfrew; of *Pierre Desjardins*, Mayor, and others, of Ste. Thérèse de Blainville, County of Terrebonne; of *Thomas Chamberlin*, and others, Township Councillors, of the Township of Houghton, County of Norfolk; of *Walton Smith*, and others, of the Township of Onslow, County of Pontiac; of *John Strutt*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Clarendon, County of Pontiac; and of *John Hale*, Mayor, and others, of New Glasgow, County of Terrebonne; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level opened throughout.

Of *R. H. White*, and others; of *Thomas S. Bell*, and others, of Harwich; of *William Somerville*, and others; of *George Young*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Harwich; of *E. S. Lounsbury*, and others; and of *Stephen S. Lane*, and others; severally praying for the re-building of the Rond Eau Lighthouse, and the Piers at Rond Eau Harbor.

Of *William Workman*, and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act for the better prevention of cruelty to Animals.

Of *John Horace Stevenson*, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, Merchant; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Mary Elizabeth Foote* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Perth; praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864.

Of *James A. Miller* and others, of the Town of Saint Catharines; of *D. W. Beadle*, and others, of the Township of Grantham, County of Lincoln; and of Messrs. *Kerr Brown* and Mackenzie, and others, of the City of Hamilton; severally praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and Amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of Messrs. *Gillespie, Moffat* & Co., Merchants, and others, of the City of Montreal; praying that the Insolvent Act of 1864 be not repealed, but that it be amended, so as to give creditors more expeditious possession of, and control over the Estate of an Insolvent, to reduce the expenses of management, and to obtain more satisfactory security from Assignees, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent; praying for certain improvements in the navigation of the River Sydenham, and the Chenal Ecarté.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Norfolk; praying for certain Amendments to the Militia Act.

Of the International Bridge Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend and amend the Act incorporating the International Bridge Company, and for other purposes.

Mr. *Casault*, from the Yamaska Election Committee, presented the following as their final and unanimous decision:—

Resolved, That *Moïse Fortier*, Esq., is duly elected Member to represent the Electoral District of Yamaska in the Commons of Canada.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Joseph Alfred Norbert Provencher*, Esq., against the Election and Return of the said *Moïse Fortier*, is not frivolous or vexatious.

Mr. *Jackson* presented the first Report of the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, recommending a reduction of the quorum of the said Committee to seven Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

Honorable Mr. *Gray* presented the first Report of the Select Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, recommending a reduction of the Quorum of the said Committee to six Members. Quorum reduced accordingly.

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Joliette Election Committee, reported the absence of Honorable *J. J. Ross* (Champlain), from the meeting on Saturday last, and on this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* presented the first Report of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, recommending a reduction of the quorum of the said Committee to nine Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the first Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, recommending a reduction of the quorum of the said Committee to seven Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 21st instant; for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government with respect to the exercise within the Dominion of the Royal Prerogative of Mercy.

Return to Address of the 22nd instant; for a statement giving the names of all Inland places at which the Customs' duty is collected, the name of the Officer, his salary and expenses connected with the office, and the amount of duty collected at each office from the 1st of July, 1867, until the 1st of January, 1869.

Return to Address of the 22nd instant; for copies of any correspondence which has taken place between the Government of the Dominion and the Governments of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, or either of them, regarding the power of disallowance of Local Legislation, claimed by the Dominion Government, under the 90th section of the British North America Act.

Return to Address of the 21st instant; for any Report or recommendation made by *Etienne Parent*, Esquire, *William Henry Griffin*, Esquire, *Robert Shore Milnes Bouchette*, Esquire, *John Langton*, Esquire, and *William Smith*, Esquire, Deputy Heads of Departments, and *Thomas Reynolds*, Esquire, of Montreal, and *Charles S. Ross*, Esquire, of Kingston, who were appointed a Commission, on the 22nd June, last, to enquire into the present state, and the probable requirements of the Civil Service, with a statement shewing the expense incurred on account of the said Commission, for salaries or otherwise, during their deliberations.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* also delivered the following messages from His Excellency the Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons the accompanying Orders in Council, passed under the authority of the Act 29 Vic., Cap. 15, intituled: "An Act to provide against the "introduction and spreading of disorders affecting certain animals."

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 26th April, 1869.

COPY of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the PRIVY COUNCIL, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 19th December, 1867.

The Committee have had under consideration a letter dated 15th November, from the Hon. *David Christie*, urging the propriety of extending to individuals importing a superior description of animals for breeding purposes, the same exemption from duties as is given to Agricultural Societies under the Order in Council of 13th May last, and praying that the amount of duty paid by him and others on such importations from Great Britain since the present tariff came into operation be refunded.

The Commissioner of Customs reports that, as stated by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*, an order was made by the Administrator of the Government of the late Province of Canada, in Council, on the 13th May last, permitting the admission free of duty, of horses, horned cattle, sheep, pigs, and other animals, poultry and fancy birds, when imported from the United States of America by Agricultural Societies specially for improvement of Stock.

He submits therefore whether it would not at present, be advisable that the exemption created by the Order in Council of 13th May last, should be extended to importations from Great Britain at lest, if not to importations from other European Countries; and concurring in the view taken by the applicant in reference to the claims of individuals importing superior animals for the improvement of Stock in Canada, to be put on as favourable a footing as agricultural Societies, he suggests that under the authority of 43rd Sec. Cap 16, of the Consol. Stats. of Canada, the exemptions be made to extend to all importers of a superior order of breeding animals into this Country, whether such importers be agricultural Societies or individuals, subject always to the provisions of the 2nd Sub. Sec. of the said 43rd Section.

That with regard to the claim made by the Honorable Mr. *Christie* on his own behalf as well as on that of others similarly circumstanced, to be refunded the duties paid on the importation of breeding animals since the passing of the last and still existing Tariff, he submits the application to favorable consideration as being equitable and just. Animals under the tariff passed in August, 1866, were, he states, and are subject to a duty of 15 per cent. *ad valorem.*

That the exemption in favor of animals from the United States was created by the Order in Council of 13th May last, hence he conceives that Mr. *Christie* is entitled to the prayer of his petition, subject as aforesaid to subsection 2 of Sec. 43 in each case individually.

The Committee on the recommendation of the Honorable the Minister of Customs advise that the suggestions submitted in the foregoing Report of the Commissioner be approved and acted on.

Certified. (Signed) WM. H. LEE,
Clerk P. C.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa,
Thursday, 13th August, 1868.

Present :

His Excellency,
The Governor General in Council.

Whereas by an Act passed in the 29th year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled " An Act to provide against " the introduction and spreading of disorders affecting certain animals" authority is given to the Governor in Council to take such measures as may appear to be necessary in order to prevent the introduction of contagious or infecting disorders affecting cattle and other animals, and to check such disorders from spreading if introduced.

And whereas a contagious disease or epidemic affecting horned cattle prevails in many parts of the United States of America, and is increasing and extending its ravages; And whereas it is expedient, in order to prevent the introduction of the same into the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, heretofore constituting the Province of Canada, that the importation of horned cattle from the United States of America should be prohibited,

His Excellency in Council, on the recommendation of the Hon. the Minister of Customs, and under the authority given by the said Act, has been pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that from and after the date hereof, and until this Order shall have been altered or revoked, the importation from the United States of America, or introduction therefrom into the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, heretofore constituting the Provinceof Canada, or into any part thereof, of horned cattle, be and the same is hereby prohibited.

Certified, (Signed) WM. H. LEE,
Clerk P. C.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA,
Thursday, 1st October, 1868.

Present :

His Excellency,
The Governor General in Council.

Whereas it has been represented to His Excellency through the Board of Agrriculture of the Province of Ontario that the contagious disease or epidemic affecting horned cattle, which recently prevailed in many parts of the United States of America, has almost entirely disappeared, and it is therefore expedient that the Order in Council of the 13th of August last, prohibiting the importation or introduction of horned cattle from the said United States of America into the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, be revoked, and the importation of horned cattle into Canada permitted under certain Regulations hereinafter mentioned.

His Excellency in Council, on the recommendation of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture, and under the provisions of the Act 29 Vic., Cap. 15, has been pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered that on and from and after the 8th day of October instant, the Order in Council of the 13th day of August last, prohibiting the importation of horned cattle from the said United States of America into the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario shall be and the same is hereby revoked.

His Excellency in Council, under the authority aforesaid, has further been pleased to make the following Regulations, that is to say:—

On, from and after the said eighth day of October instant, all cattle intended to be imported or introduced into the Province of Ontario, at the ports of Windsor and Sarnia, shall, previous to their introduction, be inspected by such person or persons as may be appointed for that purpose and whose permission shall be obtained before such cattle shall be allowed to proceed to their destination.

All Railway Companies conveying such cattle shall be and they are hereby required to cause the cars used for the conveyance of the same to be thoroughly cleansed and disinfected immediately after the removal of the cattle therefrom.

These regulations shall remain in force until the first day of November next, and no longer.

Certified, (Signed,) WM. H. LEE,
Clerk P. C.

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor-General transmits, for the information of the House of Commons, certain documents on the subject of Immigration.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 26th April, 1869.

COPY of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 21st September, 1868.

On a communication from the Honorable *P. J. O. Chauveau* on behalf of the Government of the Province of Quebec, bringing under consideration the important subject of Immigration which the Constitution assigns in a certain sense to the concurrent action of the Federal and Local Governments.

The Honorable the Minister of Agriculture reports that it is of paramount, importance that steps be taken to define the powers and duties of the General and Local Governments respectively, connected with the subject of Immigration and settle the question of expenditure involved therein.

That to enable legislation to be had thereon at the next meeting of the respective Legislatures, and before the coming season of Immigration, action should be taken thereon at an early date.

That the conference suggested by the Hon. Mr. *Chauveau*, at which each Government might be represented by one of its members, appears to him, the Minister, to be the best mode of attaining the object desired.

He therefore recommends that such a conference be called, and that a member of this Council be appointed as a delegate thereto.

The Committee concur in the above recommendation, and advise that the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture be appointed delegate to the conference in behalf of this Government.

To the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture and Statistics,
&c., &c., &c.

Certified, W. H. Lee,
Clerk P. C.

Department of Agriculture,
Ottawa, 2nd October, 1868.

Sir,—I have the honor to inform you that the Hon. Minister of Agriculture has appointed the nineteenth day of October next for the meeting of the Conference to be held under the Order in Council of the 27th September last in relation to the question of Immigration.

I am in consequence instructed to request you to communicate the matter to the local Governments.

I enclose four copies o' the Order in Council aforesaid, being one for each Province.

I have, &c.,
J. C. Taché,
Deputy of Min. of Agriculture.

To the Hon.
The Secretary of State for the Provinces.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council approved by His Excellency the Administrator in Council on the 18th December, 1868.

On a memorandum dated 30th November, 1868, from the Hon. the Minister of Justice, submitting for Your Excellency's consideration a minute of the arrangements provisionally come to by the Delegates appointed by the Governments of Canada, Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick, respectively, on the subject of Immigration, and recommending that such minute, hereunto appended receive Your Excellency's sanction.

The Committee concur in the recommendation of the Minister of Justice, and, if sanctioned by Your Excellency, advise that the same be communicated to the respective Governments of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

Certified, W. H. Lee,
Clerk, P. C.

To the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture,
&c., &c., &c.

At a meeting of Delegates from the Government of Canada, and the Provincial Governments of Ontario, Quebec, and New Brunswick, on the 30th October, 1868, on the subject of Immigration, there were present :—

Sir John A. Macdonald, K. C. B., and the Hon. J. C. Chapais,
on behalf of the Government of the Dominion.

The Hon. John Carling and the Hon. E. B. Wood,
on behalf of the Government of Ontario.

The Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau and the Hon. Christopher Dunkin,
on behalf of the Province of Quebec.

The Hon. A. R. Wetmore and the Hon. Mr. Beckwith,
on behalf of the Government of New Brunswick.

After full discussion of the subject, the following propositions were agreed to, subject to the approval of the respective Governments :—

As the General Government receives the Emigrant Tax and is charged with the administration of the Quarantine Laws and the establishment and maintainance of Marine Hospitals, and must of necessity be the means of communication with Her Majesty's Government on all the matters affecting emigration, it is agreed :—

1st. That the General Government shall establish and maintain at its expense an efficient Emigration Office at London, England, and such other places in the United Kingdom, as the Government may from time to time think proper.

2nd. That it shall also establish at least one agency on the continent of Europe, and as many more as it may from time to time deem expedient.

3rd. That it shall defray all expenses connected with the Quarantine establishments at Quebec, Halifax and St. John, New Brunswick

4th. That it shall maintain and defray the expenses of Immigration Offices at Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, Halifax and St. John, New Brunswick, and also at Miramichi or some other points contiguous to the line of the proposed Intercolonial Railway.

5th. That it shall, if need be, apply to the Parliament of Canada annually, for a grant in aid of Immigration generally.

6th. That the several Provinces on their part shall establish an efficient system of Emigrant Agency within their respective Territories, and shall connect it, as much as possible, with a liberal policy for the settlement and colonization of the uncultivated lands.

7th. That in addition to the European agencies of Canada, each Province may appoint such agents in Europe or elsewhere as they think proper, and that such agents shall be duly accredited by the General Government.

8th. That each Province shall transmit from time to time to the Department of Immigration of Canada, and to the agents of Canada in Europe, full information as to its system of colonization and settlement, the lands assigned for free grants to settlers, if any, and the condition of such grants, together with all such information as may be deemed important for the promotion of Immigration.

9th. That in order to prevent disappointment on the part of intending Emigrants, and to insure correct information, no Province shall alter the terms and conditions proposed to be so conveyed to the General Government and the European agents without due and reasonable notice, and that if possible such information should be prepared during the winter in each year, and be in force, without any restrictive change, for the ensuing season of navigation.

10. That each Government shall appoint a Delegate to meet at Ottawa, for the purpose of mutual conference, and for the better carrying out an efficient system at least once a quarter in each year.

11. That such Legislation as may be required to carry this arrangement into effect shall be submitted to the respective Legislatures concerned at their first Session.

The within correctly sets forth the agreement come to at the Emigration Conference held at Ottawa on 30th October 1868.

(Signed) E. B. Wood,
John Carling,
Pierre J. O. Chauveau,
Christr. Dunkin.

Department of Agriculture,
Ottawa, 21st January, 1869.

(Copy.)

Sir,—In an Order in Council, dated the 18th of last month, it is amongst other things settled that the Agency of Immigration in England shall be established in London.

Therefore I am directed to instruct you to take steps to move your office from Wolverhampton to some convenient place in London. Your new quarters should be decent and well situated, without, however, entailing extravagant expenses. The sum of $500 will be forwarded to you by Mr Stefford to defray the expenses connected with your removal.

Please take advice from the Hon. Sir George Etienne Cartier and the Hon. Mr. McDougall, if they are still in London, when you go there, for your arrangements, and you may also consult Mr. Grant, of the Grand Trunk Company's Office, as to the best to select, and the most economical way of procuring a decent fitting office.

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

J. C. Tache,
Dep. Min. of Agr.

Wm. Dixon, Esq.,
Canada Emigration Agent,
Wolverhampton, England.

Ottawa, 23rd January, 1869.

(958—Copy.—No. 646.)

Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 19th instant, I have the honor to transmit to you herewith a copy of a letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Province of Quebec, stating, by desire of the
20th January, 1869. Lieutenant Governor of that Province, that the minute of the arrangement provisionally come to by the Delegates appointed by the Governments of Canada, Ontario, Quebec, and New Brunswick, respectively, on the subject of Immigration had been submitted to and had met with the approbation of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
E. A. Meredith,
Under Secretary of State.

J. C. Taché, Esq.
Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Province of Quebec, Secretary's Office,
Quebec, 20th January, 1869.

Sir,—I am directed by the Lieut. Governor of the Province of Quebec, to inform you that he has submitted to his Council the Copy of the Order in Council of His Excellency the Administrator of Canada, and a Copy of the Minute mentioned in the said Order on the subject of the Conference between the Federal Government and the Local Governments in relation to Immigration, and that the contents thereof meet the approval of the Lieut. Governor in Council.

I have, &c,

Ph. J. Jolicoeur,
Assistant Secretary.

The Hon. the Secretary of State
For the Provinces, Ottawa.

Ottawa, 6th February, 1869.

(991.—Copy.—No. 640)

Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 19th ultimo, I have the honor to transmit to you herewith a copy
1st February 1869. of a letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Province of Ontario, communicating the approval

of the Government of that Province, of the Minute of the Delegates of the General and Local Governments on the subject of immigration adopted at their conference held on the 30th October last.

I have the honor to be Sir,
Your most obdt. servant,
(Signed) HECTOR LANGEVIN,
Secretary of State.

J. C. TACHÉ, Esquire,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Statistics.

(Copy—827—68)

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 1st February, 1869.

SIR,—I am commanded by the Lieutenant Governor of this Province to inform you that having had under careful consideration your letter of the 22nd December and its enclosures, namely: a copy of the Minutes of the proceedings had by the Delegates, from the Government of the Dominion, and from the Provincial Governments of Ontario, Quebec, and New Brunswick, at a Conference held at Ottawa on the 30th October, 1868, to consider the subject of Immigration, and a copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Administrator in Council on the 18th December, 1868, having further relation to the subject, he approves on behalf of the propositions drawn up and agreed to at the Conference.

I am further commanded to announce to you for the information of His Excellency the Governor General that an appropriation of $10,000 (ten thousand dollars) has been made by the Legislature of Ontario, in aid of Immigration for the year 1869.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) THOS. C. PATTERSON,
Asst. Secretary.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State (Provinces),
Ottawa.

OTTAWA, 13th February, 1869.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose you a copy of a letter of the Provincial Secretary of the Province of New Brunswick, under date of the 1st instant, communicating the decision of the Government of that Province in relation to the Minute respecting Immigration, adopted at the Conference held between the Federal Government and the Local Governments, on the 30th October last.

I have, &c.,
HECTOR LANGEVIN,
Secretary of State.

J. C. Taché, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

(Copy.)

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Frederickton, N. B., 1st February, 1869.

SIR,—The minute of the arrangements provisionally come to by the delegates appointed by the Governments of Canada, Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick respectively, on the subject of Immigration, was submitted to the Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick in Council, on the 9th day of January last, when it was ordered as follows:

"The Council confirm the action of the delegates at Ottawa on the 30th October, 1868, with the proviso "that it may not be convenient for New Brunswick to be represented every three months at Ottawa, possibly not "more than twice a year; and they do not consider any legislation in this Province necessary at the present time "to carry out the arrangement entered into."

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed), JOHN A. BECKWITH.

Hon. H. L. Langevin, C. B.,
Secretary of State, Ottawa.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Ottawa, 22nd February, 1869.

SIR,—Conformably to the arrangement provisionally come to by the Delegates of the General and Local Governments, and subsequently adopted by an Order dated the 18th December, 1868, of the Governor General in his Privy Council, and by the Local Governments, it is desired that a meeting of Delegates should take place as soon as practicable.

I am therefore directed by the Honorable Minister of Agriculture, to request you to have the goodness to communicate with the Governments of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, with the view of inviting a conference of Delegates of the said Governments to be held at Ottawa on the 10th of March now forthcoming.

The main object of the meeting would be to render the Federal Government though the Minister of Agriculture, possessed of all information relating to the proposed measures of settlement for the wild Lands in each Province, as also the intention of each of the Local Governments as regards help to be given to Immigrants.

As a large emigration is anticipated for the next season, it is desirable that the Minister of Agriculture should be furnished with a list of available lands, with copies of the laws and rules laid down for their settlement, with maps and other information at as early a period as possible, in order to acquaint in time the intending emigrants of the advantages offered to them by each of the Provinces, such information being destined to be immediately dissiminated in the British Isles, and on the Continent of Europe.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed,) J. C. TACHÉ,
D'y Minister of Agriculture.

The Honorable the Secretary of State
For the Provinces, Ottawa.

OTTAWA, 3rd March, 1869.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose a copy of a letter from the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, under date the 16th February, communicating the decision of the Government of that Province on the subject of the minute respecting Immigration, adopted at the conference held on the 30th October last.

I have, &c.,
E. A. MEREDITH,
Under-Secretary of State.

J. C. Taché, Esq.,
Deputy of Minister of Agriculture.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, 16th February, 1869.

SIR,—Having in accordance with the wish expressed in your Despatch (No. 949) of January 21st, called the attention of my Council to the proposed arrangements concerning Immigration, a copy of which was enclosed in your Despatch (No. 906) of December, 22nd. I have the honor to state, for the information of His Excellency the Governor General, that in a minute submitted to me this day my Council inform me that "While fully "admitting the value of a well-directed effort on behalf of Immigration, they have to express their regret that in "the present financial condition of the Province, with the limited amount at the disposal of the Legislature, they "are not in a condition to co-operate in the enlarged scheme of Immigration recommended at a meeting of "Delegates held at Ottawa on the 30th October last."

I have &c.,
(Signed) HASTINGS DOYLE,

The Honorable
The Secretary of State for the Provinces,
&c., &c. &c.

OTTAWA, 10th March, 1869.

SIR,—Referring to your letter of the 22nd February last, I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter of the Provincial Secretary of the Province of Quebec, on the subject of the conference which is to take place on the 10th instant.

I have, &c.,
E. A. MEREDITH,
Under Secretary of State.

J. C. TACHE, Esq.,
Dep. Min. of Agr.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
QUEBEC, 5th March, 1869.

SIR,—I am directed by the Lieutenant Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 22nd February last, in which you inform him that a Conference on Immigration is to take place at Ottawa, on the tenth of this month.

I regret to inform you, that all the Members of the Government, being at present occupied in the Local Legislature, which is to sit for several weeks to come, it will be impossible for them to be present at the Conference.

Measures have been presented in our Legislature, by the Government, in relation to the sale of Crown Lands, and Colonization, so soon as they shall have been adopted, and reprinted with amendments that may have been made to them, that copies will be forwarded, which you will have the goodness to submit to the Members of the Conference.

I have, &c., P. J. O. CHAUVEAU.

The Hon. the Secretary of State
For the Provinces, Ottawa.

OTTAWA, 11th March, 1869.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose a copy of a telegraphic despatch from the Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, in relation to the Conference which was to have taken place on the 10th instant.

I have the honor, &c.,
E. A. MEREDITH.
Under Secretary of State.

J. C. TACHÉ, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

(Copy,) OTTAWA, 10th March, 1869.

By telegraph from Halifax to E. A. Meredith, A. S. S.

No delegate on Immigration will attend from Nova Scotia, but information will be supplied when prepared.

(Signed,) HARRY MOODY.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
(Copy,) Ottawa, 16th March, 1869.

SIR,—I am directed by the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture, to request you to have the kindness to inform the Provincial Governments of Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, that at a conference recently held in this city, at which the Honorable Provincial Secretary for Ontario was present as a Delegate for his Province, an understanding has been arrived at to the effect that in order to carry out the arrangements agreed upon by the General and Local Governments on the subject of Immigration, the different Provinces were to furnish in pamphlets or other form to this Department all information they are desirous of laying before the emigrating public in the British Isles and on the continent of Europe, such documents to be distributed by the Canadian Emigration Agent, now residing in London, and by another agent who is to be immediately appointed for the continent.

It has been further agreed that the Provincial authorities are to inform the General Government through this Department as to the course they intend to adopt, relating to the destitute Emigrants, who are likely to be sent to Canada in great numbers during the forthcoming season, the understanding being that each Province should support the expenses of land transport and other succor to such of those Emigrants who are destined to settle within the limits of its territory.

I am also directed to pray you to impress on the mind of the Provincial authorities the necessity of a prompt action in the matter above referred to.

The mode in which each Government intends to manage the expenses of temporary support and land transport, is also a subject of vast importance, whether the sums devoted from time to time for these objects, by the local Executives are to be intrusted to the Agents of the Federal Government, and by them made use of to the best advantage, or whether in the case of land transport, especially contracts, are to be entered upon by the local Governments with the Railway or other Companies, into whose hands the Emigration Agents of Quebec, Montreal, and other places, should surrender the care of the Emigrants after their being cleared of Quarantine and safely landed.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,
(Signed,) J. C. Taché,
Dep. M. of Agr.

The Hon. the Secretary of State,
For the Provinces, Ottawa.

Department of Agriculture,
Ottawa, 25th March, 1869.

Sir,—I am directed by the Honorable Minister of Agriculture, to inform you that Mr. E. Simays has been appointed Emigrant Agent, in virtue of an Order in Council, which reads as follows:

"Copy of a report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council approved by His Excellency the Governor "General in Council on the 18th day of March, 1869."

On the recommendation of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture, the Committee advise that Mr. E. Simays be temporarily appointed as an Assistant to Mr. Dixon, the present Emigrant Agent in London, Mr. Simays to be employed on the Continent of Europe, to promote Emigration to Canada, from the different European Countries, according to instructions which shall be given him from time to time, and under the general control of Mr. Dixon, at a salary not to exceed Eight hundred Dollars per annum, and actual travelling expenses.

(Certified,)
(Signed,) Wm. H. Lee, Clerk P. C.

Mr. Simay's will proceed to Europe with as little delay as possible, and will call on you at London, in order to arrange affairs in accordance with the written instructions which he will carry with him, and of which a copy is to be furnished to you.

Before the adoption of a new law of Immigration and a thorough settlement of the relative duties of the Dominion and local Governments on the subject of Emigration, which is made of concurrent jurisdiction by the "British North America Act" the Hon. Minister of Agriculture cannot take the responsibility of forwarding to you documents the details of which cannot constitutionally be known to him, except on being furnished with them by the Local Governments.

Pending final arrangements in accordance with an understanding already arrived at in Conferences which have taken place between Delegates of the several local Governments and of Canada, you may possibly receive from some of the local Governments, pamphlets, placards, maps or other documents, which you will make use of according to the wishes expressed and advise this Department of the reception of such documentary informations and afterwards furnish a Report of your proceedings in relation thereto.

I have the honor to be Sir, your obedient servant,
J. C. Taché,
Dep. Min. Agr.

Wm. Dixon, Esq.,
Canadian Emig't Agent,
Adams Street, Adelphi, London, England.

Department of Agriculture,
Ottawa, 6th April, 1869.

Sir,—Your duties as Agent of Emigration on the Continent of Europe, in connection with the Canadian Agency in London, shall consist in acquainting yourself with the prospects of engaging Emigration from the several Countries, towards any part of the Territory of the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and in furnishing intending Emigrants, Companies and the European public in general all information which may tend to promote such Emigration.

Your knowledge of Canada, of its climate, of its soil, of its many resources, and your knowledge of several of the Countries of Northern Europe, and of the languages of the people by which they are inhabited, will dictate to you the best way of accomplishing your important mission: to those sources of information which are personal, you will have to add the careful study of the documents written both in the English, French and German languages, furnished by the Department, a certain number of which are handed to you for distribution.

It is expected that the Local Governments of the Provinces, will soon issue new publications, specially relating to the laws, regulations, and mode of settlement adopted by them for the disposal of their wild lands; these documents when forwarded to you, you will distribute and generally deal with in conformity with the wishes expressed by the respective Government by which they will be issued.

It is the desire of the Honorable Minister of Agriculture, that you should locate your office in one of the following towns, viz.:—Hamburg, Bremen, Amsterdam, or Antwerp, and for the selection of one of these cities for your general quarters, you will consult with Mr. Dixon, the London Agent, of whom you are the Assistant for the continent, to decide between you as may be deemed best according to circumstances. But at the same

time that you are to have a fixed place of residence it is expected that the greater part of your time should be employed in travelling, in order to ascertain from what parts of Northern Europe the emigration is likely to be drawn, and there to make Canada known and appreciated, and to give to any one requiring such general and other information as you may become possessed of from time to time.

You will proceed on your voyage as soon as your necessary arrangements are made, and direct yourself to London, where you will confer with Mr. Dixon, as heretofore stated, and then reach your selected quarters.

An advance of money will be furnished to you by the general accountant of the Emigration branch of this Department, Mr. Stafford, in Quebec, from whom you will receive general information on distances, modes of conveyance, prices of transport, and of articles of use and consumption and such like as are sought for by intending emigrants and enquiries generally.

Your remittances in Europe will be made to you through the London agency at which an entry will be made against you of the advance furnished by Mr. Stafford to be accounted for by receipts for salary and detailed accounts of travelling expenses.

You will from time to time report to this Department through the London agency or if required to save time directly to this Department. These reports of yours shall contain amongst other things a statement of your proceedings, the state of the public mind ascertained during your visits, as regards Canada, statistical data concerning the number of Emigrants leaving every year the different European countries, their destination and the means they carry with them to the new home of their choice, and general remarks on which in your opinion it would be best calculated to direct a stream of emigration towards our shores.

It is hoped that with the knowledge acquired by many years of residence both in Europe and in Canada, with the acquaintance which you have had occasion to make with the general subject of emigration, in your previous studies of the question, and in your present visit to the Department, and with such information as you will collect both at the principal office in Quebec, and at the London Agency during your impending visit to these two places you will be able to do all that can be possibly done for the object intended.

You need not be told that while you are to do all you can to popularise emigration to Canada, you are not nevertheless to lay before the emigrating public extravagant expectations which could not be realized; the man who abandons the country of his birth, all his former earthly associations to go and trust a distant land in order to better the future of himself and family is entitled to be told the truth, and to be shown things as they are with the many and solid advantages, but also with their disadvantages and little drawbacks. Such an honest policy is besides being honest, in the long run, also the most profitable policy.

I remain, Sir, with the best wishes for the success of your mission,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. C. Taché,
Dep. M. of Agriculture.

Department of Agriculture,
Ottawa, 7th April, 1869.

(Copy.)

Sir,—Mr. Simays, your assistant, as continental Agent, whose nomination has been before announced to you, will shortly leave Canada for England, and on arrival at London, will immediately report himself to you, and confer with you as to his present mission, in accordance with the instructions given him, of which a copy will be deposited by him in your office. An advance of $800 has been made to Mr. Simays, $300 on his salary, and $500 on his travelling expenses; as remittances are to be made to him by you, please enter the said sum against him, to be accounted for by receipts for payments of salary and travelling accounts.

I have no doubt that you will give Mr. Simays all the information he may require, and render him all the assistance in your power.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed,) J. C. Taché,
Dep. M. of A.

Wm. Dixon,
Canadian Emigration Agent,
No. 11, Adam Street, Adelphi, London.

Department of Agriculture,
Ottawa, 16th April, 1869.

(Copy.)

Sir,—As the time of the arrival of Immigrants is approaching, I am directed to furnish you with general instructions concerning your functions of Emigrant Agent, as long as the laws formerly in existence and yet so in your Province are not repealed by a Dominion Statute, you are bound of course to be directed by the exigencies of the said laws whenever the case occurs in which a special requirement is enacted.

On the arrival of each party of immigrants, you are to meet them on board the ship and enquire from them about their health, the treatment they have received from the hands of the master and crew, of their actual pressing wants and of their destination, in order to afford them protection and advice.

You are not, however to allow any distribution of food, any hospital lodging, nor any land passage, except in cases of actual hardship and your expenses in so doing must be restricted within the limits of the contingents granted for your station.

You will be kind enough to report to this department, from time to time and especially when any thing of an unusual character happens.

I forward to you some printed publications formerly distributed for the benefit of the Emigrating public by the former Province of Canada, as a matter of general information, and I advise you to collect from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick similar publications which may have been published there, but you are aware that by the "British North America Act," the subject of Immigration is made one of concurrent jurisdiction between the Local Governments and the Government of the Canadian Confederation. In consequence of which an understanding, pending the enactment of a law, has been arrived at by which the Local Governments are to furnish all informations relating to their respective Province and to assume the expenses of transport and settlement of Immigrants destined for their respective territory.

You are authorized to visit at your convenience, the Emigration Office at St. John New Brunswick, where you may, in a very short time, acquaint yourself with the routine of the business of an Emigration Agency, and you are permitted, consequently, to charge the actual expenses of such visit on your contingencies, Mr. Shives, our agent in St. John, I am sure, will give you all information in his power.

The following is the estimate of the annual expenses allowed for your station, estimates which are not, under any circumstances and for any purpose, to be exceeded by the expenditure, without a special written authority having been obtained beforehand from the Department.

Salary of Agent	$800
Rent of Office	
Contingencies	130
Total annual expenditure	$1,010

Your salary commences with the date of your appointment, namely, the 18th of March last. These sums when due are to be paid by quarterly or other periods by the Dominion Paymaster at St. John with whom you can agree upon a mode of effecting remittances.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed,) J. C. TACHÉ,
Dept. M. of A.

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

No. 167. Feby. 30, 1869.

His Excellency the Governor transmits to The House of Commons the accompanying copy of a Despatch received by Lord *Monck* from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, respecting the Bill passed in the last Session of Parliament "to fix the salary of the Governor General."

Government House,
Ottawa, 26th April, 1869.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies to Viscount Monck.

(Copy—Canada,—No. 167.)

DOWNING STREET, 30th July, 1868.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to acknowledge your Despatch No. 85, of the 23rd of May, transmitting a Bill passed by the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, "to fix the salary of the Governor General" which Bill you have reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's Pleasure.

I need scarcely say that it is with reluctance, and only on serious occasions, that the Queen's Government can advise Her Majesty to withhold the Royal Sanction from a Bill which has passed two Branches of the Canadian Parliament. The present, however, is a measure which has important bearings, far beyond its first aspect as a mere reduction of expenditure.

The annual salary of the Governor General was fixed at £10,000 so lately as last year by the Imperial Act of Union: within the first few months of the existence of the new parliament of Canada, it is proposed to reduce that salary to £6,500.

I fear that the effect of such a reduction, if assented to, must be prejudicial to the interests of Canada. The Governor's salary in the colony of Victoria, is £10,000 per annum; there are several colonies in which it is £7,000, in Canada the amount contemplated by the Bill under consideration is £6,500. Instead of being, as it ought to be, an object of the highest ambition, the office of the Governor General is by this proposal placed, as far as salary is a standard of recognition, in the third class among colonial governments. The effect would be not merely to restrict Her Majesty's ministers in the choice of Governors General to those who may follow the career of Colonial Governors as a profession, but further to confine the choice even amongst those to gentlemen who are still rising and who would have to look to other places than Canada as offering the highest reward for approved abilities and success.

But the Governor General is the representative of the Queen and the highest authority in a Dominion vast in extent, occupied by several millions of people, comprising within itself various provinces recently brought together which can only be knit into a mature and lasting whole by wise and conciliatory administration. Nor is the position insulated. The Governor General is continually called upon to act on questions affecting international relations with the United States. The person who discharges such exalted functions ought to possess not only sound judgment and wide experience, but also an established public reputation. He should be qualified both to exercise a moderating influence among the different provinces composing the Union, and also to bear weight in his relations with the British Minister at Washington, and with the authorities of the great neighboring Republic.

I am sure that the Queen's advisers in this country would at all times wish to obtain for Canada a Governor General so qualified, but they could not invite his services if the income of his office is insufficient to meet the demands on his resources, and to uphold in a becoming manner the dignity of the Queen's Representative in Canada.

For these reasons Her Majesty's Government have felt it their duty to advise Her Majesty not to pass into Law, by giving the Royal Assent, the Bill reserved for Her Majesty's pleasure for the reduction of the Governor General's Salary.

I have, &c.,
[Signed] BUCKINGHAM & CHANDOS,
&c., &c.

Governor the Right Honorable
VISCOUNT MONCK, &c., &c.

Mr. *Cameron* (Huron), from the L'Islet Election Committee, presented the following Report:—

That the Committee, at the request of the sitting Member, and of the Petitioner by their respective Counsel, have agreed to adjourn until the 11th of May next, and they therefore request that leave be granted for that purpose.—Leave granted accordingly.

On motion of Mr. *Scatcherd*, Hon. *J. J. Ross* (Champlain), was excused from further attendance as a Member on the Joliette Election Committee, in consequence of sickness, as verified on oath by his Medical attendant.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* presented—Statement of warrants charged against appropriation for unforeseen expenses in the current fiscal year from the 1st July 1868, to 23rd April, 1869.

Statement of warrants drawn against special deposits for the Fort Garry Road.

Copies of Orders in Council, respectively dated 21st September, 1868, and the 9th April, 1869, on the subject of the Fort Garry Road, and warrants in relation thereto.

Also, copies of Orders in Council of the 31st October and the 12th November, 1868, relation to a claim for Dower by Mrs. *T. A. Begley*, widow of *Hugh Fraser*.

Mr. *Grant* introduced a Bill (No. 22) to provide for the general adoption of the practice of vaccination.—Second reading on Wednesday next.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Galt*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government relating to the outlay incurred by Canada in the defence of the Frontier of the United States in 1863-4, and also arising out of the threatened Fenian invasion subsequently, as constituting a claim for indemnity from the United States. Also for copies of all correspondence, orders in Council and documents relating to representations made to the Government of Canada by the United States during the Rebellion of the Southern States.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Connell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the amount debt of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec on the 1st July, 1867, particularising in detail the service for which such debt has been incurred; also, a like return shewing the debt of Nova Scotia, 1st July, 1867; also, like return shewing the debt of New Brunswick on the 1st July, 1867; also, a return shewing any payments made by the Dominion to Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, particularising in detail the services or consideration for which such payments have been made, from 1st July, 1867 to 1st April, 1869; also, a return shewing the amount debt in detail of the Dominion on the 1st April, 1869, particularising the services for which such debt or liability has been incurred.

On motion of Mr. *Merritt*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all papers and official reports; 1st, having reference to the present condition of the repairs of the Welland Canal and its harbors; 2nd, giving information as to the progress made since last Session towards obtaining the Lake Erie level; 3rd, having in view the enlargement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals.

On motion of Mr. *Stirton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for the names of Commissioners and others named or appointed for rendering uniform the Laws, the salaries to be paid to each person so employed, and the amount already paid, and to whom paid.

On motion of Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Messrs. *Chamberlin* and *Stephenson* were added to the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

The order for the attendance of Honorable *J. J. Ross* (Champlain), was discharged.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bellerose*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to provide for the construction of an inclosure-wall for the Penitentiary and the Asylum at Rockwood, near Kingston; and, if so, when.

Mr. *Jackson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the respective Governments of England, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and that of the Dominion of Canada, in reference to Immigration and Colonization, together with copies of all Orders in Council which have been made, either as the result of such correspondence, or of official conferences between any of the Provinces and the Dominion.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Customs and officers of the Frontier Ports relative to the seizure of Foreign vessels; also, Memorials or Letters addressed to the Customs' Department, and all Orders in Council relative to such seizures.

Mr. *Savary*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all licenses granted during the past year to American Fishermen to fish in the waters of the Dominion; the names of the vessels and of their masters or owners, and to what Port they belonged; the amount of revenue derived from such licenses, and the names of the ports or places at which such licenses were issued.

Mr. *Savary*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to adopt the policy, during the ensuing year, of issuing licences to American Fishermen to fish in the waters of the Dominion, and, if so, at what rate will such licences be issued.

Mr. *Burpee*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it will be practicable for His Excellency to cause to be laid before Parliament at an early date, or during the early part of the present Session, copies of surveys, plans, and such other information relating to a proposed Canal between the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Bay of Fundy, as was called for in an Address which passed this House on the 28th of May last.

Hon. *Sir John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting Procedure in Criminal cases, and other matters relating to criminal Law.

Mr. *Oliver*—For printing the Return relative to Inland Custom Houses.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Wednesday next—That the Hon. Messrs. *E. B. Wood* and *Christopher Dunkin* be added to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Wednesday next—That Mr. *Merritt* be added to the Standing Committee on Banking and Currency.

Mr. *Renaud*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to accept the Eastern Extension or Dorchester Road, to form part of the Intercolonial Railway.

Mr. *Oliver*—In amendment to the motion for the reception of the Report of the Committee of the whole on Resolutions declaring it expedient to confirm the agreement made by the Government and the Great Western Railway Company. That the Report be not now received, but that it be referred back to Committee of the whole with instructions to insert the word "not" after the word "is" in the first line, and also to strike out all after the words "Governor General," in the third line, and add the following: That this House deeply regrets that the financial position of the Dominion prevents the possibility of remitting to the Great Western Railway Company the large sum of 730,855 dollars.

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint Collectors of Customs for either of the Ports of "Whycocomah," "Chimney Corner," or "Head West Bay" in the County of Inverness, Nova Scotia, during the present year.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—To refer to the Joint Committee on Printing, returns to Addresses respecting Royal Prerogative; names of Inland places at which Customs duty is collected; Correspondence between Dominion Government and Government of Ontario, &c., regarding power of disallowance of local legislation; Report Civil Service Commission; Returns laid before the House by the Hon. Minister of Finance, of Warrants charged against appropriation for unforeseen expenses, &c., &c.

No. 8.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1869.

2nd Session, 1st Parliament, 32 Victoria, 1869.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 9.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1869.

Thirteen Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.

Mr. *Morris* presented the first Report of the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, recommending a reduction of the quorum of the said Committee to seven Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

Mr. *Scatcherd*, from the Joliette Election Committee presented the following Report :—

That inasmuch as the petitioner has declared his intention to withdraw his contestation in this case, and has agreed, as well as the sitting Member by a written consent, signed by both parties, and fyled of record before the Committee, that the Petition and the defence thereto be declared neither frivolous nor vexatious, upon which the Committee have adopted the following Resolutions as their final decision :—

1. *Resolved*, That the sitting Member, *François Benjamin Godin*, Esq., has been duly elected as Member for the County of Joliette at the last Election, and is entitled to his seat as such Member.—

2. *Resolved*, That neither the Petition, nor the defence thereto are frivolous or vexatious.—

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 23) for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31st Victoria, Chapter 42.—Second reading on Friday next.—

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

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of The House of Commons, copies of agreements entered into with the Post Master General for the conveyance of mails by the Grand Trunk Railroad and Steam Ship Lines between the United Kingdom and Canada.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 27th April, 1869.

MEMORANDUM of Agreement entered into between the Postmaster General and Mr. *Brydges*, on behalf of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

1. The Grand Trunk Railway Company agrees to enter into a contract to continue in force from 1st August, 1868, to 31st December, 1871, to perform Mail Service as follows upon a Railway mileage counted thus :

Sarnia	to	Toronto	168¼
Toronto	"	Montreal	333
Montreal	"	Quebec	172½
Richmond	"	Boundary Line	55
Montreal	"	St. Johns	27
St. Mary's	"	London	22½
Quebec	"	Rivière du Loup	126
Arthabaska	"	Three Rivers	35½
Montreal	"	Province Line (Hemmingford)	40
St. John's	"	Rouse's Point	23
			Miles 1002½

2. The Service to consist of a train between Sarnia and Quebec each way daily (Sunday excepted) to leave Sarnia and Quebec respectively each evening and to run through continuously.

In addition a night train between Montreal and Toronto each way daily (Sundays excepted) to run continuously in connection with a day train between Toronto and St. Mary's so as to give a second continuous service between Montreal and St. Mary's.

The above trains to stop at such Stations as may be designated by the Post Office.

3. Upon all Branches one train at least is to be run each way daily (Sundays excepted) stopping at all Stations.

4. In addition to above the Post Office to have the use of every other Passenger Train which may be run by the Company during the Contract, and the Company to attach a Post Office car to each train if required thereto by the Post Office.

5. The Post Office compartment to consist of a space of sixteen feet long by the width of the Car, to be fitted up according to Post Office specification and confortably heated and lighted.

6. The Officers of the Post Office to be carried in the Post Office compartment free of charge and free passes to be issued as heretofore.

7. A convenient room to be provided at the Montreal and Toronto Stations for the accommodation of an officer of the Post Office to be stationed at each of those points.

8. Special trains between Montreal and Quebec, and between Montreal and Portland to be furnished for the conveyance of the Weekly Mails to and from the Canadian Ocean Steamers at Portland or Quebec as the case may be, except at such times as the regular train may in the opinion of the Postmaster General be used for the purpose without causing inconvenient detention to the said Ocean Mails, sufficient Car space to be specially appropriated to the Ocean Mails whether conveyed by special or regular trains and to be fitted up as the Postmaster General may require to enable said Mails to be assorted by the way.

9. All side Service to be performed by the Company as provided for in previous Contract with special provision of closed vans between Stations and Post Offices at Montreal and Toronto.

10. The rate to be paid for the above described service to be made up as follows : One hundred and sixty dollars per mile of railway per annum for all services exclusive of Special Train Service between Portland and the Boundary Line, for which a payment will be allowed equal to seven dollars additional per mile per annum on the total mileage and making together a total compensation for all services of one hundred and sixty-seven dollars per mile of Railway per annum, equivalent upon the Railway mileage on which this agreement is based, to $167,417.50 a year.

Payments to be made Quarterly, at Post Office Quarterly periods.

11. That this Contract is subject to be abrogated by the Commons House of Parliament should it see fit.

Ottawa, 7th April, 1869.

[Signed,] A. CAMPBELL,
Postmaster General,

[Signed,] C. J. BRYDGES,
Managing Director,
G. T. R. Co.

THIS AGREEMENT made the twenty-third day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, between *Hugh Allan*, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, in the Dominion of Canada, Ship-owner, and the Honorable *Alexander Campbell*, Postmaster General of the said Dominion, witnesseth that :

1. The said *Hugh Allan* doth hereby promise and engage and bind and oblige himself, his heirs and assigns to establish, maintain and keep up a regular line of large and powerful Steamers to ply between the Port of Liverpool and the Port of Quebec or Montreal, once in every seven days during the season of and for the navigation of the River St. Lawrence, and between the Ports of Liverpool and Portland once also in every seven days during the winter.

2. That the said Steamers shall be first class Vessels, and the line shall consist of the Austrian, Hibernian, Moravian, Peruvian, Nestorian, Prussian, North American and Nova Scotian and such other vessels as may be subsequently built or purchased; but no Steamer thus built or purchased is to be of less size or power than the Hibernian.

3. That the said *Hugh Allan* agrees to perform the service to and from Liverpool and to and from Quebec or Montreal during the St. Lawrence navigation until its close, every year, and to make at least twenty-six trips from Liverpool to Quebec or Montreal during the St. Lawrence navigation, and at least twenty-six trips from Quebec or Montreal to Liverpool during the said time, and the communication between Liverpool and Portland shall commence each year at the time of the close of the navigation of the River St. Lawrence, and shall continue until the opening thereof, and during that time the said *Hugh Allan* shall be bound to make weekly trips from Liverpool to Portland, and weekly trips from Portland to Liverpool, so that during each year there shall be provided a weekly service of fifty-two voyages both to and from America; the said Contractor hereby binding himself to call with each of the said Steamers and receive and land the Mails at Londonderry or such other Port in Ireland as may be from time to time decided upon by the Postmaster General of Canada.

4. That one of the said Steamers shall leave Liverpool and one shall leave Quebec or Montreal once every seven days during the St. Lawrence navigation season, and that one shall leave Liverpool and Portland, respectively, also once every seven days during the time when the navigation shall be closed on the River St. Lawrence in the winter.

5. That the said Contractor shall have the option from time to time of deciding on the Port of Quebec or that of Montreal for the termination of the trips of the said vessels to the St. Lawrence as the state of the water in the river and lake, or other cause may, in his judgment, make it advisable; but he shall not have the right to terminate the voyage at Quebec without the sanction of the Postmaster General, except in cases when the Steamer may reach Quebec too late to admit of an extension of the voyage to Montreal.

6. That the Steamers are never to approach Cape Race when the weather is so foggy or tempestuous as to make it dangerous to do so.

7. That the service under this contract shall commence on the first day of April, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine (1869), and shall continue up to and until the first day of April, eighteen hundred and seventy-two (1872), and shall not then terminate but shall continue in force thereafter in all its provisions until either party to the Contract shall give to the other party twelve months previous notice of a desire to terminate the same, and then in such case at the expiration of such twelve months notice the Contract shall absolutely cease and determine, and during the continuance of the Contract the said Contractor shall be bound to carry by each trip of the said Steamers such mails as may be given to him or to the officers in charge of his vessels by the Postmaster General of Canada for transmission to Liverpool or Ireland, or by the Post Office authority in Liverpool or Ireland for carriage to Canada, or such other Mails between the said Ports as may be required to be carried at the instance or by the command of the said Postmaster General.

8. That the Mails be received and delivered respectively by the Contractor at Liverpool, Londonderry, Quebec or Portland, as the case may be, and the expenses of conveying the Mails to the Steamships from the said places and from the Steamships to the said places is to be borne by the Contractor.

9. That there is to be no liability under this contract on the part of the said Contractor for the contents of the said Mails when the same are not delivered, in case the failure to deliver the same is the result of the dangers of the Sea or of such as are peculiar to Steam Navigation and not caused by neglect or want of proper skill or by misconduct on the part of the said Contractor, his Agents or Servants.

10. That the said Contractor shall find and furnish sufficient accommodation and space on board each of the said Steamers for keeping the Mails and for assorting and distributing the same on board, and to be called "Post Office," and to fit up such apartments in such manner as the said Postmaster General shall require, and also shall and will carry and transport on board each of such Steamers such Officers and Clerks not exceeding two in number, in each Steamer, for the purpose of guarding, assorting and taking care of such Mails, and to find and provide them with the usual rations and Cabin accommodation.

11. That the said Contractor shall furnish and supply the said Steamers with sufficient fuel, stores and provisions, tackle and all things needful and necessary to enable them to perform the voyages contracted for, and to secure the safety of the Mails and Passengers.

12. That the said Contractor shall and will from time to time and at all times during the continuance of this contract, make such alterations or improvements in the construction, equipments or machinery of each and every of the said vessels, which shall be used by him in the performance of this Contract as the advanced state of science may suggest, and advertise the sailing of the Steamers in Europe and America in such manner as the Governor in Council may direct.

13. That the days for the departure of the said Steamers shall be appointed by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, and so often as he may think fit and proper for the best interests of the public service, provided that in cases of changes, two months notice be given to the Contractor by the Government.

14. That the said Postmaster General shall in case of need, have the right to delay the sailing of any of the said ships for the space of twenty-four hours.

15. That the Postmaster General shall have the right to delay the sailing of any of the said ships for a further space of time not exceeding forty-eight hours, and for such additional delay the Contractor shall be entitled to claim payment at the rate of one hundred pounds currency for each twenty-four hours of delay beyond the first twenty-four hours provided for in the preceding clause.

16. That the said *Hugh Allan* doth bind and oblige himself to have at all times the command of a sufficient number of steamers of the description aforesaid to perform the trips hereinbefore mentioned and agreed upon, and that the time occupied by the said steamers on the outward passage from Liverpool shall not exceed fourteen days and on the homeward passage shall not exceed thirteen days on an average of the trips performed every three months, but if from the prevalence of tempestuous weather the outward passages from Liverpool to Portland during the months of December, Januury and February should, in any year, exceed fourteen days on an average of the trips performed during the said three months, the said *Hugh Allan* shall not be subject to any penalty in consequence thereof, provided the average of such outward trips for the said named months does not exceed fifteen days.

17. That in reckoning the time occupied by the Steamers on the outward voyages, allowance shall be made for the time during which the Steamers may wait at Londonderry for the arrival of the Mails for Canada.

18. That when the presence of fog or ice makes it dangerous to run the Vessel at full speed, it shall be the duty of the Captain either to slacken the speed or to stop the Vessel as occasion may require, and the time lost by doing so, if proved to the satisfaction of the Postmaster General as hereinafter mentioned shall be allowed to the Contractor in addition to the time specified for the length of the voyage.

19. That the proof shall be by a report of the facts, made and sworn to by the Captain, and such other evidence as the Contractor shall adduce or the Postmaster General shall require or obtain, and the proof to be submitted by the said *Hugh Allan* shall be submitted to the Postmaster General immediately after the arrival of the Steamer at her port, namely, at Quebec, Portland or Liverpool, such report and affidavit of the Captain as to the time lost and the necessity thereof, shall be sufficient *prima facie* evidence for the purpose of the preceding clause.

20. That in the event of any serious accident happening to any of the Steamers employed under this contract whereby she may be disabled from making her homeward voyage the Contractor will be at liberty to substitute another Steamship to carry the Mails for that trip only.

21. That the said Contractor shall not be called upon to pay for Dominion light or other similar dues during this contract, to which the said Contractor as owners of the Steamers to be employed on the said Service should be liable.

22. That in case the average length of the outward or homeward voyages in any three months exceeds the contract time subject to the allowances already provided for, the Contractor shall pay one hundred pounds currency for every twenty-four hours of such excess for the first one hundred and forty-four hours excess upon the aggregate of the voyages of such three months as compared with the contract time, and two hundred pounds currency for every twenty-four hours of excess beyond the first one hundred and forty-four hours of excess upon such three months voyages.

23. That no penalty shall be incurred by any delay occasioned by shipwreck or accident not arising from misconduct or from want of skill or foresight on the part of the Contractor or his servants, or occasioned by aiding vessels in distress or their passengers.

24. That the said *Hugh Allan* doth bind and oblige himself to pay to the Receiver General of Canada for every trip not performed according to this contract a penalty of five thousand dollars ; and shall not be entitled to the payment for the trip or trips not made in proportion to the amount of the present contract for the whole of the trips contracted for.

25. That the present Contract is made for and in consideration of the sum of fifty-four thousand five hundred pounds currency, (£54,500 currency) per annum to be paid quarterly to the said Contractor by the said Postmaster General, the first payment to be made on the first day of July eighteen hundred and sixty-nine (1869.)

26. That it shall be at the option of the Government of Canada to put an end to this contract and render the same null and void at any time, should the terms and conditions thereof not be fairly fulfilled and carried out in their true and honest meaning, and this without being obliged to have recourse to law ; but this contract shall not be voidable by the Government so long as the terms and conditions of it are fairly fulfilled and carried out in their true and honest meaning, and the right of the Government to annul the same for any cause shall be decided on by some tribunal having jurisdiction in such matters if such there be, or by any tribunal which may be created or appointed by Parliament for this purpose, and such tribunal shall decide summarily and without appeal by the said *Hugh Allan*, and may for the sake of expedition and substantial justice, dispense with the form and rules of procedure applicable to other cases.

27. That should the Government of Canada determine upon annulling the contract, no penalty shall be payable for the breach or any of the breaches for which this contract shall be so annulled.

28. That should the Postmaster General appoint any other Port in Ireland than Londonderry for receiving and delivering the Mails, such other variations shall be made in the conditions of the contract as may be equitable in consequence of such changes of Port.

29. That the said Contractor will have the power to avoid this contract at any time by giving the Government twelve months previous notice of his intention to do so.

30. That this Contract is made subject to the sanction of Parliament at its next Session.

In witness whereof the said parties have hereunto set their hands and seals, this twenty-third day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

[Signed,] HUGH ALLAN, (L. S.)
[Signed,] A. CAMPBELL, P. M. G. (L. S.)

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
[Signed,] W. H. GRIFFIN.

Ottawa, 23rd March, 1869.

HALIFAX MAILS.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT made the twelfth day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, between The Honorable *Alexander Campbell*, Her Majesty's Postmaster General in and for the Dominion of Canada for the time being, of the first part ; *William Inman*, of Liverpool, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, in that part of Great Britain called England, (which said *William Inman* and his executors and administrators are hereinafter described " the Contractors,") of the second part ; and *Thomas Langton Birley*, of Carr Hill, Kirkham, in the County of Lancaster aforesaid, Esquire, and *Charles Inman*, of Liverpool aforesaid, of the third part ; WITNESS that the said *William Inman* for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, doth hereby covenant with the Postmaster General of Canada, his executors, administrators, successors and assigns, Her Majesty's Postmaster General for the Dominion of Canada for the time being, in manner following (that is to say) :—

1. The contractors will faithfully convey or cause to be conveyed, by good and sufficient steam-vessels, all Her Majesty's Mails (which designation shall for the purposes of this Contract be considered as including all bags, boxes or packets of letters, newspapers, books or printed papers, and all other articles transmissible by post, without regard either to the place to which they may be addressed or to that in which they may have originated,) also all empty bags, empty boxes, and other stores and articles used, or to be used, in carrying on the Post office service, which shall be sent by or to or from the Post office, which the said Postmaster General or any of his officers or agents shall require to be conveyed from the Port of Queenstown, in Ireland, to the Port of Halifax, in Nova Scotia, on every alternate Sunday (with liberty, however, to the Contractors, in cases where there shall be Steerage Passengers embarking by the said Steamers at Queenstown, to wait there until such time on Monday as the clearance of the said Steamers by the Government Emigration Officers can be duly completed and obtained), and from Halifax to Queenstown on every alternate Friday, at such hours as the said Postmaster General shall appoint, and shall and will at their own costs and charges, duly receive and safely deliver such Her Majesty's Mails at Queenstown and Halifax respectively.

2. From and after the sixth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and thenceforward on every alternate Saturday or Monday, as may from time to time be appointed by the said Postmaster General during the continuance of this Contract, the Contractors will, at such hour as the said Postmaster General shall appoint, provide at the said Port of Queenstown a good and sufficent Steam-vessel in every respect ready for sea, for the conveyance of the said Mails, and such vessels shall immediately after Her Majesty's Mails are put on board, proceed without loss of time direct to Halifax, and will, on Friday, the third day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and thenceforward on every alternate Friday during the continuance of this Contract, at such hour as the said Postmaster General shall appoint, provide at the said Port of Halifax a good and sufficient Steam-vessel, in every respect ready for sea, for the conveyance of the said Mails, and such vessel shall immediately after Her Majesty's Mails are put on board, proceed without loss of time direct to Queenstown.

3. A separate and secure place of sufficient size, protected from leakage, and under lock and key, shall be provided in each of such Steam-vessels for the deposit and safe custody of Her Majesty's Mails, and the place so provided shall be subject to the approval of the Postmaster General for Canada for the time being, or of such person as he shall appoint to inspect and approve the same, and the Masters or Commanders of such vessels shall take due care of, and the Contractors shall be responsible for the receipt and delivery of the said Mails, and each

of such Masters or Commanders shall make the usual declaration or declarations required or which may hereafter be required by the Postmaster General in such and similar cases, and furnish such journals, returns and information to and perform such services at the Postmaster General or his agents may require, and every such Master or Commander or Officer duly authorized by him having the charge of Mails, shall immediately on the arrival at Halifax or Queenstown of every such vessel, deliver all Mails into the hands of the Postmaster or such other person at such places respectively as the Postmaster General shall authorize to receive the same.

4. The Contractors shall not convey in any of the vessels employed under this Agreement, any Nitro-Glycerine or other article which shall have been declared at Lloyd's to be specially dangerous.

5. The Contractors and all Commanding and other Officers of the vessels employed in the performance of this Agreement, and all agents, seamen, and servants of the Contractors, shall at all times punctually attend to the orders and directions of the Postmaster General, his officers or agents, as to the mode, time and place of landing, delivering and receiving Mails.

6. All the costs and charges of providing the vessels to be employed under this Contract, and the furniture and tackle thereof, and the keeping the same vessels seaworthy and in repair, and all the salaries and wages of the officers, seamen and servants employed in or about the management thereof, and all the sea and other risks, port charges, duties, pilotage, insurances and every other expense whatever, relative to the same, shall be wholly paid and borne by the Contractors.

7. The Contractors shall not receive, or take, or permit, or suffer to be received or taken on board any or either of such vessels, any letters for conveyance other than such as shall be contained in Her Majesty's Mails (save and except such letters as are by law exempt from the exclusive privilege of the Postmaster General), nor any Mails for conveyance on behalf of any Colony or Foreign country without the consent of the Postmaster General, and in case of any such default respectively, the Contractors shall be liable to be proceeded against for a breach of this Agreement.

8. And in consideration of the due and faithful performance by the Contractors of all the services hereby contracted to be by them performed, the Postmaster General doth hereby covenant that there shall be paid to the Contractors, out of such aids or supplies as may be provided and appropriated by the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada for that purpose, for each voyage with the Mails under this Agreement, from Queenstown to Halifax or from Halifax to Queenstown, the sum of Three Hundred and Twelve Pounds Ten shillings sterling money of Great Britain ; such payments to be made on the usual quarter days.

9. It shall be lawful for the Postmaster General by writing under his hand, or under the hand of the Deputy Postmaster General, or of the Secretary of the Post Office of Canada at any time to determine and put an end to this agreement without any previous notice in case of the breach thereof in any respect by the Contractors, and the Contractors shall not be entitled to any compensation by reason of such determination, and such determination shall not deprive the Postmaster General of any right or remedy to which he would otherwise be entitled by reason of such breach, or any prior breach of this Agreement; nor shall it interfere with the completion of any voyage which may have been commenced at the time of such determination,

10. If at the expiration of the month of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-one, any vessel or vessels shall have been started with the Mails from Queenstown or Halifax under this agreement, such vessel or vessels shall deliver such Mails in conformity with this Agreement, which shall be considered to terminate on the arrival of such last mentioned vessel or vessels at Halifax or Queenstown.

11. And it is hereby agreed and declared that this Contract shall commence on the First day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and sixty-eight, and shall continue in force until the Thirtieth day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and seventy-one, and shall then determine, but not so as to prevent either of the said parties availing themselves of this Contract for recovering any sum or sums of money or damages, should there have been any breach of this Contract previously to such determination.

12. All notices or directions which the said Postmaster-General, his officers, agents or others, are hereby authorized to give to the Contractors, their officers, servants or agents, may either be delivered to the Master or Commander of any of the said vessels, or other officer or agent of the Contractors in the charge or management of any vessel employed in the performance of this Agreement, or left for the Contractors, or sent by post, addressed to them at their office or house of business, in Liverpool or any other place, and being so given or left shall be binding on the Contractors, but any notice of termination of this Contract shall be served on the Contractors, their officers, servants or agents, at their office or last known office in Liverpool.

13. The Contractors shall not assign or underlet or otherwise part or dispose of this Agreement, or any part thereof, without the consent of the said Postmaster General in writing for that purpose.

14. The Contractors hereby agree to employ in the performance of the service hereby contracted to be by them performed, vessels of a class equal to those employed in the performance of the Contract with the Imperial Government for a similar service during the first six months of the year 1868.

In Witness whereof, the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first before written.

Signed, sealed and delivered by the said *William Inman* and *Charles Inman* in the presence of

F. HARRIS, Water St., Liverpool.

A. CAMPBELL. [L.S.]

WILLIAM INMAN. [L.S.]

Signed, sealed and delivered by the said *Thomas Langton Birley* in the presence of

WILLIAM HULLEY, Commercial Clerk, Kirkham.

T. LANGTON BIRLEY. [L.S.]

CHAS. INMAN. [L.S.]

Signed sealed and delivered by the said Honorable *Alexander Campbell*, Postmaster General for Canada in the presence of

W. H. GRIFFIN,
Deputy Postmaster General of Canada.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No 24) to avoid the necessity of having public documents engrossed on parchment.—Second reading on Friday next.—

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

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, The House resolved to go into Committee on Friday next, to consider of the supply granted to Her Majesty.—

The Resolutions, declaring it expedient to confirm the agreement made by the Government of Canada and the Great Western Railway Company for the settlement of the Debt due by the Company to Her Majesty, passed in Committee of the Whole on Friday last, were reported and agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* introduced a Bill (No. 25) to confirm and give effect to a certain agreement between the Government of Canada and the Great Western Railway Company.—Second reading on Friday next.—

The Bill (No. 10) respecting offences relating to the coin, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended.—Amendments to be considered on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 11) respecting offences against the person, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported.—Committee to sit again on Friday next.—

The Bill (No 13) respecting perjury, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended.—Amendments to be considered on Friday next.—

The Bill (No. 14) respecting indictable offences by forgery, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended.—Amendments to be considered on Friday next.—

The Bill (No 15) respecting larceny and other similar offences, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported.—Committee to sit again on Friday next.—

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Statement of the yearly amount of Imports and Exports of Canada from the 1st day of January, 1853, to the 1st day of January, 1869, distinguishing the Imports from, and the Exports to, the United States, from those from and to Great Britain and other countries, and shewing the value of Goods which in each year has, or would have been entered duty free under the operation of the Reciprocity Treaty.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence and dispatches between the Government of Canada and that of Great Britain, or with the British Ambassador at Washington, or other parties in the United States, since the 1st day of January, 1867, in reference to a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty, and for copies of all Orders in Council on the same subject.

Mr. *Metcalfe*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to increase the salaries of the officers of Customs and Excise, in lieu of participating in the proceeds of seizures.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to comply with a request made last year for a tri-weekly mail between Edmundston and St. Francis, in the County of Victoria, N. B.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:—

1st. That in the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, it is of the highest importance, for commercial and economical reasons, to have the shortest and cheapest line selected, which, in addition to the main object, will afford access to the best and nearest port on the Bay of Fundy.

2nd. That the Bay of Chaleurs route selected by the Government is not the one which will best promote the commercial interests of the Dominion, or best secure the settlement of the remote portions of the Provinces through which the road will pass, and that while it gives the smallest commercial advantages it will entail the largest expenditure in construction and afterwards in maintainance and working expenses.

3rd. That in view of the serious effect on the Finances of the Dominion and the permanent and continuous loss to the commerce of the Country consequent on the adoption of a long and expensive route to the sea, it is desirable not to proceed with any work on those portions of the line not common to the Central or Southern routes, with a view to the adoption of a route which will give access to the sea by the shortest and cheapest line, without interfering with the distance to Halifax as the ultimate terminus.

Mr. *Rymal*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all papers in possession of the Government connected with the purchase from the late *Sir Allan N. MacNab* of any property at or adjoining the City of Hamilton, as a site for a *Deaf and Dumb Asylum*, with a statement of cost of abstract of title, and any other necessary information appertaining thereto.

No. 9.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1869.

2nd Session, 1st Parliament, 32 Victoria, 1869.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *Thomas Lovell*, Mayor, and others, of St. Malachy, County of Ottawa; of *John McGill Chambers*, Reeve, and others, of Montague; of *William Wilson*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Cumberland, County of Russell; and of *P. Marier*, Mayor, and others, of the town of Terrebonne; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel and the supply of water from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

Of *John Ptolemy*, and others, of the County of Wentworth; of *George Jardine*, and others, of the County of Wentworth; of *Thomas Irvine*, and others; of *Thomas Locke*, M. P. P., and others; and of *M. Clark*, and others; severally praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign Hops when imported into Canada.

Of *A. Roy*, and others, Provisional Directors of the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. François and Yamaska; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to levy dues on vessels navigating the said Rivers.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Robert Ronald*, and others; of *Ira B. Row*, and others; and of *J. H. Bell*, and others; severally praying for the re-building of the Rond Eau Lighthouse, and the Piers at Rond Eau Harbor.

Of *Peter Campbell*, and others, Captains of steam and sailing vessels navigating the waters of Lakes Huron and Superior and the Georgian Bay; praying that Lighthouses may be established on certain Points and Islands in the said Lakes and Bay.

Of *Augustus Rohler*, and others, of Sault Ste Marie; of *E. A. Trelease*, and others, of Wellington Mines; of *George S Gallupe*, and others, of Sault Ste. Marie; of *James Bennetts*, and others; and of *James C. Phipps*, and others, of Ashburton, all on the North Shore of Lake Huron; severally praying that a weekly, instead of a fortnightly, Mail Service may be established on the North Shore of Lake Superior.

Of *P. D. Conger*, and others, of the Town of Belleville; praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *William L. Caie* and *George McLeod*, Delegates appointed at a Public meeting held at Richibucto, Province of New Brunswick; praying for the passing of an Act to impose a duty of Ten cents per ton on all vessels arriving at the Port of Richibucto, and that vessels over one hundred tons, be only required to pay that rate twice during the same season, and vessels under one hundred tons, but once in the season.

Of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company; praying for the passing of an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the said Company to Two hundred thousand dollars.

Of *George Secord*, and others, of the Township of Gainsborough, County of Lincoln; and of *William Gibbons* and others, of the Town of Ingersoll, County of Oxford; severally praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of *John Campbell* and others, of the Village of Seaforth, County of Huron; of *Francis W. Whitelaw*, and others, of the Town of Niagara, County of Welland; of *J. Mather* and others, of Angus; and of *Thomas Warnick*, and others, of the Town of Woodstock, County of Oxford; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets may be repealed.

Of *Benjamin J. Talbott*, of Iowa Falls, in Harding County, in the State of Iowa, one of the United States of America; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the granting of Letters Patent to him, for a new and useful improvement in the construction of Water Wheels

Of the Town Council of the Town of Niagara; of Messrs. *Bond* and *McCollow* and others, Merchants and Traders of the City of Oswego, State of New York; of the Mayor and the Corporation of the City of Milwaukie, in the State of Wisconsin; of the Board of Trade of the City of Oswego, State of New York; of the Board of Trade of Toledo, in the State of Ohio, all of the United States of America; and of *John Brown* and others, of the Village of Thorold, County of Welland; severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Canal Company, with power to build and construct a Ship Canal from the Niagara River, at, or near Fort George, in the Town of Niagara, to the Welland Canal, immediately above Lock No. 25, in the Village of Thorold, and to extend the same to the waters of the Upper Niagara River, at or near the Village of Chippewa.

Of *Frederick Baynton Sparkes*, of the city of Toronto; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the granting of Letters Patent to him for a new and useful means or process of manufacturing lubricating oil from crude petroleum.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying that in the Bill now before Parliament to confirm the settlement made with the Government, it may be declared that the holders of preference shares, may at their option take rank as ordinary shareholders.

Of Messrs. *John McPherson* and Company, and others, Manufacturers and Traders of the Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the provisions of the Acts 27 and 28 Vic., Cap. 21, and 29, and 30 Vic. Cap. 24, so as to include the inspection of kip and calf skins in the same manner as is now provided in respect to raw hides.

Of *Daniel A. McCall*, and others; of *Jacob McCall*, and others; of *W. C. Brown*, and others; and of *John Charlton* and others, all of the County of Norfolk; severally praying that the export duties levied upon pine, oak and spruce saw-logs, shingle bolts and stave bolts, under schedule F, of the tariff of 1868, may be repealed.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Official Return of the number of copies of the Statutes (English and French Versions) distributed by the Queen's Printer to the Departments, Administrative Bodies, Officers and persons, in conformity with the Act 31st Vic: Cap: 1. Sec. 14.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, Mr. *Merritt* was added to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce,—and Hon. Messrs. *Wood* and *Dunkin*, to that on Public Accounts.

The Bill (No. 3) to provide for the carrying out of Capital Punishment within Prisons, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Wednesday next.

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

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

And a Debate arising,

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, called upon *Alexander Morris*, Esq., Member for the South Riding of the County of Lanark to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

After some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And the question being put on Hon. Mr. *Blanchet's* proposed amendment, it was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brown, Burton, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Heath, Holmes, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Rankin, Read, Robitaille, Rose, Ryan (Montreal West), Simard, Simpson, Stephenson, Street, Sylvain, Tilley, Walsh, Webb, Whitehead, Wilson, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—82.

Nays:

Messieurs Anglin, Ault, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Brousseau, Burpee, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Inverness), Cheval, Coffin, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Hutchison, Kempt, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, White, Wright (York, O., W. R.), and Young.—57.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon Mr. *Rose*—On Friday next—That The House, on a future day, do resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. *Metcalfe*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for return of the appointment and instructions to the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway; also copy of the appointment and instructions to the Chief Engineer; copies of all Reports and Communications by Commissioners and Chief Engineers, on the subject of tenders, and the letting of contracts for the construction of the said works, or any part thereof; also copies of any Orders in Council approving said Reports, or otherwise.

Mr. *Workman*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, in reference to surveying the ship-channel between Montreal and Quebec, and his Report thereon, together with any other document referring thereto.

Mr. *Workman*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of the instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, in reference to the construction of the Bay Verte Canal, and his Report thereon.

Mr. *Magill*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government, in the measure to be introduced this Session respecting Parliamentary Elections, to extend the suffrage by the reduction of the amount of qualification now required for voting at Parliamentary Elections.

Hon. Mr. *Gray*—On the question of concurrence on the several Bills before the House respecting the Criminal Laws—The following resolution :—

That in the administration of Criminal Justice on any trial—proceeding or investigation—the accused may, if he demand it, be called, sworn and examined as a witness on his own behalf.

Mr. *Drew*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return shewing the amount received by the Government from Ontario, on account of the issue of marriage licenses between the 1st of July, 1866, and the 30th of June, 1868, with a detailed statement shewing how such money has been expended.

Mr. *Redford*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government during the present Session to repeal the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets.

Mr. *Savary*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all proclamations that have been made, and of all correspondence that has been carried on by the Government on the subject of the assimilation of the Currency throughout the Dominion.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the $50,000 voted last year, in the estimates for the year ending 30th June, 1869, for the construction of Harbors of Refuge, has been expended, or any portion thereof, and if so, what portion, and where the same has been expended.

Mr. *Cameron* (Huron)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Surveys and reports made by the Engineers or other Employees of the Government relative to Harbors of Refuge or other Harbors on the East coast of Lake Huron and copies of all instructions to such Engineers or Employees; also copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and Ontario Governments on the subject of such Harbors.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—That an order of the House do issue for copies of Tenders received for construction of Intercolonial Railway, with schedules of prices attached; the names of sureties and copies of contracts; and all correspondence between the Government and the Railway Commissioners concerning such contracts.

Mr. *Savary*—In Committee of the Whole, on the Bill respecting Larceny and other similar offences—That the said Bill be amended by striking out all that portion of the twenty-first section which follows the words "Simple Larceny" in the eighth line of the said section, and substituting the words following; viz.:—"And whosoever steals, or cuts down, breaks, roots up, or otherwise destroys, or damages, or removes with intent to steal the whole, or any part, of any tree capable of being converted into, or used for merchantable firewood, timber, or any kind of lumber growing elsewhere than in any of the situations in this section before mentioned, shall, on conviction thereof, before any two Justices of the Peace, forfeit and pay over and above the value of the article or articles stolen, or the amount of the injury done, such sum of money not less than twenty-five or more than one hundred dollars, as to the Justices may seem meet; and whosoever having been convicted of any such offence either against this or any former Act or law, afterwards commits any of the said offences in this section lastly before-mentioned, and is convicted thereof, in like manner, shall for such second offence, in addition to such fine or otherwise, be committed to the common gaol or house of correction, there to be kept at hard labor for such term not exceeding six months, as the convicting Justices may think fit; and whosoever having been twice convicted of any such offence (whether both or either of such convictions shall have taken place before or after the passing of this Act) afterwards commits any of the offences in this section before mentioned, is guilty of felony, and shall be liable to be punished in the same manner as in the case of simple larceny." Also, that section 109 be amended by erasing the words "not exceeding three" after the word "term" in the twelfth line of said section, and inserting the words "not less than two and not exceeding six."

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether that portion of the debt of the former Province of Canada created for the redemption of Seigniorial rights is included in the amount in excess of sixty and a half millions of debt for which the Dominion is alone is liable.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—on Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence with the Goverment of the Dominion of Canada on the subject of the conviction or imprisonment of the Reverend *John McMahon*, Roman Catholic Priest, in the Provincial Penitentiary at Kingston, or of any correspondence referring in whole or in part to the said prisoner.

No. 10.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1869.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *D. Jones* and others, of the South Riding of the County of Grenville; praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign hops when imported into Canada.

Of *Edmund W. Plunkett*, Civil Engineer, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the granting of Letters Patent to him, for an invention respecting the manufacture of Nails.

Of *Edward Schultze*, Manufacturer of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the granting of Letters Patent to him, for an invention respecting the manufacture of Metallic compression casting.

Of *M. Burnett*, Reeve, and others of the Township of Algona, County of Renfrew; and of *Alexis Gauthier* and others, of the Township of Hamilton, County of Bonaventure; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

Of *James Norris* and others; of *D. Rowan* and others; and of *James Craig* and others, all masters and owners of Vessels navigating Lakes Huron and Michigan; severally praying for the construction of Harbors of Refuge at Kincardine and Chantry Island, on the East Coast of Lake Huron.

Of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec; praying that their Act of Incorporation may be amended, so as that the responsibility for any loss or damage caused by any Pilot in the execution of his duties may fall on the author of such loss alone.

Of *E. W. Osborne* and others; of *William Ransom* and others; of *John Atkison* and others; and of *William Hovey* and others; severally praying for the re-building of the Rond Eau Lighthouse, and the Piers at Rond Eau Harbor.

Of *S. Barfoot* and others, of the County of Kent; and of the Municipality of the Township of Tilbury East; severally praying for the removal of the Bar at the mouth of the River Thames.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the second Report of the said Committee, recommending that as the several contracts for the Printing, Binding, and Printing Paper expire with the work of the present Session, it is necessary that provision should be made for the future performance of those services, tenders should be asked for the Printing, Binding and the supply of the Printing Paper required for the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, for the period of five years, commencing on the 1st January, 1870, with the right on the part of Parliament to extend the same to ten years.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* on the following Petitions, viz :—

Of the Honorable *John Young*; for revival of the Act incorporating the Canadian and British Telegraph Company;—of *John H. Stephenson*, for a Divorce;—of *A. Roy* and others, Provisional Directors of the Company for the improvement of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska;—of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company;—of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company (so far as respects that portion of the Petition praying for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation); of *James Blanchfield Smith*;—of *Benjamin J. Talbott*;—of *Frederick Braynton Sparkes*, (severally relating to Patents);—of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto;—and of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 21st instant, for a return showing the extent of land reserved on the shores of Long Point, in the County of Norfolk, for fishing purposes, at what point such reservation commences; also whether such reservation has been leased, if so, to whom and for what purposes, the amount paid, the date of such leases and the length of time they have to run, and whether such leases give the lessees control over such reservation except for fishing purposes.

Return to Address of the 23rd instant, for all correspondence between the Government and the trustees appointed under 31st Vict., Cap. 17, or the Corporation of the Bank of Upper Canada; and copies of all Orders in Council or other documents connected therewith.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Customs and officers of the Frontier Ports, relative to the seizure of Foreign vessels; also, Memorials or Letters addressed to the Customs' Department, and all Orders in Council relative to such seizures.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Dorion*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a Statement of the yearly amount of Imports and Exports of Canada from the 1st day of January, 1853, to the 1st day of January, 1869, distinguishing the Imports from, and the Exports to, the United States, from those from and to Great Britain and other countries, and shewing the value of Goods which in each year has, or would have been entered duty free under the operation of the Reciprocity Treaty.

And a further Address, for copies of all correspondence and dispatches between the Government of Canada and that of Great Britain, or with the British Ambassador at Washington, or other parties in the United States, since the 1st day of January, 1867, in reference to a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty, and for copies of all Orders in Council on the same subject.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *Senécal*—On Monday next—Commmittee of the whole to consider the following resolution :—*Resolved*, That it is expedient to empower "The Company for the improvement and deepening of the rivers St. Francis and Yamaska," to impose the following rates of toll, in certain cases, and after having completed the improvements set forth in their Act of Incorporation :—

On all vessels navigating the said rivers, per ton registered measurement.....	5 cents
On iron, metals, salt, potash and pearlash, unhewn stone, mill and grind stones, and bricks carried by such vessels, per ton of 2,000 lbs.....	5 "
On all other effects and merchandize, &c., not herein before enumerated, per ton, cubic measurement.....	5 "

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1869.

Ten Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following petitions were received and read:—

Of the Hon. *D. L. Macpherson*, and others; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name and style of the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company.

Of *Maurice G. Lowman*, and others, of the District of Assiniboia; and of *Charles Curtis*, and others, of the District of Manitobah, both in north western Canada; severally praying for a semi weekly postal communication with the Dominion of Canada.

Of *F. H. Burr*, and others, of the District of Manitobah, in north western Canada; praying for arms to defend themselves from Indian marauders.

Of the Quebec Bank; praying for certain amendments, as also a renewal and extension of their charter.

Of La Banque du Peuple; praying for a renewal and extension of their charter.

Of *Matthew G. Mountain*, and others, of the City of Quebec; praying that the sum of $100,000 voted by the Legislature of the Province of Canada, for the erection of a suitable Post Office in the said City, may be expended without delay.

Of *C. Sharples*, and others, of the City of Quebec; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent. upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of *George W. Jones*, of the Village of Port Perry, in the Township of Reach; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Ann Catharine Martin* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Of the Montreal Typographical Union No. 97; praying that Canadian publishers be permitted to print the works of British Authors, on conditions equal to those now paid by United States publishers on British Copyright works imported into Canada.

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

Of *William S. Oakes* and others, of the County of Norfolk; praying that the export duties levied upon pine, oak, and spruce saw-logs, shingle bolts and stave bolts under schedule F, of the Tariff of 1868, may be repealed.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the third Report of the said Committee.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits Estimates of certain of the sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1870; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to The House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 28th April, 1869.

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

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the second Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 32) respecting Procedure in Criminal Cases and other matters relating to Criminal Law—Second reading on Tuesday next.

The Bill (No. 16) respecting the Department of Finance, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that the Bill (No. 25) to confirm and give effect to a certain agreement between the Government of Canada, and the Great Western Railway Company, be now read the second time.

Mr. *Ross* (Prince Edward) moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not now read the second time, inasmuch as it is inadvisable to confirm the agreement entered into between the Government of the Dominion, and the Great Western Railway Company, by which $1,250,626.43 is lost to the Country; which was negatived on a division.

The Bill was then read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole for Tuesday next.

The House went into Committee of Supply, and made some progress. Committee to sit again this day.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at six o'clock P. M.

½ PAST 7 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara) introduced a Bill (No. 26) to increase the Capital Stock of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company.—

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

Mr. *Langlois* introduced a Bill (No. 28) to amend the Act 23 Victoria, Chapter 123,

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

Mr. *Jackson* introduced a Bill (No. 27) to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto.—

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

(THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY WAS RESUMED.)

(*In the Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1.	Salaries of the		Governor General's Secretary's Office	$ 8,955 00
2.	do		Department of the Privy Council	10,550 00
3.	do	do	of Justice	7,000 00
4.	do	do	of Militia and Defence	15,000 00
5.	do	do	Secretary of State	25,290 00
6.	do	do	Secretary of State for the Provinces	5,200 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Mr. Speaker informed The House that the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificate of the Election and Return of Hon. Mr. *Howe* for the Electoral District of Hants.

The Bill (No. 23) for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian Affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 42, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole for Friday next.

The Bill (No. 24) to avoid the necessity of having public documents engrossed on parchment, was read the second time, and ordered for a third reading on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 17) to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier for electoral purposes, was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Godin, Pâquet, Dufresne, Masson* (Terrebonne), and *Geoffrion.*

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:—

No. 18. For the improvement of the navigation of the River Sydenham.

No. 19. To facilitate the removal of obstructions to the navigation of the River Sydenham.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the names of the Engineers, Assistant Engineers, and others, employed on the Intercolonial Railway, the date of their appointment, the section on which they are employed, their salaries, and the Province they resided in at the period of their appointment.

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Dominion and Local Government of New Brunswick, relating to the subsidy provided under Acts of the Legislature of said Province, to facilitate the construction of Railways.

Mr. *Savary*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether any representations have been made to the Government by the Judges of Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, respecting the inadequacy of the present machinery for the administration of Civil and Criminal Justice in that Province; and if so, have the Government communicated such representations to the local Government, with a view to the establishment of an additional Court or some equivalent remedy.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Monday next—That this House do on Tuesday next, go into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. That it is expedient to extend to vessels of or under one hundred and twenty-five tons measurement, belonging to any port in Canada, the same exemption from the obligation to take Branch Pilots in the Port of Quebec, as is granted by the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 134 Vic. Cap. 96, to such vessels when belonging to the Province of Quebec, subject always to the conditions mentioned in the said Act.

2. That it is expedient to exempt all vessels belonging to or in the service of the Government of Canada, from the obligation to employ Branch Pilots in any port or place in Canada.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—That the House do on Friday next go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution :

That it is expedient that the Provisional Contract entered into between *Hugh Allan*, Esquire, and the Postmaster General of Canada under the authority of an Order in Council dated the 18th of March, 1869, for a weekly service of ocean mail steamers on the terms and conditions set forth in the said contract (a copy whereof and of the said Order in Council bas been laid before Parliament) should be sanctioned and authorized by the Parliament as required by the terms thereof in order to its becoming valid and binding.

Mr. *Rankin*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to make any provision this Session for the improvement of the Rocher Capitaine Rapids, for the safer descent of timber.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Monday next—That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* be added to the Committee on the Library, and that a Message be sent to the Senate to inform their Honors thereof.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 3RD MAY, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of St. Francis, and in the County of L'Islet for the year 1868.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *John Dawson*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Nepean; of *John Caldwell*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Huntley; of *William Craig*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Bristol, County of Pontiac; of *Thomas McVeigh*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Litchfield, County of Pontiac; and of *William Reehan*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Sheen, County of Pontiac; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel and the supply of water from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

Of *John Stirling* and others, of the City of Montreal; of *J. D. Dewan*, and others; of *John Gulliford*, and others, of the Town of Ingersoll, County of Oxford; and of *William Napier*, and others, of the County of Gloucester, Province of New Brunswick; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent. upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets may be repealed.

Of the Bank of New Brunswick; praying for the passing of an Act to increase their capital stock.

Of *Samuel Field*, and others, of Harwich; of *Thomas Roe*, and others, of the Township of Raleigh; of *Frederick Arnold*, and others; of *Isaac Wilcox*, and others, of the Township of Raleigh; of *Francis Taylor*, and others, of the Township of Dover; and of the Municipality of the Township of Dover, County of Kent; severally praying for the removal of the Bar at the mouth of the River Thames.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Huron; praying for certain amendments to the Militia Act.

Of *J. B. Lamey*, and others, of the City of Montreal, Forwarders and owners of vessels; praying to be relieved from certain dues and charges imposed on vessels navigating the inland waters of the St. Lawrence.

Of *James C. Huffman*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Napanee; praying for the passing of an Act to prevent the casting of saw-dust or other refuse matter into the Napanee River.

Of Messrs. *John Ross* and Company, and others, Merchants, of the City of Quebec; and of *François Xavier Hudon*, and others, of the Parish of St. Pascal, County of Kamouraska; praying that a small tax may be imposed on imported Tobaccos, and that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco be repealed.

Of *Eli Clinton Clark*, of the City of Toronto, formerly of the City of Albany, State of New York; praying for an Act of Naturalization.

Mr. *Geoffrion* introduced a Bill (No. 34) to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers.

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

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, the Journals of last Session, of the 26th March and the 1st April, 1868, were read.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, a Select Committee was appointed on the subject of the maritime and river fisheries, ocean and inland navigation, and the inspection of fish, composed of Hon. Messrs. *Anglin*, *Campbell*, *Chauveau*, *Blanchet*, and Messrs. *Simpson*, *Mackenzie*, *McCallum*, *Keeler*, *Workman*, *Simard*, *Robitaille*, *Renaud*, *Bolton*,

Savary, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), *Coffin, Langlois, Ross* (Prince Edward), *Jones* (Halifax), *Beaty, Cimon, Bourassa, Burpee, Dufresne*, and the mover, of whom seven shall form a quorum, and Rules 79 and 80 suspended.

On motion of Mr. *Savary*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all licenses granted during the past year to American Fishermen to fish in the waters of the Dominion; the names of the vessels and of their masters or owners, and to what Port they belonged; the amount of revenue derived from such licenses, and the names of the ports or places at which such licenses were issued; also of all regulations and Orders in Council that have been made respecting the protection of the fisheries since the 1st of July, 1867, and for the current year.

On motion of Mr. *Workman*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, in reference to surveying the Ship-channel between Montreal and Quebec, and his Report thereon; together with any other documents referring thereto.—

Also, a further Address, for copies of the instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, in reference to the construction of the Bay Verte Canal, and his Report thereon.—

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Huron), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Surveys and Reports made by the Engineers or other Employees of the Government relative to Harbors of Refuge or other Harbors on the East coast of Lake Huron, and copies of all instructions to such Engineers or Employees; also copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and Ontario Governments on the subject of such Harbors.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* it was *Resolved*, That an Order of the House do issue for copies of tenders received for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, and Schedules of prices attached; the names of sureties and copies of contracts; and all correspondence between the Government and the Railway Commissioners concerning such contracts.

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Tuesday next, to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to extend to vessels of or under one hundred and twenty-five tons measurement, belonging to any port in Canada, the same exemption from the obligation to take Branch Pilots in the Port of Quebec, as is granted by the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 134 Vic. Cap. 96, to such vessels when belonging to the Province of Quebec, subject always to the conditions mentioned in the said Act.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to exempt all vessels belonging to or in the service of the Government of Canada, from the obligation to employ Branch Pilots in any port or place in Canada.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Hon. Mr. *Chauveau* was added to the Joint Committee on the Library of Parliament, and a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, to acquaint their Honors therewith.

The Bill (No. 24) to avoid the necessity of having documents engrossed on Parchment, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 5) to declare the first day of July, or Dominion Day, a legal holiday, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole for Wednesday next.

The Bill (No. 6) to authorize the extradition of persons from the Dominion of Canada, charged with having committed crimes in the United States, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, for Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills have been posted in the Lobby, to be taken into consideration on the days respectively named :

On Friday, 7th May.

Bill to authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes relating to the said Bank—(*Committee on Banking and Commerce.*)

On Monday, 10th May.

Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto—(*Same Committee.*)

On Tuesday, 11th May.

Bill to amend the Act 23 Vic., cap. 123, relating to the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec—(*Same Committee.*)

Bill to increase the Capital Stock of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company—(*Committee on Private Bills.*)

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Magill*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend the Act passed in the 27th and 28th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "*An Act to regulate the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather*," and the Act passed in the 29th and 30th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "*An Act to amend the Law respecting the "inspection of Leather and Raw Hides.*"

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Wednesday next—Order of House for statement shewing the names of Officers in the Civil Service who have received any sum of money as allowance for special or other services, shewing the amount of salary and the additional amount so paid in each case.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Wednesday next—To refer the Return of the Distribution of the Laws to the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing for revision.

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for copies of all correspondence and petitions relative to the withdrawal of the subsidy from the steamer formerly plying between Prince Edward's Island, Pictou and Port Hood, and the subsidizing of a steamer between Prince Edward's Island, Pictou and Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia.

Mr. *Wallace*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a Board of Examiners for Masters and Mates of sailing vessels for the Dominion.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for copy of Col. *McDougall's* letter resigning his office of Adjutant-General, and also copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents relating to such resignation.

Mr. *Young*—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:—1st. That whereas the Printing of the two Houses of Parliament has of late years been done under contract, without any diminution in the efficiency of the work, and with a very large annual saving to the country, in expense, it is therefore desirable that the Printing of the Statutes, and all the Government work not now done by the Parliamentary Printers, should be let in the same manner.

2. That whereas the Royal *Gazettes* of England, Ireland and Scotland, are published by the British Government, realizing a large annual revenue to the public Exchequer, and the same system has been successfully introduced in the Province of Ontario, it is therefore desirable to publish the Dominion *Gazette* in the same way, and thus turn a fruitful source of expense into one of revenue.

Mr. *Huot*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend, in the event of a new Reciprocity Treaty being taken into consideration, that vessels constructed in the Dominion of Canada should be registered in the United States in like manner as vessels constructed in the said States are in England.

Mr. *Huot*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor-General for copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion of Canada and the Quebec Harbor Commissioners and the holders of bonds of that body, and of all documents and proposals submitted by the latter, with a view of modifying the position of the Commission, also of the Report of Messrs *Trudeau* and *Ross* on the affairs of the said Commission.

Mr. *Daoust*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to take steps to regulate the value of the silver and copper coin now principally in circulation so as to make it correspond with the decimal system now established, and so prevent the losses resulting from the circulation of the existing currency.

Mr. *Burpee*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Resolutions passed by the House of Assembly of New Brunswick, relating to the importance of the Bay Verte Canal.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for detailed Returns of the amount of Revenue received by the Government of the Dominion,—from all sources,—from the several Provinces comprising the Dominion, between the 1st of July, 1867, and the 1st of January, 1869, together with the amounts respectively expended, during that period, in the same Provinces.

Mr. *Drew*—In Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting Insolvency—That the following Proviso be added to Section 105:

And provided further that any act on the part of the Insolvent, which might be held to be an act of fraud or fraudulent preferences within the meaning of the Insolvent Act of 1864, or this Act, but which would not amount to fraud if the said Act or this Act had not been passed, shall not be a ground for contesting the confirmation of the discharge of any Insolvent, if such act was not done by the Insolvent, in the Province of Ontario or Quebec, before the coming in force of the Insolvent Act of 1864, or in the Province of Nova Scotia or New Brunswick, before the coming into force of this Act.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 4TH MAY, 1869.

Mr. Speaker acquainted The House that his warrant for the appointment of Members to serve on the General Committee of Elections was upon the table,—and the said warrant was read, as follows :—

Pursuant to the thirty-first section of Chapter 7 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled : "An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," I do hereby appoint the Honorable *Lucius Seth Huntington*, Member for the Electoral District of Shefford ; *Aquila Walsh*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Norfolk ; *Joseph Dufresne*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Montcalm ; *Alexander Morris*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Lanark ; *Alexander Mackenzie*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Lambton,—and Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Member for the Electoral District of Lévis, to be Members of the General Committee of Elections for the present Session.

Given under my hand and seal, this 4th day of May, 1869, in the Parliament Buildings in the City of Ottawa.

[L. S.]

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

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

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

Resolved, That it is expedient that the Provisional Contract entered into between *Hugh Allan*, Esquire, and the Postmaster General of Canada under the authority of an Order in Council dated the 18th of March, 1869, for a weekly service of ocean mail steamers on the terms and conditions set forth in the said contract (a copy whereof and of the said Order in Council has been laid before Parliament) should be sanctioned and authorized by the Parliament as required by the terms thereof in order to its becoming valid and binding.

The Resolutions of Supply adopted in Committee of the Whole on Friday, the 30th April last, were reported and agreed to, and are as follows :—

1.	Salaries of the		Governor General's Secretary's Office	$ 8,955 00
2.	do		Department of the Privy Council	10,550 00
3.	do	do	of Justice	7,000 00
4.	do	do	of Militia and Defence	15,000 00
5.	do	do	Secretary of State	25,290 00
6.	do	do	Secretary of State for the Provinces	5,200 00

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Friday next, on Ways and Means.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the following Bills, were severally considered, and agreed to, and the Bills read a third time, and passed, viz :—

No. 10. An Act respecting offences relating to the coin.

No. 13. An Act respecting perjury.

No. 14. An Act respecting forgery.

The Bill (No. 11) respecting offences against the person, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended ; amendment to be considered on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 12) respecting malicious injury to property, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended ; amendments to be considered on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 15) respecting larceny and other similar offences, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended ; amendments to be considered on Friday next.

The Order for the second reading, this day, of the Bill (No. 9) respecting insolvency, was discharged, and the said Bill ordered for the second reading on Tuesday next, to be then the first Order of the Day.

The Bill (No. 32) respecting Procedure in Criminal cases, and other matters relating to criminal law, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, for Friday next.

The House went into Committee to consider the following resolutions, which were reported, and agreed to, are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to extend to vessels of or under one hundred and twenty-five tons measurement, belonging to any port in Canada, the same exemption from the obligation to take Branch Pilots in the Port of Quebec, as is granted by the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 13 and 14 Vic. Cap. 96 to such vessels when belonging to the Province of Quebec, subject always to the conditions mentioned in the said Act.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to exempt all vessels belonging to or in the service of the Government of Canada, from the obligation to employ Branch Pilots in any port or place in Canada.

Hon. *Sir John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No 35) to place all Canadian vessels on an equal footing as regards Pilotage in the Port of Quebec, and for other purposes respecting Pilotage.—Second reading on Friday next.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

Posted 4th May, 1869.

Bill (No. 34) to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers.

For consideration by Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, for Friday the 14th instant.

T. PATRICK,
Clerk of Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Gendron*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a measure authorizing the establishment of Banks of landed credit (*crédit foncier*) in the Judicial Districts of the Dominion.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to bring down during the coming Session, any measure for the purchase by the Government of telegraph lines established within the Dominion of Canada, effecting thereby a combination of the telegraphic and postal services and rendering the former more complete, more efficient, and especially more economical; and whether it is in contemplation to extend the same to the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Great Lakes.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 5TH MAY, 1869.

Twenty Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Beaver Mutual Fire Insurance Association of the City of Toronto; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the said Association, and the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company to form themselves into one United Company, under the name of The Beaver and Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and for other purposes.

Of the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the said Company, and the Beaver Mutual Fire Insurance Association to form themselves into one United Company, under the name of the Beaver and Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company and for other purposes.

Of the Honorable *R. Young* M. L. C., and others, of Chatham, New Brunswick, and its vicinity ; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets may be repealed.

Of the Reverend *L. A. Martel* and others, of the Parish of St. Joseph, County of Beauce ; and of *George Talbot* and others ; severally praying that a small tax may be imposed on imported Tobacco, and that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco be repealed.

Of *John T. Coghlan*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Waltham, County of Pontiac ; praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa river to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level to be opened throughout.

Of Messrs. *Ritchie, Ford*, and Company, and others, of the County of Norfolk ; praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of the Merchants' Bank at Halifax ; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Merchants' Bank.

Mr. *Bowman*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* in the following Petitions : of *John Brown* and others ; for incorporation of the Ontario and Erie Canal Company,—of the Hon. *D. L. Macpherson* and others ; for incorporation of the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company,—of the Quebec Bank,—of La Banque du Peuple,—and of *Eli Clinton Clark*.

Also, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on the 6th instant,—and for receiving Private Bills, on the 13th instant, recommending an extension of the same for ten days respectively.—Time extended accordingly.—

Mr. *Magill* introduced a Bill (No. 36) to amend the Act passed in the 27th and 28th years of Her Majesty's reign intituled : " An Act to regulate the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather," and the Act passed in the 29th and 30th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled : " An Act to amend the Law respecting the inspection of Leather and Raw Hides."—Second reading on Monday next.—

Hon. Mr. *Holton* introduced a Bill (No. 33) to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Canadian and British Telegraph Company, and to change the name of the Company.—

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

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificate of the Election and return of *Frank Killam*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Yarmouth.—

Frank Killam, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Yarmouth, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.—

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for the Report of the enquiry ordered to investigate certain charges preferred against Lieut. Col. *Shaw*, Brigade Major, Kingston, and copies of all correspondence and official Reports relative to the case.

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

On motion of Mr. *Huot*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of the Petition of Mr. *Bonaventure Viger*, praying to be indemnified for certain expenses incurred by him during his exile at the Island of Bermuda in 1838, and of all correspondence which has passed between the Government and him on that subject.

On motion of Mr. *Metcalfe*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for return of the appointment and instructions to the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway; also copy of the appointment and instructions to the Chief Engineer; copies of all reports and Communications by Commissioners and Chief Engineers, on the subject of tenders, and the letting of contracts for the construction of the said works, or any part thereof; also copies of any Orders in Council approving said Reports, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. *Drew*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Return showing the amount of money received by the Dominion Government from the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, on account of the issue of marriage licenses, between the 1st of July, 1867, and the 30th of June, 1858, with a detailed statement, showing how such money has been expended, and the amount received from each Province respectively.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges) moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence with the Government of the Dominion of Canada on the subject of the conviction or imprisonment of the Reverend *John McMahon*, Roman Catholic Priest, in the Penitentiary at Kingston, or of any correspondence referring in whole or in part to the said prisoner.

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

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until Friday next at 3 o'clock P. M.

Adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a Court of Admiralty Jurisdiction for the Western part of the Dominion, or to confer Admiralty Jurisdiction upon existing Courts.

Mr. *J. S. Ross*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return showing the quantity of grain imported into this country from the 1st April, 1867, to 1st April, 1869, giving each year's quantity and the country imported from, and the quantity delivered at each Port respectively in the Dominion.

Mr. *Savary*—On Friday next—BILL intituled "An Act respecting the Banks of Nova Scotia."

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE, to take into consideration the correspondence with the Government relative to the purchase and exportation of American Silver Coin now in circulation in this country, with power to report thereon, and to send for persons, papers and records; said Committee to be composed of the Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *Ryan* (Montreal), *McConkey*, *Magill*, *Harrison*, *Tremblay*, and the mover.

Mr. *Huot*—On Friday next—BILL to amend the Law respecting the inspection of Leather and Raw Hides.

Mr. *Huot*—On Friday next—BILL to amend the 31st Victoria, chapter 48, respecting Insurance Companies.

Mr. *Pope*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, and other papers between the Government and *Wm. Brewster*, or any other parties respecting the claim of *Wm. Brewster* for damages, &c., on account of work done on the Lachine Canal.

Mr *Forbes*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to go on and build the breast-work around Little Hope Island during the present season, as the parties who have tendered for the same are desirous of information on the subject.

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Mr. Morrison—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a Court of Admiralty Jurisdiction for the Western part of the Dominion,—or to confer Admiralty Jurisdiction upon existing Courts.

Mr. A. S. Ross—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return showing the quantity of grain imported into this country from the 1st April, 1867, to 1st April, 1869, giving each year quantity and the country imported from, and the quantity delivered at each Port respectively in the Dominion.

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Mr. Blair—On Friday next—BILL to amend the Law respecting the inspection of Leather, and Raw Hides.

Mr. Blair—On Friday next—BILL to amend the 31st Victoria, chapter 48, respecting Insurance Companies.

Mr. Pope—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, and other papers between the Government and Wm. Brewster, or any other parties respecting the claim of Wm. Brewster for damages, &c., on account of work done on the Lachine Canal.

Mr. Pope—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to have and build the Nissar-work around Little Hope Island during the present season, as the parties who tendered for the same are desirous of information on the subject.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 5TH MAY, 1869.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 7TH MAY, 1869.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificate of the Election and Return of Hon. *Isaac Le Vesconte*, for the Electoral District of Richmond (Nova Scotia).

Mr. Speaker also laid before The House, Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Northern Railway of Canada, for the year ending 31st December, 1868;—and

General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the County of Richelieu, for the year 1868.

Twenty-eight Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *A. C. Thomson* and others; of *George Sneath* and others, both of the Town of Barrie; of Messrs. *Henderson* and *Bostwick* and others; of *W. S. Lee* and others; of *Charles Robertson* and others; of *Robert Sullivan* and others; of *J. O. Heward* and others, all of the City of Toronto; of Messrs. *C. Kranz* and Son, and others, of the County of Waterloo; and of Messrs. *Boyle* and *White* and others, of the Town of Napanee; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *George Stringer* and others; of *Joseph Northwood* and others, of the County of Kent; and of *Joseph Everitt* and others, of the Township of Harwich; severally praying for the removal of the Bar at the mouth of the River Thames.

Of *Samuel Field* and others; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Harwich; and of *Joseph Everitt* and others, of the Township of Harwich; severally praying for the re-building of the Rond Eau Lighthouse, and the Piers at Rond Eau Harbor.

Of *Robinson Lyon*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Goulbourn; of the Municipality of the Village of Richmond; of *Peter McLaurin*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of South Plantagenet; of *James Boyd*, M. P. P., and others, of West Hawkesbury; of *John W. Higginson*, Reeve, and others, of the Village of Hawkesbury; of *Charles P. Treedwell*, and others, of the Township of Longueuil; of *William Bradley*, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Caledonia, all of the County of Prescott; and of *George Palmer*, Mayor, and others, of the Townships of Thorne and Leslie; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

Of Messrs. *Bauld*, *Gibson* and Company and others, Merchants, of the City of Halifax, Nova Scotia; praying that no change may be made in the present system of Banking in Nova Scotia, and the other Provinces of the Dominion.

Of *William Workman* and others, of the City of Montreal; praying that Canadian publishers be permitted to print the works of British Authors on conditions equal to those now paid by United States publishers on British copyright works imported into Canada.

Of the Honorable *John Ross*, of the City of Toronto, and others praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Dominion Bank.

Of *H. E. Stickney* and others, of the Town of St. John, New Brunswick; and of the Reverend *Henry Patton* D. C. L., Archdeacon of Ontario, and others of the Diocese of Ontario; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines, and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of *Robert Twiss* and others; praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign Hops when imported into Canada.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Huron; and of the Honorable *John Stevenson*, Speaker, and others, Members of the Local Legislature of Ontario; severally praying that a duty be imposed upon all American salt, when imported into Canada.

Of *J. Paradis* and others, of the County of Yamaska; praying that no Act may be passed authorizing the levying of dues on the tonnage or cargo of vessels navigating the Rivers St. François and Yamaska.

Of *A. Fortin* and others, of the City of Quebec; praying for Amendments to the Acts 27 and 28 Vic. cap. 21 and 29 and 30 Vic. cap. 24, respecting the Inspection of Leather and Raw Hides.

Of La Société des Commis Marchands de Montréal; praying for an Amendment to the Insolvent Act of 1864.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* on the following Petitions, viz:—

Of the International Bridge Company,—of the Merchant's Bank at Halifax,—of the Bank of New Brunswick,—of the Beaver Mutual Fire Insurance Association of the City of Toronto,—and of the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The Petition of the Great Western Railway Company praying that the holders of preference shares, which the Company has been empowered to issue, may be allowed the option of converting the same into ordinary shares, is not of a nature to require the publication of notice, as the preference shares are not to be issued until the sanction of the Stockholders shall have been obtained at a general meeting.

Mr. *Godin*, from the Select Committee on the Bill (No. 17) to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier for electoral purposes, reported the said Bill without amendment.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency,—Summary and Comparative Statements of the Imports and Exports of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1868.

Also, Returns of the Inland Revenue Department, forming a part of the Trade and Navigation Returns for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1868.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* presented,—Return to Address of the 5th instant, for copy of the Petition of Mr. *Bonaventure Viger*, praying to be indemnified for certain expenses incurred by him during his exile at the Island of Bermuda, in 1838, and of all correspondence which has passed between the Government and him on that subject.

Mr. *Bolton* introduced a Bill (No. 40) to authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Bank of New Brunswick, and for other purposes connected with the said Bank.

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

Hon. Mr. *Carling* introduced a Bill (No. 30) to enable the holders of preference shares in the Great Western Railway Company to convert them into ordinary shares at their option.

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

Mr. *Savary* introduced a Bill (No. 37) to extend the privileges of the Banks of the Province of Nova Scotia, in respect to the issuing of Notes.—Second reading on Monday next.

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

No. 50, intituled: "The Canada Joint Stock Companies Clauses Act." (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next.)

No. 51, intituled: "An Act respecting cruelty to animals." (On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next.)

No. 52, intituled: "An Act respecting certain offences relative to Her Majesty's Army and Navy." (On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next.)

No. 53, intituled: "An Act for the better protection of Her Majesty's Military and Navy Stores." (On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next.)

No. 54, intituled: "An Act for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public works." (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next.)

The House went into Committee on Ways and Means, and made some progress.—Committee to sit again on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all petitions, letters and papers of any kind relative to the seizure in British waters of the schooner Mazeppa, by an armed body of men, being citizens of the United States.

Mr. *Mackenzie*.—To refer to the Joint Committee on Printing the Summary and Comparative Statement of the Imports and Exports of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending 1st June, 1868, and Statement of Spirits, Malt Liquor, &c., during fiscal year ending 30th June, 1868.

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

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

1. That it is expedient that every consignee of goods named in a Bill of Lading, and every endorser of a Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt, to whom the property in the goods therein mentioned shall pass, upon, or by reason of such consignment, or endorsement, shall have transferred to, and vested in him, all rights of suit, and be subject to the same liabilities in respect of such goods, as if the contract contained in the Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt had been made to himself.

2. That it is expedient that every Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt in the hands of a consignee or endorsee for valuable consideration, the Bill of Lading representing goods to have been shipped on Board a vessel or train, or the Warehouse receipt representing goods to have been received in store, shall be conclusive evidence of such shipment or storing respectively, as against the master, Warehouse, or other person, signing such Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt, notwithstanding that such goods or some part thereof may have not been so shipped or stored, unless the holder of such Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt shall have had actual notice at the time of receiving the same; that the same had not been in fact laden on board or been stored.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting elections and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government and the United States Government, and all Reports from Ministers, Orders in Council, Memoranda, and other papers in possession of this Government, relating to the subject of the relative duties and imports on American Vessels trading at Canadian Ports as compared with the imports and duties now imposed by the United States upon Canadian Vessels trading at United States Ports, since the 1st July, 1867.

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to discontinue the services of the drill Sergeants who were engaged by the Nova Scotia Government for the purpose of instructing the Militia of that Province previous to Confederation; and if so, whether any provision will be made for them after their dismissal from the public service.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 10TH MAY, 1869.

Hon. *Isaac Le Vesconte*, Member for the Electoral District of Richmond (Nova Scotia), having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

Twenty-nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Honorable *John Robertson* and others, of the City of Saint John, New Brunswick; of *R. MacLean*, and others, of the County of Cumberland; and of the Honorable *H. G. Pineo*, M. L. C., and others, of Cumberland, both of Nova Scotia; severally praying for the construction of the Bay Verte Canal.

Of the Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company; and of the Erie and Niagara Railway Company; severally praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the construction of a Bridge over or a Tunnel under the Niagara River, at or near the Village of Fort Erie.

Of *William Scott* and others, of the Town of Windsor; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the construction of a Bridge over or a Tunnel under the Detroit River, at or near the Town of Windsor.

Of *Andrew Elliot*, of Oil Springs, County of Lambton; praying for the passing of an Act a uthorizing the construction of a Railway from, at or near the Town of St. Thomas, in the County of Elgin, and some point on the St. Clair River, in the Township of Moore, in the County of Lambton, and for other purposes

Of Messrs. *J.* and *A. McMillan* and others; praying that Canadian publishers be permitted to print the works of British Authors on conditions equal to those now paid by United States publishers on British Copyright works imported into Canada.

Of *J. H. Bell* and others, of the Town of Chatham, County of Kent; praying for the removal of the Bar at the mouth of the River Thames.

Of Messrs. *J. W. McKeough* and others; of the Reverend *Francis W. Sandys*, Archdeacon of Huron, and others, both of the Town of Chatham; of Messrs. *Looly* and *Hewson* and others, of the Town of Cobourg; of *E. Leadlay*, and others; of *H. K. Boomer*, and others; and of *W. S. O'Reilly* and others, all of the City of Toronto; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *Ludger Robichaud*, Mayor, and others, of St. Alphonse; of the Reverend *D. L. Gravel*, Curé, and others, of St. Jean de Matha; and of the Reverend *J. D. Laporte*, Curé, of St. Ambroise de Kildare, and others, all of the County of Joliette; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of *Alexander Yuill*, of the Township of Ramsay, County of Lanark; praying for an enquiry into the circumstances connected with the destruction of the Boom on the Madawaska River, in the year 1855.

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

Of *Samuel M. Ryerson* and others, of the County of Yarmouth; and of the Reverend *James Bayne*, D. D., and others, of the County of Pictou, both of Nova Scotia; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of *James Whiteside* and others, Merchants, Traders, and others, of the Village of Fredericksburg; of *Henry W. Maher* and others, Merchants, Traders and others; of *John Shaw*, and others, Merchants, Traders, and others; and of *James L. Dedrick*, and others, Merchants, Traders, and others, all of the County of Norfolk; severally praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of *John Scott* and others; and of *N. C. Ford* and others, both of the County of Norfolk; severally praying that the export duties levied upon pine, oak, and spruce saw-logs, shingle bolts, and stave bolts under Schedule F, of the Tariff of 1868, may be repealed.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 23rd ult., for copies of all communications to and from the Government, relative to the exportation of American Silver, or to the reduction of its value.

Return to Address of the 3rd instant, for copies of the instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, in reference to surveying the Ship Channel between Montreal and Quebec, and his Report thereon, together with any other documents referring thereto.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* laid before the House, by command of His Excellency,—Public Accounts of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1868.

He also laid before The House,—Miscellaneous Statistics of Canada, for the year 1867. Part I. (Municipal Returns, Ontario.)

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

No. 55, intituled: "An Act respecting Patents of Invention." (On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.)

No. 56, intituled: "An Act respecting Joint Stock Companies incorporated by Letters Patent." (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.)

Hon. Mr. *Rose*, from the Select Committee on the subject of the Banking and Currency of the Dominion, presented the first Report of the said Committee, submitting the evidence which they have received from various persons, to whom copies of the questions adopted during the last Session of Parliament were referred.

Mr. *Crawford* (Leeds S. R.) introduced a Bill (No. 31) to incorporate the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company.—

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

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.

Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburg) introduced a Bill (No. 45) to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax.

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

Mr. *Walsh* introduced a Bill (No. 43) respecting the International Bridge Company.—

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

Mr. *Huot* introduced a Bill (No. 57) to amend the Laws respecting the inspection of Leather and Raw Hides. Second reading on Wednesday next.

Mr. *Savary* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all proclamations that have been made, and of all correspondence that has been carried on by the Government on the subject of the Assimilation of the Currency throughout the Dominion.

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

Hon. Mr. *Connell* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for all correspondence between the Dominion and the Local Government of New Brunswick, relating to the subsidy provided under Acts of the Legislature of said Province, to facilitate the construction of Railways.

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

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, it was *Ordered*, That a statement be laid before the House, shewing the names of Officers in the Civil Service who have received any sum of money as allowance for special or other services, shewing the amount of salary, and the additional amount so paid in each case.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of Col. *McDougall's* letter resigning his office of Adjutant-General; and also copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents relating to such resignation.—

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Dundas), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a return shewing the quantity of grain imported into this country from the 1st April, 1867, to 1st April, 1869, giving each year's quantity, and the country imported from, and the quantity delivered at each Port respectively in the Dominion.—

On motion of Mr *Harrison*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Petitions, letters and papers of any kind relative to the seizure in British waters of the Schooner *Mazeppa*, by an armed body of men, being citizens of the United States.

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

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that every consignee of goods named in a Bill of Lading, and every endorsee of a Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt, to whom the property in the goods therein mentioned shall pass, upon, or by reason of such consignment, or endorsement, shall have transferred to, and vested in him, all rights of suit, and be subject to the same liabilities in respect of such goods, as if the contract contained in the Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt had been made to himself.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that every Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt in the hands of a consignee or endorsee for valuable consideration, the Bill of Lading representing goods to have been shipped on Board a vessel or train, or the Warehouse receipt representing goods to have been received in store, shall be conclusive evidence of such shipment or storing respectively, as against the master, Warehouseman, or other person, signing such Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt, notwithstanding that such goods or some part thereof may have not been so shipped or stored, unless the holder of such Bill of Lading or Warehouse receipt shall have had actual notice at the time of receiving the same; that the same had not been in fact laden on board or been stored.

On motion of Mr. *Pope*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor, for copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, and other papers between the Government and *Wm. Brewster*, or any other parties respecting the claim of *Wm. Brewster* for damages, etc., on account of work done on the Lachine Canal.

The Bill (No. 17) to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier for electoral purposes, was considered in Committee, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. *McConkey* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go into Committee on the Bill (No. 5) to declare the first day of July, or Dominion Day, a legal holiday.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry) moved in amendment, that The House do go into Committee on the said Bill this day six months.

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

On motion of Mr. *McConkey*, the Order for The House to go into Committee on the said Bill was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Magill*—On Wednesday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to which may be referred all Petitions now before this House, praying for the re-imposition of a duty on Hops, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report to this House upon the same.

Mr. *Masson* (Terrebonne)—On Wednesday next—BILL to alter the limits of the Counties of Terrebonne and Montcalm for electoral purposes.

Mr. *Jackson*—On Wednesday next—To add the Hon. *C. Dunkin* to the Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

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

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for the Report made by Capt. *Bent*, Royal Engineers, and Mr. *Grant*, Civil Engineer, in November, 1849, concerning the Navigation of the River St. John, N. B., as also the Report and Plans of Admiral *Owen*, and the Sketch and Plan of *C. L. Hatheway*, submitted to the Legislature of New Brunswick in 1850, and all other Papers, Petitions and Reports connected with the navigation of said River St. John.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion*—On House going into Committee of Supply—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of a renewal and extension of the Reciprocity Treaty.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion*—On Wednesday next—BILL continuing and extending the Charter of La Banque du Peuple.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion*—On the third reading of the Bill relating to injuries to—That the punishment of flogging having long been abolished in Canada, as contrary to the spirit of the age, and condemned by public opinion, the circumstances of the country do not require that it should be revived and form part of our criminal laws, and that the Bill be not now read a third time, but be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with power to amend the same by striking out all those portions of the same which provide that the punishment of flogging may be inflicted for the offences therein mentioned, and by substituting another mode of punishment in lieu thereof.

Mr. *Burpee*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, why the Dominion Statutes have not been furnished to Justices of the Peace in the Province of New Brunswick as indicated last Session.

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Dominion and Local Government of New Brunswick relating to subsidies provided by the Act 1864 for construction of Railways in New Brunswick; relating to the subsidy provided under the 14th section of said Act; also the subsidy provided under the first section of said Act to connect the European and North American Railway with Hilsborough in the County Albert.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Friday next—Certain Resolutions on the subject of the Rate of Interest of Money.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Friday next—Certain Resolutions on the subject of Banking and Currency.

No. 17.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 10TH MAY, 1869.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 11TH MAY, 1869.

Fifty Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* on the following Petitions, *viz* :—

Of the Hon. *John Ross* and others ; for incorporation of the Dominion Bank,—of *William Scott* and others, for incorporation of the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company,—of *Andrew Elliot*, for incorporation of the Elgin and St. Clair Railway Company,—and of the Erie and Niagara Railway Company, for authority to them, or to a Company, to be specially incorporated, to construct a Bridge over, or a Tunnel under, the Niagara River at Fort Erie.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 5th instant ; for a Return shewing the amount of money received by the Dominion Government from the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, on account of the issue of marriage licenses, between the 1st of July, 1867, and the 30th of June, 1868, with a detailed statement shewing how such money has been expended, and the amount received from each Province respectively.

Return to Address of the 19th ult. ; for copies of all correspondence relative to the surveys of the several proposed routes for the Intercolonial Railway ; with copies of all documents relating to the same ; also copies of all orders in Council relative to the same, since the last Return.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bill (No. 27) to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto, with amendments.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Report of the Commissioner in the Hochelaga Contested Election case had been received, and that he had issued his warrant for the re-assembling of the Committee ; on Monday the 17th instant : at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, in Committee Room No. 8.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 38) to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec.—Second reading on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 9) respecting Insolvency, was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Hon. Messrs. *Abbott*, *Gray*, *Wood*, *Irvine*, *Holton*, *Cameron* (Peel), *LeVesconte*, and Messrs. *McDonald* (Lunenburg), *Street*, *Langlois*, *Dufresne*, *Beaty*, *Workman*, *Savary*, *Harrison*, *Cameron* (Huron), and *Geoffrion*, and the 79th rule suspended.

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

The Bill (No. 16) respecting the Department of Finance, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 25) to confirm and give effect to a certain agreement between the Government of Canada, and the Great Western Railway Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

The amendment made in Committee to the said Bill was reported, and agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Reports, Plans, Surveys and other documents sent in to the Board of Public Works Department, during the past ten months, and having reference to the location of a Harbor of Refuge on the North Shore of Lake Erie, between Port Colborne and Point Pelée.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for correspondence relative to the death of Dr. *Hogan*, on the Nova Scotia Railway in September, 1867.

Mr. *Magill*—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions :

That it is expedient to provide that in future in the inspection of Green Kip or Calf Skins, every inspector appointed for that purpose shall be entitled for the inspection of such Kip or Calf skins to a fee of three cents for each skin in lots under one hundred in number, and two and a half cents for each skin in lots over one hundred in number.

Mr. *Savary*—When the Bill intituled "An Act respecting Patents of Inventions" is considered in Committee or on the motion for concurrence—That Section 6 of said Bill be amended, so as to provide that, "Any citizen or subject of any foreign State or Country, or of any British Province, by the laws of which British subjects residing in Canada, are entitled to Letters Patent for Inventions, in such State, County or Province, the citizens or subjects thereof, may reciprocally be entitled to obtain Letters Patent in Canada; on the same terms as British Subjects resident in Canada," and also so as to provide that "no resident of Canada not being a British Subject shall be entitled to obtain Letters Patent in Canada, unless such resident be a citizen or subject of a country which extends the same privileges in that Country to British Subjects resident in Canada."

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all the accounts in detail sent in by the several coroners for the Province of Quebec during the six months which expired on the 30th June 1868, including the name, the account and the district of each such coroner.

Hon. Mr. *Holton*—On Monday next—Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions :

1. That in the opinion of this House the measure now pending before the Imperial Parliament for the disestablishment and the disendowment of the Irish Church will, if it becomes law, by the removal of one of the chief causes of the deeply rooted discontents which have long existed among a numerous body of Her Majesty's subjects, promote the tranquillity, increase the prosperity and add immeasureably to the strength as well as the just renown of the Great Empire of which this Dominion forms no inconsiderable part.

2. That this opinion is strengthened and supported by the recent experience of the late Province of Canada; for the controversies which had during many years disturbed that Province and retarded its progress were finally and happily terminated in 1854 by an Act of the Provincial Legislature bearing a close resemblance in its essential features to the measure now before the Imperial Parliament.

3. That a loyal and dutiful address founded on the foregoing resolutions be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, and that a Special Committee of Members be appointed to prepare an Address and report the same.

DOMINION OF CANADA, }
To wit : }

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

PURSUANT to the 124th Section of the "Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections,"—NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner, *Louis Bélanger*, Esq., appointed under Section 99 of the said Act, by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a Special Return under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd Section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, in Committee Room No. 8 of The House of Commons, on Monday, the 17th instant, to take the said Special Return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Speaker's Chambers,
11th May, 1869.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.

No. 18.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 11TH MAY, 1869.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 12TH MAY, 1869.

Ten Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *George Barnes* and others,—of *Robert Clark* and others,—and of *Angus Shaw* and others, of the Township of East Nissouri; severally praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign Hops when imported into Canada.

Of *William De Vere Hunt* and others, working Printers and Book-binders, of the City of Toronto; praying either that all Custom's duties on materials used in the Manufacture of Books be abolished, or that one uniform rate of duty be applied to imported Books and the said materials equally.

Of the Reverend *William Wilson* and others, of the County of Cumberland, Nova Scotia; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of *Joseph Wilson* and others, Members of the Saint John, New Brunswick Typographical Union, No. 85; praying that Canadian publishers be permitted to print the works of British Authors on conditions equal to those now paid by United States publishers on British Copy-right works imported into Canada.

Of *J. Pottenger* and others, Merchants and others, of the Town of Owen Sound,—of Messrs *J.* and *W. Stuart* and others, of the Village of Meaford,—of *S. C. Wood* and others, of the Town of Lindsay,—of Messrs. *James J. Thompson* and Company, Merchants and others, of the Town of Galt,—of *Robert Wyllie* and others, Merchants and others, of the Village of Ayr,—of *Charles G. Rich* and others, of the Town of St. Thomas, County of Elgin,—of *Thomas Stoney*, Warden and others, of the Town of Stratford,—of *Thomas Matheson*, Reeve and others, of the Village of Mitchell,—and of *William H. Harper* and others, Merchants and others, of the City of London (Ontario); severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Kent; praying for the construction of a Harbor of Refuge at Rond Eau, on the North Shore of Lake Erie.

Of *Charles Warner* and others, of the County of Addington,—and of *A. McDonald* and others, of the Township of Dysart, County of Peterborough; severally praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel and the supply of water from the summit level, to be opened throughout.

Of the Town Council of the Town of Peterborough; praying that the Dam and Lock adjacent to the said Town, may be repaired.

Of *George McKelvey*, and others; praying for the re-building of the Rond Eau Lighthouse, and the Piers at Rond Eau Harbor.

Of *Mark Lamas Robert*, of New-Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, *Fergus Peniston*, of the City, County and State New York, and *Guillaume LaMothe*, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the granting of Letter's Patent to them conjointly for an invention of new and useful improvements in Knitting Machines, and in the method of forming heels of stockings.

Of the Municipal Council of Southampton; praying for the completion of the works commenced at Chantry Island, by the extension of the present Pier on the North, and the construction of another, from the south end of the Island.

Of *A. Beaupré* and others, of Ste. Elizabeth, County of Joliette,—of the Reverend *A. Fisette*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of St. Cuthbert,—of *B. Monday*, and others, of St. Gabriel de Brandon,—and of *M. Desrosiers dit Lafrenière*, and others, of St. Norbert, all of the County of Berthier; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of Messrs. *John Shuh* and Company and others, of the Village of Waterloo, Ontario,—and of *William B. Clark* and others, Merchants, of the Town of Sarnia; severally praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act, for a period of five years.

Of Messrs. *Leeming* and *Patterson* and others, Masters and Journeymen, Manufacturers of Cigars, of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec; praying that an increase duty be imposed upon all imported Cigars.

Of *William Stevely*, Reeve and others, of the Village of Wardsville and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing *William Harper*, to construct a Dam across the River Thames, at said Village, for the purpose of obtaining power to drive his Grist and Woollen Mills, and other Machinery.

Mr. *Morris*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, reported the Bill (No. 26) to increase the Capital Stock of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company, with an amendment.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 3rd instant; for copies of the instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, in reference to the construction of the Bay Verte Canal; and his Report thereon.

Return to Address of the 10th instant; for a copy of Col. *McDougall's* letter resigning his Office of Adjutant General; and also copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents relating to such resignation.

Mr. *Cameron* (Huron), from the L'Islet Election Committee reported, that at the request of the Petitioner and the sitting Member, they had allowed a delay until the 3rd of June next, to enable them to summon witnesses, and requesting leave to adjourn until that day.—Leave granted accordingly.

Mr. *O'Connor* introduced a Bill (No. 42) to incorporate the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company.

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

Mr. *Oliver* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to alter the provisions made in the 105th section of the British America Act, 1867, as the Parliament of Canada is by the said section empowered to do and fix the salary of His Excellency the Governor General at $32,000 per annum, instead of £10,000 Sterling, mentioned in said section.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment, that all the words after "That" to the end thereof, be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"in the opinion of this House it is inexpedient, after the strong desire expressed by Her Majesty's Government, in the despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the 30th July, 1868, that the present salary of the Governor General should be maintained,—to make any alteration in the provision of the British North America Act, 1867, with respect to the amount of such salary."

And a Debate arising thereon,

And it being 6 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at ½ past 7 P. M

The Bill (No. 27) to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto, was read the second time, and committed for to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 17) to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier for electoral purposes, was read a third time, and passed.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, That the Bill (No. 25) to confirm and give effect to a certain agreement between the Government of Canada, and the Great Western Railway Company, be now read a third time.

Mr. *Bowell* moved, in amendment thereto, that it be *Resolved*, That the financial position of the Dominion does not justify this House in ratifying the agreement entered into between the Government and the Great Western Railway Company, by which a large sum of money is lost to the Country; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Ault, Béchard, Bowell, Brown, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Hutchison, MacFarlane, McCallum, Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Scatcherd, and Smith.—24.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Beaty, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Joly, Keeler, Kempt, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Little, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McConkey, McKeagney, McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Rankin, Ray, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R) Rymal, Simpson, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tremblay, Wallace, Walsh, Wells, White, Wilson, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, O., W. R.), and Young.—112.

The said Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill (No. 2) to repeal the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, Chapter 17, respecting Insolvency, and the Act 29 Victoria, Chapter 18, amending the same, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fortier*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to abolish the excise duty on Tobacco grown in the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to submit to Parliament, during the present Session, any measure having for its object the removal from circulation of depreciated silver currency, and the substitution therefor of another currency, either silver or paper, upon which the people will not suffer any loss.

Mr. *Le Vesconte*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Minister of Public Works has an information as to the state of the St. Peter's Canal, and the alleged defect of the locks and breaking down of th walls thereof; if so, what remedy has been suggested.

Mr. *Savary*—On Friday next—To add Mr. *Killam* to the Committee on Navigation and Fisheries.

Mr. *Forbes*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, what is the intention of the Government in regard to the finishing of Public Piers and wharfs in the Dominion, particularly should such property have been left unfinished by the Local Governments at the time of the Union Act coming into operation; also whether such property is considered as belonging to the Dominion Government or to the Local.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Monday next—That it is desirable that in future the Parliament of this Dominion should be called to meet for the despatch of business on some day not later than the 15th day of February in each year.

ERRATUM.

Mr. *Savary's* notice of amendment to the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Patents of Inventions" should read, as follows :—

Mr. *Savary*—When the Bill intituled "An Act respecting Patents of Inventions" is considered in Committee or on the motion for concurrence—That Section 6 of said Bill be amended, so as to provide that, "Any citizen or subject of any foreign State or Country, or of any British Province, by the laws of which British subjects residing in Canada, are entitled to Letters Patent for Inventions, in such State, Country or Province, on the same terms as the citizens or subjects thereof,—may reciprocally be entitled to obtain Letters Patent in Canada on the same terms as British Subjects resident in Canada;" and also so as to provide that "no resident of Canada not being a British Subject shall be entitled to obtain Letters Patent in Canada, unless such resident be a citizen or subject of a Country which extends the same privileges in that Country to British Subjects resident in Canada."

DOMINION OF CANADA,
To wit :

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

PURSUANT to the 124th Section of the "Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections,"—NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner, *Louis Bélanger*, Esq., appointed under Section 99 of the said Act, by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a Special Return under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd Section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, in Committee Room No. 8 of The House of Commons, on Monday, the 17th instant, to take the said Special Return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Speaker's Chambers,
11th May, 1869.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.

PRIVATE BILLS.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON BANKING AND COMMERCE.

The following Bills have been posted in the Lobby, to be taken into consideration on or after the days respectively named :—

On Tuesday, 18th May.

Bill (No. 40) to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Bank of New Brunswick, and for other purposes connected with the said Bank.

On Friday, 21st May.

Bill (No. 31) to incorporate the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company.

Bill (No. 45) to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax.

ON RAILWAYS, CANALS, AND TELEGRAPH LINES.

On Saturday, the 15th May.

Bill (No. 33) to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Canadian and British Telegraph Company, and to change the name of the Company.

On Monday, the 17th May.

Bill (No. 30) to enable the holders of preference shares in the Great Western Railway Company to convert them into ordinary shares at their option.

On Friday, the 21st May.

Bill (No. 43) respecting the International Bridge Company.

On Saturday, the 22nd May.

Bill (No. 42) to incorporate the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company.

No. 19.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 13TH MAY, 1869.

Twenty-nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

Hon. *Joseph Howe*, Member for the Electoral District of Hants, having previously taken the oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Thomas Arkell* and others, of the Town of St. Thomas; praying to be incorporated as a Board of Trade.

Of *E. Burge* and others, from Port Burwell and other Ports; of *S. Sylvester* and others, of the City of Toronto and other places; of Messrs. *Calvin* and *Breck* and others, of the City of Kingston and other places; of *C. H. Carter* and others, of Port Colborne and other places; of *E. Browne* and others; of Messrs. *Morris* and *Neelson*; and of *William Manson* and others, of Port Hope and other places, all Vessel owners, Mariners and others in the Province of Ontario; severally praying that Port Burwell may be made a Harbor of Refuge.

Of La Banque Nationale; praying for the passing of an Act to increase their Capital Stock, as also a renewal and extension of their charter.

Of the Bank of Nova Scotia; praying for the passing of an Act extending the term of their charter for twenty years.

Of Messrs. *W. T. Yarwood* and company and others, of the Town of Picton; of Messrs. *Walter Ross* and company and others, of the Village of Wellington; of *James Hart* and others, of Demorestville, all in the County of Prince Edward; and of *J. Archer* and others, of the Town of Bowmanville, County of Durham; severally praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of *Alexander Taylor Machattie*, of the City of London, (Ontario); praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the granting of Letters Patent to him, the exclusive right to make use of certain improvements in the art of preserving animal and vegetable substances for food.

Of the Gore Bank; praying for certain amendments to their Acts of Incorporation.

Of *William Forbes* and others, of the Village of Grimsby, and vicinity; praying that changes may be made in the present Law of Insolvency sufficient to prevent all except unfortunate and really deserving Insolvents from obtaining relief.

Of *Samuel G. Dolson* and others, of the Town of St. Catharines; of *Thomas Paxton*, M.P.P., and others, of the Township of Reach, Province of Ontario; of *Henry Gordon* and others, of the County of Ontario; and of *Charles Gifford* and others, of the Town of Cobourg; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *William Rainey* and others, of the Township of Linière; of *Pierre Pâquet*, and others, of the Parish of St. George; of *Charles Gagnon* and others, of the Township of Lambton; of *François Gosselin* and others, of the Parish of St. Victor de Tring; of *Henri Jobin*, and others, of the Parish of Ste. Marie; of *Vital Jacques* and others, of the Township of Broughton, all of the County of Beauce; of *Charles Soucy* and others, of St. Onézime; of *Joseph Anctil* and others, of the Parish of Ste. Anne la Pocatière; of *Honoré Lagacé* and others, of the Parish of Ste. Hélène; of *Thaddie Hudon* and others; and of *C. A. E. Gagnon* and others, both of St. Pacôme, all of the County of Kamouraska; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown tobacco, may be abolished.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Ontario; praying for the re-building of the Lock on Scugog River, at the Town of Lindsay.

Of *James Brewster* and others, of Harvey, County of Albert; and of *James Rogers* and others, both of New Brunswick, all Merchants, Ship-owners, Exporters, and others; severally praying for the construction of a Steam Fog Whistle at Cape Enrage, in the Bay of Fundy.

Of *S. W. Palmer* and others, of Dorchester, County of Westmoreland; and of *James Rogers* and others, of Hopewell Hill, County of Albert, both of New Brunswick, all Merchants, Ship.owners, Exporters, and others; severally praying for the construction of a Breakwater at Herring Cove, in the Bay of Fundy.

Of *Edmund Harvey* and others; of *Charles C. Sunbury* and others, both of the Township of Newport and vicinity; of *George P. Spaford* and others, of the Township of Compton and vicinity; of *Edward Dale* and others, of the Township of Oxford and vicinity; of *Chester Warner* and others; of *Calvin Jordan* and others; of *Lyndorph Caswell* and others; of *William Knight* and others; of *Charles Smith* and others, all of the Township of Eaton and vicinity; of *J. G. Blodyett* and others; of *J. W. Gamsby* and others; of *L. Lunbury* and others, all of the Township of Ascot and vicinity; of *P. Benoit*, M. P. P., and others, of the County of Napierville and vicinity; of *H. Gilbert* and others, of the Township of Dudswell and vicinity; and of *William Warrack* and others; severally praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign Hops when imported into Canada.

Of *Henry Fitz William Bellew*, of the City of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the granting of Letters Patent to him, the exclusive right of manufacturing and selling a certain description of building material, known as the American Building Block.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 21st ult.; for a statement of all officers or employés of the Government in the different Departments of the Civil Service in the City of Ottawa and in the several Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, giving the names of such officers or employés, the amount of annual salary payable to them, or which is paid to them reapectively, either as salary in cash or by fees of office, or by both, shewing also allowances for lodging, fuel, light, or for the use of any article, animal, &c., belonging to the Government.

Return to Address of the 26th ult.; for copies of all papers: 1st, having reference to the present condition of the repairs of the Welland Canal and its Harbors; 2nd, giving information as to the progress made since last Session towards obtaining the Lake Erie Level; 3rd, having in view the enlargement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* laid before The House,—Return under the Act of last Session, 31 Victoria, chapter 48, section 14, respecting Insurance Companies.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, the Public Accounts of the Dominion of Canada for the fiscal year 1868, were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the Inspection of Fish, reported that the Committee have had under their consideration the Report of Her Majesty's Acting Consul General at Chrisfiana, on the Cod and Herring Fisheries of Norway, for the year 1866; and in view of the importance of the same, deem it desirable that the said Report should be printed for the use of members.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* introduced a Bill (No. 44) extending the Patent of *James Blanchfield Smith* for an invention for the term of seven years.

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

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to go into Committee to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That in the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, it is of the highest importance, for commercial and economical reasons, to have the shortest and cheapest line selected, which, in addition to the main object, will afford access to the best and nearest port on the Bay of Fundy.

2. *Resolved*, That the Bay of Chaleurs route selected by the Government is not the one which will best promote the commercial interests of the Dominion, or best secure the settlement of the remote portions of the Provinces through which the road will pass, and that while it gives the smallest commercial advantages it will entail the largest expenditure in construction and afterwards in maintainance and working expenses.

3. *Resolved*, That in view of the serious effect on the Finances of the Dominion and the permanent and continuous loss to the commerce of the Country consequent on the adoption of a long and expensive route to the sea, it is desirable not to proceed with any work on those portions of the line not common to the Central or Southern routes, with a view to the adoption of a route which will give access to the sea by the shortest and cheapest line, without interfering with the distance to Halifax as the ultimate terminus.

And a Debate arising thereon,

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Debate was adjourned until Monday next, to be then the first Order of the Day.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, an address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all papers in possession of the Government connected with the purchase from the late *Sir Allan N. MacNab* of any property at or adjoining the City of Hamilton, as a site for a *Deaf and Dumb Asylum*, with a statement of cost, an abstract of title, and any other necessary information appertaining thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue for a statement of the names of the Engineers, Assistant Engineers and others, employed on the Intercolonial Railway, the date of their appointment, the section on which they are employed, their salaries, and the Province they resided in at the period of their appointment.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the Return of the distribution of the Laws, was referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, for revision.

On motion of Mr. *Burpee*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of Resolutions passed by the House of Assembly of New Brunswick, relating to the importance of the Bay Verte Canal.

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

On motion of Mr. *Jackson*, Hon. Mr. *Dunkin* was added to the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Connell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for all correspondence between the Dominion and Local Government of New Brunswick relating to subsidies provided by the Act 1864 for construction of Railways in New Brunswick; relating to the subsidy provided under the sixth section of said Act; also the subsidy provided under the first section of said Act to connect the European and North American Railway with Hilsborough in the County Albert.

Also, a further Address for the report made by Capt. *Bent*, Royal Engineers, and Mr. *Grant*, Civil Engineer, in November, 1849, concerning the Navigation of the River St. John, N. B., as also the Report and Plans of Admiral *Owen*, and the Sketch and Plan of *C. L. Hatheway*, submitted to the Legislature of New Brunswick in 1850, and all other Papers, Petitions and Reports connected with the navigation of said River St. John.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Tupper*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for correspondence relative to the death of Dr. *Hogan*, on the Nova Scotia Railway, in September, 1867.

On motion of Mr. *Magill*, The House resolved to go into Committee on Monday next, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient to provide that in future in the inspection of Green Kip or Calf Skins, every inspector appointed for that purpose shall be entitled for the inspection of such Kip or Calf skins to a fee of three cents for each skin in lots under one hundred in number, and two and a half cents for each skin in lots over one hundred in number.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Oliver's* motion of yesterday "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution :—

"*Resolved*, That it is expedient to alter the provisions made in the 105th section of the British America Act, 1867, as the Parliament of Canada is by the said Act empowered to do and to fix the salary of His Excellency the Governor General at $32,000 per annum, instead of £10,000 Sterling, mentioned in the said section,"—and of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald's* motion in amendment thereto, that all the words after "That" to the end thereof, be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof :—"in the opinion of this House it is inexpedient, after the strong desire expressed by Her Majesty's Government, in the despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the 30th July, 1868, that the present salary of the Governor General should be maintained,—to make any alteration in the provision of the British North America Act, 1867, with respect to the amount of such salary."

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "That" in the main motion be expunged, and the following inserted instead thereof; "it is the undoubted privilege of Par-
"liament to fix and determine the amount of all salaries and expenditures chargeable on the public funds of the Dominion; and that the salary of the Governor General should therefore be fixed by an Act of this Parliament."

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

FRIDAY, 14*th May*, 1869.

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment, to the said amendment to the main motion; it was agreed to on the following division :

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Campbell, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Chipman, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Hutchison, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Macfarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McKeagney, McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Rankin, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Sénécal, Simard, Simpson, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, White, Wilson, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, O., W. R.), and Young.—137.

Nays :

Mr. Smith.—1.

The amendment to the main motion as amended was then agreed to; and the main motion, as amended, was also agreed to.

The House then adjourned at 12.20 a.m.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*—On Monday next—That an order of this House do issue for a statement of the following items in the "Statement of Affairs" in the Public Accounts laid before this House, shewing also how and for what separate works they originated, and what outstanding claims there are against any of such accounts,—namely, Desjardins Canal,—Grand River Navigation Company,—Grantham Academy,—Oakville Harbor Company,—Tay Navigation Company,—Improvement of the River Trent,—Roads and Bridges U. C.,—do. L. C.,—Miscellaneous Buildings, U. C.,—do. L. C.,—Miscellaneous Works,—Steamers of the late Province of Canada—Montreal Harbor Company; Cataraqui property; also for a statement of arrears of Hydraulic rents, and of money due upon any sales of land in connection with public works, or any other security for money not included in the "Statement of Affairs;" also for a statement of all moneys received since 30th June, 1867, on account of Shop, Tavern, and Auction licenses in the Province of Quebec surrendered to the late Province of Canada by the Seigniorial Act of 1854, shewing what has been done with the said moneys.

Hon. Mr. *Hutchison*—On Monday—COMMITTEE consisting of ten members entirely unconnected with the Government, from the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec three each, from the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick two each, for the purpose of recommending to the House at the opening of the next session of the Legislature such deductions as may be deemed expedient toward economy in the public service and particularly with reference to the Civil Government Administration of Justice and Legislation.

Mr. *Savary*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to fill up during the present session the vacancy in the Senate for the Province of Nova Scotia, and if so, whether the Government in making the appointment will recognize the just claims of the eight counties lying west of Halifax, now represented by but two of the twelve members from Nova Scotia in the Senate, while the remaining eleven counties have nine members in that House.

Mr. *Fortin*—To refer the first Report of the Committee on Fisheries and Navigation to the Joint Committee on Printing.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to persons charged with indictable offences.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting the trial and punishment of Juvenile offenders.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting the Criminal Law, and to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting certain offences against Public Justice.

Hon. Sir *John A Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting the illegal solemnization of marriage.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—BILL respecting proceedings to outlawry in criminal cases.

Mr. *Burpee*—On Monday next—To refer Survey Plans Reports and other papers referring to Bay Verte Canal to Committee on Fisheries and Navigation.

Hon. Mr. *Abbott*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion of Canada, and the Local Government of the Province of Ontario: and between the Government of Canada and the Judges of the Superior Courts of that Province, respecting the appropriation made in the last session of the Legislature of Ontario for the purpose of increasing the salaries and allowances of the Judges of the Superior Courts in that Province, beyond the salaries and allowances fixed and provided for them by the Parliament of Canada.

DOMINION OF CANADA,
To wit:

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

PURSUANT to the 124th Section of the "Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections,"—NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner, *Louis Bélanger*, Esq., appointed under Section 99 of the said Act, by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a Special Return under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd Section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, in Committee Room No. 8 of The House of Commons, on Monday, the 17th instant, to take the said Special Return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Speaker's Chambers,
11th May, 1869.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 14TH MAY, 1869.

Twenty-four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *R. Dickson* and others, Merchants, and others, of the Town of Port Hope; and of *Thomas Eyres* and others, of the Village of Millbrook (Ontario), severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *L. J. Deziel*, and others, of Ste. Mélanie de Daillebout, County of Joliette; of *François Lépine* and others, of Ange Gardien; of *Adolphe Lonnegham* and others; of *P. Larue, M. P P.*, and others, of the Parish of St. Augustin; and of *Laurent Belleau* and others, of the Parish of Pointe aux Trembles, both of the County of Portneuf; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown tobacco may be abolished.

Of *William Fillmore* and others, of Hopewell; and of *John Alcorn*, and others of Harvey, both of the County of Albert, all Merchants, Shipowners, Exporters and others; severally praying for the construction of a breakwater, at Herring Cove, in the Bay of Fundy.

Of the Reverend *Alexander Forrester*, D. D., and others, of the County of Colchester, Nova Scotia; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent. upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of the North Shore Transportation Company; praying for a new Act of Incorporation, empowering them to convey goods and passengers on the lakes and rivers of Canada, and between Canada, the Maritime Provinces, and the West Indies.

Of the London Board of Trade; praying that American silver coin be removed from circulation, and that a duty of fifty cents per barrel be levied upon all foreign flour and meal, and twenty-five cents per barrel upon American salt, imported into Canada.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* on the Petitions of the Bank of Nova Scotia,—of *Alexander Taylor Machattie*,—of the Gore Bank,—of *Henery F. Bellew*,—of *Mark Lamar Robert* and others,—of *Thomas Arkell* and others,—and of *Philip Pearson Harris*.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented;—Return to Address of the 3rd instant; for a return of all licenses granted during the past year to American Fishermen to fish in the waters of the Dominion; the names of the vessels and their masters or owners, and to what Port they belonged; the amount of revenue derived from such licenses, and the names of the ports or places at which such licenses were issued; also of all regulations and Orders in Council that have been made respecting the protection of the fisheries since the 1st July, 1867, and for the current year.

Return to Address of 29th ult; for a Statement of the yearly amount of Imports and Exports of Canada from the 1st day of January, 1853, to the 1st day of January, 1869, distinguishing the Imports from, and Exports to, the United States, from those from and to Great Britain and other countries, and shewing the value of Goods which in each year has, or would have been entered duty free under the operation of the Reciprocity Treaty.

Return to Address of the 23rd ult; for copies of all correspondence relative to the dismissal of Mr. *Cameron*, late Postmaster of River Inhabitants, in the County of Inverness, Nova Scotia.

Returns of the Trinity House, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1868.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Abbott*, the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill (No. 9) respecting Insolvency, obtained leave to report from time to time.

He then presented the first Report of the said Committee, recommending the reduction of the quorum to seven members. The quorum was reduced accordingly, and all Petitions relating to Insolvency, were referred to the said Committee.

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

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

1. The capital of the Bank shall not be less than nor more than

2. The notes of the Bank intended for circulation, shall be secured by the deposit with the Receiver General of gold, or Dominion notes, for which the Government on being satisfied that the notes are *bona fide* required by the Bank for circulation, shall grant securities bearing interest at per cent. per annum, for ten years, from 1st June, 1871, which securities shall remain in deposit with the Receiver General. The interest on such securities shall belong to the Bank, subject to the provisions hereinafter mentioned; and circulating notes to the amount of the sum so deposited, shall be delivered to the Bank.

3. Such notes shall be notes of the Bank, payable by it in specie, (or in Dominion notes, until the power to issue Dominion notes shall cease as hereinafter provided,) on demand, at the office of the Bank at a place or places named on the face thereof; and such place, or one of such places, shall be the Capital City of the Province in which the Head Office of the Bank is situate, or the city of Montreal,—or in the case of a Bank having its head office in New Brunswick, the city of St. John.

4. The notes shall, when so delivered, bear the counter signature of the Receiver General, or of some officer appointed by him; and shall, before issue by the Bank, be signed by the proper officer thereof. They shall be of uniform paper and appearance, except as to the name of the Bank, the places of payment, and the number and signatures.

5. So long as such notes to be received from the Receiver General as aforesaid, are paid on demand in specie or Dominion notes at the offices where they are made payable, they shall be a legal tender at every other place,—except that notes made payable in Nova Scotia only, shall not be a legal tender out of that Province.

6. The notes of any Bank shall be a first charge upon all its property and assets of every description whatever; and if at any time any Bank, without lawful excuse, fails to pay such notes on demand, the Receiver General, being satisfied of the fact, may give public notice thereof in the *Canada Gazette*, and after such notice, and until it is withdrawn, such notes shall cease to be a legal tender, and it shall not be lawful for the Bank to pay any depositor or other creditor whatever except only the holders of its notes, or to pay out any of its notes, or to transact any other business of banking, except only to collect and keep money belonging to it and apply it to the redemption of its notes: and if such notice is not withdrawn (as it may be if the Receiver General is within *ninety* days satisfied that the Bank has paid and will continue to pay its notes in specie on demand) then an officer shall be appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank, and shall have for that purpose all the powers of the Directors and other functionaries and officers of the Bank, and its charter shall remain in force for the purposes of such winding up only.

7. From the date of such notice, every note of the Bank shall bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, until the notice is withdrawn, or the note is paid by the Bank, or the time to be appointed for the presentation of such notes has expired,—without any formal presentation or protest.

8. If the notice be not withdrawn, the Receiver General shall appoint a place or places and time when and where the secured notes of the Bank will be paid with the interest, by the officer appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank, who shall pay the same out of any funds of the Bank in his hands, and the Receiver General may dispose of the securities deposited with him by the Bank, with all interest accrued thereon, and deliver the proceeds to such officer as funds of the Bank: and if it should appear that the Bank Funds will not suffice to pay all such notes and interest within *ninety* days after date of the notice, then the Receiver General may, with the approval of the Governor in Council, and out of any unappropriated funds in his hands or which he may raise for the purpose, advance to such officer any sum required to enable him to pay such notes and interest: and any sum so advanced, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum until paid, shall be the next charge on the funds and assets of the Bank, after the payment of its notes.

9. If there be any outstanding notes of the Bank not paid within the time limited for their presentation for payment with interest, they shall cease to bear interest from that time, but the officer aforesaid shall set aside and retain sufficient funds of the Bank to pay the same with interest up to the time so limited.

10. Deposits payable on call and not bearing interest shall be the next charge on the funds and assets of the Bank, after its notes and the interest thereon and any amount advanced by the Receiver General as aforesaid.

11. The amount of notes delivered by the Receiver-General to any Bank shall never exceed of its paid up Capital, and not more than one-fifth of the amount delivered at any time shall be for sums under five dollars, and not less than one hundred thousand dollars for the first deposit, nor less than fifty thousand dollars for any subsequent deposit, (except upon special application on the ground that the capital or circulation of the Bank requires a diminution of the said sums,) shall be demanded and deposit made therefor, at any one time, for any fractional part of a thousand dollars.

12. Any amount of its notes not less than twenty-five thousand dollars, and containing no fraction of a thousand dollars may at any time after days notice, be returned to the Receiver-General, and a corresponding amount of the securities deposited or cash, at the option of the Receiver General, may be delivered to the Bank, so long as it redeems its notes in specie on demand, but the Receiver General may, with the approval of the Governor in Council, make such return at an earlier day.

13. Notes returned to the Receiver-General may be re-delivered to the Bank, as aforesaid, on the proper deposit of cash or securities; but the Receiver-General may substitute new notes for any such returned notes which he thinks too much worn for circulation, and the Receiver General, with the approval of the Governor in Council may make arrangements as to the mode of cancelling returned notes or re-issuing them.

14. The Bank shall always hold in specie or Dominion notes, an amount equal to at least *twenty* per cent. of its secured notes then in circulation,—and an additional amount equal to at least *one-seventh* of all deposits on call, either in specie, Dominion notes, or notes secured by deposit with the Receiver General as aforesaid.

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

16. The shareholders of the Bank, except only where the now existing charter of such Bank may provide otherwise, shall be liable for its debts to twice the amount of their stock, and no more;—that is, each of them may, in case of the insolvency of the Bank, be called upon to pay, not only any unpaid instalment on his shares, but also a further amount equal to the nominal amount of his shares, or such less sum as may be sufficient to enable the Receiver to pay off all the liabilities of the Bank.

17. This liability of a shareholder shall continue for *ninety* days after the registration of any transfer of his shares, and shall then cease as to the shares transferred, unless the Bank be then insolvent, in which case it shall continue, and no transfer made after the insolvency of the Bank, shall avoid the liability of the transferror, saving always in any case the right of the transferror against the transferree.

18. The nonpayment of the notes of a Bank, on demand, in specie, and the appointment of a Receiver, shall be held to constitute the Bank insolvent, within the meaning of the two next preceding paragraphs, and shall render the stockholders liable, as therein mentioned, and the Receiver may, from time to time, make calls upon the shareholders for such sums as may be necessary to enable him to pay the notes of the Bank and interest thereon, and to reimburse to the Receiver General any sum advanced by him towards paying the same, and interest thereon, and all expenses by him incurred about such payment, as well as all other sums for which the Bank may be liable to the Government, either on account of deposits or otherwise.

19. If all the notes of the Bank be paid, or the payment provided for, within *ninety* days after the notice given by the Receiver-General, and if it be shewn to his satisfaction that the Bank is then solvent, and ready to meet all its liabilities as they accrue, the notice may be withdrawn, and the Bank may again go on with its ordinary business, and the powers of the Directors shall be restored, and they may again obtain notes from the Receiver-General on the proper deposit; otherwise the Bank shall be deemed insolvent, and the Receiver appointed as aforesaid shall continue to have the powers of the Directors, and of an official assignee in Bankruptcy, and shall wind up the affairs of the Bank, subject to the provisions hereinbefore made, and to those of any Bankrupt Act in force, unless there be any Special Act in force regulating such winding up; and the charter of the Bank shall remain in force for the purposes of such winding up only.

20. Any suspension by a Bank, without lawful excuse, of payment of any of its liabilities, other than its notes, in specie or notes secured by deposit with the Receiver General as aforesaid, as they accrue, shall, if it continues for days, consecutively or at intervals within any twelve months, and although it may continue to pay its notes in specie, be held to constitute the Bank insolvent, and shall authorize the appointment of a Receiver, with the powers above mentioned, the winding up of the Bank and the determination of its charter, as in the case of non-payment of its notes.

21. The cost of notes issued to the Bank, and all other expenses incurred by the Receiver-General with respect to the Bank, shall be repaid by it, but such cost shall not exceed that at which all the Banks may satisfy the Governor in Council that they could procure such notes.

22. No dividend exceeding the rate of per cent. per annum shall be paid by any Bank, unless it has then a Reserve Fund equal to per cent. of its paid up capital.

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

24. The shareholders, in the absence of other special provision in the charter of the Bank, shall have power to regulate by By-law the following matters incident to the management and administration of the affairs of the Bank:—

1st. The number and qualification of directors, which shall not be less than five; their period and rotation of office as well of the President and Vice-President, and their remuneration.

2nd. The amount of discounts or loan which may be made to directors, either jointly or severally, or to any one firm or person, or to any shareholder or to corporations.

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

25. The Monthly Returns to be made by the Bank, shall, in addition to the particulars required by the existing charters, shew among other things:—

LIABILITIES.

1. The Capital subscribed, as well as that paid up, and that authorized by the charter.
2. Cash deposits, distinguishing those payable on call from those payable only after notice, and further distinguishing those bearing interest from those not bearing interest.
3. Balances due to other Banks in Canada,—and those due to other Banks not in Canada.
4. Circulation, secured and unsecured, respectively.

ASSETS AND LOANS.

1. Specie, Dominion Notes, and secured Bank Notes, distinguishing the amount of each.
2. Other Government Securities.
3. Notes and Bills discounted, and other advances not yet matured.
4. Do do or other advances overdue, distinguishing the amount secured on real estate, and those unsecured.
5. Balances due by other Banks in Canada,—and those due by other Banks out of Canada.
6. Real estate owned by the Bank other than Bank premises, and other than that specified under No. (4).
7. Bank premises.

26. 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, more severely punishable, be a misdemeanor punishable by fine (not exceeding ———) and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court,—and every President, Director, Auditor, Cashier or other officer of the Bank, preparing, signing, approving, or concurring in such statement, return, report, or document, or using the same with intent to deceive or mislead, or so as to deceive or mislead any party, shall be held to have wilfully made such false statement, and shall further be responsible for all damages sustained by such party in consequence thereof.

27. If any President, Director, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank, in view of the approaching insolvency thereof, wilfully gives, or concurs in giving, any creditor of the Bank any fraudulent, undue, or unfair preference over other creditors, by giving security to such creditor, or by changing the nature of his claim, or otherwise howsoever, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable as last mentioned, and shall be responsible for all damages sustained by any party by such performance.

28. The Receiver-General may require a return of the affairs of the Bank in the same form and with the same particulars as the monthly Return, to be made by the Bank up to and on any named day, and showing the state of the Bank's affairs on that day; and may at any time appoint and authorize an Inspector to visit the Bank and verify any return or statement from the balance sheet of the Bank, and the Bank shall give the Inspector every facility for verifying the same, and all requisite assistance in so doing.

29. At least of the authorized capital of the Bank shall be paid up before it commences business, and it shall satisfy the Receiver-General, in such way as he may think fit, that such proportion of the Capital is really and *bona-fide* paid up in money; and the remainder of the Capital shall be paid up (to the satisfaction of the Receiver-General) within *years*.

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

31. No dividend shall ever be made so as to impair the paid-up Capital Stock, and if any part of the paid up Capital be lost, the Directors shall, if all the stock be not paid up, make calls upon the Shareholders sufficient to make good such loss and keep the paid up Capital unimpaired; and such loss and calls shall be mentioned in the Return then next made by the Bank.

32. The Bank shall always receive its own notes at par, at any of its offices, and whether they be made payable there or not; but shall not be bound to redeem them in specie at any place other than where they are made payable.

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

34. The Bank shall not be bound to hold any amount of Government securities, beyond those deposited with the Receiver-General for ensuring the payment of its notes.

35. The Directors of any now existing Bank, being thereunto authorized at a general meeting of the shareholders, called for that purpose, may, at any time before the 1st day of July, 1870, notify the Receiver General of their intention to apply for an extension of its charter, with such amendments as will make it conformable to these resolutions, and may so soon thereafter, as may be practicable, make the deposit herein before mentioned, and obtain secured notes.

36. The charter of any now existing Bank may be continued by proclamation issued under the authority of the Governor in Council, until the end of the session of Parliament next after the first day of January 1881, provided the Directors of such Bank, authorized as mentioned in the next preceding resolution, shall have notified the Receiver General as therein required; but the charter so continued shall, by virtue of such proclamation, be so amended as to make it conformable to these resolutions.

37. Such Bank shall have the right to re-issue for one year, after the present term of its charter, an amount not exceeding eighty per cent of its highest circulation as returned during the year 1868; during the second year an amount not exceeding sixty per cent of such circulation, during the third year an amount not exceeding forty per cent of such circulation; during the fourth year an amount not exceeding twenty per cent of such circulation; and at the end of the fifth year, succeeding the expiration of its charter, its right to issue or re-issue its own (*unsecured*) notes shall cease, and any greater circulation than that mentioned in the resolution shall be based upon deposits made with the Receiver General as hereinbefore mentioned; Provided that the capital of every such Bank, if now less than dollars, shall be increased and paid up to that amount within the aforesaid period of years.

38. No now existing Bank charter shall be extended, except on the conditions above made, nor shall any such charter be extended beyond the end of the Session next after the 1st day of January, 1881.

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

40. Banks whose charters are in accordance with the preceding Resolutions shall be relieved from paying the present tax on their circulation.

41. The Governor in Council may make regulations for carrying out the provisions contained in these resolutions, in all matters not hereinbefore provided for, and such regulations being published in the Canada Gazette, shall have the force of law.

42. No further amount of Dominion Notes, or of Nova Scotia Government Notes shall be issued beyond the amounts specified in the Acts in that behalf; but those now issued may be re-issued, subject to the provision that the amount issued or re-issued shall be diminished by the amount of secured notes issued to the Banks; Provided that the arrangement for the substitution of Dominion Notes for notes of the Bank of Montreal instead of its own notes, may be continued, at the option of the Bank or the Government, until the expiration of the period to which the charter of the Bank is now limited; but subject to such modifications thereafter as shall place the said Bank on the same footing as other banks in regard to its right to re-issue either its own notes or those of the Dominion.

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

44. All Banks shall be subject to such provisions of any general winding-up Act to be passed by Parliament as may be declared to apply to Banks.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 24) to avoid the necessity of having Documents engrossed on Parchment, with amendments. (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, the amendments were read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next).

Also with the following Bill (No. 39) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting Vagrants," to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

On motion of Hon Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bill was read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, The House resolved to go into Committee on Friday next, to consider the following Resolutions:—

That it is expedient to provide, that—

1. Six per cent. per annum, shall continue to be the legal rate of interest in all cases where by the agreement of the parties or by law, interest is payable and no rate has been fixed by the parties in writing or by the law.
2. Any rate of interest not exceeding eight per cent. per annum may be paid in advance or otherwise, and being paid may be retained or may be stipulated in writing, and may be recovered.
3. If any higher rate than eight per cent. per annum is stipulated, such rate shall be *ipso facto* reduced to six per cent. per annum, as a penalty, and that rate only shall be recoverable, and if any higher rate than eight per cent. per annum be paid, the excess of the rate paid over six per cent per annum, shall be recoverable by the parties paying it, provided the action for recovering it be brought within six months from the payment.
4. All former laws respecting interest and usury shall be repealed.
5. The foregoing provisions shall apply to any loan, or contract for the loan or forbearance of money, made on or after the day of next.
6. These resolutions shall not apply to any person or Body Corporate which by any existing law or by the terms of any Charter or Act of Incorporation, may now lawfully stipulate for and receive a higher rate of interest than eight per cent.

(*At half-past seven o'clock, P. M., the Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19)

The Bill (No. 27) to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto, was considered, reported, and ordered for a third reading on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 26) to increase the Capital Stock of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company, was read the second time, and committed for Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill (No. 11) respecting offences against the person, was discharged, and the Bill referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith, with an instruction to expunge all the Clauses of the Bill which inflict the punishment of whipping on males under sixteen; except in cases of offences accompanied with violence.

The said Bill was accordingly again considered in Committee, and amended. The amendments were then reported, and agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading on Tuesday next.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, Copy of a Minute in Council and copies of a correspondence between the Govereor General and the Secretary of State for the Colonies with reference to the selection of the Line of the Intercolonial Railway.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Ottawa, 12th May, 1869.

The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the following Bills, were severally discharged, and the Bills referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith, with an instruction to expunge all the Clauses of the Bills which inflict the punishment of whipping on males under sixteen; except in cases of offences accompanied with violence:—

The said Bills (No. 12) respecting malicious injury to property,—and (No. 15) respecting Larceny and other similar offences, were accordingly again considered in Committee and amended.—The amendments were then reported, and agreed to, and the Bills ordered for a third reading, on Tuesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed for Tuesday next, viz:—

No. 35. To place all Canadian Vessels on an equal footing, as regards Pilotage in the Port of Quebec, and for other purposes respecting Pilotage.

No. 50 from the Senate, intituled: "The Canada Joint Stock Companies Clauses Act."

No. 51 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting cruelty to animals."

No. 52 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting certain offences relative to Her Majesty's Army and Navy."

No. 53 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better protection of Her Majesty's Military and Navy Stores."

No. 54 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works."

No. 56 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Joint Stock Companies incorporated by Letters Patent."

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 29th ult.; for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Customs and Officers of the Frontier Ports relative to the seizure of Foreign Vessels; also memorials or letters addressed to the Customs Department; and all orders in Council relative to such seizures.

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

Hon. Mr. *Dorion* moved in amendment, that all the words after " that " to the end thereof be left out and the following inserted instead thereof :—" an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing that the late Treaty of Reciprocity, which established perfect freedom of trade between the United States and the Provinces of British North America in the natural products of both Countries, was eminently beneficial in its operation to the industrial and commercial interests of both ; that the renewal of the Treaty with such modifications as the altered circumstances of the Countries may call for, and with such an extension of its provisions as will secure a reciprocal freedom in the internal and external coasting trade of both Countries, the registration in each of vessels built in the other, and the interchange on equal terms of manufactured articles, is an object of the deepest solicitude to the people of this Dominion ; and praying that His Excellency will adopt measures calculated to place our commercial relations with the United States on a more satisfactory footing."

And a Debate arising thereon,

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

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Burpee*—On Monday next—That the Return to the Address of the last Session of this House, dated the 20th of May, asking for Surveys, Plans and Reports in the possession of the Local Governments of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, referring to a proposed Canal connecting the waters of the Gulf of St. Lawrence with the Bay of Fundy, and the several petitions presented to this House for the construction of the said Canal, be referred to the Select Committee on the Maritime and Fluvial Fisheries and Sea and Inland Navigation of the Dominion.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE for a future day to consider the following Rtsolution :—That it is expedient to provide for the purchase by the Dominion of the depreciated Silver Coins, now so largely cirulated in Canada to the great inconvenience and loss of all persons engaged in trade, and the public generally, and for the exportation of such Coin to Europe, either in its present form or in ingots, and the substitution of Dominion Notes for it.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—That it be resolved that in the opinion of this House it is expedient, after the strong desire expressed by Her Majesty's Government in the despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, dated 30th July, 1868, that the present salary of the Governor General should be maintained, that the salary of the Governor General be fixed at £10,000 stenling.

Mr. Mills—On Wednesday next—BILL to further secure the independence of Parliament.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Tuesday next—That until otherwise ordered Government business and orders shall have precedence on Thursdays, and that on Government days after the Government business and orders are gone through, the other business and orders of the previous day shall be taken up, and that on Thursdays the division of time intended by Rule 19, shall not be observed.

Mr. *Bourassa*—For Printing the Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, dated 23rd June, 1864, respecting obstructions in River Richelieu.

DOMINION OF CANADA,
To wit :

CONTROVERTED ELECTION NOTICE.

Electoral District of Hochelaga.

PURSUANT to the 124th Section of the " Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections,"—NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner, *Louis Bélanger*, Esq., appointed under Section 99 of the said Act, by the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, for the examination of witnesses on the trial of the said Election Petition, having returned to me a Special Return under the said Commission, I have this day issued my warrant, pursuant to the 122nd Section of the said Act, for the re-assembling of the said Committee at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, in Committee Room No. 8 of The House of Commons, on Monday, the 17th instant, to take the said Special Return of the said Commissioner into consideration and to try and determine as to justice shall appertain.

Speaker's Chambers,
11th May, 1869.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker of the House of Commons.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The Bill (No. 44) extending the Patent of *James Blanchfield Smith* for an invention for the term of seven years, was this day posted for consideration by the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, on or after Tuesday the 25th instant.

No. 21.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 13TH MAY, 1869.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 17TH MAY, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House, General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the County of Rouville for the year 1868.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that the Recognizance in the matter of the Controverted Election for the Electoral District of the County of Essex is objectionable.

Seventeen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *C. Thérien*, M. P. P., and others, of the County of Laprairie, and adjoining Counties; praying that a Dredging Machine may be placed at their disposal to render the River St. Lawrence in the vicinity of the wharves at Laprairie navigable throughout the season.

Of *Charles Fiset*, Mayor, and others, of the Parish of L'Ancienne Lorette; of *A. S. Lafleur*, and others, of the County of Yamaska; of the Reverend *J. Moreault*, Curé, and others, of St. Thomas de Pierreville; of the Reverend *J. Paradis*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of St. François du Lac; of *Léon Aubin*, and others, of St. Pierre, Island of Orleans; of *Samuel Benoit*, and others, of Lavaltrie; of *Charles Beauséjour*, and others, of the County of Joliette; of *Paul Langlois*, and others; of *Joseph Denys*, Mayor, and others, of the Parish of St. François; and of the Reverend *H. Desruisseaux*, and others, of the Township of Forsythe, both of the County of Beauce; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of Messrs. *Nicholls* and *Hall*, and others, of the Town of Peterborough; of *E. T. Hagyard*, and others, of the Township of Chinguacoucy, County of Peel; of *John Coyne*, M. P. P., and others, of the Village of Brampton; of *William W. Connell*, and others, of the Village of Hespeler, (Ontario); of Messrs. *Gooderham* and *Worts*, and others; of *Samuel McKay*, and others; of *J. Morison*, and others, all of the City of Toronto; of Messrs. *Meighan* and *Bentlis*, and others, of the Town of Perth; of *R. M. Racey*, and others; of *Thomas Thomas*, and others; of *J. M. McGregor* and others; of *Humphrey Snell*, and others; of *John Shipley*, and others, all of the Village of Clinton (Ontario); of *John Bell*, and others; of *Charles King*, and others, both of the Town of Whitby; of Messrs. *William McGiverin* and Company, and others, of the City of Hamilton; of *S. T. St. John* and others, of the Town of St. Catherines, (Ontario); of Messrs. *Parker* and *Hood*, and others, of the Town of Woodstock, (Ontario); of *G. E. M. Caughey*, and others, of the Village of Seaforth; and of *Henry Michie*, and others, of the Village of Fergus (Ontario); severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of the Bank of Toronto; of La Banque Nationale; of the Royal Canadian Bank; of the Quebec Bank; of the Merchants' Bank of Canada; of the Molson's Bank; of La Banque Jacques Cartier; and of the Niagara District Bank; severally praying that the existing system of Banking may be continued.

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

Of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Brant; praying for certain Amendments to the Militia Act.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto; praying for certain Amendments to the Insolvency Bill now before Parliament.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Kent; and of *Alexander Coutts*, and others, of the Townships of Tilbury East and West; severally praying for the removal of the Bar at the mouth of the River Thames.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Huron; praying for the construction of a Harbor of Refuge at Goderich, on the East coast of Lake Huron.

Of La Banque Jacques Cartier; praying for the passing of an Act extending the term of their Charter for twenty-five years.

Of Messrs. *John Redpath* and Son, and others; of Messrs. *Evans* and *Evans*, and others, all Merchants, and others, both of the City of Montreal; and of the Reverend *E. Crevier*, Curé, and others of Ste. Marie de Monnoir, County of Rouville; severally praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the Invention in the Dominion.

Of the London Board of Trade; praying for certain Amendments to the Insolvent Act of 1864.

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; and of Messrs. *Allan Gilmour* and Company, and others, Merchants Shipowners, Master Mariners, and others, of the City of Quebec; severally praying that the Amendments asked for by the Corporation of Pilots of Quebec. in their Bill now before Parliament, may not become law.

Of the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company; praying for certain Amendments to their Charter.

Of the Union Bank of Lower Canada; praying for certain Amendments, as also an extension of their Charter for a period of twenty-five years.

Of the Bank of Toronto; praying for a continuance of their Charter.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Kent; praying for the removal of the Bar at the entrance to Two Creeks Harbor, on Lake Erie.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the fourth Report of the said Committee, as follows:—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed:—

Report of the proceedings, transactions, and affairs of the Department of the Secretary of State for Canada during the year ended 30th June, 1868.

Return to Address—Correspondence with the Imperial Government with respect to the exercise of the Royal Prerogative of Mercy.

Return to Address—Correspondence between the Government of the Dominion, and the Governments of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, or either of them, regarding the power of Disallowance of Local Legislation.

Return to Address—Communications to and from the Government, relative to the Exportation of American Silver, or to the reduction of its value.

Statements made by Insurance Companies in compliance with the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 48, Sec. 14.

Return to Address—Instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, in reference to the construction of the Bay Verte Canal, and his report thereon.

(This Return for distribution only.)

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

Return to Address—Statement giving the names of all inland places at which the Customs duty is collected, &c., &c.

Official return of the number of copies of the Statutes (English and French versions) distributed by the Queen's Printer to the Departments, &c., in conformity with the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 1, Sec. 14.

Return to Address—Petition of Mr. *Bonaventure Viger*, praying to be indemnified for certain expenses incurred by him during his exile at the Island of Bermuda, in 1838, &c., &c.

Return to Address—Instructions given to Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer, Department of Public Works, in reference to surveying the Ship channel between Montreal and Quebec, and his report thereon, &c., &c.

Return to Address—Showing the amount of money received by the Dominion Government from the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, on account of the issue of Marriage Licenses, &c.

Return to Address—Statement of all officers or employés of the Government in the Different Departments of the Civil Service in the City of Ottawa and in the several Provinces of the Dominion of Canada.

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt*, from the meeting, this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock, A. M.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Mackenzie's* proposed motion of Thursday last, the 13th instant, and which motion was: "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider the following Resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That in the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, it is of the highest importance, for commercial and economical reasons, to have the shortest and cheapest line selected, which, in addition to the main object, will afford access to the best and nearest port on the bay of Fundy.

2. *Resolved*, That the Bay of Chaleurs route selected by the Government is not the one which will best promote the commercial interests of the Dominion, nor best secure the settlement of the remote portions of the Provinces through which the road will pass, and that while it gives the smallest commercial advantages it will entail the largest expenditure in construction and afterwards in maintenance and working expenses.

3. *Resolved*, That in view of the serious effect on the Finances of the Dominion and the permanent and continuous loss to the commerce of the Country consequent on the adoption of a long and expensive route to the sea, it is desirable not to proceed with any work on those portions of the line not common to the Central or Southern routes, with a view to the adoption of a route which will give access to the sea by the shortest and cheapest line, without interfering with the distance to Halifax as the ultimate terminus."

And a further Debate arising.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, called upon *Joseph Rymal*, Esq., Member for the South Riding of the County of Wentworth, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

After some time Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Cartwright* then moved in amendment, that it be

Resolved, That by British North America Act, 1867, it was declared to be the duty of the Government and Parliament of Canada, to provide for the commencement within six months after the Union of a Railway connecting the River St. Lawrence with the City of Halifax, and for the construction thereof without intermission, and the completion thereof with all practicable speed."

That thereupon, at the request of the Delegates representing the Provinces included in the Dominion, the Imperial Parliament passed the Act 30 Victoria, Chapter 16, which provided that Her Majesty's Government might guarantee the payment of the interest at a rate not exceeding 4 per cent, on a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 Sterling, to be raised on loan by Canada, for the construction of the said Railway, with a provision among other things that the guarantee should not be given "unless and until the Line of Railway should be approved of by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State."—That in pursuance of the British North America Act, 1867, the Parliament of Canada passsed the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 13, providing for the construction of the said Railway, and enacting that it should be made in such places as the Governor in Council should determine and appoint as best adapted to the general interests of the Dominion, and that a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 Sterling should be raised for the purpose of the construction of the said Railway on the said Imperial guarantee.

That the Governor of Canada in Council, in pursuance of the powers given him by the last mentioned Act, determined and appointed that the route of the Intercolonial Railway should be by way of the Bay des Chaleurs.

That Her Majesty's Government by the despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, dated the 22nd July, 1868, sanctioned and approved of the route so selected by the Governor in Council, and declared that the route crossing the St. John river, either at Woodstock or Fredericton, is one to which the assent of Her Majesty's Government could not have been given. The objections on Military grounds to any Line on the South side of the St. John river are "insuperable."—

That Her Majesty's Government in the same despatch expressed a strong preference for the Bay des Chaleurs route, over a central route.—

That on the Line being settled by the Canadian Government, and assented to by Her Majesty's Government, a loan for £1,500,000 Sterling on the Imperial Guarantee, was put upon the market, and the loan negotiated.

That upon the Acts hereinbefore mentioned, and on the loan being effected, the Canadian Government proceeded to carry out the construction of the Railway under the British North America Act, 1867, and have now seven sections of the same under contract.—

That under these circumstances, this House considers that any discussion as to the route of the Railway would not answer any good purpose, but might greatly prejudice the credit of the Dominion, both at home and abroad.

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

Tuesday, 18*th May*, 1869.

And the debate continuing,

And the question being put on the said amendment, it was agreed to on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Caron, Cartier (Sir George E.), Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Coupal, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Hutchison, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McDougall (Lanark), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Simard, Simpson, Smith, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, and Wright (Ottawa County).—114.

Nays :

Messieurs Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Burpee, Carmichael, Connell, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pickard, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wells, Workman, Wright (York, O. W. R.), and Young.—28.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, it was agreed to on the same division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Caron, Cartier [Sir George E.], Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Coupal, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Hutchison, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, LeVesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McDougall (Lanark), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Pozer, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Simard, Simpson, Smith, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, and Wright (Ottawa County).—114.

Nays :

Messieurs Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Burpee, Carmichael, Connell, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McMonies, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Munroe, Oliver, Pickard, Redford, Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Ryan [Kings, N. B.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Ontario], Wells, Workman, Wright [York, O., W. R.], and Young.—28.

The House then adjourned at 2 o'clock, A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*—On Wednesday next—That an Order of the House do issue for a Statement shewing the amount for which the late Province of Canada became liable on account of the redemption of the Seigniorial Tenure; and of the amounts which Upper Canada and the Townships separately received as compensation.

Mr. *Sproat*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to select a site for a Harbor of Refuge on Lake Huron and proceed with the construction of such work during the current year.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of Despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos establishing the order of Precedence in this Dominion, together with any correspondence had by the Government of Canada with the Home Government, or with any individual or denomination of Christians in this Dominion upon the subject, with all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the same.

Mr. *Hurdon*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government during the present year to make any improvements in the harbor at Kincardine, on the east coast of Lake Huron.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Tuesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE for Thursday next to consider the following Resolution:—Whenever any Indian shall be convicted of any crime punishable by imprisonment in a Penitentiary or other place of confinement, the legal costs incurred for procuring such conviction may be defrayed by the Superintendent General of Indian affairs, and paid out of any annuity or interest money coming to such Indian, or to the band or tribe, as the case may be.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Tuesday next—When the Bill (No. 22) for the gradual enfranchisement of the Indians, &c, is considered into Committee of the Whole, to add after the word "done," in the third line of the third section, the following words:—

"Or open and keep, or cause to be opened and kept, on any lands set apart or reserved for Indians, a tavern, house or building where spirituous or intoxicating liquors are sold or disposed of."

To add after the word "living," in the fifth line of the ninth section, the following words:—

"And said children shall have a life estate only in such land which shall not be transferable or subject to seizure under legal process."

That the 14th and 15th sections be as follow:—

14. If any enfranchised Indian owing land by virtue of the thirteenth and sixteenth sections of this Act, dies without leaving any children, such land shall escheat to the Crown; but if he leaves a widow, she shall instead of Dower, to which she shall not be entitled, have the said land for life or until her re-marriage, and upon her death or remarriage it shall escheat to the Crown.

15. The wife or unmarried daughters of any deceased Indian who may, in consequence of the operation of the thirteenth and sixteenth sections of this Act be deprived of all benefit from their husband's or father's land, shall in the periodical division of the annuity and interest money or other revenues of their husbands' or father's tribe or band, and so long as she or they continue to reside upon the reserve belonging to the tribe or band, and remain in widowhood or unmarried, be entitled to and receive two shares instead of one share of such annuity and interest money.

22. The Under Secretary of State shall be charged, under the Secretary of State of Canada, with the performance of the Departmental duties of the Secretary of State under said Act, and with the control and management of the officers, clerks, and servants of the Department, and with such other powers and duties as may be assigned to him by the Governor in Council.

24. This Act shall be construed as one Act with the Act 31st Victoria, chapter 42.

Mr. *Currier*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all letters from *Thomas A. Begley*, Esquire, and his Solicitors, since the year 1858, to the Government and the Ordnance Department at Ottawa, relating to the claim of Mrs. *Begley* (formerly the widow of *Hugh Fraser*), for Dower on Ordnance Lands in Ottawa, and the replies thereto; a list of all actions of Dower commenced by the said *Thomas A. Begley* and wife, against the several purchasers from the Ordnance Department in the City of Ottawa; copies of all letters from the Defendant in those suits and their Solicitors to the Government, the Secretary of State and the Minister of Justice, requesting to be defended by the Crown, or to have their costs paid, with the replies thereto; copies of all petitions from the Defendants or any of them since the year 1858, requesting the Government to defend the said suits, or to pay the cost of defence with replies thereto; a statement of the amount paid by Government to *Thomas A. Begley* as Administrator of Mrs. *Begley*, for her release of Dower on said Ordnance Lands, when, and out of what fund, the said amount was paid; all instructions to Counsel to defend all or any of said suits and the amount paid therefor, together with a copy of all Orders and Minutes of Council relating to the settlement of said claim for Dower.

Mr. *Jackson*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of Reports by the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway, relative to the settlement of the lands on its route, together with copies of any correspondence which may have been conducted between the Government of the Dominion and the Provincial Governments relative thereto.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to provide for the administration of oaths and for the punishment of false swearing certain cases therein mentioned not yet provided for by law."

Mr. *Savary*—When the Bill intituled "An Act respecting Patents of Invention" is considered in Committee, or on the motion for concurrence—In addition to the amendment of which he has already given notice in Votes and Proceedings of 12th May, No. 19—That sub-section No. 2 of section 31 of said Bill be amended so as to provide that the privileges therein proposed to be granted to certain Patentees for any Provinces of the Dominion may be extended to the citizens or subjects of any foreign State or Country, or of any British Province by the laws of which British subjects residing in Canada are entitled to obtain Letters Patent in such State, Country or Province on the same terms as the citizens or subjects thereof.

Mr. *Fortier*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the limits of the Pilotage ground, the tariff of Pilots fees, and the number of Pilots in each Port of the Dominion; also shewing in what cases, in what Ports, and above what tonnage Pilotage is compulsory.

No. 22.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 18TH MAY, 1869.

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

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt* from the meeting this day; in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. *Daoust*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee reported the absence of Mr. *Webb* from the meeting this day; in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ordered, That Mr. *Webb* do attend in his place at the next sitting of The House.

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *favorably* on the Petitions of *George W. Jones*,—of the Bank of Toronto,—of the Union Bank of Lower Canada,—and La Banque Jacques-Cartier.

On the Petition of La Banque Nationale, for an Act to increase their capital stock, and to extend their Charter, they find that the notice was published for a sufficient length of time, but that it contained no mention of the proposed increase of capital; they therefore recommend that a provision be inserted in the Bill requiring the consent of the shareholders to such increase, before it can go into operation.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 19th ult.; for copies of all correspondence relative to the surveys of the several proposed routes for the Intercolonial Railway; with copies of all documents relating to the same; also copies of all Orders in Council relative to the same since the last Return.

He also laid before The House,—Summary Report of progress in Geological investigations, dated 1st May, 1869.

He also delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the consideration of The House of Commons, the Report of the Delegates appointed to negociate for the acquisition of Rupert's Land and the North-West Territory.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 18th May, 1869.

On motion of Mr. *Currier*, seconded by Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at half-past 7 P.M., in order that Members of this House may have an opportunity to attend the funeral of the late *H. J. Friel*, Esq., Mayor of this City.

A Message from the Senate was received, agreeing to the following Bills without amendments, viz.:—

No. 14. An Act respecting Forgery.

No. 16. An Act respecting the Department of Finance.

No. 25. An Act to confirm and give effect to a certain agreement between the Government of Canada and the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 10. An Act respecting offences relating to the Coin.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, that until otherwise ordered, Government business and orders shall have precedence on Thursdays, and that on Government days after the Government business

and orders are gone through, the other business and orders of the previous day shall be taken up ; and that on Thursdays the division of time intended by Rule 19, shall not be observed, and that Thursday of next week being a statutory holiday, Saturday of the same week be substituted therefor.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*, from the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the following Bills, with amendments, *viz* :—

No. 21. To authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes relating to the said Bank.

No. 34. To empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers.—

No. 40. To authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Bank of New Brunswick, and for other purposes connected with the said Bank.

No. 28. To amend the Act 23 Victoria, Chapter 123, incorporating the Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, the House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Thursday next, to consider the following resolutions :—

Resolved, That whenever any Indian shall be convicted of any crime punishable by imprisonment in a Penitentiary, or other place of confinement, the legal costs incurred for procuring such conviction, may be defrayed by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and paid out of any annuity or interests coming to such Indian, or to the band or tribe, as the case may be.—

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 58) repecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons.—Second reading on Friday next.—

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Hon. Mr. *Rose's* proposed motion of Friday last, the 14th instant, and which motion was, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go again into Committee of Supply,—and of Hon. Mr. *Dorion's* amendment thereto, that all the words after "That" to the end thereof be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing that the late Treaty of Reciprocity, which established perfect freedom of trade between the United States and the Provinces of British North America in the natural products of both Countries, was eminently beneficial in its operation to the industrial and commercial interests of both ; that the renewal of the Treaty with such modifications as the altered circumstances of the Countries may call for, and with such an extension of its provisions as will secure a reciprocal freedom in the internal and external coasting trade of both Countries, the registration in each of vessels built in the other, and the interchange on equal terms of manufactured articles, is an object of the deepest solicitude to the people of this Dominion ; and praying that His Excellency will adopt measures calculated to place our commercial relations with the United States on a more satisfactory footing."

And a further Debate ensuing,

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

Wednesday, 19*th May*, 1869,

And the Debate continuing,

And the question being put on the said amendment, it was negatived on the following division —

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bourassa, Carmichael, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Forbes, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Killam, Le Vesconte, Pâquet, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), and Rymal.—19.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Ault, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Peel), Caron, Cartier (Sir George E.), Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Holmes Huot, Irvine, Joly, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall [Three Rivers], McGreevy, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Rankin, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Savary, Scatcherd, Simard, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, O., W. R.), and Young.—111.

The House then went into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following resolutions were adopted :—

Department of the Receiver General	$15,850
Finance Department (Accounting Branch)	12,650
do (Audit Branch)	19,200

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The House then adjourned at 25 minutes to 2 a.m., until 7.30 p.m. this day.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Friday next—BILL intituled "An Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants."

Mr. *Savary*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all petitions and applications received by the Government for grants for wharfs, breakwaters and Harbor improvements in the Dominion.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley*—On Thursday next—That this House will on Friday next, go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

That it is expedient that provision shall be made as hereinafter mentioned for improving the Harbours and channels and facilitating the navigation, at the several Ports between Campbelltown in New Brunswick, and Pictou in Nova Scotia, both ports inclusive,—and for the purpose of making good to the Consolidated Revenue Fund any sums which may hereafter be voted by Parliament for that purpose, to authorize the Governor in Council to impose by Proclamation from time to time, a tonnage duty not exceeding ten cents per ton on vessels entering any of the Ports aforesaid mentioned in such Proclamation, such duty to be payable not more than once in each year on any vessel not exceeding one hundred tons, and not more than twice in each year on any vessel exceeding one hundred tons measurement by register.

Hon. Mr. *Hutchison*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a school or schools for the education of the Micmac Indians in the County of Northumberland, New Brunswick.

Hon. Mr. *Hutchison*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether an enterprising community of farmers may import Agricultural implements free of duty same as Agricultural Societies, provided such community can satisfy the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer that all such implements as they import shall be used exclusively for agricultural purposes.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Thursday next—BILL to establish a Supreme Court for the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. *Wallace*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to lay before Parliament at an early date the Report of a Commission appointed to examine Herring Cove in the Bay of Fundy as a suitable site for a Breakwater or Harbor of Refuge.

Mr. *Cayley*—In Committee on Bill (No. 23) for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians—That the following clause be inserted in the said Bill: "Nothing in this Act shall have the effect of depriving the Indians of the right of exacting from the Government of the Dominion of Canada, payment for the improvements made by them on the properties they occupied at the period of the partition amongst them of the lands forming the Seigniory or Domain known under the name of Sault St. Louis."

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 19TH MAY, 1869.

½ PAST 7 O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:

Of *A. Fraser*, Mayor, and others, of the Township of Restigouche; praying for the removal of a portion of the site of the Restigouche Road to the higher ground in the rear, on account of the Spring freshets, which render it impassable.

Of *Joseph Rhéaume*, and others; and of the Reverend *Octave Renaud*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of St. Paul, County of Joliette; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of *R. Wallace*, and others, of the Town of Galt; of *Eleazar McCarty*, and others, of the Town of Ingersoll; of William Young, and others, of the City of Ottawa; of *Edward Crombie*, and others, of the Town of Pembroke; of *James Heming*, and others, of the Village of Orangeville, all Merchants and others; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *Harvey Spinney*, and others, of Argyle [Nova Scotia]; praying that a Lighthouse may be established on White Head, at the entrance to Argyle River.

Of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for the Province of Quebec; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting Letters Patent of Invention, may be so amended as to allow the granting of Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the Invention in the Dominion.

Of *J. Donovan*, and others, of the County of Kent; and of the Reverend *Thomas Wardrope*, and others, of the City of Ottawa; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent. upon the importation of Books, Magazines, and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of *Richard Charles Porter*, of the Township of Ireland, County of Megantic; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the granting of Letters Patent to him, for the exclusive right of manufacturing and selling a new and useful Machine for cutting Straw and Hay.

Of the City Bank of Montreal; praying for certain Amendments, as also a continuance of their Charter.

Of *Hugh Allan*, and others, Merchants, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the Canada Marine Insurance Company.

Of *James Rogers*, and others, Merchants, Shipowners and others; and of *Samuel Clark*, and others, both of the County of Albert (New Brunswick); severally praying for the construction of the Bay Verte Canal.

Of *D. Talbot*, and others, of the City of Quebec; praying for an Amendment to the Insolvent Act of 1864.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 13th instant; for copies of Resolutions passed by the House of Assembly of New Brunswick, relating to the Importance of the Bay Verte Canal.—

He also presented, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 3rd instant, copies of tenders received for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, and schedules of prices attached; the names of sureties and copies of contracts; and of all correspondence between the Government and the Railway Commissioners concerning such contracts.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 13) respecting Perjury, with the following amendment:—

Page 1, line 21. After "affirmation" insert "affirms, declares, or"

Page 1, line 45, after "custody" insert Clauses A and B.

Clause A.

"Perjuries in Insurance cases."

"Any affirmation, affidavit or declaration required by any Fire, Life, or Marine Insurance Company, authorized by law to do business in Canada, in regard to any loss of property or life insured or assured therein, may be taken before any Commissioner authorized by any of Her Majesty's Superior Courts, to take affidavits or before any Justice of the Peace, or before any Notary-Public for any Province of the Dominion; and any such officer is hereby required to take such affirmation, affidavit, or declaration."

Clause B.

"Any person knowingly, wilfully and corruptly making any affirmation, affidavit, or declaration, required by any Fire, Life or Marine Insurance Company authorized by law to do business in Canada, claiming to be entitled to any insurance money, in respect of any loss of property or life insured or assured therein, or on behalf of any person making such claim containing any false statement of fact, matter or thing in regard to such loss of property or life, shall be guilty of wilful and corrupt perjury, and shall be liable to be imprisoned in the Penitentiary for any term not exceeding fourteen years, and not less than two years, or to be imprisoned in any other gaol or place of of confinement for any term less than two years and to pay such fine as the Court may award."

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A Macdonald*, the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Returns of the Montreal and Vermont Junction Railway, for the year ending 31st May, 1868,—and of the Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway, for the year ending 31st May, 1868.

Also,—Annual Return of the Treasurer of the Corporation of Owen Sound in accordance with the Act 24 Vic, Cap. 63, sec. 1,

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt* from the meeting this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Ordered, That Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt* do attend in their places at the next sitting of The House.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the Bill (No. 30) to enable the holders of preference shares in the Great Western Railway Company, to convert them into ordinary shares at their option, with amendments.—

Mr. *Lawson*, from the Select Committee to enquire into the working of the Act 31 Vic. Cap. 44, so far as it relates to the imposing an Export Duty on Shingle and Stave Bolts, Oak, Spruce, and Pine Logs, etc., presented the following Report:—

That they have carefully considered the questions submitted to them, and that as the result of the oral testimony adduced before them, and of the replies to certain questions issued by them, and widely circulated through the instrumentality of the members of the House of Commons, they have to state that the imposition of the Export Duties, owing to the peculiar local position of certain counties, the character of timber remaining in them, and the competition which exists between them and the State of Michigan, has pressed with severity on the holders of lands producing an inferior quality of Pine, situate to a great extent in the Counties of Norfolk, Elgin, Oxford, and adjacent Counties, thereby seriously affecting their interests; but that in other parts of the country the evidence shows that the effect of the imposition of the Export Duties has been to give an impetus to the trade by increasing the manufacture of shingles and staves for export, and enabling manufacturers of these articles and mill-owners to compete with manufacturers of similar articles in the United States, who, previous to the imposition of the duties in question were able to import the raw material at a low rate of duty while the Canadian manufacturer was and is subject to a high American duty on manufactured lumber.

The Committee after due deliberation would beg most respectfully to recommend that the Duty be made discriminating so that the inferior class of Pine logs will be subject to a less rate of Export Duty than the better class.

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille*, all Petitions presented to this House during this Session, in relation to Fisheries, Marine and Navigation, were referred to the Select Committee on the subject of Maritime and River fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish.

Mr. *Dobbie* introduced a Bill (No. 41) to incorporate the St. Thomas (Ontario) Board of Trade.

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

Mr. *Morrison*, (Niagara), introduced a Bill (No. 29) to authorize the issuing of Letters Patent of Invention to *Frederick Baynton Sparkes*, for a new and useful means of process of manufacturing lubricating oil from Crude Petroleum.

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

Mr. *Daoust*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, reported the absence of Mr. *Webb* from the meeting, this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, a. m.

The Bill (No. 27), to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto, was read a third time and passed.

The Bill (No. 26), to increase the capital stock of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company, was considered, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The following bills were severally read the second time, and committed for Wednesday next, viz.:

No. 21. To authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes.

No. 34. To empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers.

No. 40. To authorize an addition to the capital stock of the Bank of New Brunswick, and for other purposes connected with the said Bank.

No. 28. To amend the Act 23 Vic., Cap. 123, respecting Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec.

Mr. *Webb* attended in his place according to Order, and Mr. *Cartwright*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, submitted an affidavit of Mr. *Webb*, stating that as urgent private business made it necessary for him to be in Montreal, on Tuesday last, he could not attend a meeting of the said committee on that day, Mr. *Webb's* excuse was deemed sufficient.

Mr. *Grant* moved that the Bill (No. 22) to provide for the general adoption of the practice of vaccination, be now read the second time.

And a debate arising.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the debate was adjourned until Wednesday next.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on Bills of Lading and Warehouse Receipts; and after some time, the Committee rose without reporting.

The House went into Committee to consider the following resolution:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to provide that in future in the inspection of Green Kip or Calf Skins, every inspector appointed for that purpose shall be entitled for the inspection of such Kip or Calf skins to a fee of three cents for each skin in lots under one hundred in number, and two and a half cents for each skin in lots over one hundred in number.

To be reported, and report to be received, to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented, return to Address of the 23rd ult., for a return showing what progress has been made in opening up communication between Fort William and the Red River settlement; also what amount has been expended upon the said work, together with the names of parties to whom amounts have been paid in connection with such work, and for what service.

Return (in part) to Address of the 3rd instant; for copies of all surveys and reports made by the Engineers or other employees of the Government, relative to Harbors of Refuge, or other Harbors on the east coast of Lake Huron; and copies of all instructions to such Engineers or Employees; also copies of all correspondence between the Dominion and Ontario Governments on the subject of such Harbors.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Sproat*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all lands sold in the Saugeen Indian Peninsula from the Year 1856 to 1861 inclusive, shewing the amount at which such lands were originally sold; what quantity of such lands have since been declared forfeited and been resumed by the Government; how much money was paid thereon prior to such forfeiture; what quantity of such forfeited lands have been resold and for what amount.

Mr. *Lawson*—On Friday next—The adoption of the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the working of the Act imposing export duties on shingle and stave bolts, oak, spruce and pine logs.

Hon. *J. Sandfield Macdonald*—On Friday next—BILL for the summary trial of certain felonies and misdemeanors by the Judges of the County Courts out of Sessions in the Province of Ontario.

Mr. *Morris*—On Friday next—BILL intituled "An Act respecting Seduction."

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Minister of Public Works has any information as to the bad state of the two piers at Cedars and Cascades Rapids, St. Lawrence River, and whether it is the intention of the Government to appropriate a certain sum or sums of money to have the said piers repaired so as to be any way useful to navigation, as intended when built.

No. 24.

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No. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 20TH MAY, 1869.

Eighteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read:

Of *Charles Mair*, and others, Canadians, resident in the Colony of Assinniboia; complaining of certain grievances, and praying for relief, and that the House will take such steps as to assure to Canadians immigrating there the protection of British Law.

Of *N. Rosa*, and others, Merchants and others, of the City of Quebec; praying that the Amendments asked for by the Corporation of Pilots of Quebec, in their Bill now before Parliament, may become law.

Of *John Blow*, and others, of the Town of Whitby; praying that the House will take into consideration the establishment of some simple and equitable system whereby provision may be made for sick and disabled seamen, and for the support of their widows and orphans.

Of the Board of Trade; of the Members of the Board of Trade, both of the City of Chicago, State of Illinois; of the Chamber of Commerce; of the Members of the Chamber of Commerce, Merchants and others, both of the City of Milwaukee; and of the Municipality of the Township of Niagara; severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Canal Company, with power to build and construct a ship canal from the Niagara River, at or ne ar Fort George in the Town of Niagara to the Welland Canal, immediately above Lock 25 in the Village of Thorold, and to extend the same to the waters of the Upper Niagara River, at or near the Village of Chippawa.

Of *John Prince*, and others, of the Township of Korah; praying that a weekly instead of a fortnightly Mail Service may be established on the North Shore of Lake Superior.

Of *Rufus Palmer*, and others, of the County of Albert, New Brunswick; praying for the construction of the Bay Verte Canal.

Of *Narcisse Bernier*, Mayor, and others of la Rivière au Renard; and of *Célestin Bélanger*, and others of Chlorydorme, both of the District of Gaspé; severally praying for the construction of a Road by which they may communicate with other Ports in the vicinity; and also for a Telegraph line from Cap des Rosiers to Ste. Anne des Monts.

Of *Alexis Ouelette*, and others, of l'Anse au Griffin, in the County of Gaspé; and of *Peter Whalan*, and others, of Cap des Rosiers; severally praying for the construction of a Road from Great Fox River, in the County of Gaspé to Ste. Anne des Monts, along the beach of the River St. Lawrence; and also for the extension of the Telegraph line to Cap des Rosiers.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, presented the following Report:—

The Committee having had under their consideration the disadvantages under which Shipmasters and officers of the mercantile marine of Canada are placed, and the consequent detriment to the maritime interests of the Country by reason of the difficulty in procuring certificates of competency that will be recognized throughout the British Dominions, would respectfully submit, that it is highly important that Boards of Examiners, for the purpose of examining Shipmasters and Mates, and of granting them certificates, in connection with the Boards of

Examiners established in Great Britain by the Board of Trade, be established in different ports of the Dominion; and that in order to promote and encourage nautical instruction, Schools of Navigation should also be established in the large ports, under the supervision of the Boards of Examiners.

On motion of Mr. *Savary*, Mr. *Killam* was added to the foregoing Committee.

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt* from the meeting this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburgh) introduced a Bill (No. 46) to extend the Charter of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

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

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that The House do go into Committee forthwith, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient, after the strong desire expressed by Her Majesty's Government, that the present salary of the Governor General should be maintained, that the salary of the Governor General be fixed at £10,000 Sterling.

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment, that all the words after "That" in the said Resolution be expunged, and the following inserted instead thereof :—" while this House is deeply impressed with the expediency of providing a Salary for the Governor General, befitting the exalted office and position which he holds,—it is nevertheless of opinion, that such salary should not exceed £7,500 Sterling, and it is expedient to fix such Salary at that sum."—

Mr. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville) moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "That" in the said amendment be expunged, and the following inserted in lieu thereof :—" the Members of this House have not been furnished with reasons sufficient to justify them in reversing their vote of last Session; but that they still adhere to the opinion that $32,000 *per annum* is a sufficient salary for the Governor General of this Dominion."

And a Debate arising,

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

FRIDAY, 21st MAY, 1869.

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment to the amendment, it was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Béchard, Benoit, Bourassa, Bowell, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Inverness), Carmichael, Cayley, Cheval, Chipman, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Hutchison, Joly, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Killam, Little, Le Vesconte, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonnault, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.) Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, and Young.—59

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archambault, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Peel), Caron, Cartier, (Sir George E.,) Cartwright, Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Howe, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald Sir John A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Rankin, Ray, Read, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (Montreal West), Savary, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wood, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—90.

And the question being put on the proposed amendment to the main motion, it was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Béchard, Benoit, Bourassa, Bowell, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Inverness], Carmichael, Cayley, Cheval, Chipman, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Hutchison, Joly, Jones [Leeds and Grenville], Little, Levesconte, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson [Soulanges], McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McMonies, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Munro, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Ross [Dundas], Ross [Prince Edward], Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Ontario], Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, and Young.—59.

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archambeault, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron [Peel], Caron, Cartier [Sir George E.], Cartwright, Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Crawford [Brockville], Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Howe, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald [Cornwall], Macdonald, Sir J. A. [Kingston], McDonald [Lunenburg], McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson [Terrebonne], McDougall [Lanark], McDougall [Three Rivers], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Rankin, Ray, Read, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Victoria, N. S.,] Ryan [Montreal West], Savary, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wood, Workman, and Wright [Ottawa County.]—91.

And the question being put on the main motion, it was agreed to, on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Abbott, Anglin, Archambeault, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bown, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Peel), Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbe, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Holton, Hurdon, Howe, Irvine, Jackson,

Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir John A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Pouliot, Rankin, Ray, Read, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross, (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (Montreal West), Savary, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wood, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).--89.

Nays:

Messieurs Ault, Béchard, Benoit, Bourassa, Bowell, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Inverness), Carmichael, Cayley, Cheval, Chipman, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Hutchison, Joly, Jones [Leeds and Grenville], Killam, Little, Le Vesconte, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson [Soulanges], McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McMonies, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Ross [Dundas], Ross [Prince Edw ard], Ross [Wellington, C.R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Ontario], Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, and Young.—60.

The House accordingly went into Committee, and adopted a Resolution, which was reported, and agreed to, and is as follows:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, it is expedient, after the strong desire expressed by Her Majesty's Government, that the present Salary of the Governor General should be maintained, that the Salary of the Governor General be fixed at £10,000 Sterling.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* then introduced a Bill (No. 59) respecting the Salary of the Governor General.—Second reading at the next sitting of The House this day.

The House then adjourned at 10 minutes past 1 a.m

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Huot*—On Tuesday next—Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That it is expedient to provide that henceforward in the inspection of Hides all brand or stamp marks made by the Inspector, shall be neat and legible, and shall be made within a space not less than two inches long by one and one half inch broad, and shall be imprinted on the right side, and on the left side of the hide in sthe middle of the extreme end thereof, between the hinder legs and the tail; if such brand or stamp marks are not neat or legible the hides shall be held to be not inspected.

2. That if any dispute arises between a purchaser and a seller of raw hides in relation to inspections which have been made elsewhere than in the City in which such hides are, the purchaser may appeal to the Board of Examiners of the said City, who after examination may, if they find the inspection to be incorrect or unsatisfactory, order a new inspection to be made by the Inspector of such City.

3. That every Inspector shall subtract from the weight of each raw hide all dirt and other matters which ought not to be included in the weight of the hide, and may add to such weight all that such hides may have lost by drying; the whole at his discretion.

4. That the Inspector shall classify raw hides as numbers one, two, or three, as the case may be; Number one denoting raw hides which are in no way injured by knife-cuts or otherwise; Number two denoting those which have received some injury from knife-cuts; and number three including hides which are much injured by knife-cuts, all bull's hides and all considered to be such, all those which are corroded and pierced by ticks, those of animals which have died from disease, and generally all those that have been injured in any other way.

Mr. *Joly*—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying that the accounts of the two Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, with the Dominion of Canada for the six months from the 1st July, 1868, to the 31st December, 1868, be laid before this House.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Tuesday next—The adoption of the Second Report of the Select Committee on Maritime and Fluvial Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation and the Inspection of Fish.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the correspondence between the Government of the late Province of Canada and the local Municipalities of the Counties of the Province of Quebec in relation to the loans contracted by the said Municipalities, in virtue of the Act 26 Vic., Cap. 2, and for a statement showing the amount of the sum loaned to each local Municipality in the said Counties, the amount paid thereon, including interest and sinking fund, and also for copies of the by-laws passed in relation thereto by the said Municipalities.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were posted this day for consideration by Committees on or after Monday, the 31st instant:

Bill (No. 29,) to authorize the issuing of Letters Patent of Invention to *Frederick Baynton Sparkes*, for a new and useful means or process of manufacturing lubricating oil from crude petroleum. (*Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.*)

Bill (No. 41,) to incorporate the St. Thomas (Ont.) Board of Trade. (*Committee on Banking and Commerce.*)

No. 25.

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No. 26.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 21ST MAY, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:

Of the Reverend *R. E. Dufour*, Curé, and others, of St. Lazare, County of Bellechasse; praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company, may not become law.

Of the City Bank Montreal; and of the Ontario Bank; severally praying that the existing system of Banking may be continued.

Of *M. Lepper*, Reeve, ,and others, of the Village of Aurora, County of York [Ontario]; praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor, or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the invention in the Dominion.

Of *James Gillies*, and others, Merchants and others, of the Village of Carleton Place [Ontario]; of *Robert Brown*, and others, of the Township of Pakenham; and of *John Bruce*, and others, of the County of Bruce; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Mr. *Webb*, from the Argenteuil Election Committee, presented the following Resolutions, as their final and unanimous decision:—

Resolved, That the Hon. *John J. C. Abbott* is duly elected Member to represent the Electoral District of Argenteuil in the House of Commons.

Resolved, That the Petition of *Benjamin Hutchins*, Esq., against the Election and Return of the said Hon. *John J. C. Abbott* is not frivolous, nor vexatious.

Pursuant to the 90th section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, the Committee report the following Resolution upon which a division was taken:—

Moved, That the Committee having deliberated on the application of the Petitioner to be allowed to produce oral testimony, with reference to the Parish of St. Andrews, and considering that no such place is mentioned in any of the allegations of the said Petition, complaining of the insufficiency of voter's lists, or otherwise, cannot grant the said application, as in the opinion of the Committee it would be illegal to do so. The Petitioner must confine his testimony to prove the allegations contained in his Petition, and no other.

Upon which the Committee divided, as follows:

YEAS:	NAY:
Mr. *Webb*,	Mr. *Colby*,
Mr. *Daoust*,	
Mr. *Cartwright*,	
Mr. *Ault*,	

So it passed in the affirmative.

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Committee on Standing Orders reported *favorably* on the Petitions of

Edmund W. Plunkett,—Edward Schulze,—of *Richard Charles Porter,*—of *Hugh Allan* and others,—and of the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company.

On the Petition of the City Bank of Montreal; for certain amendments to their Charter that may affect the rights and property of shareholders; and as these amendments were not particularly specified in the Notice, the Committee therefore recommend that a provision be inserted in the Bill to require the consent of the shareholders before carrying the same into effect.

The Committee also recommend that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to Tuesday, the 25th instant,—for receiving Private Bills, to Monday the 31st instant, and for receiving Reports on Private Bills, to Monday the 14th of June next.

The Committee also recommend that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to Tuesday, the 25th instant, and for receiving Reports on Private Bills to Monday the 14th of June next.—Time extended accordingly.

Hon. Mr. *Abbott,* from the Select Committee on the Bill (No 9) respecting Insolvency, reported the said Bill, with amendments.—

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier,* from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the Bill (No 43) respecting the International Bridge Company, without amendment.—

Hon. Mr. *Irvine,* from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt* from the meeting this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A. M.—

Hon. Mr. *Dorion* introduced a Bill [No 61] to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to "La Banque du Peuple."

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

Hon. *J. S. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 70.) for the more speedy trial in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors, in the Province of Ontario.—Second reading on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille,* Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte* was added to the Select Committee on the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish.

Mr. *Morris* introduced a Bill [No. 71] respecting Seduction.—Second reading on Wednesday next.

Mr. *Ryan* [Montreal] introduced a Bill [No. 60] to enable *Edmund Walker Plunkett* to obtain Letetrs Patent for a new and useful invention for the manufacture of Nails.

Also a Bill [No. 62] to enable *Edward Shulze* to obtain Letters Patent for a new and useful invention called Metallic Compression Casting.

The foregoing two Bills were severally read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie,* the fourth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.—

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced the following Bills, which were severally read the first time, and ordered for a second reading, on Tuesday next, viz:—

No. 72. Respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to persons charged with indictable offences.

No. 73. Respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders.

No. 74. Respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases.

No. 75. Respecting the trial and punishment of Juvenile offenders.

No. 76. Respecting the Criminal Law, and to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned.

No. 77. Respecting certain offences against Public Justice.

No. 78. Respecting the illegal solemnization of marriage.

No. 79. Respecting proceedings to outlawry in Criminal cases.

No. 80. To establish a Supreme Court for the Dominion of Canada.—

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 26th ult;—for a statement of the amount of debt of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec on the 1st July, 1867, particularising in detail the service for which such debt has been incurred; also, a like return shewing the debt of Nova Scotia, 1st July, 1867; also, like return shewing the debt of New Brunswick on the 1st July, 1867; also, a return shewing any payments made by the Dominion to Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, particularising in detail the services or consideration for which such payments have been made, from 1st July, 1867, to 1st April, 1869; also, a return shewing the amount debt in detail of the Dominion on the 1st April, 1869, particularising the services for which such debt or liability has been incurred.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the Bill [No 11] respecting offences against the person, be now read a third time.

Hon. Mr. *Dorion* moved in amendment,—That the punishment of flogging having long been abolished in Canada, as contrary to the spirit of the age, and condemned by public opinion, the circumstances of the country do not require that it should be revived and formpart of our criminal laws, and that the Bill be not now read a third time, but be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with power to amend the same by striking out all those portions of the same which provide that the punishment of flogging may be inflicted for the offences therein mentioned, and by substituting another mode of punishment in lieu thereof.

And a Debate arising thereon,

And it being 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at 1½ past 7 P. M.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill [No 17] to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier for electoral purposes, without amendment.—

Also, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, *viz:*—

No. 81, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the inspection of Steamboats, and for the greater safety of Passengers by them." [On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald,* read the first time.—Second reading on Tuesday next].—

No. 82, intituled, "An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clarke.*"

No. 83, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *John Horace Stevenson.*"

Also communicating the evidence and copy of the Exhibits, attached thereto, reported to them by the Committee to which was referred the foregoing Bill; together with the exemplification of the Judgment of the Court of Queen's Bench, in the case of the *Queen vs Roblin*, produced to them on the presentation of the Petition to bring in the said Bill.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented, Return to Address of the 10th instant; for copies of all correspondence. Orders in Council, and other papers between the Government and *Wm. Brewster*, or any other parties respecting the claim of *Wm. Brewster* for damages, etc., on account of work done on the Lachine Canal.

[*At half past seven o'clock, P. M., the Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.]

The Bill [No. 30] to enable the holders of preference shares in the Great Western Railway Company, to change them into ordinary shares at their option, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed,

The House resumed the Debate on Hon. Mr. *Dorion's* proposed amendment to the third reading of the Bill [No 11] respecting offences against the person.

And the question being put, it was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bertrand, Bolton, Bourassa, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Carmichael, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Colby, Connell, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Jackson, Killam, Le Vesconte, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson (Terrebonne), Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Ray, Redford, Ross (Victoria, N. S.), Ross (Wellington, C. R.) Savary, Scatcherd, Snider, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, and Wallace.—40.

Nays:

Messieurs Abbott, Bellerose, Blanchet, Bown, Cameron (Peel), Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Chamberlin, Cimon, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Huot, Hurdon, Hutchison, Howe, Irvine, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Little, Macdonald, Sir John A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), McDougall (Lanark), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Perry, Pope, Rankin, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross, (Champlain), Ryan (Montreal West) Simard, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, White, Whitehead, Wood, Workman, and Wright, (Ottawa County).—76.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.—

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 12. Respecting malicious injury to property.

No 15. Respecting Larceny and other similar offences.—

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Tuesday last, the 18th instant, were reported, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

7. Department of the Receiver General	$15,850
8. Finance Department (Accounting Branch)	12,650
9. do (Audit Branch)	19,200

The House went into Committee to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That whenever any Indian shall be convicted of any crime punishable by imprisonment in a Penitentiary, or other place of confinement, the legal costs incurred for procuring such conviction, may be defrayed by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and paid out of any annuity or interests coming to such Indian, or to the band or tribe, as the case may be.—

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and agreed to, and on motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin* referred to the Committee of the Whole on Bill [No 23] for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian Affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31 Vict. Cap. 42.

The said Bill was then considered in Committee, amended, reported, agreed to, and ordered for a third reading, on Friday next.—

The Bill [No. 35] to place all Canadian Vessels on an equal footing, as regards Pilotage in the Port of Quebec, and for other purposes, respecting Pilotage, was considered, amended, reported, agreed to, and ordered for a third reading, on Tuesday next.—

The Bill [No. 50] from the Senate, intituled: "The Canada Joint Stock Companies Clauses Act," was considered in Committee and reported, and ordered for a third reading on Friday next.—

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Tuesday next, viz:—

No. 51, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting cruelty to Animals."

No. 52, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting certain offences relative to Her Majesty's Army and Navy."

No. 53, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better protection of Her Majesty's Military and Naval Stores."

No. 54, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better preservation of the Peace in the vicinity of Public Works." [Amended.]

No. 56, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Joint Stock Companies incorporated by Letters Patent."

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill [No. 24] to avoid the necessity of having Documents engrossed on Parchment, were read a second time, and agreed to.

The Bill [No. 59] respecting the Salary of the Governor General, was read the second and a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

IN THE COMMITTEE.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

10. Customs Department	$23,400 00

11.	Inland Revenue Department	$13,350 00
12.	Department of Public Works	40,190 00
13.	Post Office Department	57,650 00
14.	Department of Agriculture	16,950 00
15.	Department of Marine and Fisheries	12,250 00
16.	Departmental Contingencies	216,500 00
17.	To meet the possible amount beyond the average salaries voted, which may be required to cover the sums payable in each individual case, after the final reorganization of the Civil Service, or any extension of the staff or other change which such reorganization may require	40,000 00
18.	Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia	11,000 00
19.	Do New Brunswick	4,000 00
20.	Circuit Allowances, Ontario	13,000 00
21.	Circuit Allowances, Quebec	13,000 00
22.	Circuit Allowances, Nova Scotia	4,000 00
23.	Circuit Allowances, New Brunswick	4,000 00
24.	Travelling Expenses Judges, County Courts, Ont	7,800 00
25.	Travelling Expenses Judges, District of Algoma	200 00
26.	Miscellaneous	10,000 00
27.	Police of the Dominion	20,000 00
28.	Harbour Police, Montreal	11,628 00
29.	River Police, Quebec	11,812 00
30.	Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate	45,634 18
31.	Salaries and Contingencies of The House of Commons per Clerk's Estimate	79,265 00
32.	Salaries and Contingencies, per Sergeant-at Arms Estimate	40,868 75
34.	Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery	1,000 00
35.	Grant to Parliamentary Library	6,000 00
36.	Miscellaneous Printing	2.000 00
37.	Printing and Binding Statutes	20,000 00
38.	Printing, Printing-paper and Bookbinding	40,000 00
39.	Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces.	20,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock midnight.

SATURDAY, 22ND MAY, 1869.

The following Resolutions were adopted :

40.	Consolidation of Criminal Law	2,000 00
41.	St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway, for two Special Parliamentary trains daily during the Session of Parliament (estimated)	2,400 00
42.	Observatory, Quebec,	2,400 00
43.	—Do— Toronto	4,800 00
44.	—Do— Kingston	500 00
45.	—Do— Montreal	500 00
46.	—Do— Halifax	750 00
47.	—Do— New Brunswick	750 00
48.	Salaries and contingent expenses of Statistics Office, Halifax	3,810 00
49.	Salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Nova Scotia	1,580 00
50.	Collecting Statistics of Births, Marriages and Deaths	710 00
51.	Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés	11,710 00
	Medical Inspection, Port of Quebec	2,600 00
	Quarantine, Grosse Isle	11,000 00
	do St. John, N.B	3,900 00
	do Halifax, N.S	4,060 00
	Contingent expenses in Europe	3,000 00
	Do in Canada	4,000 00
	Transport and aid to Immigrants	5,000 00
	To meet possible expenses of Immigration	10,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The Bill [No. 38] to amend the Act for the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Bill [No. 39] from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting Vagrants," was read the second time, and committed for Tuesday next.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 22nd ult., for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of accounts with, and between the same, and concerning the arbitrators appointed by the Dominion and Provincial Governments respectively ; also a statement of moneys paid on account of said arbitration, and to whom, with all documents connected therewith.

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

The House then adjourned at 15 minutes past 1 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Sproat*—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of Mr. *Page's* Report as to a Harbor of Refuge on Lake Huron based on the survey made under the supervision of the Public Works Department last fall.

Mr. *Bolton*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion of Canada and the Local Governments of the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and between the Government of Canada and the Judges of the Superior Courts of those Provinces respecting the salaries of the said Judges as provided for them by the Parliament of Canada.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—For the Printing of extra copies of the Election Bill and the Bill to establish a Supreme Court.

Hon Sir *Geo. Et. Cartier*—On Tuesday next—Committee of Whole to consider a series of Resolutions respecting the acquisition of the Territory and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land and in any other part of British North America, not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada, or British Columbia, and respecting the acquisition of the North Western Terrritory

Mr. *Jones*—[North Leeds and Grenville] On Tuesday next—Committee of Whole to consider the following Resolution: That it is expedient to impose a duty on all American Wheat, Corn, Rye, Barley and other grain imported into the Dominion of Canada and intended to be used in the manufacture of spirits of wine, whiskey, Beer and other Spirituous Liquors, and that such duty shall be equal to twenty per cent on the estimated value of such grain at the Canadian Port of entry.

Mr. *Pope*—On Wednesday next—To refer the petition and other papers having reference to the claim of Mr. *Brewster* to a Select Committee to be composed of the Hon. Mr. *Abbott*, Messrs. *Chamberlin*, *Colby*, *Hagar*, and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Mr. *Renaud*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to place in the estimates a sum for the removal of obstructions to the entrance of the Harbor of Richibucto by means of a dredging machine or otherwise.

Mr. *Renaud*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to increase the annual salary of the Deputy Postmasters (Way Offices) in New Brunswick, in such way that their salaries may be uniform with those in other parts of the Dominion.

Mr. *Carmichael*—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency, the Governor General, for a detailed statement of all payments that have been made on account of the Public debt of Nova Scotia since 1st July, 1867, stating the different services for which such payments were made, the parties to whom paid, and the authority for the same; and also a detailed statement of the amount of Revenue collected in the Province of Nova Scotia from the 1st January, 1868, to the 31st December, 1868, giving the amount of duty collected on each article, and the amount received from Inland Revenue Department, Bank Impost, and Stamps.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by Committees on or after the days respectively named:

Monday, 31st May.

Bill [No. 46] to extend the Charter of the Bank of Nova Scotia. [*Committee on Banking and Commerce.*]

Tuesday, 1st June.

Bill [No. 60] to enable *Edmund Walter Plunkett* to obtain letters patent for a new and useful invention for the manufacture of Nails. [*Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.*]

Bill [No. 62] to enable *Edward Schultze* to obtain letters patent for a new and useful invention called Metallic Compression Casting. [*Same Committee.*]

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 25TH MAY, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Return of the "Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame de Quebec," for the year ending 31st May, 1868.

Eighteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *John McDougall*, and others, of the Town of Bowmanville; of *Andrew Henderson*, and others, of the Village of Newmarket; of Messrs. *Kirkwood*, *Livingstone* and Company, and others, of the City of Montreal; and of *John McLeod*, and others, of the Town of Bowmanville; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *Richard Blain*, and others, of the Town of Galt; of *John Greig*, and others, of Woodstock, both of the Province of Ontario; of Messrs. *William Dow* and Company, and others, of the City of Montreal; of *John Dewe*, and others; of *J. B. Le Baron*, and others, of Hatley, County of Stanstead; of *S. Paterson*, and others, of the Town of Port Hope; of *G. Woodburn*, and others, of the Township of Melbourne; and of *L. M. Clench*, and others, of the Town of St. Mary's, County of Perth; severally praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the invention in the Dominion.

Of *Gilbert Riopel*, and others, of the Parish of Ste. Beatrix, County of Joliette; of *J. D. Pepin*, and others, of St. David; of *François Precour*, and others, of the County of Yamaska; and of *Charles Letellier*, and others, of the Parish of Rivière Ouelle, County of Kamouraska; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of the Reverend *J. O. Drapeau*, Curé, and others, of the Municipality of Ste. Anne des Monts, County of Gaspé; praying for the construction of a Road from Great Fox River, in the County of Gaspé to Ste. Anne des Monts, along the beach of the River St. Lawrence; and also for the extension of the Telegraph line to Cap des Rosiers.

Of *Nathaniel Jenks*, and others, of the Township of Barnston; praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign Hops when imported into Canada.

Of the Town Council of the Town of Sorel; praying that the amount received by the Government for Licenses issued in the said Town may be credited to their favor in their Municipal Loan Fund Account, or for a direct deduction of the amount charged for compound interest in the said account.

Of *Hiram Edgett*, and others, Merchants, Shipowners, and others; praying for the construction of a Steam Fog Whistle at Cape Enragé, in the Bay of Fundy.

Of *Hiram Edgett*, and others, Merchants, Shipowners, Exporters, and others, of Alma, County of Albert, New Brunswick; praying for the construction of a Breakwater at Herring Cove, in the Bay of Fundy.

Of the Board of Trade, and the business men of the City of Kingston; praying that the existing system of Banking may be continued.

Of the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society; praying for the passing of an Act providing that Sunday labor in all Departments of the Public Service shall be discontinued; that all Canals shall be closed to traffic; and that all Railway trains shall cease to run from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Mr. *Cayley*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of all the Members from the meeting on Saturday last,—and the absence of Mr. *Magill* this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to two Addresses of the 22nd and 29th ult; for copies of all correspondence which has passed since the 1st May last, between the Imperial Government, the Cabinet at Washington and the Government of the Dominion of Canada, on the subject of the renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, and of all negotiations entered upon in consequence of the abrogation of that Treaty.

And,—for copies of all correspondence and despatches between the Government of Canada and that of Great Britain, or with the British Ambassador at Washington, or other parties in the United States, since the 1st day of January, 1867, in reference to a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty, and for copies of all Orders in Council on the same subject.

Return to Address of the 13th instant; for all correspondence, relative to the death of Dr. *Hogan* on the Nova Scotia Railway, in September 1867.

Return to Address of the 10th instant; for copies of all Petitions, letters and papers of any kind, relative to the seizure in British Waters, of the schooner Mazeppa, by an armed body of men, being citizens of the United States.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* introduced a Bill (No. 66) to continue for a limited time the Charter of La Banque Jacques Cartier.

Mr. *Simard* introduced a Bill (No. 49) to amend the Act to incorporate the Union Bank of Lower Canada.

Mr. *Morris* introduced a Bill (No. 63) to amend the Charter of the City Bank.

The foregoing Bills were severally read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Friday next, to consider a series of Resolutions respecting the acquisition of the Territory and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land and in any other part of British North America, not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada, or British Columbia, and respecting the acquisition of the North Western Territory.

Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt* attended in their places according to Order, and Mr. *Cayley*, faom the Hochelaga Election Committee, submitted affidavits of Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt*, stating that urgent paivate affairs had necessitated their presence at home, in consequence of which they had been prevented attending the meetings of the said Committee from the 17th, to the 22nd instant,—Messrs. *Bowman* and *Kempt's* excuses were deemed sufficient.

The following Bills were severally read a third time and passed, viz:

No. 35. To place all Canadian vessels on an equal footing as regards Pilotage, in the Port of Quebec, and for other purposes respecting Pilotage.

No. 51, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting cruelty to Animals."

No. 52, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Her Majesty's Army and Navy."

No. 53, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better protection of Her Majesty's Military and Naval Stores."

No. 54, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better preservation of the Peace in the vicinity of Public Works." (As amended.")

No. 56, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Joint Stock Companies, incorporated by Letters Patent."

Hon. Mr. *Rose* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits Estimates of certain of the sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1870; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867,". he recommends these Estimates to The House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA, 25th May, 1869.

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

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Friday last, the 21st instant, were reported.

The 10th to the 17th Resolution inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to, and are, as follow:—

10.	Customs Department	$23,400 00
11.	Inland Revenue Department	13,350 00
12.	Department of Public Works	40,190 00
13.	Post Office Department	57,650 00
14.	Department of Agriculture	16,950 00
15.	Department of Marine and Fisheries	12,250 00
16.	Departmental Contingencies	216,500 00
17.	To meet the possible amount beyond the average salaries voted, which may be required to cover the sums payable in each individual case, after the final reorganization of the Civil Service, or any extension of the staff or other change which such reorganization may require	40,000 00

The 20th to the 38th Resolution inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to, and are, as follow:—

20.	Circuit Allowances, Ontario	13,000 00
21.	Circuit Allowances, Quebec	13,000 00
22.	Circuit Allowances, Nova Scotia	4,000 00
23.	Circuit Allowances, New Brunswick	4,000 00
24.	Travelling Expenses Judges, County Courts, Ont	7,800 00
25.	Travelling Expenses Judges, District of Algoma	200 00
26.	Miscellaneous	10,000 00
27.	Police of the Dominion	20,000 00
28.	Harbour Police, Montreal	11,628 00

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34. Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery	1,000 00
35. Grant to Parliamentary Library	6,000 00
36. Miscellaneous Printing	2.000 00
37. Printing and Binding Statutes	20,000 00
38. Printing, Printing-paper and Bookbinding	40,000 00

The 40th to the 50th Resolution inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to, and are, as follow : —

40. Consolidation of Criminal Law	2,000 00
41. St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway, for two Special Parliamentary trains daily during the Session of Parliament (estimated)	2,400 00
42. Observatory, Quebec,	2,400 00
43. —Do— Toronto	4,800 00
44. —Do— Kingston	500 00
45. —Do— Montreal	500 00
46. —Do— Halifax	750 00
47. —Do— New Brunswick	750 00
48. Salaries and contingent expenses of Statistics Office, Halifax	3,810 00
49. Salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Nova Scotia	1,580 00
50. Collecting Statistics of Births, Marriages and Deaths	710 00

The 51st Resolution being read a second time, as follows:—

51.	Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employés	11,710 00
	Medical Inspection, Port of Quebec	2,600 00
	Quarantine, Grosse Isle	11,000 00
	do St. John, N.B	3,900 00
	do Halifax, N.S	4,060 00
	Contingent expenses in Europe	3,000 00
	Do in Canada	4,000 00
	Transport and aid to Immigrants	5,000 00
	To meet possible expenses of Immigration	10,000 00

Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte* moved in amendment, that the question of concurrence be not now put on the said Resolution, but that it be referred back to the Committee, with an instruction to strike out the item of $1,000 for Agency at Halifax; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Bourassa, Bowman, Cameron (Inverness), Carmichael, Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Connell, Coupal, Forbes, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Kempt, Killam, Le Vesconte, McDonald (Lunenburg), Mackenzie, McMonies, Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Ray, Redford, Ross (Wellington), Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, and Thompson (Ontario).—30.

Nays :

Messieurs Ault, Richard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Costigan, Crawford (Leeds), Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grover, Hagar, Heath, Holmes, Howe, Hurdon, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Little, Macdonald (Glengarry,) Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Munroe, O'Connor, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Rankin, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's N.-B), Ryan (Montreal West), Simard, Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Wallace, Webb, White, Whitehead, Wilson, Wood, and Wright (Ottawa County.)—81.

The 51st Resolution was then agreed to.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, called upon *Alexander Morris*, Esq., Member for the South Riding of the County of Lanark, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

The Bill (No. 39) from the Senate intituled, "An Act respecting Vagrants," was considered in Committee, reported, and ordered for a third reading on Friday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

52. Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec	$17,500 00
53. Marine Hospitals, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and Maintenance of Sick and Distressed Seamen at the several Ports of the Dominion, and shipwrecked Seamen	17,000 00
54. Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly	400 00
55. L. Gagné, late Messenger do	72 00
56. John Bright, do do	80 00
57. Mrs. Antrobus	800 00
58. P. Bouchard, for wounds received	100 00
59. Mrs. Caroline McEachern, and 4 children	292 00
60. Jane Lakey	146 00
61. Rhoda Smith	110 00
62. Janet Alderson	110 00
63. Margaret McKenzie	80 00

64.	Mary Ann Richey, and 2 children	$336 00
65.	Mary Morrison	80 00
66.	Louise Prud'homme, and 2 children	130 00
67.	Virginie Charron, and 4 children	150 00
68.	Paul M. Robins	146 00
69.	Chs. T. Bell	73 00
70.	Alex. Oliphant	109 50
71.	Chs. Lugsden	91 25
72.	Jno. White	109 50
73.	Thos. Charters	91 25
74.	Samuel McCrag	109 50
75.	Charles T. Robertson	110 00
76.	Percy G. Routh	400 00
77.	Richard S. King	400 00
78.	George A. McKenzie	73 00
79.	Edward Hilder	146 00
80.	Fergus Scholfield	73 00
81.	John Bradley	109 50
82.	Richard Penticost	91 25
83.	John Coté	109 50
84.	George Elliott	73 00
85.	James Bryan	109 50
86.	Jacob Stubbs	73 00
87.	Mary Connor	110 00
88.	Mary Hodgins, and 3 children	191 00
89.	John Martin	110 00
90.	A. E. Marchand	110 00
91.	A. W. Stevenson	110 00
92.	J. Thorburn	150 00
93.	P. T. Worthington	378 00
94.	J. H. Elliott	130 00
95.	George Prentice	400 00
96.	Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land	9,000 00
97.	Intercolonial Railway	2,000,000 00
98.	Halifax, Pictou and Windsor Railway, N. S	139,000 00
99.	European and North American Railway, N. B	21,585 00
100.	For works of construction, &c., (Canals)	198,100 00

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

WEDNESDAY, 26TH MAY, 1869.

The following Resolutions were adopted :

101.	Harbors, Piers, &c. (Revote)	$50,000 00
102.	Roads and Bridges	6,000 00
103.	Slides and Booms	15,000 00
104.	Surveys and Inspections	15,000 00
105.	Arbitrations and awards	10,000 00
106.	Micellaneous charges not otherwise provided for	10,000 00
107.	For Public Buildings generally	138,500 00
108.	For Rents, Repairs and maintenance of Public Buildings	82,500 00
109.	Windsor and Annapolis Railway, Nova Scotia	233,000 00
110.	Western Extension, E. N. A Railway, New Brunswick	445,000 00
111.	Eastern do do do	85,000 00
112.	Fredericton Branch Railway, do	102,500 00
113.	Woodstock Branch Railway, do	65,200 00
114.	Maintenance of Steamers, Quebec	33,000 00
115.	Do Steamer, "Druid," Halifax	22,000 00
116.	Tug Service, Upper St. Lawrence, between Montreal and Kingston	12,000 00
117.	Moiety payable to Inman Line, between Halifax and Cork	39,541 00
118.	Steam communication between Quebec and Maritime Provinces	15,000 00
119.	Steam communication between Prince Edward Island, Pictou and Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia	3,000 00
120.	Steam communication between Windsor, St. John, Digby and Annapolis	4,000 00
121.	Packet communication between Pictou and Magdalen Islands	400 00
122.	Steam communication between New Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island	1,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Street* accordingly reported the said Resolution, to be received on Friday next,—and Committee to sit again on Friday next.

The House then adjourned at 5 minutes past 1 A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Friday next—BILL for the appointment of a Queen's Printer and for Government and Departmental Printing.

Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to provide for the payment of the arrears of pensions due to Militia-men wounded during the war of 1812.

Hon. Mr. *Tupper*—To refer to the Joint Committee on Printing the Return to Address respecting the late Dr. *Hogan*.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of the general instructions given this spring to the Officer entrusted with the command of the Expedition for the Protection of the Fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence; and also, for copy of the instructions given to the same Officer with regard to the extent and nature of his functions, and a statement of the number of sailors who are to compose the crew of the Government vessel "La Canadienne" during the present season.

Mr. *Carmichael*—On Thursday next—That an Order of the House do issue for a Return of the amount of Postage received at the Pictou and New Glasgow Post Offices for the year ending 30th June 1868, specifying the amount received by each; also the amount of Money Orders issued and paid, and the amount of salary, from all sources, paid each Postmaster.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Government have had under consideration the question of jurisdiction in matters relating to Navigation, and the improvement of rivers in the Dominion, on which Ports of Entry now exist, at and from which sea-going vessels now arrive and depart, and if so, what the conclusion of the Government with regard thereto is.

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to subsidize the Steamer now plying between Charlotte Town, P. E. I., and Pictou and Port Hawksbury, Nova Scotia, to the amount of $3,000, only on condition that the Boat touch at the intermediate harbors of Port Hood and Plaister Cove.

PRIVATE BILLS.

Bill [No. 61] to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to "La Banque du Peuple," was posted on Saturday, the 22nd instant, to be considered by the Select Standing Committee on *Banking* and *Commerce*, on or after Tuesday, the 1st day of June next.

Posted this day to be considered by Select Standing Committee on *Banking* and *Commerce* on (or after) *Saturday*, the fifth day of June next.

Bill [No. 66] to continue for a limited time the Charter of *La Banque Jacques Cartier*.

Bill [No. 49] to amend the Act incorporating the Union Bank of Lower Canada, and

Bill [No. 63] to amend the Charter of the City Bank.

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OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 26TH MAY, 1869.

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

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, reported the absence of Mr. *Magill* from the meeting this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock, A.M.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, presented the following Report:—

The Committee having had under their consideration the provision of the 14th subsection of the 13th section of the Fisheries Act, requiring the raising of seines, nets, &c., in the tidal waters, from Saturday till Monday of each week, and in view of the great difficulty and in many cases the absolute impossibility of complying with the said provision, together with the great injury to the Fisheries—the Maritime Fisheries especially—as the result of its enforcement, would respectfully recommend that the operation of the said subsection be suspended in the tidal waters of the Provinces of Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

The Bill [No. 83] from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *John Horace Stevenson*," was read the first time.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Messrs. *J. S. Macdonald*, *Wood*, and *Carling*, and Messrs. *Morris*, *Lapum*, and the mover, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records; which was agreed to on the following division:

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Burpee, Caldwell, Carmichael, Cartwright, Chamberlin, Coffin, Connell, Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Gray, Hagar, Howe, Jackson, Killam, Lapum, Little, Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, McDougall (Lanark), McLelan, McMonies, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Pickard, Ray, Read, Redford, Rose, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (King's N.-B), Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Sproat, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.).—63.

Nays:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Cameron (Inverness), Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Cheval, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dufresne, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Holmes, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Joly, Keeler, Kempt, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Le Vesconte, McCarthy, McDougall (Three Rivers), McMillan, O'Connor, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Renaud, Ryan (Montreal West), Stephenson, Tremblay, Webb, and Wright (Ottawa County).—53.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that the exemplification of the judgment of Court of Queen's Bench for the Province of Ontario in the case of the Queen vs. *Roblin* et al. together with the depositions taken before a Committee of the Senate, to whom the said Bill was referred, with exhibits thereunto annexed and communicated to this House by Message from the Senate, be referred to the said Committee, which was agreed to on a division.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 84) respecting Immigration and Immigrants.—Second reading on Friday next.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, Mr. *Magill* was ordered to attend in his place in The House at its next sitting

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported the Bill (No. 33) to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Canadian and British Telegraph Company, and to change the name of the Company, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa County), the Journals of this House of the 13th and 18th of May were read; and a Select Committee was appointed to inquire into the administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa; with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report from time to time; said Committee to be composed of Hon. Messrs. *Cameron* (Peel), *Holton*, *Campbell*, and *Huntington*, and Messrs. *Blake*, *Dufresne*, *Robitaille*, *Webb*, *Pope*, *Bellerose*, *Savary*, *Fortin*, and the mover.

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for detailed Returns of the amount of Revenue received by the Government of the Dominion,—from all sources,—from the several Provinces comprising the Dominion, between the 1st July, 1867, and the 1st January, 1869, together with the amounts respectively expended, during that period, in the same Provinces.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, a Select Committee was appointed to take into consideration the correspondence with the Government, relative to the purchase and exportation of American Silver Coin now in circulation in this Country, with power to report thereon, and to send for persons, papers, and records; composed of Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *Ryan* (Montreal), *McConkey*, *Magill*, *Harrison*, *Tremblay*, *Dufresne*, *Simard*, and the mover.

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government and the United States Government, Orders in Council, and other papers in possession of this Government of a public nature, relating to the subject of the relative duties and imports on American Vessels trading at Canadian Ports as compared with the imports and duties now imposed by the United States upon Canadian Vessels trading at United States Ports, since the 1st July, 1867.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood* it was *Resolved*, That an order of this House do issue for a statement of the following items in the "Statement of Affairs" in the Public Accounts of 1867 laid before this House, shewing also how and for what separate works they originated, and what outstanding claims there are against any of such accounts,—namely, Desjardins Canal,—Grand River Navigation Company,—Grantham Academy,—Oakville Harbor Company,—Tay Navigation Company,—Improvement of the River Trent,—Roads and Bridges U. C.,—do. L. C.,—Miscellaneous Buildings, U. C.,—do. L. C.,—Miscellaneous Works,—Steamers of the late Province of Canada—Montreal Harbor Company; Cataraqui property; also showing as precisely as may be practicable, what outstanding claims there are against any of the other accounts of the late Province of Canada, whether mentioned in such statement or not; also for a statement of arrears of Hydraulic rents, and of money due upon any sales of land in connection with public works, or any other security for money not included in the "Statement of Affairs;" also for a statement of all moneys received since 30th June, 1867, on account of Shop, Tavern, and Auction licenses in the Province of Quebec affected by the Seigniorial Act of 1854, shewing what has been done with the said moneys.

Mr. *Burpee* moved, that the return to an Address of the last Session of this House, dated the 20th May, 1868 asking for Surveys, Plans, and Reports in the possession of the Local Governments of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, referring to a proposed Canal, connecting the waters of the Gulf of St. Lawrence with the Bay of Fundy, and the several Petitions presented to this House for the construction of the said Canal; as well as the Resolutions of the House of Assembly of New Brunswick, asked for by an Address of the 3rd instant, be referred to the Select Committee on the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation and the inspection of fish.

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

Mr. *Dufresne* moved, that the House do go into Committee on Monday next, to consider the following Resolution:—That it is expedient to provide for the purchase by the Dominion of the depreciated Silver Coins, now so largely circulated in Canada to the great inconvenience and loss of all persons engaged in trade, and the public generally, and for the exportation of such Coin to Europe, either in its present form or in ingots, and the substitution of Dominion Notes for it.

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

(*At half past seven o'clock, 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. 21. To authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes relating to the said Bank.

No. 40. To authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Bank of New Brunswick, and for other purposes connected with the said Bank.

The Bill (No. 28) to amend the Act 23 Vic., Cap. 123, respecting Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 43) respecting the International Bridge Company, was read the second time, and committed for Friday next.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole on Wednesday last, the 19th instant, respecting the inspection of Green Kip or Calf Skins, was reported and agreed to.

The Bill (No. 36) to amend the Act passed in the 27th and 28th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to regulate the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather," and the Act passed in the 29th and 30th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting the inspection of Leather and Raw Hides," was read the second time, and committed for Monday next, and the foregoing resolution, in relation thereto, referred to the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Jackson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of Reports by the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway, relative to the settlement of lands on its route; together with copies of any correspondence which may have been conducted between the Government of the Dominion, and the Provincial Governments, relative thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that the accounts of the two Provinces of Ontario and Quebec with the Dominion of Canada, for the six months, from the 1st July, 1868, to the 31st December, 1868, be laid before this House.

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

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin*—On Friday next—That The House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Saturday next, to take into consideration the following resolutions, viz:—

1. That it is expedient that there shall be raised, levied and collected, a duty payable in the manner hereinafter prescribed by the master of every Vessel arriving in any Port in Canada, from any Port in the United Kingdom or of any other part of Europe, with Passengers or Immigrants therefrom, and such duty shall be *one dollar* for every Passenger or Immigrant above the age of one year, who embarked from any Port in the United Kingdom under the sanction of Her Majesty's Government, ascertained by a certificate from one of the Officers of Her Majesty's Customs at the Port at which such Vessel cleared, or from any other Port in Europe, with the sanction of the Government of the Country to which such Port belongs, ascertained by certificate of the proper authority at such Port,—and *one dollar and fifty cents* for every Passenger or Immigrant who embarked without such sanction:

The said duty shall be paid by the master of such Vessel, or by some person on his behalf, to the Collector of Customs at the Port in Canada at which such Vessel is first entered, and at the time of making such first entry, which shall contain on the face of it the number of Passengers actually on board the vessel; and no such entry shall be deemed validly made or to have any legal effect whatsoever, unless such rates or duties are so paid as aforesaid; but no child under the age of one year shall be reckoned among the number of Passengers;

Any draft, order or other document made or signed by any person in the United Kingdom aforesaid, duly empowered to that effect by Her Majesty's Government, and directed to Her Majesty's Commissary General or other Commissariat Officer in Canada, and authorizing the payment to the Collector of Customs aforesaid, of the duty which would otherwise be payable by the Master of any Vessel for any number of Immigrants on board such Vessel, shall be accepted by the Collector as payment of the duty payable on such Immigrants, and the sum mentioned in such order shall thereafter be received by such Collector and paid over and applied in the same manner as other money raised under the authority of this Act.

2. It shall be optional with the Master of any Vessel carrying passengers amongst whom is found any Lunatic, Idiotic, Deaf and Dumb, Blind or Infirm person, not belonging to any Immigrant family, either to enter into such Bond jointly and severally with sufficient sureties, as aforesaid, or to pay to the Collector of Customs who might otherwise require such Bond, such sum as may have been fixed in that behalf by any instructions from the Government of Canada, as being just and equitable and sufficient to indemnify Canada, or any of the Provinces or any Municipality, Village or City, Town or County, or Charitable Institution within Canada, against the risk of expense for the care, support and maintenance of Passenger or Passengers during the then next ensuing three years;

And the Collector of Customs may dispense with such bond, or money in lieu thereof, if it appears by the certificate of the Medical Superintendent at the proper Quarantine Station (which certificate the said Medical Superintendent may give) that the Passenger with respect to whom such bond or money is required has become Lunatic, Idiotic, Deaf and Dumb, Blind or Infirm, from some cause not existing or discernable at the time of the departure of the ship from the port where such Passenger embarked.

3. The proper Agent for Immigration may with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture, make arrangements with the Master, Owner, or Charterer of the vessel carrying the lunatic, idiotic, deaf and dumb, blind or infirm person with respect to whom a bond has been given, or money paid in lieu thereof or with the Master, Owner, or Charterer of any other vessel, for the reconveyance of such person to the port from which he was carried to Canada.

Money paid in lieu of or on breach of the condition of a bond in any such case, or so much thereof as is necessary, may be applied to pay for such reconveyance of the person with respect to whom it has been paid, and when such person has been so reconveyed, the bond so given may be cancelled, or the money paid in lieu thereof (deducting the passage money if any) may be returned, on the receipt by the said Agent of Immigration of a certificate of the safe arrival of the lunatic, idiotic, deaf and dumb, blind or infirm person at the port from which he was brought as aforesaid, under the hand of the Chief Immigration Officer or British Consul there, or on proof satisfactory to such Agent for Immigration of his having died during the voyage without any fault attaching to the Owner, Master or any of the Crew of such vessel.

4. If any passenger, in respect to whom any bond has been given aforesaid becomes at any time within three years from the execution thereof, chargeable upon Canada, or upon any Province, Municipality, Village, City, Town or County, or upon any Charitable Institution within Canada, the payment of such charge or expense incurred for the maintainance and support of such passenger shall be provided for out of the moneys collected on and under such bond, to the extent of the penalty therein contained or such portion thereof as is required for the payment of such charges or expenses.

5. Every duty, penalty or forfeiture, imposed or declared under the authority of the Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants, shall be a special lien upon the vessel by reason whereof it has become payable and the master whereof has become liable in such penalty, and may be enforced and collected by the seizure and sale of the vessel, her tackle, apparel and furniture, under the warrant or process of the Justices or Court before whom it has been sued for and recovered, and shall be preferred to all other liens or hypothecations, except mariners' wages.

6. All the expenses to be incurred in carrying the provisions of the Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants into effect, or under the provisions thereof, shall be paid out of any moneys granted from time to time by Parliament for that purpose, and for affording help and advice to Immigrants, aiding Destitute Immigrants, visiting and relieving them, procuring medical assistance and otherwise attending to the object of Immigration, as determined by the Parliamentary grants, and by orders of the Governor General for the management of the same.

7. The moneys levied under the said Act shall be paid by the Collector of Customs by whom they are received, into the hands of the Receiver General to form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Hon. Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—To refer the Return respecting Dr. Hogan to a Special Committee.

The Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Friday next—That this House do, on Saturday next go into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient that the allowances for travelling expenses to the Judges of the Superior Courts in the Dominion, should be fixed by Statute, instead of being fixed by Order in Council, as provided in the Act of the now last Session, 31 Vict., c. 33.

2. That it is expedient that the following scale of Circuit allowances be adopted:

In the Province of Ontario,—

To each of the Judges of any of the Superior Courts of Law or Equity, one hundred dollars for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes, in any County except the County of York and the City of Toronto.

In the Province of Quebec,—

To each of the Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench, for each Term [Appeal side and Criminal side], attended by him elsewhere than at his place of residence, one hundred dollars.

To each of the Judges of the said Court of Queen's Bench, for attending any other Court, for each day he is absent from his place of residence, six dollars.

To each of the Judges of the Superior Court, attending any Court, for each day he is absent from his place of residence, six dollars:

And that in the two last mentioned cases three days absence at least shall always be allowed for.

In the Province of Nova Scotia,—

2. To each of the Judges of the Supreme Court of that Province, and to the Judge in Equity, one hundred dollars for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes [not being an adjourned Court,] in any County except the County of Halifax.

In the Province of New Brunswick:

To each of the Judges of the Supreme Court of that Province, one hundred dollars, for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes [not being an adjourned Court], in any County except the County of York.

That the application for payment of such allowance shall be accompanied by a certificate of the Judge applying for it, of the number of days for which he is entitled to claim it.

4. That the foregoing scale of allowances shall take effect from the 22nd day of May, 1868, the day of the passing of the said Act, 31st Vict., c. 33.

5. That it is expedient to provide that any retired Judge of any of the Superior Courts of the Province of Ontario, appointed or to be hereafter appointed Presiding Judge of the Court of Error and Appeal for that Province, and entitled, under the said Act 31 Vict., c. 33, to a retiring allowance of two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office he held at the time of his resignation, shall, while he continues to hold the office of Presiding Judge, be entitled to receive a further allowance equal to one-third of his said salary.

6. That it is expedient that the salaries and retiring allowances or annuities of the Judges should be declared to be free and clear of all taxes and deductions whatsoever imposed under any Act of the Parliament of Canada.

7. That it is expedient to fix definitely the salaries of the County Judges in the Provinces of Ontario and New Brunswick, to be hereafter appointed instead, of leaving the same to be assigned within certain limits by the Governor in Council, as provided by the said Act, 31 Vict., cap. 33.

8. That it is expedient, that except in the County of York in the Province of Ontario, and the County of St. John in the Province of New Brunswick, the salary of each County Judge to be hereafter appointed, shall be two thousand dollars per annum, with two hundred dollars for travelling expenses; and that in each of the said Counties of York and St. John, the salary of the County Judge shall be two thousand four hundred dollars, with two hundred dollars for travelling expenses.

9. That it is expedient, in view of the Act of the Legislature of Quebec declaring the expediency of the appointment of an additional Judge of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, to reside in the District of Montreal, to provide for the payment of the salary of such Judge at the rate of four thousand dollars per annum.

10. That it is expedient to provide for the payment of an allowance of six hundred dollars per annum, to the Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty for the Province of Nova Scotia, and of a like allowance to the Judge of that like Court for the Province of New Brunswick.

11. That it is expedient that all the sums mentioned in the foregoing Resolutions be granted to Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, and payable out of any moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

12. That it is expedient that so much of the said Act, 31 Vict., cap. 33, as may be inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed.

Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the Engineer of St. Peter's Canal.

Mr. *Bertrand*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is still the intention of the Government to place a floating light at the Eastern extremity of the shallows of Red Island, in the Lower St. Lawrence, in accordance with the intention expressed in 1867, when the losses that occurred in those waters demonstrated the absolute necessity thereof.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Friday next—That during the remainder of the Session Wednesdays be considered as Government days, subject to the arrangement provided in the resolution of this House of the 18th instant respecting Thursdays.

Mr. *Dufresne*—Upon the motion for the House to resolve itself into Committee of Whole on Bill No. 34 (Private Bill)—That the Order be discharged and the Bill be again referred to the Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. *Mills*—On Friday next—Appointment of Committee to enquire into and to report upon the desirability of amending the law relating to the extradition of criminals.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Friday next—That an Order of this House do issue for a statement shewing the quantity of land sold or leased on Manitoulin Island; the quantity of land held under Timber Licenses; with the names of all purchasers or lessees of land or Timber limits, with the date of sale or lease, and the price paid or terms made for such Lands, Leases or Limits.

Mr. *Morris*—On Friday next—That the Petition of *Alexander Yuill*, of the Township of Ramsay, praying for an investigation into the circumstances of his claim against the Government, be referred to a Special Committee to consider the same, and report thereon.

No. 28.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 28TH MAY, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *James G. Miller*, and others, of the Township of Thorah; of *William Warwick*, and others, of the Town of Woodstock; of *Gilbert Cannon*, and others, of the Village of Almonte; and of Messrs. *Caldwell* and *Pollock*, and others, of the Village of Lanark; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *Robert Dick*, and others, of the Village of Paisley; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of the Stratford Board of Trade; and of the Quebec Board of Trade; severally praying that the Resolutions now before the House, on the subject of Banking and Currency, may not be adopted.

Of the Stratford Board of Trade; praying for the passing of an Act regulating the legal value of American silver coin, or the withdrawal of the same from circulation.

Of the Board of Trade and business men of the City of Kingston; praying that the existing system of Banking may be continued.

Of the Reverend *George W. Hill*, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Halifax, and others, Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, of the City of Halifax (Nova Scotia); praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the Province of Nova Scotia, to be represented in the Provincial Synods of Canada, or otherwise that the exemption from Synodical control guaranteed to them by the Legislature of Nova Scotia, may be respected and continued in the Act to be passed by the Parliament of Canada.

Of the Reverend *G. M. Armstrong*, Rector, and the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of St. Mark, in the City of St. John, Province of New Brunswick; praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Province of New Brunswick, to be represented in the Provincial Synods of Canada.

Of *J. P. Cushing*, and others, of Lennoxville; of *J. B. Hayes*, and others, of the County of Shefford; of *E. H. Goff*, and others, of Frelighsburg; of *Spencer Shaw*, and others, of Waterloo, District of Bedford; of *R. J. Lusk*, and others, of Buckingham, County of Ottawa; of *J. W. Dunsford*, and others, of the Town of Lindsay; and of *A. Alward*, Mayor, and others, of the City of Saint John, Province of New Brunswick; severally praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the invention in the Dominion.

Of *Danforth Haseltine*, and others, of the Township of Clifton; praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign Hops when imported into Canada.

Of *Daniel Casey*, and others, of Bay Verte, County of Westmoreland, Province of New Brunswick; praying for the construction of the Bay Verte Canal.

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

Of *T. A. J. Mason*, and others; praying that Canadian publishers be permitted to print the works of British Authors, on conditions equal to those now paid by United States publishers on British Copyright works imported into Canada.

Of *H. S. Huber*, and others, of Berlin, County of Waterloo; praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of *Louis Fournier*, and others, of la Grande Valleé, County of Gaspé; praying for the construction of a Road from Great Fox River, in the County of Gaspé, to Ste. Anne des Monts, along the beach of the River St. Lawrence, and also for the extension of the Telegraph line to Cap des Rosiers.

Of *Narcisse Sirois*, and others, of the Parish of St. André, County of Kamouraska; praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 10th instant; a statement shewing the names of Officers in the Civil Service, who have received any sum of money as allowance for special or other services; shewing the amount of salary, and the additional amount so paid in each case.

Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee, presented the following Report:—

That whereas it appears by the Special Report of *L. Bélanger*, Esq., Commissioner appointed to take evidence in this case, that owing to the inability of *J. B. C. Trestler*, Esq., Physician, of Montreal, to attend as a witness at the place fixed by the said Commissioner for the holding of his sittings, by reason of his great weakness, caused by his advanced years and his bodily infirmity, and as it moreover appears that the said *J. B. C. Trestler* is confined to the House wherein he resides, in Montreal, if the said *J. B. C. Trestler* is not examined before the said Commissioner, "there would be a manifest failure of justice without any error, fault or neglect of any of the parties interested."

The Committee have therefore issued a new Warrant, ordering the said *L. Bélanger*, Esq., already appointed, to proceed to the residence of the said *J. B. C. Trestler*, and there examine him teaching the matters referred to in the first Commission.

He also presented a further Report, informing The House, that they have issued a new Commission in this case, and requesting leave to adjourn until such time as Mr. Speaker by his warrant shall direct them to reassemble and take the proceedings of the said Commission into consideration.—Leave granted accordingly.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the following Report:—

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

Return to Address,—Statement of the yearly amount of Imports and Exports of Canada from 1st January, 1853, to 1st January, 1869.

Summary Report of progress in Geological Investigations, dated, 1st May, 1869.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government relative to the settlement of Accounts with and between the same, and concerning the Arbitrators appointed by the Dominion and Provincial Governments respectively, &c.

Return to Address,—Col. *McDougall's* letter resigning his office of Adjutant General, and also correspondence, &c., relating to such resignation.

Return to Address, shewing what progress has been made in opening up communication between Fort William and the Red River settlement, and the amount expended upon the said work, &c., &c.

Return to Address,—Copies and papers:—1st. Having reference to the present condition of the repairs of the Welland Canal and its Harbors. 2nd. Giving information as to the progress made since last Session towards obtaining the Lake Erie level, and 3rd, Having in view the enlargement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, (certain selections only of this Return.)

Return of the Trinity House, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1868. (In a condensed form, and Sessional Papers only.

Annual Return of the Treasurer of the Corporation of Owen Sound, in accordance with the Act 24 Vic. Cap. 63, Sec. 1. (In Sessional Papers only)

The Committee also recommend that the following Returns be not printed:

Return to Address,—Shewing the extent of land reserved on the shores of Long Point, in the County of Norfolk, for fishing purposes.

Return to Address,—Correspondence relative to the dismissal of Mr. *Cameron*, late Postmaster at River Inhabitants, in the County of Inverness, Nova Scotia.

Return (in part) to Address,—Surveys and Reports made by the Engineers of the Government, relative to Harbors of Refuge, or other Harbors, on the East Coast of Lake Huron.

Return to Address,—Statement shewing the amount of debt of the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, and how incurred,—also similar statements for Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

Return to Address,—Correspondence, Orders in Council, and other Papers between the Government and *Wm. Brewster*, respecting his claim for damages on account of work on the Lachine Canal.

Return to Address,—Correspondence relative to the death of Dr. *Hogan*, on the Nova Scotia Railway, in September, 1867.

Return to Address,—Petitions, Letters and Papers, relative to the seizure, in British Waters, of the Schooner Mazeppa, by an armed body of men, being citizens of the United States.

The Bill (No. 82) from the Senate intituled: "An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clark*," was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Hon. Mr. *Irvine* introduced the following Bills, which were severally read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, viz:

No. 65. To amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, passed in the 29th and 30th years of Her Majesty's reign, to enable *Philip Pearson Harris* to obtain a Patent for a certain invention.—

64. To authorize the issuing of Letters Patent of invention to *Henry Fitzwilliam Bellew*, for a new description of building material or blocks.

No. 67. To enable *Richard Charles Porter*, to obtain a Patent for a machine for cutting straw and hay.

Mr. *Simard* introduced a Bill (No. 48) to amend and consolidate the Bills respecting the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company.

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

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, The House resolved to go into Committee, to-morrow, to consider the following Resolution:

Resolved, That it is expedient that provision shall be made as hereinafter mentioned for improving the Harbours and channels and facilitating the navigation, at the Ports of Bathurst and Richibucto, in the Province of New Brunswick, Mabou, Port Hood, Margaree, and Chedecamp, in the Province of Nova Scotia, both ports inclusive,—and for the purpose of making good to the Consolidated Revenue Fund any sums which may hereafter be voted by Parliament for that purpose, to authorize the Governor in Council to impose by Proclamation from time to time, a tonnage duty not exceeding ten cents per ton on vessels entering any of the Ports aforesaid mentioned in such Proclamation, such duty to be payable not more than once in each year on any vessel not exceeding one hundred tons, and not more than twice in each year on any vessel exceeding one hundred tons measurement by register.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, The House resolved to go into Committee, to-morrow, to consider the following Resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that there shall be raised, levied and collected, a duty payable in the manner hereinafter prescribed by the master of every Vessel arriving in any Port in Canada, from any Port in the United Kingdom or of any other part of Europe, with Passengers or Immigrants therefrom, and such duty shall be *one dollar* for every Passenger or Immigrant above the age of one year, who embarked from any Port in the United Kingdom under the sanction of Her Majesty's Government, ascertained by a certificate from one of the Officers of Her Majesty's Customs at the Port at which such Vessel cleared, or from any other Port in Europe, with the sanction of the Government of the Country to which such Port belongs, ascertained by certificate of the proper authority at such Port,—and *one dollar and fifty cents* for every Passenger or Immigrant who embarked without such sanction:

The said duty shall be paid by the master of such Vessel, or by some person on his behalf, to the Collector of Customs at the Port in Canada at which such Vessel is first entered, and at the time of making such first entry, which shall contain on the face of it the number of Passengers actually on board the vessel; and no such entry shall be deemed validly made or to have any legal effect whatsoever, unless such rates or duties are so paid as aforesaid; but no child under the age of one year shall be reckoned among the number of Passengers;

Any draft, order or other document made or signed by any person in the United Kingdom aforesaid, duly empowered to that effect by Her Majesty's Government, and directed to Her Majesty's Commissary General or other Commissariat Officer in Canada, and authorizing the payment to the Collector of Customs aforesaid, of the duty which would otherwise be payable by the Master of any Vessel for any number of Immigrants on board such Vessel, shall be accepted by the Collector as payment of the duty payable on such Immigrants, and the sum mentioned in such order shall thereafter be received by such Collector and paid over and applied in the same manner as other money raised under the authority of this Act.

2. *Resolved*, It shall be optional with the Master of any Vessel carrying passengers amongst whom is found any Lunatic, Idiotic, Deaf and Dumb, Blind or Infirm person, not belonging to any Immigrant family, either to enter into such Bond jointly and severally with sufficient sureties, as aforesaid, or to pay to the Collector of Customs who might otherwise require such Bond, such sum as may have been fixed in that behalf by any instructions from the Government of Canada, as being just and equitable and sufficient to indemnify Canada, or any of the Provinces or any Municipality, Village or City, Town or County, or Charitable Institution within Canada, against the risk of expense for the care, support and maintenance of Passenger or Passengers during the then next ensuing three years;

And the Collector of Customs may dispense with such bond, or money in lieu thereof, if it appears by the certificate of the Medical Superintendent at the proper Quarantine Station (which certificate the said Medical Superintendent may give) that the Passenger with respect to whom such bond or money is required has become Lunatic, Idiotic, Deaf and Dumb, Blind or Infirm, from some cause not existing or discernable at the time of the departure of the ship from the port where such Passenger embarked.

3. *Resolved*, The proper Agent for Immigration may with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture, make arrangements with the Master, Owner, or Charterer of the vessel carrying the lunatic, idiotic, deaf and dumb, blind or infirm person with respect to whom a bond has been given, or money paid in lieu thereof or with the Master, Owner, or Charterer of any other vessel, for the reconveyance of such person to the port from which he was carried to Canada.

Money paid in lieu of or on breach of the condition of a bond in any such case, or so much thereof as is necessary, may be applied to pay for such reconveyance of the person with respect to whom it has been paid, and when such person has been so reconveyed, the bond so given may be cancelled, or the money paid in lieu thereof (deducting the passage money if any) may be returned, on the receipt by the said Agent of Immigration of a certificate of the safe arrival of the lunatic, idiotic, deaf and dumb, blind or infirm person at the port from which he was brought as aforesaid, under the hand of the Chief Immigration Officer or British Consul there, or on proof satisfactory to such Agent for Immigration of his having died during the voyage without any fault attaching to the Owner, Master or any of the Crew of such vessel.

4. *Resolved*, If any passenger, in respect to whom any bond has been given aforesaid becomes at any time within three years from the execution thereof, chargeable upon Canada, or upon any Province, Municipality, Village, City, Town or County, or upon any Charitable Institution within Canada, the payment of such charge or expense incurred for the maintainance and support of such passenger shall be provided for out of the moneys collected on and under such bond, to the extent of the penalty therein contained or such portion thereof as is required for the payment of such charges or expenses.

5. *Resolved*, Every duty, penalty or forfeiture, imposed or declared under the authority of the Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants, shall be a special lien upon the vessel by reason whereof it has become payable and the master whereof has become liable in such penalty, and may be enforced and collected by the seizure and sale of the vessel, her tackle, apparel and furniture, under the warrant or process of the Justices or Court before whom it has been sued for and recovered, and shall be preferred to all other liens or hypothecations, except mariners wages.

6. *Resolved*, All the expenses to be incurred in carrying the provisions of the Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants into effect, or under the provisions thereof, shall be paid out of any moneys granted from time to time by Parliament for that purpose, and for affording help and advice to Immigrants, aiding Destitute Immigrants, visiting and relieving them, procuring medical assistance and otherwise attending to the object of Immigration, as determined by the Parliamentary grants, and by orders of the Governor General for the management of the same.

7. *Resolved*, The moneys levied under the said Act shall be paid by the Collector of Customs by whom they are received, into the hands of the Receiver General, to form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House resolved to go into Committee, to-morrow, to consider the following Resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the allowances for travelling expenses to the Judges of the Superior Courts in the Dominion, should be fixed by Statute, instead of being fixed by Order in Council, as provided in the Act of the now last Session, 31 Vict., c. 33.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the following scale of Circuit allowances be adopted:

In the Province of Ontario,—

To each of the Judges of any of the Superior Courts of Law or Equity, one hundred dollars for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes, in any County except the County of York and the City of Toronto.

In the Province of Quebec,—

To each of the Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench, for each Term [Appeal side and Criminal side], attended by him elsewhere than at his place of residence, one hundred dollars.

To each of the Judges of the said Court of Queen's Bench, for attending any other Court, for each day he is absent from his place of residence, six dollars.

To each of the Judges of the Superior Court, attending any Court, for each day he is absent from his place of residence, six dollars:

And that in the two last mentioned cases three days absence at least shall always be allowed for.

In the Province of Nova Scotia,—

3. *Resolved*, To each of the Judges of the Supreme Court of that Province, and to the Judge in Equity, one hundred dollars for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes [not being an adjourned Court,] in any County except the County of Halifax.

In the Province of New Brunswick:

To each of the Judges of the Supreme Court of that Province, one hundred dollars, for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes [not being an adjourned Court], in any County except the County of York.

That the application for payment of such allowance shall be accompanied by a certificate of the Judge applying for it, of the number of days for which he is entitled to claim it.

4. *Resolved*, That the foregoing scale of allowances shall take effect from the 22nd day of May, 1868, the day of the passing of the said Act, 31st Vict., c. 33.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that any retired Judge of any of the Superior Courts of the Province of Ontario, appointed or to be hereafter appointed Presiding Judge of the Court of Error and Appeal for that Province, and entitled, under the said Act 31 Vict., c. 33, to a retiring allowance of two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office he held at the time of his resignation, shall, while he continues to hold the office of Presiding Judge, be entitled to receive a further allowance equal to one-third of his said salary.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the salaries and retiring allowances or annuities of the Judges should be declared to be free and clear of all taxes and deductions whatsoever imposed under any Act of the Parliament of Canada.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to fix definitely the salaries of the County Judges in the Provinces of Ontario and New Brunswick, to be hereafter appointed instead, of leaving the same to be assigned within certain limits by the Governor in Council, as provided by the said Act, 31 Vict., cap. 33.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, that except in the County of York in the Province of Ontario, and the County of St. John in the Province of New Brunswick, the salary of each County Judge to be hereafter appointed, shall be two thousand dollars per annum, with two hundred dollars for travelling expenses; and that in each of the said Counties of York and St. John, the salary of the County Judge shall be two thousand four hundred dollars, with two hundred dollars for travelling expenses.

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, in view of the Act of the Legislature of Quebec declaring the expediency of the appointment of an additional Judge of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, to reside in the District of Montreal, to provide for the payment of the salary of such Judge at the rate of four thousand dollars per annum.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide for the payment of an allowance of six hundred dollars per annum, to the Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty for the Province of Nova Scotia, and of a like allowance to the Judge of that like Court for the Province of New Brunswick.

11. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that all the sums mentioned in the foregoing Resolutions be granted to Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, and payable out of any moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

12. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that so much of the said Act, 31 Vict., cap. 33, as may be inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That during the remainder of the Session, Wednesdays be considered as Government days, subject to the arrangement provided in the Resolution of this House, on the 18th instant, respecting Thursdays.

Hon. Mr. *McDougall*, laid before the House,—Report on the Line of Route between Lake Superior, and the Red River Settlement.

Mr. *Magill*, attended in his place according to Order,—and Hon. Mr. *Irvine*, from the Hochelaga Election Committee submitted an affidavit of Mr. *Magill*, stating that he was obliged to absent himself on urgent business, which prevented him attending the meeting of the said Committee on the 26th instant,—Mr. *Magill's* excuse was deemed sufficient.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz*:

No. 50, from the Senate, intituled: "The Canada Joint Stock Companies Clauses Act."—

No. 39, from the Senate, intituled; "Act respecting Vagrants."—

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee to consider a series of Resolutions respecting the acquisition of the Territory and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, and in any other parts of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada, or British Columbia, and respecting the acquisition of the North Western Territory, being read;—

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier* rose in his place, and informed The House, that His Excellency the Governor General having been made acquainted with the subject matter of the said Resolutions, was pleased to recommend the same to the favorable consideration of the House of Commons.

He then moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for the House to go into Committee, to consider the said Resolutions.—

And a Debate arising,

(*At half past seven o'clock P. M., the Order for Private Bills was called, under Rule* 19.)

The Bill (No. 28) to amend the Act 23 Victoria, Chapter 123, respecting Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 33) to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Canadian and British Telegraph Company, and to change the name of the Company, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The House then resumed the Debate on Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier's* motion, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go into Committee to consider a series of Resolutions respecting the acquisition of the Territory and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, etc.

Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte* moved in amendment, that all the words after "that" in the said motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof; "in the opinion of this House it is inexpedient to acquire a Territory likely to involve a heavy expense, without any prospect of adequate remuneration;" which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Béchard, Bourassa, Carmichael, Cheval, Chipman, Coupal, Forbes, Geoffrion, Godin, Killam, Le Vesconte, Pâquet, Pelletier, Smith, and Tremblay.—15

Nays :

Messieurs Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Connell, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Little, McDonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, McMonies, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Simard, Simpson, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—121.

The main motion was then agreed to, and The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The following Resolutions were adopted ;—

1. *Resolved*, That the Senate and Commons of the Dominion of Canada, during the first Parliament of Canada, adopted an Address to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty would be graciously pleased, by and with the advice of Her Most Honorable Privy Council, under the provisions of the 146th section of "The British North America Act, 1867," and on the terms specified in that Address, to unite Rupert's Land and the North-West Territory with this Dominion, and to grant to the Parliament of Canada authority to legislate for their future welfare and good government, and assuring Her Majesty of the willingness of the Parliament of Canada to assume the duties and obligations of government and legislation as regards those territories.

2. *Resolved*, That the Joint Address of the Senate and Commons of Canada was duly laid at the foot of the Throne, and that Her Majesty, by despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor General of Canada, under date of 23rd of April, 1868, signified Her willingness to comply with the prayer of the said Address, but She was advised that the requisite powers of government and legislation could not, consistently with the existing charter of the Hudson's Bay Company, be transferred to Canada without an Act of Parliament, which Act was subsequently passed by the Imperial Parliament, and received Her Majesty's Assent on the 31st July, 1868.

3. *Resolved*, That by despatch dated 8th August, 1868, from Hon. Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Governor General was informed that in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Act for the surrender of the Hudson Bay Territories to Her Majesty, he proposed to enter into negociations with the Company as to the terms of such surrender, whereupon, under authority of an order of the Governor General in Council of the 1st October, 1868, the Honorable Sir *George Et. Cartier*, Baronet, and the Honorable *William MacDougall*, C. B., were appointed a Delegation to England, to arrange the terms for the acquisition by Canada of Rupert's Land, and by another Order in Council of the same date, were authorized to arrange for the admission of the North-West Territory into Union with Canada, either with or without Rupert's Land, as it might be found practicable and expedient.

4. *Resolved*, That the Delegates proceeded on their mission to England and entered into negociations with His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, and afterwards with the Right Honorable Earl *Granville*, his successor in officers for the acquisition by Canada of the territorial and other rights claimed by the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land and in any other part of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada or British Columbia. That terms of agreement were conditionally assented to by the delegates on behalf of the Dominion, and on their return to Canada were submitted with a report dated 8th May, 1869, which was approved by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 14th day of the same month.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to accept the transfer of the Territorial and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, and in any other part of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada or British Columbia, on the terms conditionally agreed to on behalf of the Government of Canada, by the Honorable Sir *George Et. Cartier*, Baronet, and the Honorable *William Macdougall*, C. B. and on behalf of the Hudson's Bay Company, by Sir *Stafford H. Northcote*, Governor of that Company, and approved by His Excellency in Council as aforesaid—which terms are set forth in a letter from Sir *Frederic Rogers*, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, of the 9th March, 1869, communicated to the Delegates by direction of Earl *Granville*, and in two subsequent Memorandums dated respectively 22nd and 29th March, 1869, containing a modification of such terms—and are in the words and figures following :

Terms, as stated in the Letter from Sir Frederic Rogers, of 9th March, 1869.

1. The Hudson Bay Company to surrender to Her Majesty all the rights of Government property, &c., in Rupert's Land, which are specified in 31 and 32 Vic., c 105, sec. 4; and also all similar rights in any other part of British North America, not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada or British Columbia.

2. Canada is to pay to the Company £300,000 when Rupert's land is transferred to the Dominion of Canada.

3. The Company may, within twelve months of the surrender, select a block of land adjoining each of its stations, within the limits specified in Article 1.

4. The size of the blocks is not to exceed——acres in the Red River Territory, and the aggregate extent of the blocks is not to exceed 50,000 acres.

5. So far as the configuration of the country admits, the blocks are to be in the shape of parallelograms, of which the length is not more than double the breadth.

6. The Hudson's Bay Company may, for fifty years after the surrender claim in any township or district within the Fertile Belt in which land is set out for settlement, select grants of land not exceeding one-twentieth part of the land so set out. The blocks so granted to be determined by lot, and the Hudson's Bay Company to pay a rateable share of the survey expenses, not exceeding——an acre.

7. For the purpose of the present agreement, the Fertile Belt is to be bounded as follows: On the south by the United States boundary; on the west by the Rocky Mountains; on the north by the northern branch of the Saskatchewan; on the east by Lake Winnepeg, the Lake of the Woods, and the waters connecting them.

8. All titles to land up to the 8th March, 1869, conferred by the Company, are to be confirmed.

9. The Company is to be at liberty to carry on its trade without hindrance, in its corporate capacity, and no exceptional tax is to be placed on the Company's land, trade, or servants, nor any import duty on goods introduced by them previous to the surrender.

10. Canada is to take over the materials of the Electric Telegraph at cost price, such price including transport, but not including interest for money, and subject to a deduction for ascertained deteriorations.

11. The Company's claim to land under agreement of Messrs. *Vankoughnet* and *Hopkins* to be withdrawn.

12. The details of this arrangement, including the filling up the blanks in articles 4 and 6, to be settled at once by mutual agreement.

MEMORANDUM.

Details of Agreement between the Delegates of the Government of the Dominion and the Directors of the Hudson's Bay Company.

1. It is understood that in surrendering to Her Majesty all the rights, &c., of the Company in any part of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada, or British Columbia, the Company are to retain the posts they actually occupy in the North-West Territory.

2. It is understood that it will be a sufficient act of Selection under Article III that the Company should, within twelve months, name the number of acres which they will require adjoining each post. The actual survey to be proceeded with, with all convenient speed.

3. It is understood that, in the Red River Settlement, the size of the blocks to be retained round Upper Fort Garry shall not exceed (ten) acres; and that round Lower Fort Garry shall not exceed (three hundred) acres.

4. It is understood that a list of the Stations round which the Company will require blocks of land, with the size of the blocks they will require, shall be made out forthwith, and communicated to the Canadian Ministers.

5. It is understood that Article V. shall be construed to mean that the blocks shall front the river or road by which means of access are provided, and shall be approximately in the form of parallelograms of which the frontage shall not be more than half the depth.

6. It is understood that the Company may defer the exercise of their right of claiming their proportion of each Township for not more than ten years after it is set out; but their claim must be limited to an allotment from the lands remaining unsold at the time they declare their intention to make it.

7. It is understood that the blank in Article VI. shall be filled up with eight cents (Canadian.)

8. It is understood that any claims of Indians to compensation for lands required for purposes of settlement, shall be disposed of by the Canadian Government in communication with the Imperial Government, and that the Company shall be relieved of all responstbility in respect of them.

March 22, 1869.

STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE,
G. E. CARTIER,
W. MCDOUGALL.

Memorandum of a further agreement between Sir Geo. Et. Cartier and Sir Stafford Northcote.

Inasmuch as the Northern branch of the Saskatchewan River is the Northern boundary of the fertile belt, and therefore any land on the Northern bank is not within the Territory of which the Company are to have one-twentieth part, it is understood that in forming the Townships abutting on the Northern bank, the Company shall be at liberty to take their one-twentieth of any such Townships, giving up to the Canadian Dominion an equal quantity of the portion of lands coming to them of Townships established on the Southern bank.

It is understood that the Townships on the Northern bank shall not for the above purpose extend more than five miles inland from the river.

It is understood that in laying out any public roads, canals, &c., through any block of land reserved to the Company, the Canadian Government may take without compensation such land as is necessary for the purpose, not exceeding one twenty-fifth of the total acreage of the block, but if the Canadian Government require any land which is actually under cultivation, or which has been built upon, or which is necessary for giving the Company's servants access to any river or lake, or as a frontage to any river or lake, they shall pay the Company the fair value of the same, and shall make compensation for any injury done to the Company or their servants.

It is understood that the whole of the land to be appropriated within the meaning of the last preceding clause, shall be appropriated for public purposes.

GEO. ET. CARTIER,
STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE,

LONDON, 29th March, 1869.

6. *Resolved*, That this House learns with satisfaction by letter from the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, of 9th March last, that in fulfilment of the expectations held out in Mr. Cardwell's despatch of 17th June, 1865, Her Majesty's Government will be prepared to propose to Parliament that the Imperial Guarantee be given to a loan of £300,000, the amount which is proposed to be paid over by Canada on the transfer of the Company's rights.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to address Her Majesty that she will be graciously pleased, by and with the advice of Her Most Honorable Privy Council, under the 146th clause of "The British North America Act, 1867," and the provisions of the Imperial Act 31 & 32 Vict., Cap. 105, to unite Rupert's Land on the terms and conditions expressed in the foregoing Resolutions—and also to unite the North-Western Territory with the Dominion of Canada, as prayed for by, and on the terms and conditions contained in the Joint Address of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, adopted during the First Session of the First Parliament of Canada and hereinbefore referred to.

8. *Resolved*, That upon the transference of the Territories in question to the Canadian Government, it will be the duty of the Government to make adequate provision for the protection of the Indian Tribe whose interests and well-being are involved in the transfer.

9. *Resolved*, That the Governor in Council be authorized and empowered to arrange any details that may be necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of the above agreement.

Resolutions to be reported.

Resolutions to be considered to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Benoit*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether the Government has already taken or intends to take steps for the assessment and payment of the losses which the Engineers employed in the preliminary works connected with the fortifications have caused to proprietors in the County of Chambly by felling timber, &c.

Hon. Mr. *Holton*—In amendment to the motion to go into Committee on Hon. Mr. *Rose's* Banking Resolutions, that all the words in the original motion after "that" be left out and the following inserted instead thereof:

"Such radical changes in the long established Banking system of the country as are proposed in the resolutions now before The House should not be made without mature deliberation in Parliament and an opportunity being afforded for full consideration by the country, and inasmuch as it is not contemplated that the proposed changes shall take effect before the first of July, 1870, it is expedient to postpone the further consideration of the subject until next Session."

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were this day posted, for consideration by Committees on or after the days respectively named, *viz :*

Monday, 31*st May.*

Bill from the Senaate, (No. 83) intituled "An Act for the relief of *John Horace Stevenson.*" (*Special Committee on the Bill.*)

Tuesday 1*st June.*

Bill from the Senate, [No. 82] intituled "An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clark.*" [*Committee on miscellaneous Private Bills.*

Tuesday, 8*th June.*

Bill [No. 64] to authorise the issuing of Letters Patent of Invention to *Henry Fitzwilliam Bellew*, for a new description of buiding material or blocks. [*Same Committee.*]

Bill [No. 64] to amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, passed in the 29th and 30th year of Her Majesty's reign, to enable *Philip Pearson Harris* to obtain a patent for a certain invention. [*Same Committee.*]

Bill [No. 67] to enable *Richard Charles Porter* to obtain a patent for a machine for cutting straw and hay. [*Same Committee.*]

Bill [No. 48] to amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company. [*Committee on Banking and Commerce.*]

No. 29.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 29TH MAY, 1869.

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

Mr. *Oliver*, from the Select Committee to take into consideration the correspondence with the Government, relative to the purchase and exportation of American Silver Coin now in circulation in this Country, presented the following Report :—

The Committee find, that the large amount of American Silver in circulation, at a depreciated rate, is productive of serious inconvenience to business men.

The removal of this circulation, to such an extent, as may be necessary to secure a currency that will pass freely at its nominal value, is necessary to remove this incubus from the business of the Country, to a healthy condition.

Every effort to effect this has been made by the public, with but little result; and all further attempts have therefore been abandoned.

Under these circumstances the silver has become such a drag upon the business of the Country, that the intervention of the Government has become necessary to remove it from circulation.

The Committee therefore recommend that the plan adopted by the Government in 1868, by which silver to the amount of $1,000,000 was purchased and exported to England and the United States, or any other plan which the Government may deem proper for the removal of the following amount, be again put in operation and carried on until an amount equal to $5,000,000 shall have been withdrawn from the circulation of the country.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Supplementary Return to Address of the 19th ult. ; for copies of all correspondence relative to the surveys of the several proposed routes of the Intercolonial Railway ; with copies of all documents relating to the same ; also copies of all Orders in Council relative to the same, since the last Return.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, respecting the acquisition of the Territory and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, and in any other parts of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada, or British Columbia, and respecting the acquisition of the North Western Territory, were reported, and agreed to.

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, it was *Resolved*, That an Address embodying the said Resolutions, be presented to Her Majesty, and that a Select Committee, composed of the Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, Hon. Mr. *McDougall*, Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, Hon. Mr. *Chauveau* and Mr. *Grant*, be appointed to draw up the said Address.

Hon. Sir *George Et. Cartier*, from the Committee so appointed, reported the draft of an Address to Her Majesty, founded on the said Resolutions, which 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 the Dominion of Canada, in Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing :—

That during the first Session of the first Parliament of this Dominion, we adopted an Address to Your Majesty, praying that Your Majesty would be graciously pleased, by and with the advice of Your Majesty's Most

Honorable Privy Council, under the provisions of the 146th section of "The British North America Act, 1867," and on the terms specified in that Address, to unite Rupert's Land and the North-West Territory with this Dominion, and to grant to the Parliament of Canada authority to legislate for their future welfare and good government, and assuring Your Majesty of the willingness of the Parliament of Canada to assume the duties and obligations of government and legislation as regards those territories.

That our Joint Address was duly laid at the foot of the Throne, and that Your Majesty, by despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor General of Canada, under date of 23rd of April, 1868, signified Your Majesty's willingness to comply with the prayer of the said Address, but that Your Majesty was advised that the requisite powers of government and legislation could not, consistently with the existing charter of the Hudson's Bay Company, be transferred to Canada without an Act of Parliament, which Act was subsequently passed by the Imperial Parliament, and received Your Majesty's Assent on the 31st July, 1868.

That by a despatch dated 8th August, 1868, from the Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Governor General was informed that in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Act for the surrender of the Hudson Bay Territories to Your Majesty, he proposed to enter into negociations with the Company as to the terms of such surrender; whereupon, under authority of an order of the Governor General in Council of the 1st October, 1868, the Honorable Sir *George Et. Cartier*, Baronet, and the Honorable *William McDougall*, C. B., were appointed a delegation to England, to arrange the terms for the acquisition by Canada of Rupert's Land, and by another Order in Council of the same date, were authorized to arrange for the admission of the North-West Territory into Union with Canada, either with or without Rupert's Land, as might be found practicable and expedient.

That the Delegates proceeded on their mission to England and entered into negociations with His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, and afterwards with the Right Honorable Earl Granville, his successor in office, for the acquisition by Canada of the territorial and other rights claimed by the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land and in any other part of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada, or British Columbia. That terms of agreement were conditionally assented to by the Delegates on behalf of the Dominion, and on their return to Canada were submitted with a report dated 8th May, 1869, which was approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 14th day of the same month.

That we humbly deem it expedient to accept the transfer of the Territorial and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, and in any other part of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada or British Columbia, on the terms conditionally agreed to on behalf of the Government of Canada, by the Hon. Sir *George Et. Cartier*, Baronet, and the Hon. *William Macdougall*, C.B., and on behalf of the Hudson's Bay Company, by Sir *Stafford H. Northcote*, Governor of that Company, and approved by His Excellency in Council as aforesaid—which terms are set forth in a letter from Sir *Frederic Rogers*, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, of the 9th March, 1869, communicated to the Delegates by direction of Earl *Granville*, and two subsequent Memorandums dated respectively 22nd and 29th March, 1869, containing a modification of such terms—and are in the words and figures following:

Terms, as stated in the Letter from Sir Frederic Rogers, of 9th March, 1869.

1. The Hudson Bay Company to surrender to Her Majesty all the rights of Government property, &c., in Rupert's Land, which are specified in and 31, 32 Vic., c 105, sec. 4; and also all similar rights in any other part of British North America, not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada or British Columbia.

2. Canada is to pay to the Company £300,000 when Rupert's Land is transferred to the Dominion of Canada.

3. The Company may, within twelve months of the surrender, select a block of land adjoining each of its stations within the limits specified in Article 1.

4. The size of the blocks is not to exceed——acres in the Red River Territory, nor 3,000 acres beyond that territory, and the aggregate extent of the blocks is not to exceed 50,000 acres.

5. So far as the configuration of the country admits, the block are to be in the shape of parallelograms, of which the length is not more than double the breadth.

6. The Hudson's Bay Company may, for fifty years after the surrender, claim in any township or district within the Fertile Belt in which land is set out for settlement, grants of land not exceeding one-twentieth part of the land so set out. The blocks so granted to be determined by lot, and the Hudson's Bay Company to pay a rateable share of the survey expenses, not exceeding——an acre.

7. For the purpose of the present agreement, the Fertile Belt is to be bounded as follows: On the south by the United States boundary; on the west by the Rocky Mountains; on the north by the northern branch of the Saskatchewan; on the east by Lake Winnepeg, the Lake of the Woods, and the waters connecting them.

8. All titles to land up to the 8th March, 1869, conferred by the Company are to be confirmed.

9. The Company is to be at liberty to carry on its trade without hindrance, in its corporate capacity, and no exceptional tax is to be placed on the Company's land, trade, or servants, nor any import duty on goods introduced by them previous to the surrender.

10. Canada is to take over the materials of the Electric Telegraph at cost price, such price including transport, but not including interest for money, and subject to a deduction for ascertained deteriorations.

11. The Company's claim to land under agreement of Messrs. Vankoughnet and Hopkins to be withdrawn.

12. The details of this arrangement, including the filling up the blanks in articles 4 and 6, to be settled at once by mutual agreement.

MEMORANDUM.

Details of Agreement between the Delegates of the Government of the Dominion and the Directors of the Hudson's Bay Company.

1. It is understood that in surrendering to Her Majesty all the rights, &c., of the Company in any part of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada, or British Columbia, the Company are to retain the posts they actually occupy in the North-West Territory.

2. It is understood that it will be a sufficient act of Selection under Article III that the Company should, within twelve months, name the number of acres which they will require adjoining each post. The actual survey to be proceeded with, with all convenient speed.

3. It is understood that, in the Red River Settlement, the size of the blocks to be retained round Upper Fort Garry shall not exceed (ten) acres ; and that round Lower Fort Garry shall not exceed (three hundred) acres.

4. It is understood that a list of the Stations round which the Company will require blocks of land, with the size of the blocks they will require, shall be made out forthwith, and communicated to the Canadian Ministers.

5. It is understood that Article V., shall be construed to mean that the blocks shall front the river or road by which means of access are provided, and shall be approximately in the form of parallelograms, of which the frontage shall not be more than half the depth.

6. It is understood that the Company may defer the exercise of their right of claiming their proportion of each Township for not more that ten years after it is set out; but their claim must be limited to an allotment from the land remaining unsold at the time they declare their intention to make it.

7. It is understood that the blank in Article VI. shall be filled up with eight cents (Canadian.)

8. It is understood that any claims of Indians to compensation for lands required for purposes of settlement shall be disposed of by the Canadian Government in communication with the Imperial Government, and that the Company shall be relieved of all responsibility in respect of them.

STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE,
G. E. CARTIER,
W. McDOUGALL.

March 22, 1869.

Memorandum of a further agreement between Sir Geo. Et. Cartier and Sir Stafford Northcote.

Inasmuch as the Northern branch of the Saskatchewan River is the Northern boundary of the fertile belt, and therefore any land on the Northern bank is not within the Territory of which the Company are to have one twentieth part, it is understood that in forming the Townships abutting on the Northern bank, the Company shall be at liberty to take their one-twentieth of any such Townships, giving up to the Canadian Dominion an equal quantity of the portion of lands coming to them of Townships established on the Southern bank.

It is understood that the Townships on the Northern bank shall not for the above purpose extend more than five miles inland from the river.

It is understood that in laying out any public roads, canals, &c., through any block of land reserved to the Company, the Canadian Government may take without compensation such land as is necessary for the purpose, not exceeding one twenty-fifth of the total acreage of the block, but if the Canadian Government require any land which is actually under cultivation, or which has been built upon, or which is necessary for giving the Company's servants access to any river or lake, or as a frontage to any river or lake, they shall pay the Company the fair value of the same, and shall make compensation for any injury done to the Company or their servants.

It is understood that the whole of the land to be appropriated within the meaning of the last preceding clause, shall be appropriated for public purposes.

GEO. ET. CARTIER,
STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE.

LONDON, 29*th March*, 1669.

That we learn with satisfaction by letter from the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, of 9th March last, that in fulfilment of the expectations held out in Mr. *Cardwell's* despatch of 17th June, 1865, Your Majesty's Government will be prepared to propose to Parliament that the Imperial Guarantee be given to a loan of £300,000, the amount which is proposed to be paid over by Canada on the transfer of the Company's rights.

That upon the transference of the Territories in question to the Canadian Government, it will be our duty to make adequate provision for the protection of the Indian Tribes whose interests and well-being are involved in the transfer, and we shall authorize and empower the Governor in Council to arrange any details that may be necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of the above agreement.

We therefore most humbly pray, that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased, by and with the advice of Your Most Honorable Privy Council, under the 146th clause of " The British North America Act, 1867," and the provisions of the Imperial Act 31 & 32 Vic., Cap. 105, to unite Rupert's Land on the terms and conditions expressed in the foregoing Resolutions—and also to unite the North-Western Territory with the Dominion of Canada, as prayed for by, and on the terms and conditions contained in our Joint Address adopted during the First Session of the First Parliament of this Dominion and hereinbefore referred to.

The said Address being read a second time, was agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed, and a Message sent to the Senate to inform their Honors, that this House has adopted an Address to Her Majesty, praying that she will be graciously pleased by and with the advice of Her Most Honorable Privy Council, under the 146th clause of " The British North America Act, 1867," and the provisions of the Imperial Act 31 & 32 Vic., Cap. 105, to unite Rupert's Land on the terms and conditions expressed in the foregoing Resolutions—and also to unite the North-Western Territory with the Dominion of Canada, as prayed for by, and on the terms and conditions contained in the Joint Address of the Senate and Commons of Canada, adopted during the First Session of the First Parliament of Canada and hereinbefore referred to, and requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

The Bill (No. 55) from the Senate, intituled : " An Act respecting Patents of Inventions," was read the second time, and committed for Wednesday next.

The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution, respecting the provisional contract entered into between Hugh Allan, Esq., and the Postmaster General of Canada, for a weekly service of Ocean Mail Steamers ; and after some time spent therein, the Committee rose, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of duty to be paid by Masters of Vessels on account of Immigrants brought by them to any Port in Canada.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

1. *Resolved,* that it is expedient that there shall be raised, levied and collected, a duty payable in the manner hereinafter prescribed by the master of every Vessel arriving in any Port in Canada, from any Port in the United Kingdom or of any other part of Europe, with Passengers or Immigrants therefrom, and such duty shall be *one dollar* for every Passenger or Immigrant above the age of one year, who embarked from any Port in the United Kingdom under the sanction of Her Majesty's Government, ascertained by a certificate from one of the Officers of Her Majesty's Customs at the Port at which such Vessel cleared, or from any other Port in Europe, with the sanction of the Government of the Country to which such Port belongs, ascertained by certificate of the proper authority at such Port,—and *one dollar and fifty cents* for every Passenger or Immigrant who embarked without such sanction :

The said duty shall be paid by the master of such Vessel, or by some person on his behalf, to the Collector of Customs at the Port in Canada at which such Vessel is first entered, and at the time of making such first entry, which shall contain on the face of it the number of Passengers actually on board the vessel; and no such entry shall be deemed validly made or to have any legal effect whatsoever, unless such rates or duties are so paid as aforesaid; but no child under the age of one year shall be reckoned among the number of Passengers;

Any draft, order or other document made or signed by any person in the United Kingdom aforesaid, duly empowered to that effect by Her Majesty's Government, and directed to Her Majesty's Commissary General or other Commissariat Officer in Canada, and authorizing the payment to the Collector of Customs aforesaid, of the duty which would otherwise be payable by the Master of any vessel for any number of Immigrants on board such Vessel, shall be accepted by the Collector as payment of the duty payable on such Immigrants, and the sum mentioned in such order shall thereafter be received by such Collector and paid over and applied in the same manner as other money raised under the authority of this Act.

2. *Resolved,* It shall be optional with the Master of any Vessel carrying passengers amongst whom is found any Lunatic, Idiotic, Deaf and Dumb, Blind or Infirm person, not belonging to any Immigrant family, either to enter into such Bond jointly and severally with sufficient sureties, as aforesaid, or to pay to the Collector of Customs who might otherwise require such Bond, such sum as may have been fixed in that behalf by any instructions from the Government of Canada, as being just and equitable and sufficient to indemnify Canada, or any of the Provinces or any Municipality, Village or City, Town or County, or Charitable Institution within Canada, against the risk of expense for the care, support and maintenance of Passenger or Passengers during the then next ensuing three years.

And the Collector of Customs may dispense with such bond, or money in lieu thereof, if it appears by the certificate of the Medical Superintendent at the proper Quarantine Station (which certificate the said Medical Superintendent may give) that the Passenger with respect to whom such bond or money is required has become Lunatic, Idiotic, Deaf and Dumb, Blind or Infirm, from some cause not existing or discernable at the time of the departure of the ship from the port where such Passenger embarked.

3. *Resolved,* The proper Agent for Immigration may, with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture, make arrangements with the Master, Owner, or Charterer of the vessel carrying the lunatic, idiotic, deaf and dumb, blind or infirm person with respect to whom a bond has been given, or money paid in lieu thereof or with the Master, Owner, or Charterer of any other vessel, for the reconveyance of such person to the port from which he was carried to Canada.

Money paid in lieu of or on breach of the condition of a bond in any such case, or so much thereof as is necessary, may be applied to pay for such reconveyance of the person with respect to whom it has been paid, and when such person has been so reconveyed, the bonds so given may be cancelled, or the money paid in lieu thereof (deducting the passage money if any) may be returned, on the receipt by the said Agent of Immigration of a certificate of the safe arrival of the lunatic, idiotic, deaf and dumb, blind or infirm person at the port from which he was brought as aforesaid, under the hand of the Chief Immigration Officer or British Consul here, or on proof satisfactory, to such Agent for Immigration of his having died during the voyage without any fault attaching to the Owner, Master or any of the Crew of such vessel.

4. *Resolved,* If any passenger, in respect to whom any bond has been given aforesaid becomes at any time within three years from the execution thereof, chargeable upon Canada, or upon any Province, Municipality, Village, City, Town or County, or upon any Charitable Institution within Canada, the payment of such charge or expense incurred for the maintenance and support of such passenger shall be provided for out of the moneys collected on and under such bond, to the extent of the penalty therein contained or such portion thereof as is required for the payment of such charges or expenses.

5. *Resolved,* Every duty, penalty, or forfeiture, imposed or declared under the authority of the Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants, shall be a special lien upon the vessel by reason whereof it has become payable and the master whereof has become liable in such penalty, and may be enforced and collected by the seizure and sale of the vessel, her tackle, apparel and furniture, under the warrant or process of the Justices or Court before whom it has been sued for and recovered, and shall be preferred to all other liens or hypothecations, except mariners' wages.

6. *Resolved,* All the expenses to be incurred in carrying the provisions of the Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants into effect, or under the provisions thereof, shall be paid out of any moneys granted from time to time by Parliament for that purpose, and for affording help and advice to Immigrants, aiding Destitute Immigrants, visiting and relieving them, procuring medical assistance and otherwise attending to the object of Immigration, as determined by the Parliamentary grants, and by orders of the Governor General for the management of the same.

7. *Resolved,* The moneys levied under the said Act shall be paid by the Collector of Customs by whom they are received, into the hands of the Receiver General, to form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, and agreed to, and the Bill (No. 84) respecting Immigration and Immigrants, read the second time, and committed for Tuesday next, and the foregoing Resolutions referred to the Committee on the said Bill.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

123.	Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario		$120,712 00
124.	Criminal Lunatic Asylum do		55,699 00
125.	Penitentiary, Halifax, Nova Scotia		16,000 00
126.	do St. John, New Brunswick		41,180 00
127.	Directors of Penitentiaries		9,000 00

Trinity House, Quebec.

146.	Salaries of Officers and Contingencies	$13,170 00	
	Salaries and allowances of Light-house Keepers	11,997 00	
	Maintenance of Light-houses	18,433 00	
	Miscellaneous	175 00	
			43,775 00

Trinity House, Montreal.

147.	Salaries of Officers and Contingencies	$ 4,650 00	
	do Light-House Keepers	4,000 00	
	Maintenance and re-building of Light-houses	10,000 00	
	Steamer Richelieu	3,900 00	
			22,550 00

Salaries and Maintenance of Light-Houses, not included in Estimates of Trinity Houses.

148.	Salaries and Allowances	58,430 00	
	Maintenance	61,719 00	
			120,149 00
149.	Construction of new Light-Houses		3,400 00
150.	Sable Island Humane Establishment	6,000 00	
	Seal do do	200 00	
			6,200 00
151.	Cape Race Light		1,000 00
152.	Removing wreck of "Preciosa" from the Channel of the St, Lawrence		3,000 00

Revotes for Construction of Light-Houses.

153.	Ontario and Quebec		1,600 00
154.	Nova Scotia		1,000 00
155.	New Brunswick		11,450 00
156.	Maintenance and repairs of Schooner "La Canadienne"		10,000 00
157.	Salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens:		
	Ontario	$5,000	
	Quebec	6,500	
	New Brunswick	5,000	
	Nova Scotia	5,000	
			21,500 00
158.	Fishways and Oyster Beds		5,000 00
159.	Additional for the protection of the Fisheries		3,200 00
160.	Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Culler's Office		65,000 00
161.	Railways—Salaries and contingencies		1,650 00
162.	Steamboats— do		7,400 00
163.	Expenses of Seigniorial Commission		6,000 00
164.	New Indian annuities, Ontario		4,400 00
165.	Annual grant to Indians, Quebec		400 00
166.	do Nova Scotia		2,300 00
167.	do New Brunswick		2,200 00
168.	To purchase blankets for aged and infirm Indians, Ontario and Quebec		1,100 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—The following Resolution:

Resolved, That whereas the Laws enacted by the Legislatures of the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Canada, before the Confederation of these Provinces by the British North America Act, 1867, have, by the provisions of the said Act, been divided into Provincial Laws and Laws of Canada, it is expedient to consolidate so much of the aforesaid Provincial Laws as are Laws of Canada.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all despatches and correspondence between the Imperial and the Canadian Governments touching any Acts of the Legislature of Ontario passed in its first or second session.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all Correspondence, Orders in Council and other papers touching the claims of the Government against *James Beaty*, Esquire, or the York Roads Company, or touching the claims of Mr. *Beaty* or the Company against the Government.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—That the Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the correspondence with the Government relative to the purchase and exportation of American Silver be adopted.

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—When the Bill respecting the Elections of Members of the House of Commons is considered in Committee of the Whole, That after the section the following be inserted as part of the said Bill:—

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hon. Mr. *Galt*.—In Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting Patents of Inventions: That the Patent may be granted to the Inventor or his assignee or legal representative for the introduction of such invention, provided that the term for which such patent may be granted shall not exceed seven years, and provided further that the manufacture and use of such invention shall be continuous and be commenced within twelve months.

No. 39.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 29TH MAY, 1869.

2nd Session, 1st Parliament, 32 Victoria, 1869.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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No. 31.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 31ST MAY, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Guelph Board of Trade; praying that the Resolutions now before the House, on the subject of Banking and Currency, may not be adopted.

Of *William Wagner*, of the City of Montreal, Land Surveyor; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the granting of Letters Patent to him for an improvement on the Ellershausen process, for the converting of cast iron into malleable iron.

Of the Reverend *J. Z. Dumontier*, Curé, and others, of St. Aimé, County of Richelieu; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers, may not become law, unless it be amended, by providing that the said Company shall extend their improvements to the mouth of the River Salvail, or that the inhabitants of St. Aimé shall be exempted from the payment of tolls on the said River.

Of the Reverend *L. M. Archambault*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of St. Hugues, County of Bagot; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers, may not become law.

Of *Joshua Legge*, and others, of Gananoque; and of *John McDonald*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Ingersoll, County of Oxford; severally praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the invention in the Dominion.

Of *A. M. Ross*, and others, of the Town of Goderich; and of *A. Sinclair*, and others, of the County of Bruce; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *H. D. Smith*, M.P.P., and others, of the Village of Merrickville, County of Grenville; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that the Rideau Canal shall be closed to traffic from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Of *William R. Sutherland*, and others, of the Township of Ekfrid, County of Middlesex; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that all Railway trains shall cease to run from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Of *Solomon Wigle*, and others, of the County of Essex; praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and Amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of *John Oberholtzer*, and others, of Berlin, County of Waterloo; praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Mr. *Cartwright*, from the Select Committee on the Bill (No. 83) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *John Horace Stevenson*," reported that they had considered the said Bill, and also the exemplification of the Judgment of the Court of Queen's Bench for the Province of Ontario in the case of the Queen *vs. Roblin et al*, together with the depositions taken before a Committee of the Senate to whom the said Bill was referred, without amendment.

Mr. *Bown*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported that they had examined the Petition of the North Shore Transportation Company, for an extension of the Charter obtained by them under the Joint Stock Companies Act, and find that notice was published in the Official Gazette, but not in any local paper. The only private interests to be affected are those of the shareholders, and the Committee are of opinion that they would be sufficiently protected by the insertion of a Clause in the Bill to provide that it shall not go into operation until the consent of the shareholders at a general meeting shall have been obtained.

On the Petition of *William Stevely*, and others, for authority to *William Harper* to construct a dam across the River Thames at Wardsville, they find that no notice was published for the full time required in the Canada Gazette, but that in the local paper it appeared for about three weeks only; and in a matter so purely local, the Committee deem this notice sufficient.

Mr. *Simard* introduced a Bill [No. 85] to amend the Act to incorporate the Quebec Bank; and Rule 93 was suspended in relation thereto. The said Bill was read the first time.

Mr. *Morrison* [Niagara] introduced a Bill [No. 68] for the incorporation of the Elgin and St. Clair Railway Company.

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

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the Fifth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.—

Mr. *Morrison* [Niagara] introduced a Bill [No. 91] to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Canal Company, and Rule 93 was suspended in relation thereto. The said Bill was read the first time.

Hon. Mr. *Carling* introduced a Bill (No. 47) to amend the Charter and increase the Capital Stock of the North Shore Transportation Company.

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

Hon. Mr. *Tupper* introduced a Bill (No. 92) to grant Letters Patent to *William Wagner*; and Rule 93 was suspended in relation thereto; and the said Bill read the first time.

The Bill (No. 34) to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness) an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence and petitions relative to the withdrawal of the subsidy from the Steamer formerly plying between Prince Edward's Island, Pictou and Port Hood, and the subsidizing of a Steamer between Prince Edward's Island, Pictou and Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia.

Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for the House to go into Committee to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. *Resolved.* That in the opinion of this House the measure now pending before the Imperial Parliament for the disestablishment and the disendowment of the Irish Church will, if it becomes law, by the removal of one of the chief causes of the deeply rooted discontents which have long existed among a numerous body of Her Majesty's subjects, promote the tranquility, increase the prosperity and add immeasureably to the strength as well as the just renown of the Great Empire of which this Dominion forms no inconsiderable part.

2. *Resolved.* That this opinion is strengthened and supported by the recent experience of the late Province of Canada; for the controversies which had during many years disturbed that Province and retarded its progress were finally and happily terminated in 1854 by an Act of the Provincial Legislature bearing a close resemblance in its essential features to the measure now before the Imperial Parliament.

3. *Resolved.* That a loyal and dutiful address founded on the foregoing resolutions be presented to Her Majesty, the Queen, and that a Special Committee of Members be appointed to prepare an Address and report the same.

Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved the previous question, namely, "that this question be now put;" which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Cheval, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Kempt, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McConkey, McGreevy, McKeagney, McMonies, Mills, Morrison [Victoria, O.], Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Power, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, Wells, White, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—49.

Nays :

Messieurs Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Caldwell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, McDonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Rankin, Ray, Read, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Sénécal, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Willson, and Wood.—89.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendment made by this House to the Bill (No. 54) intituled: "An Act for the better preservation of the Peace in the vicinity of Public Works," without amendment.

Also, agreeing to the following Bills, without amendment, viz. :—

No. 27. To amend the Act of incorporation of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto.

No. 59. Respecting the salary of the Governor General.

No. 35. To place all Canadian Vessels on an equal footing as regards pilotage in the Port of Quebec, and for other purposes, respecting pilotage.

Also, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz.:—

No. 93, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of Canada, 12 Victoria, Chapter 114, to consolidate the laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes." (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, read the first time, second reading to-morrow.)

No. 94, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Bank."

And also, agreeing to the Bill (No. 30) to enable the holders of the preference shares in the Great Western Railway Company, to convert them into ordinary shares at their option, with amendments. (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Carling*, the said amendments were read the first time, second reading to-morrow.)

On motion of Mr. *Sproat*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of all lands sold in the Saugeen Indian Peninsula from the year 1856 to 1861 inclusive, showing the amount at which such lands were originally sold; what quantity of such lands have since been declared forfeited and been resumed by the Government; how much money was paid thereon prior to such forfeiture; what quantity of such forfeited lands have been resold and for what amount, also the quantity of lands now unsold.

On motion of Mr. *Masson* [Soulanges] an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the correspondence between the Government of the late Province of Canada and the local Municipalities of the Counties of the Province of Quebec in relation to the loans contracted by the said Municipalities, in virtue of the Act 26 Vic., Cap. 2, and for a statement showing the amount of the sum loaned to each local Municipality in the said Counties, the amount paid thereon, including interest and sinking fund, and also for copies of the by-laws passed in relation thereto by the said Municipalities.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of this House do issue for a statement shewing the quantity of land sold or leased on Manitoulin Island; the quantity of land held under Timber Licenses; with the names of all purchasers or lessees of land or Timber limits, with the date of sale or lease, and the price paid or terms made for such Lands, Leases or Limits.

Hon. Mr. *Tupper* moved, that the Return to an Address of the 13th instant, relative to the death of Dr. *Hogan* on the Nova Scotia Railway in September, 1867, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *McLelan*, Mr. *Mackenzie*, Hon. Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Jackson*, and the mover.

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

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works, and the Engineer of St. Peter's Canal.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for all despatches and correspondence between the Imperial and the Canadian Governments, touching any Acts of the Legislature of Ontario passed in its first or second Session.

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

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A further address (by Mr. *Blake*) was voted, for all correspondence, Orders in Council, and other papers touching the claims of the Government against *James Beaty*, Esq., or the York Roads Company; or touching the claims of Mr. *Beaty* or the Company against the Government, not previously sent down.

The Order for the House to go into Committee on the Bill (No. 69) to authorize the extradition of persons from the Dominion of Canada, charged with having committed crimes in the United States, was discharged, and the Bill referred to a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Hon. Messrs. *Smith*, *Abbott*, *Dorion*, and Messrs. *Blake*, *Cameron* (Huron), *McDonald* (Lunenburg), and the mover.—

The House then adjourned at ¼ past 12 A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence, contracts and tenders, connected with the letting of section No. 17 on the Intercolonial Railway.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE for a future day to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to appoint a Queen's Printer for Canada, and to pay him an annual salary of not more than *Two Thousand Dollars*.

Mr. *Crawford* (South Leeds)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the instructions given to Counsel to resist, on behalf of the Government, the application made in the interest of certain policy holders of the Etna Insurance Company of Dublin, to the Court of Chancery of the Province of Ontario, for a distribution of the deposit made by that Company with the Receiver General, pursuant to the Act respecting Insurance Companies, of last Session.

Mr. *M. C. Cameron*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence and documents relating to a registered letter containing money, addressed by a Mrs. *Warnock* to Messrs. *Henderson* & Bro., New York, which said letter never reached its destination.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Wednesday next—That an Order of the House do issue for: 1st, copies of all correspondence, entries, reports, Orders in Council, and all other papers touching the purchase from the Government by *Alexander McNab*, Crown Land Agent, of Chanty Island, including the reports of *William Spragge*, Esq., or Mr. *McNab's* proposal, and the description furnished by *Alexander Sproat*, Esq; P. L. S., and the Patent, if any, issued; also a statement in detail of the sums paid by Mr. *McNab* in respect of said purchase, with the dates of said payments, and the names of the parties to whom such payments have been made; also, a statement of the terms of purchase and the reservations made by the Government in the said Island.

2nd. Copies of all papers touching the works erected on Chantry Island by the Government.

3rd. Copies of all correspondence, entries, reports, fiats, Orders in Council, and all other papers touching the re-purchase of Chantry Island from Mr. *McNab* by the Government.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*—On Wednesday next—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:

1st. That in case any vessel, or wreck, or other thing, sinks, or is lost in the River St. Lawrence, between the basin of Portneuf, inclusively, and an imaginary line drawn from the eastern anchorage ground off Barnaby Island, near the south shore, to the eastern anchorage ground under Cape Columbia on the north shore of the said river so as to obstruct the navigation of the said river, the master of such vessel or the owner or other person for the time being in charge of such wreck or other thing failing or neglecting to comply with all or any of the provisions of law on that subject, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than *five dollars*, nor more than *ten dollars* for every day or night during which such failure or neglect shall continue, over and above any sum which the Trinity House of Quebec may have expended, as it is hereby authorized to do, in causing such signal by day or light or lights by night, or both; to be placed as aforesaid and to be kept and maintained continually as aforesaid, or only to be kept continually displayed as aforesaid, in consequence of the failure or neglect so to do of such master or owner or other person.

2. That in case an owner of or other person having power to convey or dispose of any vessel, or wreck, or other thing forming such an obstruction as aforesaid, does not relieve and discharge himself of all further liability in respect of such obstruction by paying or securing to the Trinity House of Quebec, to its satisfaction, the sum (if any) it may have expended in respect thereof, the Trinity House of Quebec may, if it sees fit, take possession of a vessel, wreck or other thing forming an obstruction to the navigation of the River St. Lawrence as aforesaid, and remove the same by any means in its power, and may dispose of the same in the same manner, and after the observance of the same formalities as are required by law in the case of things found in the river St. Lawrence within its jurisdiction, and not claimed, and may indemnify itself out of the proceeds of sale for all expenses incurred with respect to such vessel, wreck or other thing.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin*.—On Wednesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend the Act of Canada, 12 Victoria, Chapter 114, to consolidate the laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes."

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by committees on or after *Friday, the 11th of June* next:

Bill (No. 47) to amend the charter and increase the capital stock of the North Shore Transportation Company. [*Committee on Banking and Commerce.*]

Bill [No. 68] for the incorporation of the Elgin and St. Clair Railway Company. [*Committee on Railways, &c.*]

No. 31.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 1st JUNE, 1869.

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

Mr. *McMonies*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, reported the following Bills, with amendments, viz :—

No. 82, from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clark*."

No. 44, For extending the Patent of *Jumes Blanchfield Smith* for an invention, for the term of seven years.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the sixth Report of the said Committee.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the fourth Report of the said Committee, as follows :—

Toward the close of last Session the Committee reported to The House, that they had directed the preparation upon a large scale of maps of the Provinces, comprising the Dominion of Canada. The Committee now have the honor to report that the maps of Ontario and Quebec are in their possession ; tracings of the different constituencies in Ontario have been completed, and similar tracings for Quebec will be proceeded with at once, for delivery to Members, with a view to correction of details.

A large amount of material has also been obtained for the map of the Maritime Provinces, and it is hoped by next Session it will be in a forward state. To meet the expenditure connected with this service for the year 1869-70, an appropriation of $2,000 will be required, which the Committee recommend to be provided for out of the contingent expenses of the House, and expended in the same manner as provided last year.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, presented the Fourth Report, as follows :—

The Committee have had under their consideration the provisions of the Fisheries Act, respecting fly fishing for Salmon, by which persons fishing in this manner are allowed to continue their operations till a much later period in the season than net fishermen, who, in most instances carry on the business as a means of subsistance, or in the interests of trade,—and would respectfully recommend that the time for fly fishing be limited by Regulation to the time now allowed for net fishing,

The Committee have also had their attention directed to the serious destruction of Oysters annually taking place where this fishery is presecuted during the winter season, by the practice of throwing the small and unmerchantable shell-fish upon the ice, where they are left to perish. The Committee would recommend as a remedial measure that a Regulation be adopted compelling persons fishing or dredging for Oysters in any way to return immediately to the water any fish so taken that are too small to be merchantable.

The Bill (No. 94) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Bank," was on motion of Mr. *Crawford* (Leeds) read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Bill (No. 23) for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 42, was read a third time, amended on motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, and passed.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Address to Her Majesty, respecting the acquisition of the Territory and other rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, and in any other parts of British North America not comprised in Rupert's Land, Canada and British Columbia, and respecting the acquisition of the North West Territory,—by filling up the blank with the words "Senate and," and communicating an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to transmit the said Address to Her Majesty,—to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, The House concurred in the said Address, and the blank therein was filled up with the word "Commons."

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate to acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to the said Address, by filling up the blank with the word "Commons."

Another Message from the Senate was received, agreeing to the following Bills without amendment, *viz.*:—

No 40. To authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Bank of New Brunswick, and for other purposes connected with the said Bank.—

No. 21. To authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes relating to the said Bank.—

No. 26. To increase the Capital Stock of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company.

Also, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, *viz.*:

No. 95, intituled: "An Act to further amend the Charter of the Gore Bank."

No. 96, intituled: "An Act respecting inquiries and investigations into shipwrecks, and other matters."

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Banking and Currency.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment, that all the words after "that" in the said motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"such radical changes in the long established Banking system of the Country, as are proposed in the Resolutions now before The House, should not be made without mature deliberation in Parliament and an opportunity being afforded for full consideration by the Country, and inasmuch as it is not contemplated that the proposed changes shall take effect before the first of July, 1870, it is expedient to postpone the further consideration of the subject until next Session."—

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* (Peel) moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, That this House recognized the great importance of having a sound currency throughout the Dominion, but inasmuch as immediate conformity cannot be obtained, it is expedient that the several Bank Charters, which are about to expire, be extended for such period as Parliament shall determine.

And a Debate arising thereon,

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Debate was adjourned.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the Sixth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament was ordered to be printed.

The Bill (No. 85) to continue and amend the Charter of the Quebec Bank, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Bill (No. 96) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting enquiries and investigations into shipwrecks, and other matters," was read the first time—second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 95) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to further amend the Charter of the Gore Bank." was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*—On Thursday next—The adoption of the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Friday next—That the 6th Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing be adopted.

Mr. *Renaud*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of all correspondence which has passed between the Government and others, on the subject of the appointment of Militia Officers for the County of Kent, N. B.

Mr. *Wright*—(Ottawa)—On Friday next—That the Petition of the Rev. *C Guillaume* and others, of the Parish of St. André Avelin, in the County of Ottawa; praying for the improvement of the navigation of the Ottawa River, and all other Petitions praying for the improvement of the navigation of the River Ottawa, be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messrs. *Galt*, *Holton*, *Blanchet*, *Connell* and *McGreevy*, and Messrs. *McKenzie*, *Young*, *Bodwell*, *Oliver*, *Hurdon*, *Ray*, *Ryan* (King's County), *Ryan* (Montreal), *Workman*, *Currier*, *Grant*, *Hagar*, *Morris*, *Lapum*, *A. P. McDonald*, *Burton*, *Masson* (Terrebonne), *Dufresne*, *Pope*, *Heath* and the mover, to report thereon from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the "Royal Canadian Bank, to extend, if necessary, the time for specie payment, to authorize if necessary the amalga- "mation of the Royal Canadian Bank with any other Bank or Banks, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Mr. *Harrison*—On Thursday next—To refer the petition of *John Gordon* and others, of the Province of Ontario, praying for the construction of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal, to a Committee consisting of with power to send for persons and papers and to report as to the feasibility and expediency of the work.

ERRATA.

In the Votes of yesterday, in the Division taken on the motion for the previous question, namely, "that this question be now put"—Mr. *Perry* voted with the Nays, and the Division should read, as follows:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Cheval, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Kempt, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McConkey, McGreevy, McKeagney, McMonies, Mills, Morrison [Victoria, O.], Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Power, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Tremblay, Wells, White, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—49.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Caldwell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Crawford (Brockville), Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Grover, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Joly, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, McDonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Rankin, Ray, Read, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Sénécal, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Willson, and Wood.—89.

And instead of Bill No. 34 "to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers,"—it should have been Bill No. 43 respecting the International Bridge Company, which was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

No. 32.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *F. H. Leonard* and others, of Brantford; and of *William Parwell*, Junior, and others, of Sherbrooke; severally praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the Invention in the Dominion.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bill (No. 38) to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec, with amendments,—and the Bill (No. 31) to incorporate the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company, without amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Simard*, Rule 60 was suspended in so far as it affects the two following Bills, *viz*:—

No. 49. To amend the Act to incorporate the Union Bank of Lower Canada.

No. 85. To continue and amend the Charter of the Quebec Bank.—

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 97) to amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, 12 Vict., Cap. 114 "to consolidate the laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes."—Second reading to-morrow.—

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 98) for the appointment of a Queen's Printer, and for the management of Public Printing.—Second reading to-morrow.—

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House resolved to go into Committee to-morrow, to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to appoint a Queen's Printer for Canada, and to pay him an annual salary of not more than $2,000.—

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, The House resolved to go into Committee to-morrow to consider certain Resolutions, relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec.

The Bill (No. 55) from the Senate, intituled "An Act respecting Patents of Inventions," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended. Amendments to be considered on Friday next.

The Bill (No. 84) respecting Immigration and Immigrants, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee to consider a Resolution for the improvement of certain Harbours and Channels in Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is expedient that provision shall be made as hereinafter mentioned for improving the Harbours and channels and facilitating the navigation, at the Ports of Bathurst, Shippegan and Richibucto, in the Province of New Brunswick, Mabou, Port Hood, Margaree, and Chetécamp in the Province of Nova Scotia, both ports inclusive, Amherst Harbour and House Harbour, in the Magdalen Islands, and the several Ports and Harbours between Cross Point and Cap Chat inclusive, in the Bay des Chaleurs and the Coast of Gaspé,—and for the purpose

of making good to the Consolidated Revenue Fund any sums which may hereafter be voted by Parliament for that purpose, to authorize the Governor in Council to impose by Proclamation from time to time, a tonnage duty not exceeding ten cents per ton on vessels entering any of the Ports aforesaid mentioned in such Proclamation, such duty to be payable not more than once in each year on any vessel not exceeding one hundred tons and not more than twice in each year on any vessel exceeding one hundred tons measurement by register.

Resolution to be reported.

The Resolution was then reported, and agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Tilley* introduced a Bill (No. 99) to provide means for improving the Harbours and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Second reading to-morrow.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

169.	Advertising and subscription to Canada Gazette		$8,000 00
170.	Postages of do		1,200 00
171.	Miscellaneous printing		5,000 00
172.	Unforeseen expenses: Expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council, and a detailed account thereof to be laid before Parliament, during the first fifteen days of the next Session		75,000 00
173.	Shipping Master's Office, Quebec		1 200 00
174.	Expenses connected with ascertaining correct time at Ottawa and firing of noon-gun.		400 00
175.	Salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports viz:		
	In province of Quebec	$167,990 00	
	do Ontario	157,580 00	
	do Nova Scotia	52,280 00	
	do New Brunswick	58,550 00	
			436,400 09
	Salaries and contingent expenses of Inspectors of Ports		10,000 00
176.	Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy and Officers' Mess, to be apportioned by Order in Council		50,000 00
177.	Additional to meet possible requirements of the reorganization of the Service		20,000 00

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight.

Thursday, 3rd June, 1869.

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

178.	Salaries of Outside Officers and Inspectors of Excise		$103,973 00
179.	Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, postage, furniture, &c		27,100 00
180.	Unforeseen expenses		5,200 00
	Ontario and Quebec Mail Steamers :—		
181.	Grand Trunk Railway	$167,000 00	
	Great Western Railway	45,000 00	
	Other Railways	40,000 00	
	Steamboat Service	40,000 00	
	Ocean Mail Service	10,000 00	
	Military and Naval Postage Refunds	6,000 00	
	Salaries of Outside Services	95,000 00	
	Ordinary Mail Service	215,000 00	
	Miscellaneous	27,000 00	
			645,000 00
	Nova Scotia Mail Services		80,000 00
	New Brunswick do		75,000 00
186.	Stamps—(Collection of Revenues)		7,640 00
187.	Minor Revenues		10,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

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

The House then adjourned at 20 minutes past 1 o'clock A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Jones* (North Leeds and Grenville—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to order the Rideau Canal to be closed for traffic on Sundays.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the names of each and every head of a family of the Parish of Ste. Julienne, in the County of Montcalm, entered in the census of 1861.

Mr. *Dufresne*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for an exact and detailed statement of all expenses incurred by the Civil Service Commission, stating the amount of each sum paid, the persons to whom such payments were made, and the date thereof.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Friday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the Report of the Select Committee which was appointed to consider the correspondence with the Government relative to the purchase and exportation of American Silver.

Hon. Mr. *Connell*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to direct that all regulations and Orders of Council having the force of Law shall be annually published at the end of the Statutes.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—Order of House for statement shewing the sum of money paid in connection with the trial of *Whelan ;* embracing the names of all parties to whom such payments were made, as well as the services rendered ; also the sums of money expended in the search for the murderer of the late Mr. *McGee*, and the amount paid or awarded as a reward, and the names of all parties to whom such payments were made.

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend or grant the prayer of a certain petition presented this Session by the Mayor and Corporation of the Town of Sorel for a compensation for certain License moneys now collected by the Government which really belong to the said Municipality as set forth in the said petition ; and if such compensation be granted will it be by a deduction on the compound interest chargeable upon the loan effected by that body from the Municipal Loan Fund.

No. 33.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1869.

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No. 34.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 3RD JUNE, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *T. L. Cartwright*, and others, of the City of Hamilton; praying that Canadian publishers be permitted to print the works of British Authors on conditions equal to those now paid by the United States publishers on British copyright works imported into Canada.

Of *James E. Hadley*, and others, Shipmasters, Merchants and others, of Amherst, Magdalen Island; praying for the removal of certain obstructions at the entrance to Amherst Harbor.

Of *J. B. L. Precours*, and others, of Sorel; of *A. Dupré*, and others, of St. Robert; of *Pierre Commeau*, and others, of St. Ours; of *E. Roch*, and others, of the Parish of St. Marcel; of *Joseph Beaudreau*, M. P. P., and others, of the Parish of St. Aimé; and of the Reverend *J. B. Durocher*, and others, of the Parish of Ste Victoire, all of the County of Richelieu; praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of the Royal Canadian Bank; praying for the passing of an Act to amend the Act incorporating the said Bank, and to extend if necessary the time for resumption of specie payment, and also, to authorize if necessary the amalgamation of the said Bank with any other Bank or Banks, and for other purposes.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto; praying that in the event of its being deemed necessary to legislate upon the subject of Banking during the present Session, such portions as would materially alter the present system of Banking, except only so far as that system comprises the circulation of Provincial Notes which they desire to see withdrawn from circulation, may be eliminated from the Resolutions proposed.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto; praying that any legislation having for its object the limitation of the rate of interest further than fixing the legal rate when not otherwise defined at six per cent, may be discountenanced.

Of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that no alteration be made in the Law now in force regulating the rate of Interest on money.

Of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that further time may be allowed for the consideration of the important changes in our system of Banking contemplated in the Resolutions submitted by the Honorable Minister of Finance.

Of *N. R. Gilbert*, and others; of Messrs. *W. and D. Gibson*, and others; and of *Robert Wood*, and others, all of the County of Norfolk; severally praying that the Export duties levied upon pine, oak and spruce saw-logs and shingle bolts under schedule F of the tariff of 1868, may not be repealed.

Of *H. Elliott*, junior, and others, of the Township of Darlington; praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of *Asa Parker*, and others, of Burritt's Rapids; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that the Rideau Canal shall be closed to traffic from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Mr. *Morris* introduced a Bill (No. 100) to incorporate the Canada Marine Insurance Company.

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

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, presented the following Report:—

The Committee beg to submit for the consideration of the House, the evidence which they have received from various persons to whom copies of the questions adopted during the last Session of Parliament were referred. The Committee have appended thereto the Report of Her Majesty's Acting Consul General at Christiana, on the Cod and Herring Fisheries of Norway, for the year 1866, which report, in their opinion, contains information of value to the Fishery interests of the Dominion.

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

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, the fourth report of the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, was concurred in

The Order of the Day, for the further consideration of Resolutions Nos. 18, 19 and 39, Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia,—Dominion Offices, New Brunswick,—and commission for making provision for the uniformity of the laws of the Provinces, as reported from the Committee of Supply on the 21st of May last, being read,

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Order was postponed.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill [No. 101] of their own, intituled : "An Act to unite the Beaver and the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Companies," to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

Also agreeing to the Bill [No. 12] respecting Malicious Injuries to Property, with amendments.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Tuesday, the 25th May, last, were reported, and are as follows :—

52.	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec..	$17,500 00
53.	Marine Hospitals, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and Maintenance of Sick and Distressed Seamen at the several Ports of the Dominion, and shipwrecked Seamen	17,000 00
54.	Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly	400 00
55.	L. Gagné, late Messenger do	72 00
56.	John Bright, do do	80 00
57.	Mrs. Antrobus	800 00
58.	P. Bouchard, for wounds received	100 00
59.	Mrs. Caroline McEachern, and 4 children	292 00
60.	Jane Lakey	146 00
61.	Rhoda Smith	110 00
62.	Janet Alderson	110 00
63.	Margaret McKenzie	80 00
64.	Mary Ann Richey, and 2 children	336 00
65.	Mary Morrison	80 00
66.	Louise Prud'homme, and 2 children	130 00
67.	Virginie Charron, and 4 children	150 00
68.	Paul M. Robins	146 00
69.	Chs. T. Bell	73 00
70.	Alex. Oliphant	109 50
71.	Chs. Lugsden	91 25
72.	Jno. White	109 50
73.	Thos. Charters	91 25
74.	Samuel McCrag	109 50
75.	Charles T. Robertson	110 00
76.	Percy G. Routh	400 00
77.	Richard S. King	400 00
78.	George A. McKenzie	73 00
79.	Edward Hilder	146 00
80.	Fergus Scholfield	73 00
81.	John Bradley	109 50
82.	Richard Penticost	91 25
83.	John Coté	109 50
84.	George Elliott	73 00
85.	James Bryan	109 50
86.	Jacob Stubbs	73 00
87.	Mary Connor	110 00
88.	Mary Hodgins, and 3 children	191 00
89.	John Martin	110 00
90.	A. E. Marchand	110 00
91.	A. W. Stevenson	110 00
92.	J. Thorburn	150 00
93.	P. T. Worthington	378 00
94.	J. H. Elliott	130 00
95.	George Prentice	400 00
96.	Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land	9,000 00
97.	Intercolonial Railway	2,000,000 00
98.	Halifax, Pictou and Windsor Railway, N. S	139,000 00
99.	European and North American Railway, N. B	21,585 00
100.	For works of construction, &c., (Canals)	198,100 00
101.	Harbors, Piers, &c. (Revote)	50,000 00
102.	Roads and Bridges	6,000 00
103.	Slides and Booms	15,000 00
104.	Surveys and Inspections	15,000 00
105.	Arbitrations and awards	10,000 00
106.	Micellaneous charges not otherwise provided for	10,000 00
107.	For Public Buildings generally	138,500 00
108.	For Rents, Repairs and maintenance of Public Buildings	82,500 00

109.	Windsor and Annapolis Railway, Nova Scotia	$233,000 00
110.	Western Extension, E. N. A Railway, New Brunswick	445,000 00
111.	Eastern do do do	85,000 00
112.	Fredericton Branch Railway, do	102,500 00
113.	Woodstock Branch Railway, do	65,200 00
114.	Maintenance of Steamers, Quebec	33,000 00
115.	Do Steamer, "Druid," Halifax	22,000 00
116.	Tug Service, Upper St. Lawrence, between Montreal and Kingston	12,000 00
117.	Moiety payable to Inman Line, between Halifax and Cork	39,541 00
118.	Steam communication between Quebec and Maritime Provinces	15,000 00
119.	Steam communication between Prince Edward Island, Pictou and Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia	3,000 00
120.	Steam communication between Windsor, St. John, Digby and Annapolis	4,000 00
121.	Packet communication between Pictou and Magdalen Islands	400 00
122.	Steam communication between New Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island	1,000 00

And the 52nd resolution being read a second time,

Mr. *Mills* moved in amendment, that the said resolution be amended by adding the following words: "But this House is of opinion that so long as the same Hospitals are used by the Local and Federal Governments, the contribution of each towards the maintenance of any hospital so used, should be in proportion to the aggregate number of days of the Patients sent by each to such Hospital;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs Ault, Blake, Bodwell, Bowell, Brown, Cameron [Huron], Drew, Kempt, Little, Macdonald [Cornwall], Macdonald [Glengarry], Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Oliver, Ross, [Prince Edward], Rymal, Scatcherd, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson [Ontario], Wells, White, Whitehead, Wood, and Young.—30.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron [Peel], Carling, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Cheval, Costigan, Crawford [Brockville], Currier, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grant, Grover, Harrison, Holton, Howe, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Jones [Leeds & Grenville], Keeler, Killam, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A. [Kingston], McDonald [Middlesex], Masson [Terrebonne], McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McMillan, Merritt, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Pozer, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ryan [King's, N. B], Ryan [Montreal West], Simard, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Workman, and Wright [Ottawa County].—82.

Mr. *Ferguson* then moved in amendment, that in the opinion of this House, at the end of the next financial year all connexion between the Dominion Government and the Government of Quebec with reference to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital at Quebec should cease; which was negatived on the following division:

Yeas:

Messrs. Ault, Blake, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Huron), Connell, Drew, Ferguson, Holton, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Metcalfe, Morison (Victoria O), Oliver, Pickard, Read, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Wells, White, Whitehead, Willson, Wright (York, Ontario W. R.) and Young.—43.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Bolton, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Inverness), Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Chipman, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Lanark), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Rankin, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (Montreal West), Simard, Smith, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Webb, Wood, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—89.

The 52nd Resolution was then agreed to.

The 53rd to the 100th Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 101st Resolution being read a second time,

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, "That as the chief commercial Harbours of the Dominion are now maintained from the trade of the several ports and local resources, and inasmuch as no general policy has been adopted to provide means for the improvement of Harbours, it is not expedient to vote $22,000 for the single Harbour of St. John, while other Harbours are entirely neglected; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Blake, Bodwell, Bowman, Cayley, Cheval, Coupal, Geoffrion, Grover, Holton, Huntington, Kempt, Little, Mackenzie, Magil, Masson [Soulanges], McCallum, McMonies, Morison [Victoria, O.], Munroe, Oliver, Perry, Redford, Ross [Wellington, D.C.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson [Ontario], Wells, Wood, Wright [York Ontario, D.O.] and Young.—32.

Nays :

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Caldwell, Cameron [Inverness], Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, [Sir George E.], Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Connell, Costigan, Crawford [Brockville], Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant Gray, Harrison, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Joly, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald [Cornwall], Macdonald, Sir J. A., [Kingston], McDonald [Middlesex], Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McDougall [Three Rivers], McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Prince Edward], Ryan [Montreal West], Smith, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Webb, Whitehead and Willson.—93.

The said Resolution was then agreed to.

The 102nd to the 106th Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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

The 107th to the 118th Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 119th Resolution being read a second time,

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the said Resolution was amended, by expunging the word "Hawkesbury," and inserting the following words "other Ports in," instead thereof; which was agreed to, and the said Resolution also agreed to, as follows :—

119. Steam communication between Prince Edward Island, Pictou and other Ports in Nova Scotia..... $3,000

The 120th to the 122nd Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Saturday the 29th May last, were reported and are as follows :

123.	Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario.....		$120,712 00
124.	Criminal Lunatic Asylum do		55,699 00
125.	Penitentiary, Halifax, Nova Scotia.....		16,000 00
126.	do St. John, New Brunswick.....		41,180 00
127.	Directors of Penitentiaries.....		9,000 00

TRINITY HOUSE, QUEBEC.

146.	Salaries of Officers and Contingencies.....	$13,170 00	
	Salaries and allowances of Light-house Keepers.....	11,997 00	
	Maintenance of Light-houses.....	18,433 00	
	Miscellaneous.....	175 00	
			43,775 00

TRINITY HOUSE, MONTREAL.

147.	Salaries of Officers and Contingencies.....	$ 4,650 00	
	do Light-House Keepers.....	4,000 00	
	Maintenance and re-building of Light-houses.....	10,000 00	
	Steamer Richelieu.....	3,900 00	
			22,550 00

SALARIES AND MAINTENANCE OF LIGHT-HOUSES, NOT INCLUDED IN ESTIMATES OF TRINITY HOUSES.

148.	Salaries and Allowances.....	58,430 00	
	Maintenance.....	61,719 00	
			120,149 00
149.	Construction of new Light-Houses.....		3,400 00
150.	Sable Island Humane Establishment.....	6,000 00	
	Seal do do	200 00	
			6,200 00
151.	Cape Race Light.....		1,000 00
152.	Removing wreck of "Preciosa" from the Channel of the St, Lawrence.....		3,000 00

REVOTES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF LIGHT-HOUSES.

153.	Ontario and Quebec.....		1,600 00
154.	Nova Scotia.....		1,000 00
155.	New Brunswick.....		11,450 00
156.	Maintenance and repairs of Schooner "La Canadienne".....		10,000 00
157.	Salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens :		
	Ontario.....	$5,000	
	Quebec.....	6,500	
	New Brunswick	5,000	
	Nova Scotia...	5,000	
			21,500 00
158.	Fishways and Oyster Beds.....		5,000 00
159.	Additional for the protection of the Fisheries.....		3,200 00
160.	Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Culler's Office.....		65,000 00
161.	Railways—Salaries and contingencies.....		1,650 00
162.	Steamboats— do		7,400 00
163.	Expenses of Seigniorial Commission.....		6,000 00

164.	New Indian annuities, Ontario	$4,400 00
165.	Annual grant to Indians, Quebec	490 00
166.	do Nova Scotia	2,300 00
167.	do New Brunswick	2,200 00
168.	To purchase blankets for aged and infirm Indians, Ontario and Quebec	1,100 00

The consideration of Resolutions Nos. 123 to 127 inclusive, was postponed.

The 146th to 148th Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The consideration of Resolution No. 149, was postponed.

The 150th to the 152nd Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time were agreed to.

The 153rd Resolution being read a second time, was on motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose* amended, by striking out the words "Ontario and," which was agreed to, and the said resolution also agreed to.

The 154th to the 168th Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, yesterday, were reported, and are as follows:—

169.	Advertising and subscription to Canada Gazette		$8,000 00
170.	Postages of do		1,200 00
171.	Miscellaneous printing		5,000 00
172.	Unforeseen expenses: Expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council, and a detailed account thereof to be laid before Parliament, during the first fifteen days of the next Session		75,000 00
173.	Shipping Master's Office, Quebec		1,200 00
174.	Expenses connected with ascertaining correct time at Ottawa and firing of noon-gun.		400 00
17	Salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports viz:		
	In province of Quebec	$167,990 00	
	do Ontario	157,580 00	
	do Nova Scotia	52,280 00	
	do New Brunswick	58,550 00	
			436,400 09
	Salaries and contingent expenses of Inspectors of Ports		10,000 00
176.	Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy and Officers' Mess, to be apportioned by Order in Council		50,000 00
177.	Additional to meet possible requirements of the reorganization of the Service		20,000 00
178.	Salaries of Outside Officers and Inspectors of Excise		103,973 00
179.	Travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, postage, furniture, &c		27,100 00
180.	Unforeseen expenses		5,200 00
	Ontario and Quebec Mail Steamers :—		
18	Grand Trunk Railway	$167,000 00	
	Great Western Railway	45,000 00	
	Other Railways	40,000 00	
	Steamboat Service	40,000 00	
	Ocean Mail Service	10,000 00	
	Military and Naval Postage Refunds	6,000 00	
	Salaries of Outside Services	95,000 00	
	Ordinary Mail Service	215,000 00	
	Miscellaneous	27,000 00	
			645,000 00
	Nova Scotia Mail Services		80,000 00
	New Brunswick do		75,000 00
18	tamps—(Collection of Revenues)		7,640 00
187.	Minor Revenues		10,000 00

The 169th to the 174th Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

FRIDAY, 4TH JUNE, 1869.

The 175th to the 181st Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 186th and 187th Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill [No. 12] respecting Malicious Injuries to Property, were, on motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill [No. 101] from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to unite the Beaver and the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Companies," was, on motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House then adjourned at 12.35. A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On To-morrow—BILL to provide for the temporary Government of Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory when united with Canada.

Hon. Mr. *Huntington*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Province of Quebec.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Friday next—That this House will on a future day resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Newfoundland.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Friday next—That this House will on a future day resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Nova Scotia.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Friday next—That this House will on a future day resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Prince Edward's Island.

Mr *Chipman*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all Employees in the Government Service, including those in the House of Commons and Senate, with their names and salaries, showing how many belong to each Province.

Hon. Mr *Irvine*—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act respecting Juvenile Offenders within the Province of Quebec."

Mr. *Killam*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to order the return of pilotage paid under protest by New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Vessels at the port of Quebec, since the 30th June 1867.

PRIVATE BILLS.

Posted on Tuesday, 1st June, 1869.

The Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce will consider the following Bills on FRIDAY the Fourth instant.

Bill [No. 94] from the Senate, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Bank," and
Bill [No. 95] from the Senate, intituled "An Act to further amend the Charter of the Gore Bank."

Posted on Thursday, the 3rd June, 1869.

The Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce will consider Bill [No. 101] from the Senate intituled "An Act to unite the Beaver and the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 3RD JUNE,

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 4TH JUNE, 1869.

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

The Petition of *R. P. La Batt*, and others, was received and read; praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported that they had examined the Petition of the Royal Canadian Bank, for amendments to their Act of incorporation; for an extension of time for the resumption of specie payments, and for power, if necessary, to amalgamate with any other Bank, and find that no notice was given; but the circumstances attending the suspension of the Bank that have rendered legislation necessary, are so recent, as to have made it impossible to have given the usual notice; they therefore recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule to enable a Bill to be introduced,—and the insertion in the Bill of a provision that so much thereof as may affect the interests of the shareholders shall not take effect, until their consent shall have been obtained at a Special general meeting.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, presented the following Report:—

The Committee having attentively considered the return of Surveys and Reports relating to the proposed Canal to connect the waters of Lake Ontario with those of the Bay of Quinte, (commonly called the Murray Canal) would bring under the notice of The House that in the first survey in the Township of Murray, in the County of Northumberland, about the year 1796, there were specially reserved some 6,000 acres of land for the construction of this work.

That the said lands have been sold by the Government and the proceeds paid into the public funds.

That if the proposed Canal was open to vessels, about eighty miles of the most dangerous navigation of Lake Ontario would be avoided, that it would also afford a Western outlet to the very extensive trade of the Bay of Quinte more than one hundred miles shorter than the present route, besides transferring the growing and important Towns of Picton, Napanee, Belleville and Trenton to the great water highway between the St. Lawrence ports in the east and the Lake ports in the west.

That it is a work urgently required for commercial purposes, and would be of the utmost importance as a military work in case of hostilities with the United States.

That the delay in the construction of this work is an act of injustice to the locality inasmuch as the lands were sold upon the understanding that such a work would be built at the time the lands in the neighbourhood were first settled.

And in consideration of these premises the Committee do earnestly recommend the construction of this canal at the earliest moment the state of the finances will permit, believing that it has the oldest and strongest claim of any work in the Dominion; and being a work only two miles in length and of very easy construction.

The House having referred to the Committee all Petitions respecting Marine and Navigation, and there being among the said Petitions, several numerously signed, praying for the construction of a ship canal to unite the waters of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Bay of Fundy. The Committee have given their consideration to that sub-

ject, and would submit that the construction of this proposed work is of the first importance to the promotion of Interprovincial trade, and would materially assist in the defence of our coasts in time of war. But as it is desirable that further information respecting the cost of the proposed work, and the probable amount of traffic that would seek a passage through it, be placed in the possession of The House at its next Session. The Committee do strongly recommend that a further survey and report be made thereon at the earliest available opportunity.

Mr. *Cameron* (Huron), from the L'Islet Election Committee, reported the absence of Hon. Mr. *Connell* from the meeting this day, in consequence of which the Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock A.M.—Hon. Mr. *Connell* was ordered to attend in his place in The House at its next sitting.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented, Return to Address of the 13th ult.; for all correspondence between the Dominion and Local Government of New Brunswick relating to subsidies provided by the Act 1864 for construction of Railways in New Brunswick, relating to the subsidy provided under the sixth secton of said Act; also the subsidy provided under the first section of the said Act to connect the European and North American Railway with Hilsborough in the County Albert.

Return to Address of the 26th of April last; for the names of Commissioners or others named or appointed for rendering uniform the laws,—the salaries to be paid to each person so employed,—and the amount already paid,—and to whom.

On motion of Mr. *Harrison*, the 51st, so much of the 58th as relates to the Printing, and the 60th Rules were suspended in relation to a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Royal Canadian Bank by extending, if necessary, the time for the resumption of specie payment; and also to authorize, if necessary, the amalgamation of the said Bank with any other Bank or Banks, and for other purpose.—

He then introduced the Bill (No. 87); which was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, Rule 60 was suspended in relation to Bill (No. 100) to incorporate the Canada Marine Insurance Company.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* introduced a Bill (No. 102) for the temporary Government of Rupert's Land, and the North-Western Territory, when united with Canada.—Second reading on Tuesday next.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* delivered the following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor-General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, the copy of the minutes of a conference between a Committee of the Privy Council of Canada, and certain Delegates from the Colony of Newfoundland on the subject of the Union of that Colony with the Dominion of Canada, and of the Resolutions adopted by them on the basis of such union.

He also transmits the copy of a minute of the Privy Council of Canada, approved by him on the 4th June, instant, all which he recommends to the favorable consideration of The House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 4th June, 1869.

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor-General transmits for the information of The House of Commons, the copy of a minute of the Privy Council of Canada, dated the 4th June, instant, on the subject of arrangements, having in view the admission of the Colony of Prince Edward Island into the Dominion of Canada, which he recommends to the favorable consideration of The House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 4th June, 1869.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Rose*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday next, to consider the following Resolutions on the subject of the Union of the Colony of Newfoundland with the Dominion of Canada; and the Message of His Excellency the Governor-General, relative thereto, was referred to the said Committee:—

1. *Resolved*. That it is expedient to provide, that Canada shall be liable for the debts and liabilities of Newfoundland, existing at the time of the Union.

2. *Resolved*, For the purpose of placing the interest on the public debt of Newfoundland on the same footing as that of the other Provinces, Canada, will, on the request of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of Newfoundland, make arrangements to substitute in lieu of the existing securities which now represent the public debt of Newfoundland, the Bonds or Stock, either of the late Province of Canada, or of the Provinces of New Brunswick or Nova Scotia, issued before the 1st July, 1867; and will further endeavor to provide that the securities of Newfoundland shall be placed on the same footing as those of the other Provinces, as investments in which the Sinking Funds of any portion of the Debts for which Canada is now responsible, may be made.

3. *Resolved*, Newfoundland not having incurred debts equal to those of the other Provinces now constituting the Dominion, shall be entitled to receive by half yearly payments in advance from the General Government interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the difference between the actual amount of its indebtedness and the indebtedness per head of the population of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; the population of Newfoundland being estimated at 130,000.

4. *Resolved*, In consideration of the transfer to the general Parliament of the powers of taxation, the following sums shall be paid yearly by Canada to Newfoundland, for the support of its Government and Legislature, to wit:—$35,000, and an annual grant equal to 80 cents per head of the aforesaid population, both half yearly in advance. Such grant of 80 cents per head to be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by each subsequent decennial census, until the population amounts to 400,000, at which rate such grant shall thereafter remain; it being understood that the first census shall be taken in the year 1871.

5. *Resolved*, In consideration of the transfer to the General Government by Newfoundland of the now ungranted and unoccupied lands, mines, and minerals of the Colony, it is agreed that the sum of $150,000 shall each year be paid to Newfoundland by semi-annual payments in advance; and that Colony shall retain the right of opening, constructing and controlling roads and bridges through any of the said lands, and that the privilege heretofore enjoyed by the inhabitants of Newfoundland of cutting (free of charge) wood on the ungranted lands of the Crown, shall continue to be exercised by them in like manner free of charge, but the aforesaid reservations

shall be subject to such regulations as may, from time to time, be passed by the Lieutenant-Governor of Newfoundland, in Council, and which regulations shall be subject to the approval of the Governor General in Council.

Such surrender shall also be subject to the reservations and provisos contained in the 7th and 8th Sections of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 7 Vic., cap. 1, but these shall in like manner be at all times subject to approval as aforesaid.'

6. *Resolved*, It shall be optional, however, for Newfoundland, before entering the Union, to reserve to itself all the lands and rights conveyed to the General Government by the last preceding clause, and in that case Canada shall be relieved of the payment of the aforesaid sum of $150,000 per annum.

7. *Resolved*, The encouragement, benefits, and protection accorded by the Dominion to fisheries in other parts thereof shall be extended to the fisheries of Newfoundland, and unless Parliament shall make other provision, the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 31 Vic., cap. 1, sec. 3, shall remain in force.

8. *Resolved*, In addition to the present local water rates and assessments in the Town of St. John, the water dues now payable by vessels entering that harbor, as well as the present duty on coal entering the said harbour, shall be available to Newfoundland, and be applied in reduction of the interest for which Newfoundland is now responsible in respect of its liability toward the General Water Company. Such duties on coal, and water dues shall be subject to adjustment from time to time by the Legislature of Newfoundland. On an address of such Legislature to that effect, the Dominion Government will issue Bonds bearing interest at 5 per cent per annum, maturing not less than 15 years from the dates thereof, to be delivered to the Government of Newfoundland for the purpose of funding the aforesaid liability to the said General Water Company. On a like address, the Dominion Government will also issue Bonds to fund the liability contracted in respect of the Harbour Grace Water Company, all such sums being charged to Newfoundland as part of its debt.

9. *Resolved*, The Dominion will provide an efficient mail service between the present Dominion, Newfoundland, and the United Kingdom, by steamers adapted and giving adequate facilities for the conveyance of passengers and cargo.

The obligations of Newfoundland with respect to the present Mail Service between Newfoundland and Halifax will be undertaken by the Government of the Dominion, and on the expiry of existing arrangements other provision will be made for maintaining the services in a manner equally advantageous to Newfoundland.

Efficient Coast steam service, including Labrador, in connection with the Post Office, will be established and maintained by the Government of the Dominion.

10. *Resolved*, Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services:

a. Salary of the Lieutenant-Governor.

b. Salaries and allowances of the Judges of the Superior Court, the Judges of District Courts, and the Labrador Judge and Bailiff.

c. The charges in respect of the Department of Customs.

d. Postal Department.

e. Protection of Fisheries.

f. Provision for Volunteer Militia, and Naval Brigade Force.

g. Light Houses, Shipwrecked Crews, Quarantine and Marine Hospitals

h. The Surveyor-General and his Staff, [in case the lands shall be transferred.]

i. The Geological Survey.

j. The Penitentiary.

And such further charges as may be incident to and connected with the services, which by the British North America Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are or may be allowed to the other Provinces.

11. *Resolved*, No exceptional tax shall be imposed on any of the exports of Newfoundland.

12. *Resolved*, Newfoundland shall, in case the Union take place, previous to the next census, in the year 1871, be entitled to be represented by eight Members in the House of Commons, and thereafter the representation shall be subject to the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867.

13. *Resolved*, The Union shall take effect on such day as Her Majesty by order in Council, on an Address to that effect, in terms of the 146th section of the British North America Act, 1867, may direct, and Newfoundland may in such Address specify the divisions if any, for which any of the four Senators to which that colony is entitled shall be named; the Electoral District for which, and the time within which the first election for Members to serve in the House of Commons in Canada, shall take place.

14. *Resolved*, The Constitution of the Executive authority, and of the Legislature of Newfoundland, shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act, continue as they exist at the Union, until altered under the authority thereof.

15. *Resolved*, The provisions in the aforesaid British North America Act, 1867, shall—except those parts thereof which are in terms made or by reasonable intendment, may be held to be specially applicable to, and only affect, one and not the whole of the Provinces now composing the Dominion, and except so far as the same may be varied by the resolutions—be applicable to Newfoundland, in the same way, and to the like extent, as they apply to the other Provinces of the Dominion, and as if the Colony of Newfoundland had been one of the Provinces originally united by the said Act.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Tuesday next to consider the following Resolution on the subject of arrangement, having in view the admission of the Colony of Prince Edward Island into the Dominion of Canada; and the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, relative thereto, was referred to the said Committee:

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor by and with the advice of the Privy Council, to enter into such negotiations, and to make such arrangements as he may deem expedient with the Government and Legislature of Prince Edward Island, with a view to the admission of that Colony into the Dominion, including in such arrangements provision for the acquisition of the disputed proprietary rights of the original grantees of the Crown of the lands in the said Island, for the purpose of effecting a commutation of tenure in favor of the tenants of such grantees on fair and liberal terms.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor, by and with the advice of the Privy Council, to make such fiscal arrangements as to him may seem requisite for the purposes mentioned in the next preceding Resolution, and to raise by Loan or otherwise, on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest, with such Sinking Fund, and subject to such conditions as he may think most advisable, such sum as he may find necessary for the said purposes, and that any such Loan be a charge upon the consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. *Resolved*, That all such arrangements shall be subject to the approval of Parliament.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, The House Resolved to go into Committee of the Whole on Tuesday next, to consider the following Resolutions relative to the affairs of the Province of Nova Scotia, respecting the terms of a certain arrangement affecting that Province; and the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, relative thereto, was referred to the said Committee.—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to add to the sums payable to the Province of Nova Scotia under the British North America Act, 1867.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall be liable to Canada for the amount (if any) by which its public debt at the Union exceeded nine million one hundred and eight-six thousand seven hundred and fifty-six dollars, and shall be chargeable with interest on such excess only, and shall be entitled to interest on any amount by which its public debt then fell short of that sum, as if the said sum were mentioned in sections one hundred and fourteen and one hundred and sixteen, of the British North America Act, 1867, instead of that of eight million dollars.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall receive from Canada, for the period of ten years from the first day of July, 1867, an allowance of eighty-two thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars per annum, in addition to all other sums payable to the said Province under the British North America Act, 1867; and that such allowance shall hereafter be paid by half-yearly payments in advance from the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, the arrears thereof up to the day last mentioned, being capitalized either in whole or in part as the Governor in Council may determine, and the interest on the part capitalized being payable until the end of the said ten years, when the principal shall be paid.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall, from the date of the completion of the new Province Building, be debited in account with Canada, with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, on the cost of that Building, until it shall have been placed at the disposal of the Dominion.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that all sums mentioned in any Act to be passed in pursuance of the foregoing Resolutions shall be currency of the former Province of Canada, and shall be a charge upon and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Hon. Sir. *John A Macdonald* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee on the Bill (No. 32) respecting procedure in Criminal Cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law.

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

Hon. Mr. *Gray* moved, that it be an instruction to the said Committee to amend the Bill by inserting the following:—"That in the administration of Criminal Justice on any trial—proceeding or investigation—the accused may, if he demand it, be called, sworn and examined, as a witness on his own behalf, subject to cross examination."

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

The said Bill was then considered in Committee,

At 6 P. M. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

(*At half-past seven o'clock P. M., the Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

The Bill (No. 43) respecting the International Bridge Company, was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that the Bill (No. 83) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *John Horace Stevenson*," be now read the second time; which was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Peel), Carling, Cartwright, Chamberlin, Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Drew, Galt, Gibbs, Gray, Harrison, Howe, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Killam, Lawson, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O), Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Pickard, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Wallace, Walsh, Wood, Workman, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—56

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Cameron (Inverness), Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Chauveau, Coupal, Daoust, Dufresne, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Grover, Holton, Hurdon, Irvine, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Le Vesconte, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McGreevy, McMillan, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pouliot, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross, (Champlain), Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Tremblay, Webb, and Wright (Ottawa County).—45

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed for Monday next, on a division.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed for Monday next, viz:—

No. 82 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clark*."

No. 44. To extend the Patent of *James Blanchfield Smith*, for an Invention for the term of seven years.

No. 31. To incorporate the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 30) to enable the holders of preference shares in the Great Western Railway Company, to convert them into ordinary shares at their option, were read a second time, and agreed to.

The Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 32) respecting procedure in Criminal Cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law, resumed, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again, this day.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, that the amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill (No. 55) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Patents of Invention," be now concurred in.

Hon. Mr. *Galt* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be recommitted for the purpose of inserting after Clause 8, the following:—"That the Patent may be granted to the Inventor or his assignee or legal representative for the introduction of such invention, provided that the sum for which such Patent may be granted, shall

not exceed seven years, nor in any case exceed the unexpired term of the first Patent obtained therefor in any foreign Country; and provided further that the manufacture and use of such invention, within the Dominion shall be continuous and be commenced within twelve months.—And such Patent shall lapse and be null and void if, at any time, such manufacture shall cease for a period of twelve months or upwards;" which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Anglin, Béchard, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Chamberlin, Chipman, Coffin, Connell, Crawford (Leeds), Dunkin, Forbes, Galt, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Huntington, Irvine, Joly, Killam, McDonald (Lunenburg), Masson [Terrebonne], McLelan, Oliver, Paquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Ryan [Montreal West], Shanly, Smith, Street, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Webb, and Workman.—36.

Nays :

Messrs Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Cameron [Inverness], Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford [Brockville], Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Huot, Hurdon, Jones [Leeds & Grenville], Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A. [Kingston], McDonald [Middlesex], Mackenzie, Masson [Soulanges], McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark] McDougall [Three Rivers], McGreevy, McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross, [Wellington, C. R.], Ryan [King's, N. B], Rymal, Scatcherd, Simard, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson [Ontario], Tilley, Wells, Wilson, Wood, Wright [Ottawa County], Wright, [York, Ontario, W. R.] and Young.—97.

Hon. Mr. *Tupper* then moved in amendment, that the said Bill be re-committed with an instruction to amend the Bill by expunging the words " and having " in the second line of the sixth section thereof, and inserting in place thereof, the following : " or being a British subject resident within the Dominion of Her Majesty, who " has;"—which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Anglin, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Carling, Chamberlin, Chipman, Coffin, Connell, Dunkin, Forbes, Galt, Godin, Grant, Holton, Huntington, Irvine, Joly, Kempt, Killam, McDonald [Lunenburg], Mackenzie, Masson [Terrebonne], McLelan, McMonies, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Oliver, Paquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Ryan [Montreal West], Scatcherd, Shanly, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Street, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson [Ontario], Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Webb, Wells, Workman, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—56.

Nays :

Messrs. Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Cameron [Inverness], Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford [Brockville,] Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Huot, Hurdon, Jones [Leeds and Grenville], Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A., [Kingston], McDonald [Middlesex], Masson [Soulanges], McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McDougall [Three Rivers], McGreevy, McMillan, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pouliot, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Dundas], Ryan [King's, N. B.], Rymal, Simard, Sproat, Stephenson, Tilley, Willson, Wood, and Wright [Ottawa County].—75.

Mr. *Chamberlin* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be re-committed with an instruction to amend the same by adding to the Bill at the end of Clause 27 the following words : " And all articles manufactured within the Dominion under the principle or in the form set forth in such Patent, and imported into Canada shall be seized and declared forfeited by the Officers of Customs, in like manner as other articles prohibited may be upon importation or articles subject to duty if imported without entry and payment of such duty;" which was negatived on a division.

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

On motion of Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed forthwith, further amended, reported, and the amendments agreed to,—and the Bill ordered for a third reading, on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Keeler*—On Monday next—Adoption of 6th Report of Select Committee on Fisheries and Navigation.

Mr. *Stephenson*—Upon the motion of concurrence in the Sixth Report of the Joint Committee on Printing in amendment thereto that the said Report be not concurred in but that it be referred back to the Printing Committee with instructions to amend the same by recommending the acceptance by this House of the Tender of *I. B. Taylor* for Printing, said tender being the lowest on the aggregate amount by $1,775.99 per annum, and $8,879.95, for the five years for which the contract is to be given,—or if continued for ten years $17,759.90,—upon his furnishing acceptable security in accordance with the terms in the printed form of tender snpplied by the said Printing Committee.

Mr. *Blake*—On the third Reading of the Bill respecting Patents of Inventions—That the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of further amending the same by adding to the 33rd clause the words following: " Provided always that if application shall be made by any other person for a patent for any invention or discovery with which such caveat may in any respect interfere, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner forthwith, to give notice by mail to the person who has filed such caveat, and such person shall within three months after the date of mailing the notice, if he would avail himself of the caveat, file his petition and take the other steps necessary on an application for patent; and if, in the opinion of the Commission, the applications are interfering, like proceedings may be had in all respects as are by this Act provided, in the case of interfering applications. Provided further that unless the person filing any caveat shall within four years from the filing thereof have made application for a patent, the caveat shall be void.

Mr. Blake—On the third Reading of the Bill respecting Patents of Inventions—That the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of amending the same, by adding as a 3rd subsection of the 37th clause the words following: "No decision of the Arbitrators shall preclude any person interested in favor of or against the validity of any patent from the right to assert or contest the same in any court in which its validity may come in question.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Monday next—That commencing on Wednesday next there be two distinct sittings of the House on every day during the remainder of the Session; the first sitting to be from three o'clock, p. m., to six o'clock, p. m.; and the second from half-past seven o'clock, p. m., until the adjournment of The House.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 7TH JUNE, 1869.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that he had received the following letter :—

SOUTH RIDING OF RENFREW, ARNPRIOR,
3rd June, 1869.

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

SIR,—On account of ill health, I have resolved to resign my seat in the House of Commons in the Dominion of Canada, and hereby tender my resignation of said seat,—that your Honor may issue a writ for a new Election.

Given under my hand and seal at Arnprior,
the 3rd day of June, 1869.

In presence of
Albert Armstrong,
John Oakden.

DANIEL MCLACHLIN (L. S.)

He also informed The House, that he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new writ for the Election of a Member to represent the said South Riding of the County of Renfrew.—

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *A. Côté*, and others; praying that Canadian publishers be permitted to print theright works imported into on conditions equal to those now paid by the United States publishers on British copy works of British Authors Canada.

Of *Richard White*, and others, of the County of Wentworth; of *John S. Bachelder*, and others, of Magoon's Point; of *H. Gillespie*, and others, of St. John's, both of the Province of Quebec; and of *Edward Jackson*, and others, of Hamilton; severally praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the Invention in the Dominion.

Of *Thomas Pye*, of the District of Gaspé; praying that the House will subscribe for a certain number of copies of a work written by him entitled "Canadian Scenery, District of Gaspé."

Of *Alexis Langevin*, and others, of St. Roch, County of Richelieu; praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco may be abolished.

Of *William Butler*, and others; and of *William D. Brien*, and others, both of the Town of Perth; severally praying that no change of a fundamental character be made in our present system of Banking, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved substantially on its present basis.

Of the Ontario Bank; praying for a renewal and extension of their Charter, and also that power be given to the Directors to remove their Head Office to such place in the Provinces of Ontario or Quebec, as a majority of the shareholders may select.

Mr. *Masson* (Terrebonne) introduced a Bill (No. 103) to separate the Township of Doncaster in the County of Montcalm, and annex it to the County of Terrebonne for Electoral purposes.—Second reading to-morrow.—

On motion of Mr. *Morrison* (Niagara), the Bill (No. 91) to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, was referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, and Rule 60 suspended.

Hon. Mr. *Irvine* introduced a Bill (No. 104) respecting Juvenile offenders within the Province of Quebec.—Second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 31st ult; for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works, and the Engineer of St. Peter's Canal.

Return to Address of the 13th ult; for a statement of the names of the Engineers, Assistant Engineers, and others employed on Intercolonial Railway, the date of their appointment, the section on which they are employed, their salaries, and the Province they resided in at the period of their appointments.

Return to Address of the 26th ult; for copies of Reports by the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway, relative to the settlement of the lands on its route; together with copies of any correspondence which may have been conducted between the Government of the Dominion, and the Provincial Governments relative thereto.

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, that the sixth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, be now adopted.

Mr. *Stephenson* moved in amendment, that the said Report be referred back to the said Committee with the recommendation to amend the same by reporting for acceptance by this House, the tender of *I. B. Taylor* for Printing, said tender being the lowest on the aggregate amount by $1,775.99 per annum, and $8,879.95 for the 5 years for which the contract is to be given,—or if continued for 10 years, $17,759.90,—upon his furnishing acceptable security in accordance with the terms in the printed form of tender supplied by the said Printing Committee; which was agreed to, on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Anglin, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron [Huron], Cameron [Inverness,] Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Coffin, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford [Brockville,] Crawford [Leeds,] Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Grant, Grover, Heath, Howe, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Jones [Leeds and Grenville], Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Lapum, Little, MacDonald [Cornwall,] Macdonald, Sir J. A., [Kingston], McDonald [Middlesex], Magill, Masson [Soulanges], McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McKeagney, McMillan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morison, [Victoria, O.], Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Paquet, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pozer, Ray, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Dundas], Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Ryan [King's, N. B.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson [Ontario], Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wells, Willson, Wood, Workman, Wright [Ottawa County], and Wright [York, Ontario, W. R].—115.

Nays:

Messrs. Archambeault, Bellerose, Bourassa, Carmichael, Cayley, Daoust, Dufresne, Fortin, Geoffrion, Huntington, Huot, Killam, Le Vesconte, MacDonald [Glengarry], McDonald [Lunenburg], MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson [Terrebonne], Mills, Power, Simard, and Young.—22.

Honorable Mr. *Wood* moved in amendment to the main motion as amended, that it be a further recommendation to the said Committee to amend the said Report by recommending the tender of *J. Barber* for Printing Paper.

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

The main motion, as amended, was then agreed to.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 28) to amend the Act 23 Victoria, Chapter 123, being an Act incorporating the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec, with amendments (On motion of Mr. *Langlois*, the said amendments were agreed to.)

Also, with the following Bill (No. 105) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting the admeasurement and registration of Vessels," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bill was read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.)

Hon. Mr. *Connell* attended in his place according to Order, and Mr. *Cameron* (Huron) from the L'Islet Election Committee, submitted an affidavit of Hon. Mr. *Connell*, stating that he was absent from this City at the time of the meeting held on the 4th instant,—Hon. Mr. *Connell's* excuse was deemed sufficient.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee on the Bill (No. 83) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *John Horace Stevenson*;" which was agreed to on a decision:

The Bill was accordingly considered in Committee of the Whole, reported and ordered for a third reading, (on a division), to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee, reported, and ordered for a third Reading to-morrow, viz:

No. 82, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clark*."

No. 44. To extend the Patent of *James Blanchfield Smith*, for an Invention, for the term of seven years.

The Bill [No. 31] to incorporate the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendment agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Magill* moved that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the extent and condition of the Hop-growing interests in Canada, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to which all Petitions now before this House, respecting hops, shall be referred; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Bowell, Colby, Ross* (Prince Edward), *Pope, Oliver, Ryan* (Montreal West), *Thompson* (Haldimand), *Bown*, and the mover.

Mr. *Cameron* (Huron) moved in amendment, that the words "and salt" be inserted after the word "Hops"; which was agreed to, and the Committee accordingly appointed.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of The House do issue for a statement shewing the amount for which the late Province of Canada became liable on account of the redemption of the Seigniorial Tenure; and of the amounts which Upper Canada and the Townships separately received as compensation.

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

On motion of Mr. *Bodwell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of Despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos establishing the order of Precedence in this Dominion, together with any correspondence had by the Government of Canada with the Home Government, or with any individual or denomination of Christians in this Dominion upon the subject, with all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the same.

On motion of Mr. *Currier*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all letters from *Thomas A. Begley*, Esquire, and his Solicitors, since the year 1858, to the Government and the Ordnance Department at Ottawa, relating to the claim of Mrs. *Begley* (formerly the widow of *Hugh Fraser*), for Dower on Ordnance Lands in Ottawa, and the replies thereto; a list of all actions of Dower commenced by the said *Thomas A. Begley* and wife, against the several purchasers from the Ordnance Department in the City of Ottawa; copies of all letters from the Defendant in those suits and their Solicitors to the Government, the Secretary of State and the Minister of Justice, requesting to be defended by the Crown, or to have their costs paid, with the replies thereto; copies of all petitions from the Defendants or any of them since the year 1858, requesting the Government to defend the said suits, or to pay the cost of defence with replies thereto; a statement of the amount paid by Government to *Thomas A. Begley* as Administrator of Mrs. *Begley*, for her release of Dower on said Ordnance Lands, when, and out of what fund, the said amount was paid; all instructions to Counsel to defend all or any of said suits and the amount paid therefor, together with a copy of all Orders and Minutes of Council relating to the settlement of said claim for Dower.

Mr. *Fortin* moved, that the second Report of the Select Committee on Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, be now adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. *Bolton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion of Canada, and the Local Governments of the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and between the Government of Canada and the Judges of the Superior Courts of those Provinces respecting the salaries of the said Judges as provided for them by the Parliament of Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Carmichael*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a detailed statement of all payments that have been made on account of the Public Debt of Nova Scotia, since the 1st July, 1867, not embraced in the Returns already published and signed by Messrs. Tims and Annand.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copy of the general instructions given this spring to the Officer entrusted with the command of the Expedition for the Protection of the Fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence; and also, for copy of the instructions given to the same Officer with regard to the extent and nature of his functions, and a statement of the number of sailors who are to compose the crew of the Government vessel "La Canadienne" during the present season.

Mr. *Mills* moved, that it be *Resolved*, That whereas the laws enacted by the Legislatures of the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Canada, before the Confederation of these Provinces by the British North America Act, 1867, have, by the provisions of the said Act, been divided into Provincial Laws and Laws of Canada, it is expedient to consolidate so much of the aforesaid Provincial Laws as are Laws of Canada.

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

On motion of Hon. Mr. *LeVesconte*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence, contracts, and tenders, connected with the letting of section No. 7 on the Intercolonial Railway.—

On motion of Mr. *Harrison*, a Selet Committeect was appointed, to which was referred the Petition of *John Gordon* and others, of the Province of Ontario, praying for the construction of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal, with power to send for persons, and papers, and to report as to the possibility and expediency of the work; composed of Mr. *Beaty*, Hon. Mr. *Tupper*, Mr. *Wright* [York, W. R], Mr. *Masson* [Soulanges], Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *McConkey*, Mr. *Ferguson*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Little*, Hon. Mr. *Gray*, Mr. *Wells*, Mr. *Metcalfe*, Hon. Mr. *Connell*, and the Mover.

On motion of Mr. *Dufresne*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a statement of the names of each and every head of a family of the Parish of Ste, Julienne, in the County of Montcalm, entered in the Census of 1861.

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

TUESDAY, 8th June, 1869.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of the House do issue for statement shewing the sum of money paid in connection with the trial of *Whelan*; embracing the names of all parties to whom such payments were made, as well as the services rendered; also the sums of money expended in the search for the murderer of the late Mr. *McGee*, and the amount paid or awarded as a reward, and the names of all parties to whom such payments were made.

The Bill (No. 36) to amend the Act passed in the 27th & 28th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to regulate the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather," and the Act passed in the 29th and 30th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting the inspection of Leather and Raw Hides," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and amended.—Amendments to be considered to-morrow,—and the Bill as amended, to be re-printed.

The Bill (No. 37) to extend the privileges of the Banks of the Province of Nova Scotia, with respect to the issuing of notes, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Bill [No. 70] for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors, in the Province of Ontario, was read the second time, and committed for to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 12.15 A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mills*.—When the House is asked to concur in the appropriation of $20,000 to pay a Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces.—The following amendment; That the said item be not concurred in, but that it be resolved, that it is inexpedient to make any provision which would, if it becomes Law, transfer the powers of Legislation upon the subjects of property and civil rights from the Provincial Legislatures, where they are at present vested, to the Parliament of Canada, as any such provision would, in the opinion of this House, tend to destroy the present system of Federal Government.

Mr. *Huot*.—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Act respecting the inspection and measurement of building timber.

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges).—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all petitions, letters, or other documents, having reference to wharfs or harbours of refuge at the head of the Coteau Rapids in the River St. Lawrence, also for copies of all reports by Engineers or others and estimates of probable cost furnished by such Engineers in reference to the construction of such wharfs or harbors of refuge:

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all petitions, documents, orders in Council, or other papers having reference to the sale or lease of certain water powers at the Cascades, Cedars, and the Fort of Coteau du Lac, or other places in the County of Soulanges; also copies of the instructions given for the sale or lease of the said water powers as well as of the protests or other documents which have prevented or retarded the sale or lease thereof.

Mr. *Blake*—On the Hon. Mr. *Rose's* motion touching Nova Scotia, in amendment—That all the words after "that" be left out, and the following added:

"The British North America Act, 1867, has fixed and settled the mutual liabilities of Canada and of each Province in respect of the public debt, and the amount payable by Canada. to each Province for the support of its Government and Legislature;

"That the said Act does not empower the Parliament of Canada to change the basis of Union thereby fixed and settled;

"That the unauthorized assumption of such power by the Parliament of Canada would imperil the interests of the several Provinces, weaken the bond of Union, and shake the stability of the Constitution,

"That the proposed resolutions on the subject of Nova Scotia involve the assumption of such power.

"And that therefore this House, while ready to give its best consideration to any proposals to procure in a constitutional way any needed changes in the basis of Union, deems it inexpedient to go into Committee on the said proposed resolutions."

Hon. Mr. *Wood*—On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Rose* to go into Committee of the Whole on certain Resolutions relative to the affairs of the Province of Nova Scotia—the following amendment thereto:

That it is inexpedient to disturb the financial arrangements settled between the Provinces composing the Dominion of Canada as settled by the British North America Act, in favor of Nova Scotia, without at the same time making provision for increasing in due proportion, and on principles alike just to the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, the amount of debt allowed by the British North America Act to the late Province of Canada, and the half-yearly payments to the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario respectively.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—When the House is asked to go into Committee of the Whole upon the Resolutions of the Honorable Mr. *Rose* in relation to the admission of the Province of Prince Edward's Island into the Dominion of Canada—The following amendments:—

1. That all the words after the word "Dominion" in the first Resolution be omitted and the following substituted in lieu thereof;

"But no negociations shall be had which may involve the Government or Parliament of Canada in any attempt to acquire the disputed proprietary rights of the original grantees of the Crown, of the lands of the Island, or with a view to give to the Parliament of Canada, jurisdiction or control in relation to any subject matter, that by the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867, is vested in the Legislature of each Province respectively."

2. That the second and third Resolutions be expunged and the following substituted:—

"That all such arrangements shall be submitted to Parliament for its approval before any action is taken to give them effect or to pledge the Public faith to their fulfilment."

Mr. *Bellerose*—In amendment to the motion for concurrence in the 6th Report of the Joint Committee on Printing—That the Report be not now received but that it be referred to the Joint Committee on Printing with instruction to amend the same by accepting the money security alleged to be offered by Mr. *Taylor*, viz., $40,000 in Government Debentures.

Mr. *Currier*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to place a sum in the Estimates for the purpose of re-building the Black River Slides.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*—When the House is moved into Committee of the Whole to consider the Resolutions on the subject of Newfoundland, That it be an instruction to substitute the following for the 5th proposed Resolution: "All lands, mines, minerals, and royalties vested in Her Majesty in the Province of Newfoundland for the use of the said Province shall belong to the Local Government of Newfoundland, subject to any trusts that may exist in respect to any such land, mines, minerals and royalties, or any interest of other persons in respect of the same."

Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a return of all correspondence with the Imperial Government an the subject of the Resolutions of the Nova Scotia Local Legislature and the minute of Council of Nova Scotia Government of date respectively 21st August, 1868, and 5th September, 1868.

Mr. *Walsh*—On Wednesday next—BILL respecting the weighing of grain.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 8TH JUNE, 1869.

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

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, reported the Bill (No. 65) to amend the Act of the late Province of Canada passed in the 29th and 30th years of Her Majesty's reign, to enable *Philip Pearson Harris* to obtain a Patent for a certain invention, with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Wright*, (Ottawa County), the Petition of the Reverend *C. Guillaume* and others, of the Parish of St. André Avelin, in the County of Ottawa, praying for the improvement of the navigation of the Ottawa River,—and all other Petitions praying for the improvement of the navigation of the River Ottawa, were referred to a Select Committee, composed of Honorable Messrs. *Galt*, *Holton*, *Blanchet*, *Connell*, *McGreevy*, and Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Young*, *Bodwell*, *Oliver*, *Hurdon*, *Ray*, *Ryan*, (King's County), *Ryan*, (Montreal West), *Workman*, *Shanly*, *Grover*, *Currier*, *Grant*, *Hagar*, *Morris*, *Lapum*, *McDonald*, (Middlesex), *Burton*, *Masson* (Terrebonne), *Dufresne*, *Pope*, *Heath*, and the mover, to report thereon from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and Rule 79 suspended.

The Order for the third reading of the Bill (No. 55) from the Senate, intituled, "An Act respecting Patents of Inventions," was discharged, and the Bill re-committed, further amended, reported, the amendment agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, with amendments, viz:—

No. 11. Respecting Offences against the Person. (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said amendments were agreed to.)—

No. 33. To Incorporate the Canadian and European Telegraph Company. (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Holton*, the said amendments were agreed to.)—

Also with the following Bill (No. 106) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases,"—to which the concurrence of this House was desired.—(On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bill was read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow).

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 22nd April, last; for a statement showing the amounts paid or to be paid, by the Dominion Government for the arrest and prosecution of parties suspected of the murder of the Honorable *T. D. McGee*, and to whom said sums were paid.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolutions were proposed:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that Canada shall be liable for the debts and liabilities of Newfoundland, existing at the time of the Union.

2. *Resolved*, For the purpose of placing the interest on the public debt of Newfoundland on the same footing as that of the other Provinces, Canada will, on the request of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of Newfoundland, make arrangements to substitute in lieu of the existing securities which now represent the public debt of Newfoundland, the Bonds or Stock, either of the late Province of Canada, or of the Provinces of New Brunswick

or Nova Scotia, issued before the 1st July, 1867; and will further endeavor to provide that the securities of Newfoundland shall be placed on the same footing as those of the other Provinces, as investments in which the Sinking Funds of any portion of the Debts for which Canada is now responsible, may be made.

3. *Resolved*, Newfoundland not having incurred debts equal to those of the other Provinces now constituting the Dominion, shall be entitled to receive by half yearly payments in advance from the General Government interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the difference between the actual amount of its indebtedness and the indebtedness per head of the population of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; the population of Newfoundland being estimated at 130,000.

4. *Resolved*, In consideration of the transfer to the general Parliament of the powers of taxation, the following sums shall be paid yearly by Canada to Newfoundland, for the support of its Government and Legislature, to wit:— $35,000, and an annual grant equal to 80 cents per head of the aforesaid population, both half yearly in advance.

Such grant of 80 cents per head to be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by each subsequent decennial census, until the population amounts to 400,000, at which rate such grant shall thereafter remain; it being understood that the first census shall be taken in the year 1871.

5. *Resolved*, In consideration of the transfer to the General Government by Newfoundland of the now ungranted and unoccupied lands, mines, and minerals of the Colony, it is agreed that the sum of $150,000 shall each year be paid to Newfoundland by semi-annual payments in advance; and that Colony shall retain the right of opening, constructing and controlling roads and bridges through any of the said lands, and that the privilege heretofore enjoyed by the inhabitants of Newfoundland of cutting (free of charge) wood on the ungranted lands of the Crown, shall continue to be exercised by them in like manner free of charge, but the aforesaid reservations shall be subject to such regulations as may, from time to time, be passed by the Lieutenant-Governor of Newfoundland, in Council, and which regulations shall be subject to the approval of the Governor General in Council.

Such surrender shall also be subject to the reservations and provisos contained in the 7th and 8th Sections of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 7 Vic., cap. 1. but these shall in like manner be at all times subject to approval as aforesaid.

6. *Resolved*, It shall be optional, however, for Newfoundland, before entering the Union, to reserve to itself all the lands and rights conveyed to the General Government by the last preceding clause, and in that case Canada shall be relieved of the payment of the aforesaid sum of $150,000 per annum.

7. *Resolved*, The encouragement, benefits, and protection accorded by the Dominion to fisheries in other parts thereof shall be extended to the fisheries of Newfoundland, and unless Parliament shall make other provision, the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 31 Vic., cap. 1, sec. 3, shall remain in force.

8. *Resolved*, In addition to the present local water rates and assessments in the Town of St. John, the water dues now payable by vessels entering that harbour, as well as the present duty on coal entering the said harbour, shall be available to Newfoundland, and be applied in reduction of the interest for which Newfoundland is now responsible in respect of its liability towards the General Water Company. Such duties on coal, and water dues shall be subject to adjustment from time to time by the Legislature of Newfoundland. On an address of such Legislature to that effect, the Dominion Government will issue Bonds bearing interest at 5 per cent per annum, maturing not less than 15 years from the dates thereof, to be delivered to the Government of Newfoundland for the purpose of funding the aforesaid liability to the said General Water Company. On a like address, the Dominion Government will also issue Bonds to fund the liability contracted in respect of the Harbour Grace Water Company, all such sums being charged to Newfoundland as part of its debt.

9. *Resolved*, The Dominion will provide an efficient mail service between the present Dominion, Newfoundland, and the United Kingdom, by steamers adapted and giving adequate facilities for the conveyance of passengers and cargo.

The obligations of Newfoundland with respect to the present Mail service between Newfoundland and Halifax will be undertaken by the Government of the Dominion, and on the expiry of existing arrangements other provision will be made for maintaining the services in a manner equally advantageous to Newfoundland.

Efficient coast steam service, including Labrador, in connection with the Post office, will be established and maintained by the Government of the Dominion.

10. *Resolved*, Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services:

a. Salary of the Lieutenant-Governor.

b. Salaries and allowances of the Judges of the Superior Court, the Judges of District Courts, and the Labrador Judge and Bailiff.

c. The charges in respect of the Department of Customs.

d. Postal Department.

e. Protection of Fisheries.

f. Provision for Volunteer Militia, and Naval Brigade Force.

g. Light Houses, Shipwrecked Crews, Quarantine and Marine Hospitals.

h. The Surveyor-General and his Staff, (in case the lands shall be transferred).

i. The Geological Survey.

j. The Penitentiary.

And such further charges as may be incident to and connected with the services, which by the British North America Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are or may be allowed to the other Provinces.

11. *Resolved*, No exceptional tax shall be imposed on any of the exports of Newfoundland.

12. *Resolved*, Newfoundland shall, in case the Union take place, previous to the next census, in the year 1871, be entitled to be represented by eight members in the House of Commons, and thereafter the representation shall be subject to the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867.

13. *Resolved*, The Union shall take effect on such day as Her Majesty by order in Council, on an Address to that effect, in terms of the 146th section of the British North America Act, 1867, may direct, and Newfoundland may in such Address specify the divisions, if any, for which any of the four Senators to which that colony is entitled shall be named; the Electoral District for which, and the time within which the first election for Members to serve in the House of Commons in Canada, shall take place.

14. *Resolved*, The Constitution of the Executive authority, and of the Legislature of Newfoundland, shall: subject to the provisions of the said Act, continue as they exist at the Union, until altered under the authority thereof.

15. *Resolved*, The provision in the aforesaid British North America Act, 1867, shall except those parts thereof which are in terms made or by reasonable intendment, may be held to be specially applicable to, and only affect, one and not the whole of the Provinces now composing the Dominion, and except so far as the same may be varied by the resolutions—be applicable to Newfoundland, in the same way, and to the like extent, as they apply to the other Provinces of the Dominion, and as if the Colony of Newfoundland had been one of the Provinces originally united by the said Act.

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

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JUNE, 1869.

And the question being put on the said Resolutions,—they were adopted.
To be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported.—To be taken into consideration at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 12.22 A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Thursday next—The adoption of the fourth Report of the Select Committee on Navigation, Fisheries and the Inspection of Fish.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Thursday next—The adoption of the third Report of the Select Committee on Navigation, Fisheries and the inspection of Fish.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Middlesex)—On Thursday next—Committee of the Whole for Friday next to consider the following Resolution:

That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that the Executive Government should be empowered to take the necessary steps to obtain the sanction and cooperation of the Imperial Government, the Hudson's Bay Company, and all other parties interested therein, in the commencement and completion with all practicable speed of a line of Railway through British Territory to connect the Atlantic with the Pacific Ocean.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 9TH JUNE, 1869.

The following Petitions were received and read:

Of Messrs. *D. Ford Jones* and Company, and others, of the South Riding of the County of Leeds; praying that the Resolutions now before the House, on the subject of Banking and Currency, may not be adopted, and that no material change be made in our present system of Banking.

Of *H. E. Winter* and others, of Dresden; praying for the passing of an Act to provide for the romoval of obstructions to the navigation of the River Sydenham, and to render all persons causing obstructions to navigation, liable to the same penalties as persons obstructing highways and public roads.

Of *Richard White* and others; praying that a duty be imposed upon all foreign Hops when imported into Canada.

Mr. *MacFarlane*, from the Select Committee on Standing Orders reported *favorably* on the Petition of the Ontario Bank.

On motion of Mr. *Harrison*, the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Gordon* and others, obtained leave to report from time to time.

He then presented the first Report of the said Committee, recommending a reduction of their quorum to five Members.—

Quorum reduced accordingly.

Mr. *Cameron* (Huron), from the L'Islet Election Committee, presented the following Resolutions as their final decision:—

Resolved, That the Election and Return for the Electoral District of L'Islet is null and void.

Resolved, That the defence of the sitting Member is not frivolous, nor vexatious.

Pursuant to the 90th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, Your Committee report with its final decision the following Resolutions upon which divisions were taken.—

3rd June, 1869.

Moved by Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), seconded by Mr. *Caron*, that the Committee do now adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M. And the question being put, the Committee divided as follows:

Yeas:

Mr. Cameron (Huron),
Macdonald (Glengarry)
Caron and
Hon. Mr. Connell.—4.

Nay:

Mr. Cimon.—1

So it passed in the affirmative.

9th June, 1869.

Mr. *Macdonald* [Glengarry], moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. *Connell*, That whereas the Election for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of L'Islet held on the 10th and 11th days of September, 1867, the Returning Officer at said Election refused to grant a Poll for the Parishes of St. Roch des Aulnets, St. Cyrille, and L'Islet on the alleged ground that the voters' lists for said Parishes were either defective or that the certificates of the Registrar required by law were not in accordance with the provisions of the Statute in that behalf; That in the opinion of this Committee the list of voters for the Parish of St. Roch des Aulnets was a good and valid list in law. That the Returning Officer should have granted a Poll in and for said Parish, and not having done so, the Electors of said Parish were illegally disfranchised.

Mr. *Caron* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Cimon*, that the Certificate of the Registrar on the electoral list for the Parish of St. Roch des Aulnets is defective, because this certificate does not mention that the list is a true copy of the duplicate deposited in his office according to the 4th Clause of Chapter 8 of the 27th Victoria, and that therefore a Poll could not be granted for the said Parish of St. Roch des Aulnets, and the question being put on the amendment the Committee divided as follows :

Yeas :	*Nays :*
Mr. Cimon, Caron—2.	Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Hon. Mr. Connell, Mr. Cameron (Huron).—3.

So it passed in the negative ; and the question being put on the original motion, the Committee divided as follows :

Yeas :	*Nays :*
Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Hon. Mr. Connell, Mr. Cameron (Huron).—3.	Mr. Cimon, Caron.—2.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Moved by Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), seconded by Hon. Mr. *Connell*, and whereas the said Returning Officer granted a Poll in and for the Parish of St. Aubert although no duplicate of the Voters' List duly certified was deposited with the Registrar of said Electoral District as required by Law—and whereas the said Returning Officer refused to grant a Poll in and for other Parishes where the Voters' lists were as correct and regular as those of the Parish of St. Aubert, it is the opinion of the Committee that the Returning Officer should not have granted a Poll in and for the Parish of St. Aubert when he refused a Poll in and for said other Parishes.

Mr. *Cimon* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Caron*, That the Returning Officer was justified in granting a Poll for the Parish of St. Aubert, because the copy furnished to him was duly certified by the Deputy Registrar, as being a true copy of the duplicate of said list, for the said Parish of St. Aubert, deposited in the office of the Registrar, and that he was justified in refusing to grant a Poll for the Parishes of L'Islet, St. Cyrille, and St. Roch des Aulnets, because the lists for those Parishes had not the certificates of the Registrars as provided by Law.

And the amendment being put, the Committee divided as follows :

Yeas :	*Nays :*
Mr. Cimon, Caron.—2.	Mr. Cameron [Huron], Macdonald [Glengarry], Hon. Mr. Connell.—3.

So it passed in the negative.

And the original motion being put the Committee divided as follows :

Yeas.	*Nays.*
Mr. Macdonald [Glengarry], Hon. Mr. Connell, Mr. Cameron [Huron].—3.	Mr. Cimon, Caron.—2

So it passed in the affirmative.

Mr. *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Connell*, that the said Election for the said Electoral District of L'Islet is therefore null and void.

And the Question being put, the Committee divided as follows :

Yeas :	*Nays :*
Mr. Cameron [Huron], Macdonald, Hon. Mr. Connell.—3.	Mr. Cimon, Caron.—2

So it passed in the affirmative.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 31st ult; for all correspondence, Orders in Council and other papers touching the claims of the Government against *James Beaty*, Esq., or the York Roads Company; or touching the claims of Mr. *Beaty* or the Company against the Government, not previously sent down.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, with amendments, viz :

No. 23. For the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 42. On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, the said amendments were agreed to.

No. 15. Respecting Larceny and other similar offences. [On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow].

Also with the following Bill [No. 107] of their own, intituled: "An Act to remove doubts as to Legislation in Canada, regarding offences not wholly committed within its limits," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. [On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bill was read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 9] respecting Insolvency was considered in Committee,

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight.

THURSDAY, 10th JUNE, 1869.

Several amendments were made to the said Bill, which were reported, and ordered to be considered at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 12.35 A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Wright* [Ottawa]—On Thursday next—To add Messrs. *Rankin* and *McMillan* to the Ottawa River Navigation improvement Committee.

Mr. *Walsh*—On Friday next—That the House do go into Committee of the Whole on a future day to consider the following Resolution:

Resolved, That it is expedient that weighers of grain be appointed and that they be entitled to a fee of [*twenty-five cents*] for each load of grain weighed by them respectively.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—To-morrow—That this House do on Friday next go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to raise a loan of three hundred thousand pounds Sterling, with the guarantee of the Government of the United Kingdom, for the purpose of paying a like sum to the Hudson's Bay Company, as provided in the proposed agreement with the said Company, laid before Parliament with other documents on the same subject, by His Excellency the Governor General, on the 17th of May instant, and embodied in the Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty adopted by the Senate and Commons of Canada, whenever Rupert's Land shall be admitted into the Dominion of Canada, in pursuance of the said agreement, and of the Imperial Act 31 and 32 Vic., cap. 105.

2. That it is expedient that such loan be raised on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest, and with such Sinking Fund, and subject to such conditions as the Governor in Council may think most advisable with the approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and that such loan be a charge upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. That it is also expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to raise a further Loan of a sum not exceeding £300,000 sterling on the credit of Canada for the purpose of opening up communication with, and administering the Governments, and providing the settlement of the said Territories, and that such further Loan be raised on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest, with such sinking fund, and subject to such conditions as the Governor in Council may think most advisable, and that the same be a charge on the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Mr. *Magill*—On Friday next—That the Hon. Mr. *Read* and Mr. *M. C. Cameron* be added to the Select Committee to whom were referred the Petitions to this House on the Hop and Salt interests.

Mr. *Wallace*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY, whether it is the intention of the Government to comply with a request made to the Hon. Postmaster General by petition last year for a tri-weekly mail between Salisbury and Hillsborough *via* Turtle Creek and Dawson Settlement in Albert County, N. B.

No. 38.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 9TH JUNE, 1869.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 10TH JUNE, 1869.

Three Petitions were brought up and laid on the table:—

The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Elgin was received and read; praying that all persons residents of Towns, Townships and incorporated Villages who are assessed for an annual income of $500, and upwards, and who have paid the taxes on the same, may have the right to vote for Members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and for Members of The House of Commons, and Municipal Councils.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa County), from the Select Committee, to which was referred the petition of the Reverend *C. Guillaume*, and others, relative to the Ottawa River Navigation, presented the first Report of the said Committee, recommending a reduction of their quorum to seven Members.—Quorum reduced accordingly.

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

Return to Address of the 7th instant; for a statement of the names of each and every head of a family of the Parish of Ste. Julienne, in the County of Montcalm, entered in the Census of 1861.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Cameron* (Peel), the 51st, so much of the 58th as relates to the Printing, and the 60th Rules were suspended in relation to the two following Bills, which he severally introduced, viz:—

No. 108. To amend and extend the Charter of the Ontario Bank.

No. 109. To amend and extend the Acts of incorporation of the Bank of Toronto.

The said Bills were read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That during the remainder of the Session, The House do meet every Saturday at 3 p. m., and that the Order of precedence of business on that day, be the same as on Tuesdays.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General recommends to the favorable consideration of The House of Commons the following Resolutions.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 10th June, 1869.

1. That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to raise a loan of three hundred thousand pounds Sterling, with the guarantee of the Government of the United Kingdom, for the purpose of paying a like sum to the Hudson's Bay Company, as provided in the proposed agreement with the said Company, laid before Parliament with other documents on the same subject, by His Excellency the Governor General, on the 17th of May instant, and embodied in the Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty adopted by the Senate and Commons of Canada,

whenever Rupert's Land shall be admitted into the Dominion of Canada, in pursuance of the said agreement, and of the Imperial Act 31 and 32 Vic., cap. 105.

2. That it is expedient that such loan be raised on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest, and with such Sinking Fund, and subject to such conditions as the Governor in Council may think most advisable with the approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and that such loan be a charge upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. That it is also expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to raise a further Loan of a sum not exceeding £300,000 sterling on the credit of Canada for the purpose of opening up communication with, and administering the Governments, and providing the settlement of the said Territories, and that such further Loan be raised on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest, with such sinking fund, and subject to such conditions as the Governor in Council may think most advisable, and that the same be a charge on the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, The House resolved to go into Committee, to-morrow, to consider the foregoing Resolutions, and His Excellency's Message was referred to the said Committee.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the following Bills with amendments, *viz* :—

No. 41. To incorporate the St. Thomas (Ontario) Board of Trade.

No. 95 from the Senate, intituled : "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Gore Bank."

No. 94 from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Bank."

No. 101 from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to unite the Beaver and the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Companies.

No. 45. To incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax.

No. 100. To incorporate the Canada Marine Insurance Company.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 84) respecting Immigration and Immigrants, without amendments.

The Order for the second reading of the following Bills, were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, *viz* :

No. 78. Respecting the illegal solemnization of marriage.

No. 79. Respecting proceedings to Outlawry in criminal cases.—

No. 80. To establish a Supreme Court for the Dominion of Canada.—

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole on Tuesday last, the 8th instant, on the subject of the Union of Newfoundland with the Dominion of Canada, were reported, and are as follows :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that Canada shall be liable for the debts and liabilities of Newfoundland, existing at the time of the Union.

2. *Resolved*, For the purpose of placing the interest on the public debt of Newfoundland on the same footing as that of the other Provinces, Canada will, on the request of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of Newfoundland, make arrangements to substitute in lieu of the existing securities which now represent the public debt of Newfoundland, the Bonds or Stock, either of the late Province of Canada or of the Provinces of New Brunswick or Nova Scotia, issued before the 1st July, 1867 ; and will further endeavor to provide that the securities of Newfoundland shall be placed on the same footing as those of the other Provinces, as investments in which the Sinking Funds of any portion of the Debts for which Canada is now responsible, may be made.

3. *Resolved*, Newfoundland not having incurred debts equal to those of the other Provinces now constituting the Dominion, shall be entitled to receive by half yearly payments in advance from the General Government interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the difference between the actual amount of its indebtedness and the indebtedness per head of the population of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick ; the population of Newfoundland being estimated at 130,000.

4. *Resolved*, In consideration of the transfer to the general Parliament of the powers of taxation, the following sums shall be paid yearly by Canada to Newfoundland, for the support of its Government and Legislature, to wit :— $35,000, and an annual grant equal to 80 cents per head of the aforesaid population, both half yearly in advance.

Such grant of 80 cents per head to be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by each subsequent decennial census, until the population amounts to 400,000, at which rate such grant shall thereafter remain; it being understood that the first census shall be taken in the year 1871.

5. *Resolved*, In consideration of the transfer to the General Government by Newfoundland of the now ungranted and unoccupied lands, mines, and minerals of the Colony, it is agreed that the sum of $150,000 shall each year be paid to Newfoundland by semi-annual payments in advance ; and that Colony shall retain the right of opening, constructing and controlling roads and bridges through any of the said lands, and that the privilege heretofore enjoyed by the inhabitants of Newfoundland of cutting (free of charge) wood on the ungranted lands of the Crown, shall continue to be exercised by them in like manner free of charge, but the aforesaid reservations shall be subject to such regulations as may, from time to time, be passed by the Lieutenant-Governor of Newfoundland, in Council, and which regulations shall be subject to the approval of the Governor General in Council.

Such surrender shall also be subject to the reservations and provisos contained in the 7th and 8th Sections of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 7 Vic., cap. 1. but these shall in like manner be at all times subject to approval as aforesaid.

6. *Resolved*, It shall be optional, however, for Newfoundland, before entering the Union, to reserve to itself all the lands and rights conveyed to the General Government by the last preceding clause, and in that case Canada shall be relieved of the payment of the aforesaid sum of $150,000 per annum.

7. *Resolved*, The encouragement, benefits, and protection accorded by the Dominion to fisheries in other parts thereof shall be extended to the fisheries of Newfoundland, and unless Parliament shall make other provision, the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 31 Vic., cap. 1, sec. 3, shall remain in force.

8. *Resolved*, In addition to the present local water rates and assessments in the Town of St. John, the water dues now payable by vessels entering that harbour, as well as the present duty on coal entering the said harbour, shall be available to Newfoundland, and be applied in reduction of the interest for which Newfoundland is now responsible in respect of its liability towards the General Water Company. Such duties on coal, and water dues shall be subject to adjustment from time to time by the Legislature of Newfoundland. On an address of such Legislature to that effect, the Dominion Government will issue Bonds bearing interest at 5 per cent per annum,

maturing not less than 15 years from the dates thereof, to be delivered to the Government of Newfoundland for the purpose of funding the aforesaid liability to the said General Water Company. On a like address, the Dominion Government will also issue Bonds to fund the liability contracted in respect of the Harbour Grace Water Company, all such sums being charged to Newfoundland as part of its debt.

9. *Resolved*, The Dominion will provide an efficient mail service between the present Dominion, Newfoundland, and the United Kingdom, by steamers adapted and giving adequate facilities for the conveyance of passengers and cargo.

The obligations of Newfoundland with respect to the present Mail service between Newfoundland and Halifax will be undertaken by the Government of the Dominion, and on the expiry of existing arrangements other provision will be made for maintaining the services in a manner equally advantageous to Newfoundland.

Efficient coast steam service, including Labrador, in connection with the Post office, will be established and maintained by the Government of the Dominion.

10. *Resolved*, Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services:

a. Salary of the Lieutenant-Governor.

b. Salaries and allowances of the Judges of the Superior Court, the Judges of District Courts, and the Labrador Judge and Bailiff.

c. The charges in respect of the Department of Customs.

d. Postal Department.

e. Protection of Fisheries.

f. Provision for Volunteer Militia, and Naval Brigade Force.

g. Light Houses, Shipwrecked Crews, Quarantine and Marine Hospitals.

h. The Surveyor-General and his Staff, (in case the lands shall be transferred).

i. The Geological Survey.

j. The Penitentiary.

And such further charges as may be incident to and connected with the services, which by the British North America Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are or may be allowed to the other Provinces.

11. *Resolved*, No exceptional tax shall be imposed on any of the exports of Newfoundland.

12. *Resolved*, Newfoundland shall, in case the Union take place, previous to the next census, in the year 1871, be entitled to be represented by eight members in the House of Commons, and thereafter the representation shall be subject to the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867.

13. *Resolved*, The Union shall take effect on such day as Her Majesty by order in Council, on an Address to that effect, in terms of the 146th section of the British North America Act, 1867, may direct, and Newfoundland may in such Address specify the divisions, if any, for which any of the four Senators to which that colony is entitled shall be named; the Electoral District for which, and the time within which the first election for Members to serve in the House of Commons in Canada, shall take place.

14. *Resolved*, The Constitution of the Executive authority, and of the Legislature of Newfoundland, shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act, continue as they exist at the Union, until altered under the authority thereof.

15. *Resolved*, The provision in the aforesaid British North America Act, 1867, shall except those parts thereof which are in terms made or by reasonable intendment, may be held to be specially applicable to, and only affect, one and not the whole of the Provinces now composing the Dominion, and except so far as the same may be varied by the resolutions—be applicable to Newfoundland, in the same way, and to the like extent, as they apply to the other Provinces of the Dominion, and as if the Colony of Newfoundland had been one of the Provinces originally united by the said Act.

And the first Resolution being read a second time,

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment, that all the words after "That" in the said Resolution be left out, and the following inserted thereof:—"by the British North America Act, 1867, it is in effect provided, that each of the Provinces by that Act united shall retain its public lands.

That the public lands of Newfoundland proposed to be purchased by Canada at the price of $150,000 a year, or $3,000,000 do not pay the expenses of management.

That public lands can be managed more efficiently, economically, and satisfactorily, by the Province in which they are situate, than by Canada.

That there is no good reason for the departure from the principles of the British North America Act involved in the proposed purchase.

That this House, (while prepared in settling the terms on which Newfoundland should be admitted into the Union to give full consideration to any exceptional circumstances in the condition of that Province) is of opinion that those terms should be so arranged as that Newfoundland shall retain its public lands;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Anglin, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Carmichael, Cheval, Coupal, Dacust, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Huntington, Kempt, Killam, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McCallum, McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.) Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Wood, and Young.—48.

Nays:

Messrs. Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Connell, Costigan, Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Holmes, Howe, Hunt, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, O Connor, Perry, Pope, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaile, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Dundas], Ross [Prince Edward], Ryan [King's N. B.], Scatcherd, Shanly, Simpson, Sproat, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, and Wright [Ottawa County].—93.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved in amendment, that the Resolutions be not now concurred in, but that they be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with an instruction to amend the same, by substituting the following instead of Resolutions Nos. 4, 5, and 6.

Whereas the Crown Domain of Newfoundland has not hitherto yielded any net revenue, and will not be likely to do so, if taken under the management of the Government of the Dominion.

And, whereas, the said Crown Domain can be more economically managed by the local Government of the Island which is more immediately interested in the development of its mineral and agricultural resources.

And, whereas, it is right and just to afford Newfoundland the means absolutely necessary for providing for the proper and efficient administration of its local Government and local affairs: Therefore

Resolved, That all lands, mines, minerals and royalties vested in Her Majesty in the Province of Newfoundland shall belong to the Government of Newfoundland, subject to any trusts that may exist in respect to any such lands, mines, minerals and royalties or any interest of any other persons in respect of the same;

Resolved, That in consideration of the transfer to the General Parliament of the powers of taxation, and in order to enable Newfoundland to provide for its local services, and to carry on its local Government, the following sums [namely, $35,000 and $150,000 making $185,000] shall be paid yearly by Canada to Newfoundland, that is to say: the said sum of $185,000, and an annual grant equal to 80 cents per head of the aforesaid population—both half-yearly in advance—such grant of 80 cents per head to be augmented in proportion to the increase of population as shewn by such decennial census, until the population amounts to 400,000, at which rate such grant shall thereafter remain—it being understood that the first census shall be taken in the year 1871.

And notice being taken that the motion is out of Order, inasmuch as it alters the manner in which the amount recommended by His Excellency's Message is to be applied.

Mr. Speaker declared the said motion in amendment to be out of Order.

The first Resolution was then agreed to.

The second and third Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The fourth Resolution being read a second time;—it was agreed to on a division.

The fifth Resolution being read a second time,

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be referred back to the Committee of the Whole to amend the same, by giving the lands therein mentioned to Newfoundland.

Mr. Speaker declared this motion out of order, inasmuch as The House, by rejecting Mr. *Blake's* proposed amendment, had already decided upon the question involved in this motion.

The fifth resolution was then agreed to.

The sixth and seventh resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The eighth resolution being read a second time,

Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte* moved in amendment, that the said resolution be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of amending the same by striking out the words, "as well as the present duty on coal entering the said Harbor," and the words "duties on coal and," in the 4th line of the said Resolution; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Anglin, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Cameron [Inverness], Carmichael, Chipman, Coffin, Coupal, Currier, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Huntington, Kempt, Killam, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McCallum, McKeagney, McMonies, Miils, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pickard, Ray, Redford, Ross, [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Wells, Whitehead, Wright, [York, Ontario, W. R.] and Young.—47.

Nays:

Messrs Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Caldwell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Connell, Costigan, Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A. [Kingston], McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald [Middlesex], Magill, Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark] McGreevy, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross, (Prince Edward), Ryan [King's, N. B], Shanly, Simpson, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wilson, Wood, and Workman.—91.

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

The eighth Resolution was then agreed to on a division.

The ninth to the fifteenth Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, That it be *Resolved*, That an address embodying the said Resolutions, be presented to Her Majesty, and that a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, Hon. Mr. *Howe*, Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, and the mover be appointed to draw up the said address; which was agreed to, on a division.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*, from the committee so appointed, reported the draft of an address to Her Majesty, founded on the said Resolutions, which 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 the Dominion of Canada in Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing:

That during the present Session of Parliament we have taken into consideration the subject of the admission of the Colony of Newfoundland into the Union, or Dominion of Canada, and have resolved that it is expedient that such admission should be effected at as early a date as may be found practicable under the 146th Section of the British North America Act, 1867, on the conditions hereinafter set forth, which have been agreed upon with the Delegates from the said Colony, that is to say:

That Canada shall be liable for the debts and liabilities of Newfoundland, existing at the time of the Union.

That for the purpose of placing the interest on the public debts of Newfoundland on the same footing as that of the other Provinces, Canada, will, on the request of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of Newfoundland, make arrangements to substitute in lieu of the existing securities which now represent the public debt of Newfoundland, the Bonds or Stock, either of the late Province of Canada, or of the Provinces of New Brunswick or Nova Scotia, issued before the 1st July, 1867; and will further endeavor to provide that the securities of Newfoundland shall be placed on the same footing as those of the other Provinces, as investments in which the Sinking Funds of any portion of the Debts for which Canada is now responsible, may be made.

That Newfoundland not having incurred debts equal to those of the other Provinces now constituting the Dominion, shall be entitled to receive by half yearly payments in advance from the General Government interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the difference between the actual amount of its indebtedness and the indebtedness per head of the population of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; the population of Newfoundland being estimated at 130,000.

That in consideration of the transfer to the general Parliament of the powers of taxation, the following sums shall be paid yearly by Canada to Newfoundland, for the support of its Government and Legislature, to wit:— $35,000, and an annual grant equal to 80 cents per head of the aforesaid population, both half yearly in advance.

Such grant of 80 cents per head to be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by each subsequent decennial census, until the population amounts to 400,000, at which rate such grant shall thereafter remain; it being understood that the first census shall be taken in the year 1871.

That in consideration of the transfer to the General Government by Newfoundland of the now ungranted and unoccupied lands, mines and minerals of the Colony,the sum of $150,000 shall each year be paid to Newfoundland by semi-annual payments in advance; the Colony shall retain the right of opening, constructing and controlling roads and bridges through any of the said lands, and the privilege heretofore enjoyed by the inhabitants of Newfoundland of cutting [free of charge] wood on the ungranted lands of the Crown, shall continue to be exercised by them in like manner free of charge, but the aforesaid reservations shall be subject to such regulations as may, from time to time, be passed by the Lieutenant-Governor of Newfoundland, in Council, and which regulations shall be subject to the approval of the Governor General in Council.

Such surrender shall also be subject to the reservations and provisos contained in the 7th and 8th Sections of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 7 Vic., cap. 1, but these shall in like manner be at all times subject to approval as aforesaid.

That it shall be optional, however, for Newfoundland, before entering the Union, to reserve to itself all the lands and rights conveyed to the General Government by the last preceding clause, and in that case Canada shall be relieved of the payment of the aforesaid sum of $150,000 per annum.

That the encouragement, benefits, and protection accorded by the Dominion to fisheries in other parts thereof shall be extended to the fisheries of Newfoundland, and unless Parliament shall make other provision, the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland, 31 Vic., cap. 1, sec. 3, shall remain in force.

That in addition to the present local water rates and assessments in the Town of St. John, the water dues now payable by vessels entering that harbour, as well as the present duty on coal entering the said harbour, shall be available to Newfoundland, and be applied in reduction of the interest for which Newfoundland is now responsible in respect of its liability toward the General Water Company. Such duties on coal and water dues shall be subject to adjustment from time to time by the Legislature of Newfoundland. On an address of such Legislature to that effect, the Dominion Government will issue Bonds bearing interest at 5 per cent per annum, maturing not less than 15 years from the dates thereof, to be delivered to the Government of Newfoundland for the purpose of funding the aforesaid liability to the said General Water Company. On a like address, the Dominion Government will also issue Bonds to fund the liability contracted in respect of the Harbor Grace Water Company, all such sums being charged to Newfoundland as part of its debt.

That the Dominion will provide an efficient mail service between the present Dominion, Newfoundland, and the United Kingdom, by steamers adapted and giving adequate facilities for the conveyance of passengers and cargo.

The obligations of Newfoundland with respect to the present Mail Service between Newfoundland and Halifax will be undertaken by the Government of the Dominion, and on the expiry of existing arrangements other provision will be made for maintaining the services in a manner equally advantageous to Newfoundland.

Efficient Coast steam service, including Labrador, in connection with the Post Office, will be established and maintained by the Government of the Dominion.

That Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services:

Salary of the Lieutenant-Governor.

Salaries and allowances of the Judges of the Superior Court, the Judges of District Courts, and the Labrador Judge and Bailiff.

The charges in respect of the Department of Customs.

Postal Department.

Protection of Fisheries.

Provision for Volunteer Militia, and Naval Brigade Force.

Light Houses, Shipwrecked Crews, Quarantine and Marine Hospitals.

The Surveyor-General and his Staff, [in case the lands shall be tranferred.]

The Geological Survey.

The Penitentiary.

And such further charges as may be incident to and connected with the services, which by the British North America Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are or may be allowed to the other Provinces.

That no exceptional tax shall be imposed on any of the exports of Newfoundland.

That Newfoundland shall, in case the Union takes place, previous to the next census, in the year 1871, be entitled to be represented by eight Members in the House of Commons, and thereafter the representation shall be subject to the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867.

That the Union shall take effect on such day as Her Majesty by order in Council, on an Address is to that effect, in terms of the 146th section of the British North America Act, 1867, may direct, and Newfoundland may in such Address specify the divisions if any, for which any of the four Senators to which that colony is entitled shall be named; and the Electoral Districts for which, and the time within which the first election for Members to serve in the House of Commons in Canada, shall take place.

That the Constitution of the Executive authority, and of the Legislature of Newfoundland, shall, subject to the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867, continue as they exist at the Union, until altered under the authority of that Act.

That the provisions in the British North America Act, 1867, shall—except those parts thereof which are in terms made or by reasonable intendment, may be held to be specially applicable to, and only to affect one and not all of the Provinces now composing the Dominion, and except so far as the same may be varied by the provisions herein made, be applicable to Newfoundland, in the same way, and to the like extent, as they apply to the other Provinces of the Dominion, and as if the Colony of Newfoundland had been one of the Provinces originally united by the said Act.

We therefore humbly pray, that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased, by and with the advice of Your Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, under the provisions of the 146th Section of the British North Act, 1867, to admit Newfoundland into the Union or Dominion of Canada, on the terms and conditions herein before set forth.

The said Address being read a second time, was agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General; praying that he will be pleased to transmit the foregoing Address to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, the foregoing Address was ordered to be engrossed.

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

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Prince Edward Island.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were proposed:

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor by and with the advice of the Privy Council, to enter into such negotiations, and to make such arrangements as he may deem expedient, with the Government and Legislature of Prince Edward Island, with a view to the admission of that Colony into the Dominion, including in such arrangements provision for the acquisition of the disputed proprietary rights of the original grantees of the Crown of the lands in the said Island, for the purpose of effecting a commutation of tenure in favor of the tenants of such grantees on fair and liberal terms.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor, by and with the advice of the Privy Council, to make such fiscal arrangements as to him may seem requisite for the purposes mentioned in the next preceding Resolution, and to raise by Loan or otherwise, on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest, with such Sinking Fund, and subject to such conditions, as he may think most advisable, such sum as he may find necessary for the said purposes, and that any such Loan be a charge upon the consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. *Resolved*, That all such arrangements shall be subject to the approval of Parliament.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight.

Friday, 11th June, 1869.

And the question being put on the said Resolutions, they were adopted.
To be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported.—To be taken into consideration at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The House then adjourned at 12.37, A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Wright (Ottawa)—On Monday next—That the name of Mr. *Holmes* be added to the Select Committee appointed to report on the petitions praying for the improvement of the navigation of the Ottawa River.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Saturday next—Enquiry of Ministry whether any, and if any, which of the following Acts of the Parliament of Ontario have been disallowed:

1. The Law Reform Act of 1868.
2. The Act to secure the Independence of Parliament.
3. The Act for the payment of increased salaries to the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law.

No. 39.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 10TH JUNE, 1869.

2nd Session, 1st Parliament, 32 Victoria, 1869.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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No. 40.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 11TH JUNE, 1869.

Two Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the seventh Report of the said Committee, as follows :

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

Return to Address,—Return of Licences granted to American Fishermen to fish in waters of the Dominion, and the names of the vessels, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Department of Customs and Officers of Frontier Ports, relative to the seizure of Foreign Vessels, also memorials or letters addressed to the Department, and Orders in Council.

Return to Address,—Correspondence and Despatches between the Government of Canada and that of Great Britain, the Cabinet at Washington, or the British Ambassador at Washington, in reference to a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty.

Return to an Order of the House of Commons,—Statement of the names of the Engineers and others employed on the Intercolonial Railroad, the date of their appointment, the sections on which they were employed, and the Province they resided in at the period of their appointment.

Return to Address,—Statement of Square Timber, &c., shipped to the United States from the respective Provinces now forming the Dominion of Canada.

Return to an Order of the House of Commons, showing the names of the officers in the Civil Service who have received any allowance for special or other services, showing amount of salary and the additional amount so paid in each case.

Return to Address (supplementary),—Relative to the surveys of the several proposed routes for the Intercolonial Railway, together with Orders in Council, &c., &c. [In Sessional Papers only.]

Return to Address,—Correspondence, Orders in Council &c., touching the claims of the government against James Beaty, Esq., or the York Roads Company, or touching the claims of Mr. *Beaty* or the Company against the Government. [For distribution only.]

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

Return to Address,—Papers and documents relating to the accusation, trial and condemnation of the Rev. *John McMahon*, a Roman Catholic Priest, after the invasion of Fenians in the County of Welland, in the Province of Ontario, on the 2nd day of June 1866.

Return to Address, Correspondence between the Government of the Dominion and the local Government of New Brunswick relating to subsidies provided by the Act of 1864, for construction of Railways in New Brunswick, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the Engineer of St. Peter's Canal.

Return to Address,—Correspondence relative fo the surveys of the several proposed routes for the Intercolonial Railway.

He also presented the Eighth Report of the said Committee, as follows :

COMMITTEE ROOM, 10th June, 1869.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament beg leave to submit the following as their Eighth Report:

The Sixth Report having been referred back to the Committee by the House of Commons, with a recommendation to accept the lowest tender, and the Senate having discharged the Order for the adoption of the said Report, without making any recommendation to the Committee, the Committee conceive that it would best serve the public interests by reporting, as follows :—The Joint Committee was formed for the purpose of managing the printing services of Parliament, and, in the performance of that duty, recommended the issue of tenders for the several services, which recommendation was adopted by both Houses. The Committee advertised for tenders, reserving the right of not accepting the lowest. The two lowest tenders were from Mr. *I. B. Taylor* of Ottawa, and Messrs. *Hunter, Rose & Lemieux*, the present Contractors. The former was the lowest by $1,775 99 ; but the Committee, after careful examination of Mr. *Taylor's* tender, and finding in some cases the items tendered for at less than journeymen's prices, and others at such a bare margin as not to be sufficient to make up the apparent loss, came to the conclusion to reject the tender. On the examination of the Tender of Messrs. *Hunter, Rose & Lemieux*, though some of the items tendered for are evidently below cost, others are at such rates as may counterbalance the loss, giving the Committee a reasonable expectation that the work could be performed by them with satisfaction to Parliament and themselves. On this ground, as well as the further assurance of this firm having satisfactorily performed the duty for the past nine years, thus giving, from their experience, a further, and the very best guarantee, that having a thorough knowledge of what was required of them, they would be able to carry out their contract, the Committee recommended their tender for acceptance, considering it the safest, and, in the end, the cheapest. And as in the session of 1859, the then Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the late Province of Canada, in their discretion rejected the lowest tender (which was $3,000 less than the one they recommended,) and the Report was referred back for the Committee to submit their calculations ; in doing so, the Committee simply reported the calculations and the names of the several tenderers, leaving the responsibility of selection to the Legislature ; the result of which was the selection of the lowest tenderer, who failed within the year, involving great annoyance and heavy pecuniary loss, though his sureties were undoubted.

The Committee now respectfully beg to report the names of the several Tenderers, with the total calculations for each, leaving to Parliament the responsibility of selection :

I. B. Taylor	$14,696 76
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Robertson & Cooke	21,018 64½
Anne Lovell	21,531 75½
James Cotton	22,693 23
E. A. Taylor & Co	26,698 21

The Committee having received a communication from Messrs. *Hunter, Rose & Lemieux*, requesting to be allowed to withdraw their tender for the supplying of the Printing Paper, recommend that they be permitted to do so ; and also recommend that the tender of Mr. *James Barber* be accepted instead.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. MACKENZIE.

Minutes of the proceedings of the Committee.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
June 10th, 1869.

Committee met,

PRESENT :

Hon. Messrs. Anderson,
" Bureau,
" Burnham,
" Dumouchel,
" Odell,
" Olivier,
" Reesor,
" Sanborn,
" Simpson,

Messrs. Beaty,
" Bellerose,
" Bowell,
" Brousseau,
" Ferguson,
" Mackenzie,
" Stevenson,
" Young.

Hon. Mr. *Simpson* in the Chair.

The Clerk read the following reference to the Committee from the House of Commons:

MONDAY, 7th June, 1869.

Ordered, That the Sixth Report be referred back to the said Committee, with the recommendation to amend the same by reporting for acceptance the Tender of *I. B. Taylor* for Printing, said Tender being the lowest on the aggregate amount by $1,775.99 per annum, and $8,879.95 for the five years for which the contract is to be given, or if continued for ten years, $17,759.90 upon his furnishing acceptable security, in accordance with the terms in the printed form of Tender supplied by the said Printing Committee.

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *Sanborn*, seconded by Mr. *Bellerose*, that it be

Resolved, That the Sixth Report having been referred back to the Committee by the House of Commons, with a recommendation to accept the lowest tender, and the Senate having discharged the Order for the adoption of the said Sixth Report, without making any recommendation to the Committee, the Committee conceive that it would best serve the public interests by reporting as follows :—

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Moved, in amendment, by Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*,

That the recommendation to this Committee by the House of Commons to substitute the name of "*I. B. Taylor*" for that of "*Hunter, Rose & Lemieux*," in the tenders for Printing in the Sixth Report of the Joint Committee on Printing, and to report the same to Parliament for acceptance, be adopted ; and that said change be made.

And the question being put on the amendment, the Committee divided ; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

Yeas :	*Nays :*
Hon. Messrs. Anderson,	Hon. Messrs. Bureau,
Burnham,	Dumouchel,
Messrs. Beaty,	Odell,
Bowell,	Olivier,
Ferguson,	Reesor,
Stephenson—6.	Sanborn,
	Messrs. Bellerose,
	Brousseau,
	Mackenzie,
	Young—10.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main question being put, the Committee divided : and the names being called for they were taken down, as follow :

Yeas :	*Nays :*
Hon. Messrs. Bureau,	Hon. Messrs. Anderson,
Dumouchel,	Burnham,
Olivier,	Odell,
Reesor,	Beaty,
Sanborn,	Bowell,
Messrs. Bellerose,	Ferguson,
Brousseau,	Stephenson—7.
Mackenzie,	
Young—9.	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clerk submitted the following letter and enclosure from Messrs. *Hunter, Rose & Lemieux*, which were read :—

OTTAWA, 9th June, 1869.

SIR,—We respectfully ask the Joint Committee on Printing to allow us to withdraw our tender for the supply of paper; and the enclosed letter received lately from our English correspondent, declining to confirm the verbal arrangement we made with their Mr. *Thompson*, we hope will be considered sufficient reason for our non-acceptance of the contract which the Committee almost unanimously awarded us.

We are, sir,
Your obt. servants,
HUNTER, ROSE & LEMIEUX.

Hy. Hartney, ESQ.,
Clerk Joint Com. Pg.

42, UPPER THAMES STREET,
London, 25th May, 1869.

Messrs. Hunter, Rose & Lemieux,
Ottawa.
(Enclosure).

DEAR SIR,—Your favor of 7th instant, addressed to me at Aberdeen, was sent on here, and after further correspondence with the Cutter Mill Company on the subject of the contract, I was instructed to wire to you by cable the following message which I did on Saturday, 22nd instant.

Willing to contract for one year.
Discount, five per cent.

As I wrote to you on the 19th instant, Mr. *Johnston*, the Manager, is quite opposed to a five years contract in case of any serious rise in the price of material, and although I urged the acceptance of five years, should you be successful, I of course was over-ruled.

Well, as I already stated in my former letter, I regret this result; had it been a matter connected with our own Mill it might have been different. I fancy that it is only in the case of printing paper that the Ontario Government look so far ahead.

When you write please let me know what has been done in Mr. *Desbarats'* case—I have not heard a syllable on the subject since I left the Country.

With kind regards
I am, yours faithfully
JAS. THOMPSON.

Moved by Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*,—That as Messrs. *Hunter, Rose & Lemieux*, by their letter of 9th inst., have asked to be allowed to withdraw their tender for the supplying of the printing paper for the reasons therein set forth, it be recommended that the permission be granted, and that the tender of Mr. *James Barber* be accepted instead.—Carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, the letter of Mr. *I. B. Taylor* accompanying his tender for the Printing &c., was read as follows :

OFFICE OF THE OTTAWA CITIZEN,
Ottawa, May 27th, 1868.

Henry Hartney, Esq., Department of Printing of Parliament.

SIR,—I enclose herewith a tender from myself for the Printing, &c., of Parliament.

I beg to name Messrs. *M. S. Stevenson* and *J. A. Gouin* as my securities. If any others are required I undertake to furnish them to the satisfaction of the Printing Committee.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
I. B. TAYLOR.

On motion of Mr. *Bowell*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*, it was
Ordered, That the proceedings of the Committee be reported to Parliament in detail.
Adjourned.

Attest.

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing.

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* presented, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 31st ult., a statement showing the quantity of land sold or leased on Manitoulin Island; the quantity of land held under Timber licenses, with the names of all purchasers or lessees of land or Timber limits, with the date of sale or lease, and the price paid and terms made for such lands, leases, or limits.

Also, in obedience to the Order of the House of the 7th instant, a statement showing the amount for which the late Province of Canada became liable on account of the redemption of the Seigniorial Tenure; and of the amounts which Upper Canada and the Townships separately received as compensation.

And, Return to Address of the 7th instant; for copy of the despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and *Chandos* establishing the Order of Precedence in this Dominion; together with any correspondence had by the Government of Canada with the Home Government, or with any individual or denomination of Christians in this Dominion upon the subject; with all Orders in Council, or other documents relating to the same.

He also delivered the following Messages from His Excellency, the Governor General:

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, the Report of the Delegates to England, of their correspondence with Her Majesty's Government on the subject of Fortifications, Defences, etc., etc.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 11th June, 1869.

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The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commonns, a Report from the Canadian Delegates of their correspondence, whilst in England, with Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of the coasting trade and navigation; and on the question of Reciprocal Free Trade between the United States, and the Dominion of Canada.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 11th June, 1869.

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, Reports made by the Canadian Delegates to London, of a correspondence had by them with Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies or the following subjects:—

1st. Respecting the losses sustained by the Canadian Government and people in repelling the attacks of the so called Fenians.

2nd. On the subject of San Juan Island.

3rd. The protection of the Fisheries.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 11th June, 1869.

Hon. Sir. *George E. Cartier* laid before the House,—by command of His Excellency, the Report (in part) on the State of the Militia of the Province of Canada, for the year 1868.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill (No. 110) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting the trial and punishment of Juvenile offenders," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said Bill was read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow).—

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions relative to the affairs of tbe Province of Nova Scotia, respecting the terms of a certain arrangement, affecting that Province.

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment, that all the words after "that" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof;—

"the British North America Act, 1867, has fixed and settled the mutual liabilities of Canada and of each Province in respect of the public debt, and the amount payable by Canada to each Province for the support of its Government and Legislature;

"That the said Act does not empower the Parliament of Canada to change the basis of Union thereby fixed and settled;

"That the unauthorized assumption of such power by the Parliament of Canada would imperil the interests of the several Provinces, weaken the bond of Union, and shake the stability of the Constitution,

"That the proposed resolutions on the subject of Nova Scotia involve the assumption of such power.

"And that therefore this House, while ready to give its best consideration to any proposals to procure in a constitutional way any needed changes in the basis of Union, deems it inexpedient to go into Committee on the said proposed resolutions."

(*At half-past seven o'clock, P. M., the Order for Private Bills was called under Rule* 19.)

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that the Bill (No. 83) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *John Horace Stevenson*," be now read a third time, which was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Abbott, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Huron), Carling, Carmichael, Cartwright, Chamberlin, Colby, Connell, Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Ferguson, Gray, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Howe, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Killam, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McLelan, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munro, Oliver, Pickard, Read, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Shanly, Smith, Sproat, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—68.

Nays:

Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Inverness), Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Grover, Holton, Hurdon, Irvine, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Langlois, Le Vesconte, Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McMillan, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pozer, Rankin, Renaud, Ross [Champlain], Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Tremblay, Webb, and Wright [Ottawa County].—55.

The Bill was accordingly read a third time.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that the said Bill do pass; which was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Abbott, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Huron,] Carling, Carmichael, Cartwright, Chamberlin, Chipman, Colby, Connell, Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Gray, Hagar. Harrison, Heath, Howe, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Killam, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald, [Glengarry], Macdonald, Sir J. A. [Kingston], McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald, [Middlesex], MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McLelan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, Oliver, Pickard, Rankin, Ray, Read, Redford, Rose, Ross, (Prince Edward), Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Shanly, Simpson, Smith, Sproat, Stirton, Street, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson (Ontario), Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—78.

Nays:

Messrs Anglin, Archambeault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron [Inverness], Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chauveau, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Grover, Holmes, Holton, Hurdon, Irvine, Keeler, Kempt, Langevin, Langlois, Le Vesconte, Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne] McCarthy, McGreevy, McMillan, O'Connor, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Power, Pozer, Renaud, Ross (Champlain), Simard, Snider, Stephenson, Tremblay, Webb, and Wright (Ottawa County).—59.

The Bill accordingly passed.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, viz :—

No. (82) from the Senate, intituled : " An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clark*, (as amended).

No. [44] To enable *Janes Blanchfield Smith* to obtain an extension of the Patent of a certain Invention.

The Order for The House to go into Committee on the Bill (No 34) to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers, was discharged, the said Bill withdrawn, and the fee thereon ordered to be remitted.

At half past eight o'clock, P. M., The House resumed the discussion on the motion " that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Nova Scotia," and of Mr. *Blake's* proposed motion in amendment thereto.

And a Debate arising thereon.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved, that the Debate be adjourned.

And the debate continuing,

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, midnight,

SATURDAY, 12th June, 1869.

Hon. Mr. *Holton's* motion for the adjournment of the Debate was then, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment, it was negatived on the following Division :

Yeas :

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Connell, Coupal, Crawford (Leeds), Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Harrison, Holton, Huntington, Kempt, Little, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson [Ontario], Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wood, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young—57.

Nays :

Messrs. Abbott, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Heath, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Power, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ryan [King's N. B.], Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, Willson, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County]—96.

The House then went into Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to add to the sums payable to the Province of Nova Scotia under the British North America Act, 1867.

2. *Resolvd*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall be liable to Canada for he amount (if any) by which its public debt at the Union exceeded nine million one hundred and eight-six thousand seven hundred and fifty-six dollars, and shall be chargeable with interest on such excess only, and shall be entitled to interest on any amount by which its public debt then fell short of that sum, as if the said sum were mentioned in sections one hundred and fourteen and one hundred and sixteen, of the British North America Act, 1867, instead of that of eight million dollars.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall receive from Canada, for the period of ten years from the first day of July, 1867, an allowance of eighty-two thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars per annum, in addition to all other sums payable to the said Province under the British North America Act, 1867; and that such allowance shall hereafter be paid by half-yearly payments in advance from the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, the arrears thereof up to the day last mentioned, being capitalized either in whole or in part as the Governor in Council may determine, and the interest on the part capitalized being payable until the end of the said ten years, when the principal shall be paid.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall, from the date of the completion of the new Province Building, be debited in account with Canada, with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, on the cost of that Building, until it shall have been placed at the disposal of the Dominion.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that all sums mentioned in any Act to be passed in pursuance of the foregoing Resolutions shall be currency of the former Province of Canada, and shall be a charge upon and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

To be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported.—To be considered at the next sitting of the House, this day.—

NOTICES

Mr. *Glen*—On Friday next—Enq
paid by the Canadian Pacific Railway
several lines owned or leased by ther
to the Dominion of Canada? How n
out of the earnings of the said leased
can be applied in payment of interest

Mr. *Cameron* (Inverness)—On Fr
correspondence relative to the clos
Harbour, with copies of all reports of
reference to the matter.

Mr. *Cameron* (Middlesex)—On F
any complaints made to the Departm
intelligence officer in the employmen
of the said Brokovski to his Departm
or such periods of said years as he w
together with all letters or commun
Brokovski be abolished.

Mr. *Casey*—On Friday next—E
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will the Government lay it before the H
of the service, requiring such report, n

Sir *Hector Langevin*—On Tuesday
the Union Suspension Bridge."

Mr. *Watson*—On Friday next—En
Government to reduce the price of Pre

Mr. *Watson*—On Friday next—En
Government to proceed with the dredg
improving the navigation of Lake Man

Mr. *King*—On Friday next—Enqu
of the Government to improve the nav
Lake, N.B., by dredging, this year?

Mr. *Glen*—On Friday next—Orde
number of acres of land sold to Coloniz
January 1st, 1886; also the total price

No. 18.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1886.

4th Session, 5th Parliament, 49 Victoria, 1886.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bill (No. 48) to amend and Consolidate the Acts respecting the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company, with amendments.

Hon. Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, reported, that with reference to the Bill (No. 42) to incorporate the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company in view of the representations made by the Great Western Railway Company, in reference to their intention to carry into effect the powers conferred upon them by their Acts of Incorporation to cross the River Detroit at this point by a Bridge or Tunnel, they deem it inexpedient to proceed with this Bill during the present Session; and they therefore report the same with the evidence and proceedings of the Committee had thereon.

The House then adjourned at 2.35, A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bodwell*—On Monday next—That the Return to an Address for copies of the Despatch of the Duke of *Buckingham* and *Chandos* establishing an order of precedence in this Dominion, to be referred to a Special Committee with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time. Said Committee to consist of

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

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor Géneral for all Reports and correspondence in the Departments of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries touching the Piscicultural establishments in Lake Ontario and elsewhere in the Dominion.

No. 40.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 11TH JUNE, 1869.

2nd Session, 1st Parliament, 32 Victoria, 1869.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

No. 41.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 12TH JUNE, 1869.

Two Petitions were brought up and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the London Board of Trade; praying that the existing system of Banking may be continued.

Of the Reverend *Maurice Swabey*, B.A., Rector and Church Wardens and Vestry of St. Jude's Church, in the Parish of Victoria, in the City of St. John, New Brunswick; praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Province of New Brunswick to be represented in the Provincial Synods of Canada.

Of the Reverend *J. Gaboury*, Curé, and others, of the Parish of St. Marcel, County of Richelieu; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to empower the Company for the improvement and deepening of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, to levy tolls on vessels navigating the said Rivers may not become law, unless it be amended by providing that the said Company shall extend their improvements to the mouth of the River Salvail, or that all residents above the Forcier shoal shall be exempted from the payment of tolls on the said river.

Of Messrs. *Duffield* Brothers, and others, Oil Refiners of London (Ontario); praying that the Inspection fee duty on Refined Petroleum be abolished, and that the fee hitherto charged be refunded.

Of *James C. Huffman*, and others, of Napanee; praying for the passing of an Act granting Letters Patent to the Inventor or first Introducer, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the invention in the Dominion.

Mr. *Magill*, from the Select Committee on the subject of the Hop growing and Salt interests in Canada, presented the first Report of the said Committee, as follows:—

After full investigation into the extent and condition of Hop growing in Canada, they find

1. That it is an important and increasing industry, extending over various sections of the Dominion, and affording large employment for capital and labor.

2. That the Plant of a Hop-field, including buildings, presses, poles, &c., involves an outlay greatly exceeding that required in ordinary Agricultural pursuits.

3. That the business is peculiarly hazardous, the crop varying from 500 to 2,000 lbs. per acre, and the price from 5 to 50 cents per lb.

4. That for the past years Hops have been sold at a loss to the producer of 8 to 10 cents per lb., with no prospect of amendment for the ensuing year, occasioned in a great degree, as the Committee believe, by the unrestricted importation of foreign Hops, while the Canadian producer is subjected to a duty of five cents per lb. upon Hops exported to the neighbouring markets.

5. Your Committee have reason to believe that many Hop Growers have been induced to continue an unprofitable business under the belief and assurance that a duty would be imposed upon foreign Hops at the present Session of Parliament, unless reciprocal trade relations with the United States had been previously established.

12th June 1869

6. That unless some speedy measure of relief be afforded ; the prosecution of this important industry must necessarily be abandoned, to the great loss of individuals and the manifest injury of the public.

Wherefore the Committee beg respectfully to recommend the immediate adoption of such measures as will tend to avert the injury which must result from a discontinuance of Hop growing in the Dominion.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 7th instant; for copies of all correspondence between the Government of the Dominion of Canada and the Local Governments of the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and between the Government of Canada and the Judges of the Superior Courts of those Provinces respecting the salaries of the said Judges as provided for them by the Parliament of Canada.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, it was *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his warrant for a new writ of Election for a Member to represent the Electoral District of L'Islet in the House of Commons, the Election for which Electoral District has been declared null and void.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, yesterday, relating to the affairs of the Province of Nova Scotia, were reported, and are as follows :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to add to the sums payable to the Province of Nova Scotia under the British North America Act, 1867.

2. *Resolvd*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall be liable to Canada for he amount (if any) by which its public debt at the Union exceeded nine million one hundred and eight-six thousand seven hundred and fifty-six dollars, and shall be chargeable with interest on such excess only, and shall be entitled to interest on any amount by which its public debt then fell short of that sum, as if the said sum were mentioned in sections one hundred and fourteen and one hundred and sixteen, of the British North America Act, 1867, instead of that of eight million dollars.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that Nova Scotia shall receive from Canada, for the period of ten years from the first day of July, 1867, an allowance of eighty-two thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars per annum, in addition to all other sums payable to the said Province under the British North America Act, 1867; and that such allowance shall hereafter be paid by half-yearly payments in advance from the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, the arrears thereof up to the day last mentioned, being capitalized either in whole or in part as the Governor in Council may determine, and the interest on the part capitalized being payable until the end of the said ten years, when the principal shall be paid.

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5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that all sums mentioned in any Act to be passed in pursuance of the foregoing Resolutions shall be currency of the former Province of Canada, and shall be a charge upon and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that the first Resolution be now read a second time.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved in amendment, That all the words after "that" in the said motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof: "it be *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House it is inexpedient to disturb the financial arrangements settled between the Provinces composing the Dominion of Canada as settled by the British North America Act, in favor of Nova Scotia, without at the same time making provision for increasing in due proportion, and on principles alike just to the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, the amount of debt allowed by the British North America Act to the late Province of Canada, and the half-yearly payments to the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario respectively."

Objection being taken by Hon. Mr. *Galt*, Member for the Electoral Division of Sherbrooke, to the said motion in amendment, that it is out of order, inasmuch as it proposes an expenditure in excess of that recommended by His Excellency's Message, and therefore under the 54th Section of the British America Act, 1867, it could not be submitted to this House ;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows : "I do not lay any stress on the fact that the Committee, having affirmed a certain expenditure, The House is in a measure bound by it. I cannot agree with the Hon. Member for Sherbrooke in regard to a decision of mine which has been quoted. Last Session, on the 15th May, on a motion for the adoption of the Report of a Committee of the Whole on the Militia Bill, the Member for Compton submitted a motion, the object of which was unquestionably to increase the pay of the Officers of the Force. It was not a mere expression of opinion, such as that now before the House ; but it was a step towards passing an Act of Parliament appropriating the public funds. In that important respect it differs from the motion now before The House. The motion of the Hon. Member for Brant is a mere assertion of an abstract principle. Beyond that, it proposes nothing ; it does not propose to take any step in the direction of Legislation,—but, on the contrary, as I read the motion, the effect would be, if passed, to prevent concurrence in the Resolutions, and to stop the whole proceedings,—so that the question on this proposed appropriation could not be approached again, this Session, unless a Message came down from the Crown recommending such additional expenditure. Therefore, I think the argument unsound that this amendment involves a question of additional public expenditure, and, in my opinion, the motion is in order."—

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment, it was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Cameron (Huron), Coupal, Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Kempt, Little, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Tremblay, Wells, Wood, Wright [York, O. W. R.], Young.—46.

Nays :

Messrs. Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Burton, Cameron (Inverness) Cameron [Peel], Carling, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Crawford [Leeds], Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Harrison, Heath, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A., [Kingston], McDonald [Lunenburg], McDonald [Middlesex], Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McDougall, [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara),

O'Connor, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Power, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Smith, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, and Wright [Ottawa County].—88.

The first Resolution was then agreed to,

And the second Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

And the third Resolution being read a second time,

Mr. *Forbes* moved in amendment, That the said Resolution be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with an instruction to expunge the words: "being capitalized either in whole or in part as the Governor in Council may determine, and the interest on the part capitalized being payable until the end of the said ten years, when the principal shall be paid"—and inserting in lieu thereof the following words—"shall be payable on the said day" being in accordance with the Minute of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 25th January, 1869.

Objection being taken by Hon. Mr. *Dunkin*, Member for the Electoral Division of Brome, that the motion is not in Order inasmuch as it proposes an appropriation other than in excess of that recommended by the message of His Excellency the Governor General.

Mr. Speaker decided as follows :—

The motion is out of Order, inasmuch as it varies from the terms proposed in His Excellency's message, and would, in my opinion, if carried, increase the present burthen of the people.

The said Resolution was then agreed to on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Inverness), Carling, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Grant, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald [Middlesex], Masson (Soulanges), Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Power, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Stephenson, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, and Wright, [Ottawa County].—80.

Nays :

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Connell, Coupal, Crawford (Leeds), Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Kempt, Little, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross [Dundas], Ross (Prince Edward), Ross [Wellington C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Tremblay, Wells, Wood, Wright [York Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—51.

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

SUNDAY, 13TH JUNE, 1869.

And the fourth Resolution being read a second time, it was agreed to on the following division :

Yeas :

Messrs. Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Burton, Cameron (Huron), Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Coupal, Dobbie, Dorion, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grant, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Holton, Howe, Jackson, Keeler, Kempt, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald, Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, Masson [Soulanges], Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougal [Lanark], McGreevy, McLelan, McMillan, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pozer, Rankin, Ray, Read, Redford, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross [Dundas], Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Scatcherd, Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Smith, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Walsh, Wells, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—118.

Nays :

Messrs. Cameron [Inverness], Carmichael, Chipman, Forbes, Killam, Le Vesconte, and Power.—7.

And the fifth Resolution being read a second time, it was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* then introduced a Bill (No. 111) respecting Nova Scotia. Second reading on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 12.10, A. M., until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Colby*—On Monday next—Concurrence in the first Report of the Select Committee on Hops and Salt.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Wednesday next—To refer the Return to an Address praying for a statement of the Engineers and others employed on the Intercolonial Railroad to a select Committee, empowered to send for persons, papers and records, and to report from time to time; the said Committee to be composed of

Mr. *McCarthy*—On Monday next—That the Petition of the Mayor and Corporation of the Town of Sorel for a compensation for certain License moneys now collected by the Government which really belong to the said Municipality, as set forth in the said petition, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messrs. *Cayley, Benoit, Bowell, Keeler, Gendron* and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Hon Mr. *Langevin*—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend chapter 67 of the Consolidated "Statutes of Canada, intituled "An Act respecting Electric Telegraph Companies."

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Monday next—Committee of Whole on the following Resolution: That it is expedient that provision shall be made as hereinafter mentioned for improving the channels and facilitating the navigation to the Port of Chatham, in the Province of Ontario, and for the purpose of making good to the Consolidated Revenue Fund any sums which may hereafter be voted by Parliament for that purpose; to authorize the Governor in Council to impose by Proclamation from time to time a tonnage duty not exceeding ten cents per ton on vessels entering the Port aforesaid mentioned in such Proclamation, such duty to be payable not more than once in each year on any vessel not exceeeding one hundred tons, and not more than twice in each year on any vessel exceeding one hundred tons measurement by register.

ERRATA.

In the Division on Mr. *Blake's* amendment (in the Votes of Thursday last) the name of Mr. *Bellerose* was omitted from the Nays, and the Division should be, as follows:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Anglin, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Carmichael, Cheval, Coupal, Daoust, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Huntington, Kempt, Killam, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McCallum, McMonies, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.) Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Haldimand), Thompson (Ontario) Tremblay, Wells, Wood, and Young—48.

Nays:

Messrs. Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron,) Cameron (Peel), Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Connell, Costigan, Crawford (Leeds), Currier, Dobbie, Drew, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald, (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's N. B.), Scatcherd, Shanly, Simpson, Sproat, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, and Wright [Ottawa County].—94.

And in the Division taken on Mr. *Blake's* amendment *yesterday* (English Version) the name of Hon. Mr. *Dorion* is erroneously printed amongst the Nays, as well as the Yeas, although Hon. Mr. *Dorion* voted with the Yeas.

The following is the correct Division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Connell, Coupal, Crawford (Leeds), Dorion, Drew, Ferguson, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Harrison, Holton, Huntington, Kempt, Little, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson [Ontario], Tremblay, Wallace, Wells, Wood, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—57.

Nays:

Messrs. Abbott, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Carling, Carmichael, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Casault, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Grant, Gray, Heath, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Irvine, Jackson, Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne) McCarthy, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Power, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ryan [King's N. B.], Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, Webb, Willson, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—96.

No. 42.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 41.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 12TH JUNE, 1869.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 14TH JUNE, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Robert H. McGreevy*, and others, Shareholders of the Royal Canadian Bank; praying that no Act may be passed granting further power to the present Directors of the said Bank.

Of *George Perron*, Mayor, and others, of the Parish of St. Frédéric, County of Beauce; and of *Pierre Cazaubon*, and others, of L'Isle Dupas; severally praying that the duty on Canadian grown Tobacco, may be abolished.

Of *M. H. Palmer*, and others; praying that the complaints and accusations made against the Honorable *Aimé Lafontaine*, may be declared to be unfounded.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 7th instant; for a detailed statement of all payments that have been made on account of the Public Debt of Nova Scotia since 1st July, 1867, not embraced in the Returns already published and signed by Messrs. *Tims* and *Annand*.

Return to Address of the 26th ult.; for copies of the Accounts of the two Provinces of Ontario and Quebec with the Dominion of Canada, for the six months, from the 1st July, 1868, to the 31st December, 1868.

Return to Address of the 26th April last; for copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government relating to the outlay incurred by Canada in the defence of the Frontier of the United States in 1863-4, and also arising out of the threatened Fenian invasion subsequently, as constituting a claim for indemnity from the United States. Also for copies of all correspondence, orders in Council and documents relating to representations made to the Government of Canada by the United States during the Rebellion of the Southern States.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* introduced a Bill (No. 112) to amend Chapter 67 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Electric Telegrph Companies."—Second reading to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 41. To incorporate the St. Thomas (Ontario) Board of Trade.

No. 95 from the Senate, intituled "An Act to further amend the Charter of the Gore Bank." (Amended.)

No. 100. To incorporate the Canada Marine Insurance Company. (Amended.)

No. 48. To amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company.

The Bill (No. 94) from the Senate, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Bank," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported. Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 45) to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax, was read the second time, and committed for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Bodwell*, it was *Resolved*, That it is desirable that in future, unless the public interests prevent, the Parliament of this Dominion should be called to meet for the despatch of business on some day, not later than the 15th day of February, in each year.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill (No. 113) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to persons charged with indictable

offences;" to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.)

Also agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 55) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting patents of invention," without amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Stephenson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Reports, Plans, Surveys and other documents sent in to the Board of Public Works Department, during the past ten months, and having reference to the location of a Harbor of Refuge on the North Shore of Lake Erie, between Port Colborne and Point Pelée.

On motion of Mr. *Fortier*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement showing the limits of the Pilotage ground, the tariff of Pilots fees, and the number of Pilots in each Port of the Dominion; also shewing in what cases, in what Ports, and above what tonnage Pilotage is compulsory.

Mr. *Jones* (Leeds and Grenville) moved, that it is expedient to impose a duty on all American wheat, Indian corn, rye, and all other grain imported for consumption into the Dominion of Canada; and that such duty shall be equal to 20 per cent on the estimated value of such grain at the Canadian Port of Entry.

Mr. Speaker decided, that the motion is out of order, inasmuch as the imposition of such duties should emanate from the Government.

Mr. *Pope* moved, that the Petition and other papers having reference to the claim of Mr. *Brewster*, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Shanly*, *Chamberlin*, *Colby*, *Hagar*, and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records: which was agreed to on the following division:

Yeas:

Messieurs Archambeault, Ault, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bertrand, Bolton, Bourassa, Bown, Cameron (Inverness), Cayley, Chamberlin, Cheval, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Crawford (Leeds), Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Gaucher, Geoffrion, Godin, Grant, Grover, Hagar, Holton, Hurdon, Keeler, Killam, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), McDonald (Lunenburg), MacFarlane, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McCarthy, McGreevy, McLelan, McMillan, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pope, Pozer, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (Montreal West), Scatcherd, Shanly, Simpson, Street, Thompson [Haldimand], Tremblay, Webb, Willson, Workman, and Wright (Ottawa County).—62.

Nays:

Messieurs Anglin, Benoit, Blake, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Cameron [Huron], Cameron (Peel), Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Coffin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Galt, Gaudet, Gendron, Harrison, Howe, Huot, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Kempt, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pinsonneault, Power, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Ryan [King's N. B.], Simard, Smith, Stirton, Tilley, Wallace, Walsh, Wells, Wood, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—57.

The Select Committee was accordingly appointed.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver*, the first, second, third, and fourth paragraphs of the Report from the Select Committee on the purchase and exportation of American silver, were adopted.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron* (Huron) an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence and documents relating to a registered letter containing money, addressed by a Mrs. *Warnock* to Messrs. *Henderson* & Bro., New York, which said letter never reached its destination.

Mr. *Crawford* (South Leeds) moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the instructions given to Counsel to resist, on behalf of the Government, the application made in the interest of certain policy holders of the Etna Insurance Company of Dublin, to the Court of Chancery of the Province of Ontario, for the distribution of the deposit made by that Company with the Receiver General, pursuant to the Act 23 Victoria, Chapter 3.

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

At 6.30 p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At 19 minutes to 8 o'clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At 19 minutes to 8 o'clock Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and notice being taken that less than 20 Members were in The House, the names were taken down.

Present: Mr. Speaker—Messrs. *Benoit*, *Blake*, *Bolton*, *Bown*, *Dufresne*, *Gaudet*, *Geoffrion*, *Killam*, Hon. Messrs. *Langevin*, *Le Vesconte*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, and Messrs. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), *McCarthy*, *Pickard*, *Sproat*, and *Wright* (York W. R. Ontario). 17.

And at 15 minutes to 8 P. M., Mr. Speaker declared The House adjourned for want of a quorum.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Galt*.—For the Printing of Return to Address setting forth outlay incurred by Canada in defence of the frontier of the United States in 1863–4,—also arising out of the threatened Fenian invasion subsequently; and copies of correspondence, Orders in Council, or relating to representations made by the Government of Canada relating to the Rebellion of the Southern States.

Hon. Mr. *Holton*.—On the motion for the second reading of the Bill respecting Nova Scotia;—that the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that it be resolved:

That in the opinion of this House any disturbance of the financial arrangements respecting the several Provinces provided for in the British North America Act, unless assented to by all the provinces, would be subversive of the system of Government under which this Dominion was constituted, and if effected, as proposed by this Bill in favor of one Province, without at the same time providing for a general revision and re-adjustment of those arrangements, would be manifestly unjust to the other provinces.

Mr. *Fortin*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Reports, estimates, letters and other papers in relation to the construction of the road called the St. Lawrence and Gaspé Road.

Mr. *Young*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return giving in detail all accounts paid by the Government for Printing, other than advertising, from the 1st of January, 1868, up to the present time.

Mr. *Bowell*—After the adoption of the Eighth Report of the Joint Committee on Printing—That the tenders of Mr. *I. B. Taylor* for the Printing required for the Parliament of Canada,—that of Messrs. *Hunter, Rose* and *Lemieux* for Binding, being the lowest,—and that of Mr. *James Barber* for Paper, be accepted; and that the Clerk of this House, under the direction of Mr. Speaker, do prepare contracts for the due performance of said Printing, Binding, and furnishing of Paper, in accordance with the conditions attached to the form of tender for the Printing of the Parliament of the Dominion.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 15TH JUNE, 1869.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that he had received a letter from the Registrar General of New Zealand, transmitting Statistics of that Colony for the year 1867, including the results of a Census taken in December of that year.

He also laid before The House,—Accounts of The House of Commons from the 1st July 1867, to the 31st December, 1868.

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

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* (Peel) from the Select Committee to inquire into the administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa, presented the first Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee beg leave to report that in the course of the inquiry which they have made under the order of The House, both the Petitioners and the Hon. Mr. Justice *Lafontaine* have been represented before them:

That the allegations contained in the Petition against Mr. Justice *Lafontaine*, and his administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa, were reduced into the shape of specific charges under the order of the Committee, and those charges, although containing various specifications, have been divided by the Committee for convenience of examination and inquiry into the four following heads :

First. Mr. *Lafontaine's* conduct as Crown Land Agent, before his appointment as Judge.

Second. His alleged falsification of the Registers of the Superior Court after he became a Judge.

Third. The obstructions and delays by which the Administration of Justice has been impeded, and which are charged to have arisen through his acts and defaults.

Fourth. His inefficient Administration of Criminal Justice.

Upon the first head the evidence is to the following effect :

That Mr. *Lafontaine* was appointed Crown Land Agent for certain Townships in the County of Ottawa in the year 1845, and continued to act as Crown Land Agent until March, 1859, that it was his duty as such Agent to make monthly Returns to the Government of the moneys received by him in his Agency during each month.

That he made those returns, but did not include in them or any of them various sums which he received as such Agent from the year 1850 to the year 1859, and those cases, at the time he was appointed a Judge, had neither been returned nor paid over to the Crown Land Department; that those sums were received from upwards of two hundred people, and in the aggregate amounted to about eight thousand dollars, the whole of which, with the exception of $17.40, was accounted for by him to the Government between the years 1860, 1868.

That one sum of fifteen dollars, not included in the above sum of $8,000, was paid to him as such Agent by one *John Motherwell* as the first instalment of the Purchase Money of Lot 20, Concession 10 of the Township of Masham, and, that that sum has never been accounted for to the Government nor repaid to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser never had any credit for it on his Purchase.

That another sum of $25, not included in the above sum of $8,000, was received by him as such Agent, on account of one *Peter Currie*, as an instalment on East half of Lot 15, Concession 5, Township of Hull, that he never returned nor accounted for that sum to the Crown Land Department, but repaid it with $9 of interest after he became a Judge, and after he had been threatened with legal proceedings for its recovery by the party entitled to its repayment.

That the existence of these defaults became widely known in the District of Ottawa, the persons who were affected by them being mostly residents of that District.

Upon the second head there was no evidence to sustain the charge.

Upon the third head the evidence is to the following effect.

That for many years prior and up to the time of his appointment as a Judge, Mr. *Lafontaine* was Prothonotary of the Superior Court in the District of Ottawa,—that as such Prothonotary he had properly the custody of the Registers of the Court. That after his appointment as a Judge, he did not deliver these Registers to the Prothonotary who succeeded him, but retained them for a period of three years in his own possession, apparently to unite them up and complete the Registry of Judgments which ought to have been registered while he was Prothonotary. That while so retaining the Registers he directed the Deputy Prothonotary to refuse certificates to parties requiring them of the absence of these Registers. That the non-production of these Registers and the refusal of these certificates were productive of delays, and threw impediments and obstructions in the way of suitors of enforcing their claims.

Upon the fourth head the Committee report the evidence.

The Committee further report all the proceedings and evidence that have been taken on the Petition.

Mr. *Bodwell* moved, that it be, 1st *Resolved*, That the tenders of *I. B. Taylor* for the Printing required for the Parliament of Canada, that of *Hunter, Rose & Lemieux* for the Binding, and that of *James Barber* for Paper be accepted.

2nd. *Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing do prepare contracts for the due performance of said Printing, Binding, and furnishing of Paper, in accordance with the conditions attached to the "form of Tenders for the Printing of the Parliament of the Dominion," at the prices mentioned in their respective tenders.

3rd. *Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate, communicating the foregoing Resolutions to their Honors; which was agreed to on a division.

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

No. 114 intituled: "An Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders. (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, read the first time, second reading to-morrow).

No. 115, intituled: "An Act respecting contagious diseases affecting animals." (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, read the first time, second reading to-morrow).

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made in Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, the 9th instant, to the Bill (No. 9) respecting Insolvency.

And the same being read a second time,

Mr. *Geoffrion* moved in amendment, that the Bill be again referred to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending the same, by expunging all portions of the said Bill which deprive of a trial by Jury in the Province of Quebec, persons accused of certain criminal offences therein mentioned; and by providing that the said offences shall in the said Province of Quebec be tried with the ordinary safeguards of a trial by Jury, as it is proposed by the said Bill, they should be tried in the other Provinces of the Dominion; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messieurs Ault, Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Cheval, Chipman, Coffin, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Kempt, Killam, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McCallum, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pope, Power, Pozer, Ray, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross [Wellington, C. R.] Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Thompson (Ontario), Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—63.

Nays:

Messieurs Archambeault, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Bown, Brown, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Keeler, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir John A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Perry, Pinsonneault, Rankin, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross [Champlain], Ross (Dundas), Ryan [King's N. B.], Shanly, Simard, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, and Workman..—76.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be re-committed for the purpose of amending the same by substituting the following for Clause 1. "This Act shall apply to all persons, whether traders, or non-traders, except that in the case of non-traders, there shall be no voluntary assignment under this Act;" which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Anglin, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Brown, Burpee, Cameron (Inverness), Cameron (Peel), Cheval, Coffin, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Dobbie, Forbes, Fortier, Geoffrion, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Holmes, Holton, Jones (Leeds & Grenville), Killam, Lawson, Le Vesconte, MacFarlane, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McMonies, Metcalfe, Oliver, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Rankin, Ray, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Sproat, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Ontario), Webb, Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, and Young.—55.

Nays:

Messrs. Archambeault, Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bowman, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Cimon, Colby, Daoust, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Galt, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Heath, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Little, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald (Glengarry), Macdonald, Sir J. A., (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey,

McDougall (Lanark), McGreevy, McLelan, McMillan, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pozer, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (Montreal West), Simard, Smith, Snider, Stephenson, Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), and Wright (York, Ontario, W. R).—77.

Mr. *Ferguson* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be re-committed for the purpose of expunging all the words after the word "Act" in the third line of section 3, to the words "Lower Canada" in section 153; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas:

Messrs. Bellerose, Bourassa, Bowman, Burton, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Ferguson, Fortier, Godin, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald [Cornwall], Macdonald [Glengarry], Mackenzie, Magill, Masson [Soulanges], Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pope, Ross [Dundas], Ross [Prince Edward], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Walsh, Webb, Whitehead, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R].—32.

Nays:

Messrs. Abbott, Anglin, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowell, Bown, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Cameron (Peel), Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Crawford, [Brockville], Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones [Leeds & Grenville], Keeler, Kempt, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Macdonald Sir J. A. [Kingston], McDonald [Middlesex], Masson [Terrebonne], McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, McMonies, Metcalfe, Morris, Morison [Victoria, O], Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Pozer, Rankin, Ray, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Wellington C. R), Ryan (Montreal West), Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Haldimand), Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Wells, Willson, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa County), and Young.—108.

The amendments, as far as Clause 153 [page 38] made to the said Bill were then agreed to.

Mr. *Godin* then moved, that the Bill be re-committed with an instruction to amend it in such a way as to provide that "The appointment, by the Boards of Trade, of official Assignees, under section 32 shall be obligatory, and shall be made within three months from and after the coming into force of this Act, and in their default such appointments shall be made by the Judge; and in every case of a vacancy occurring by the death, resignation or removal of such assignees, the vacancy shall be filled within the same delay, reckoning from the occurrence of each vacancy, and in the same manner, as hereinbefore set forth :" which was agreed to.

The House went accordingly again into Committee on the said Bill, and made a further amendment thereto, which was reported and agreed to.

Mr. *Magill* then moved, that the Bill be re-committed for the purpose of amending the same, by adding the following :—"Provided always that it shall be open to creditors at any meeting specially held for the purpose, to review the decision of the Inspectors as to any matter still in "*fiere*" and not actually completed ;" which was agreed to.

The House accordingly went again into Committee on the Bill, and reported progress.—Committee to sit again forthwith.

The House then went again into Committee, and made a further amendment; which was reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Harrison* then moved, that the Bill be again referred to a Committee of the Whole to strike out from the beginning of section 140, the words following : "in the Province of Quebec," and after the word "enregistered" the words "within three months after the passing of this Act," and if made or executed after the passing of this Act, then "within three months after the making or execution thereof;"—which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Blake* then moved, to re-commit the Bill for the purpose of amending Clauses 20 and 21, so as to provide for the issue of a writ of attachment, on the like evidence and with the like precautions throughout the whole Dominion, instead of providing, as proposed by the Bill, that in Quebec the writ shall be issued by the Prothonotary on the affidavit of one witness, and that in the rest of the Dominion the writ may be issued by the Judge on the affidavit of not more than two witnesses ;—which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas.

Messieurs Anglin, Ault, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brown, Burpee, Cameron [Inverness], Coffin, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Forbes, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Grant, Hagar, Holmes, Holton, Kempt, Killam, Lawson, LeVesconte, Little, Macdonald [Cornwall], Macdonald [Glengarry] MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Masson [Soulanges], McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pope, Pozer, Rankin, Redford, Ross [Prince Edward], Ross [Wellington C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Haldimand], Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Wright [Ottawa County], Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.] and Young.—62.

Nays.

Messieurs Abbott, Archambault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Brown, Brousseau, Burton, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Crawford [Brockville], Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones [Leeds and Grenville], Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Macdonald, Sir John A., [Kingston], Macdonald, [Middlesex], Masson, [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McLelan, Mc Millan, Morris, Morrison, [Niagara], Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Dundas], Ryan [King's N. B.], Ryan [Montreal West], Shanly, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wilson, and Workman.—79.

Mr. *Blake* then moved, again to re-commit the Bill for the purpose of amending Clause 93 by striking out the words "trading company" in line 12, and inserting "partnership," and the words in line 13 after "shall," and inserting in lieu thereof the following "have known of;" which was agreed to.

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

The House then went again into Committee on the Bill, and made a further amendment; which was reported, read a third time, and agreed to.—

The original amendment to Clause 155, was then concurred in.

And the question being put, that the Bill, as amended, be now read a third time.

Hon. *J. S. Macdonald* moved, to re-commit the Bill for the purpose of amending the same, by providing that the said Act shall continue in force and effect, until the 1st day of January 1873, and to the end of the then next ensuing Session of Parliament, and no longer; which was negatived on a Division.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed on a division.

The Order of the Day, for reading the adjourned Debate upon the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. *Rose*, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for House in Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of Banking and Currency and the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Holton* in amendment thereto, and the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Cameron* in amendment to the said amendment, was discharged.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the following Bills were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, viz;

No. 72. Respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, and of Sessions, in relation to persons charged with indictable offences.

No. 73. Respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, and of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders.

No. 74. Respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases.

No. 75. Respecting the Trial and punishment of Juvenile Offenders.

No. 77. Respecting certain offences against Public Justice.

The Bill (No. 32) respecting Procedure in Criminal Cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill [No. 70] for the more speedy trial in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors, in the Province of Ontario, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, and reported.—Amendments to be considered to-morrow.

The Bill [No. 104] respecting Juvenile Offenders within the Province of Quebec, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow,

The Bill [No. 103] to detach the Township of Doncaster from the County of Montcalm, and attach it to the County of Terrebonne, for electoral purposes, was read the second, and a third time, and passed.

The Bill [No. 101] from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to unite the Beaver and the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Companies," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill [No. 36] to amend the Act passed in the 27th and 28th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to regulate the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather," and the Act passed in the 30th year of Her Majesty's reign intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting the inspection of Leather and Raw Hides," were taken into consideration, and agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill [No. 57] to amend the Law respecting the inspection of Leather and Raw Hides, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions, relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec.

[In the Committee]

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That in case any vessel, or wreck, or other thing, sinks, or is lost in the River St. Lawrence, between the basin of Portneuf, inclusively, and an imaginary line drawn from the eastern anchorage ground off Barnaby Island, near the south shore, to the eastern anchorage ground under Cape Columbia on the north shore of the said river so as to obstruct the navigation of the said river, the master of such vessel or the owner or other person for the time being in charge of such wreck or other thing failing or neglecting to comply with all or any of the provisions of law on that subject, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than *five dollars*, nor more than *ten dollars* for every day or night during which such failure or neglect shall continue, over and above any sum which the Trinity House of Quebec may have expended, as it is hereby authorized to do, in causing such signal by day or light or lights by night, or both; to be placed as aforesaid and to be kept and maintained continually as aforesaid, or only to be kept continually displayed as aforesaid, in consequence of the failure or neglect so to do of such master or owner or other person.

2. *Resolved*, That in case an owner of or other person having power to convey or dispose of any vessel, or wreck, or other thing forming such an obstruction as aforesaid, does not relieve and discharge himself of all further liability in respect of such obstruction by paying or securing to the Trinity House of Quebec, to its satisfaction, the sum [if any] it may have expended in respect thereof, the Trinity House of Quebec may, if it sees fit, take possession of a vessel, wreck or other thing forming an obstruction to the navigation of the River St. Lawrence as aforesaid, and remove the same by any means in its power, and may dispose of the same in the same manner, and after the observance of the same formalities as are required by law in the case of things found in the river St. Lawrence within its jurisdiction, and not claimed, and may indemnify itself out of the proceeds of sale for all expenses incurred with respect to such vessel, wreck or other thing.

To be reported.—

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, and agreed to.

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

Wednesday, 16th June, 1869,

The Bill (No. 97) to amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, 12 Victoria Chapter 114 "to consolidate the laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, and the foregoing Resolutions referred to the said Committee, the Bill amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill [No. 38] to amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, and ordered for a third reading, at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The Bill, [No. 99] to provide means for improving the harbors and channels at certain ports in the Provinces of Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading at the next sitting of The House, to-day.

The House went again into committee to consider a certain resolution respecting the provisional contract entered into between *Hugh Allan*, Esquire, and the Postmaster General of Canada.

[In the Committee.]

The following resolution was adopted:—*Resolved*, That it is expedient that the Provisional Contract entered into between *Hugh Allan*, Esquire, and the Postmaster General of Canada under the authority of an Order in Council dated the 18th of March, 1869, for a weekly service of ocean mail steamers on the terms and conditions

set forth in the said contract (a copy whereof and of the said Order in Council has been laid before Parliament) should be sanctioned and authorized by the Parliament as required by the terms thereof in order to its becoming valid and binding.

To be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and agreed to.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* then introduced a Bill (No. 116) respecting Ocean Mail Service, which was read the first, second, and a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution, respecting the appointment of a Queen's Printer for Canada.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is expedient to appoint a Queen's Printer for Canada, and to pay him an annual salary of not more than $2000.

To be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and agreed to.

The Bill [No. 98] for the appointment of a Queen's Printer, and for the management of Public Printing, was read the second time, and committed for the next sitting of The House, this day, and the foregoing Resolution was referred to the said Committee on the Bill.

The House then adjourned at 15 minutes to 1 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *O'Connor*—On Thursday next—That the fees paid on the Bill to incorporate the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company be refunded (less the cost of printing), the said Bill having been dropped.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa).—The printing of the Report of the Select Committee on the administration of Justice in the District of Ottawa, and the evidence and papers appended thereto.

Mr. *Masson* [Soulanges]—On Thursday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all petitions and papers, or other documents accompanying the same, of *John Taylor*, Esquire, requesting that certain claims may be submitted to arbitration.

ERRATUM.

The entry in the Votes of yesterday, at the end of the sitting, should have been as follows:

At 6 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At 19 minutes to 8 o'clock p. m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and notice being taken that less than 21 Members were in The House, the names were taken down.

Present: Mr. Speaker—Messrs. *Benoit, Blake, Bolton, Bown, Dufresne, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Killam,* Hon. Messrs. *Langevin, Le Vesconte,* Sir *John A. Macdonald,* and Messrs. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), *McCarthy, Pickard, Sproat,* and *Wright* (York W. R. Ontario).—17.

And at 15 minutes to 8 P. M., Mr. Speaker declared The House adjourned for want of a quorum.

No. 43.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 15TH JUNE, 1869.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 16TH JUNE, 1869.

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

On motion of Mr. *Gibbs*, the Petition of the Produce and Merchants' Exchange Association of Toronto, presented this day, was received and read; praying that until arrangements have been made for a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, agricultural products imported into Canada from that Country, may be subject to an increased Customs duty.—

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 7th instant, for copies of all correspondence, contracts and tenders, connected with the letting of Section No. 7, on the Intercolonial Railway.—

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Committee on the Petition of *John Gordon* and others, of the Province of Ontario; praying for the construction of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report as to the practicability and expediency of the work, presented the second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

That this project has, for many years, engaged a large measure of public attention. In 1855, surveys of th route were made by Mr. *Kivas Tully*, C. E., who reported favorably thereon, and his Report was confirmed by that of Col. *R B. Mason*, an eminent American Engineer. In 1856, the Parliament of the late Province of Canada incorporated a Company with powers to construct the work. In 1857, a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly of the late Province of Canada was appointed to enquire into and report on the projected work, and on 9th June of that year, the Committee, through the late *Joseph Hartman*, Esq., M. P. P. for North York, reported strongly in favor of the enterprise, and stated that no work yet projected in Canada has equal claims with the proposed Canal, to a liberal grant of land. In 1864, a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly of the late Province of Canada was appointed to consider the practicability and propriety of constructing this Canal, and on 31st May of that year, that Committee, by their Chairman, *Thomas D. McConkey*, Esq., M. P. P. reported, approving of the Report of the previous Committee, and stating that to Canada the project is scarcely less than vital, and having regard to the magnitude and importance of the work, the Committee suggested that a grant of land commensurate with the importance of the undertaking, should be made as one of the best means of securing the construction of the work.

The Committee have to report that they have had submitted to them a large body of evidence in reference to the expediency and practicability, in an Engineering as well as a financial point of view, of the projected Canal.

The Committee have had under their consideration a full and comprehensive Report of Mr. *William Sykes*, C. E., the resident Engineer of the Canal Company, on the general merits of the proposed Canal, containing a large amount of valuable, commercial and other statistics bearing on the subject, and a full description of the Engineering features of the work, and the prospects for traffic to render it remunerative.

Mr. *Capreol*, on behalf of the Canal Company, submitted the proposal of a number of capitalists in the United States, to undertake one half of the contract for the construction, taking in payment, one half of the capital stock of the Company—say twenty millions of dollars—provided that the remaining half be undertaken by British or other contractors, and that the Company be aided by the grant of ten millions acres of land.

The Committee have had submitted to them letters from Messieurs. *John Hawkshaw* and *A. M. Rendel*, eminent Engineers, of London, England, expressing their confidence in the engineering practicability of the work, and from Mr. *George Wythes*, a prominent and, reputedly, wealthy English contractor, offering to undertake the remaining half of the contract for construction, on the basis of the proposal of the United States capitalists already mentioned.

The Committee have also had submitted to them a number of letters from various parties, prominent and well informed in matters of finance, expressing, confidently, the opinion that, in the present state of the English money market, the Stock of the Company would be readily taken up, provided that a grant of ten millions acres of land were made to the Company, but, at the same time, unequivocally stating that, without such grant, the floating of the Stock would be impossible at present.

The Committee had also important evidence from the Honorable *Charles Tupper*, C.B., *Walter Shanly*, Esq., C.E., the Honorable *John Ross*, and the Honorable *James Skead*, which is submitted herewith.

The Committee beg to report that they have no doubt as to the expediency of the proposed Canal. They are satisfied that, if constructed, it would be of immense value to the commercial and general interests of the Province of Ontario, and of the whole Dominion of Canada. The interests of Ontario would be greatly promoted by the local expenditure, and the development of the extensive region of unoccupied land North and West of the Canal, and the interests of the Dominion, by the introduction into the country of the large amount of capital, estimated at forty millions of dollars, required for its construction; by the encouragement of immigration and by the completion of a most important link in the chain of through communication between the Great West and the Old World. The Canal, if constructed, as it would be wholly within British territory, would be a most important key to the trade of the West and greatly conduce to the establishment and continuance of reciprocal trade between this Dominion and the United States of America.

Independently of these important national, commercial and social considerations, it is obvious to the Committee that a large accession of revenue must accrue to the Dominion Exchequer from the construction of this work, as out of an expenditure of forty millions of dollars chiefly for imported labor, a large amount must flow into the public chest through the Customs and Excise.

The testimony adduced before the Committee has satisfied them that the work is practicable in an engineering point of view, but that unless a liberal grant of land be given in aid of the Company, the work, in the opinion of the Committee, cannot be accomplished.

The following Statement of comparative distances by different routes, shews the greatsaving that will be effected by this Canal when constructed:—

CHICAGO TO QUEBEC.

Via Lake Erie the Welland Canal and St. Lawrence	1,550 miles.
Via Huron and Ontario Ship Canal and St. Lawrence	1,180 "
Making a saving of	370 "

CHICAGO TO NEW YORK.

Via Lake Erie and Erie Canal	1,504 "
Via Lake Erie, Welland Canal and Oswego	1,500 "
Via Huron and Ontario Canal and Oswego	1,225 "

CHICAGO TO LIVERPOOL.

Via Mississippi and New Orleans	6,000 "
Via Erie Canal and New York	4,000 "
Via Welland Canal and St. Lawrence	4,180 "
Via Huron and Ontario Canal and St. Lawrence	3,736 "

And it is shewn, in the Report of the Canal Company's Engineer, Mr. Sykes, that by the saving of transhipment, a cargo of 1,000 or 1,200 tons shipped at Chicago for Liverpool *via* the Huron and Ontario Canal, would, under ordinary circumstances, reach Liverpool before a similar cargo, shipped at same time, *via* Buffalo and Erie Canal, could reach New York.

The relations of the proposed Canal to the North West Territory, and the development of that extensive and valuable portion of the Dominion, are also, in the opinion of the Committee, additional reasons for the undertaking of the work. The necessity for its use would also, it is believed, lead to an international system of Navigation Law between this country and the United States, which would be equally just to both, and largely stimulate the important industrial branch of ship-building in this Dominion. By means of its construction the river St. Lawrence, which is the natural highway between the Great West (now rapidly becoming the granary of the world) and the consumers of Europe, would be more used than at present. The consequence would be the necessary enlargement of the St. Lawrence Canals and the acquisition to that noble river of the vast trade which nature intended it to have, but which the energy of man has hitherto, to a large extent, diverted through artificial channels in the neighbouring Republic. By means of the improvements suggested in the navigation of the St. Lawrence, and an improved system of International Navigation Law, Canada would share, to a large extent, in the carrying trade of the world, and our Confederacy would be enriched by the stream of trade which would pass through our territory on its way to the ocean.

Mr. *Jackson*, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, presented the second Report of the said Committee.—To be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.—

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee on Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Island Navigation, and the inspection of fish, presented the following Report:—

The Committee having had the personal attendance of Mr. *S. Wilmot*, of Newcastle, Ontario, and heard his explanations of his very ingenious and successful operations in breeding and reproducing Salmon and other fish, would express their strong approbation of the same, and would earnestly recommend to The House that proper encouragement should be given to this most important branch of industry, believing that Mr. *Wilmot* is eminently deserving of commendation.

The Committee would also bring under the consideration of The House a Report respecting Mr. *Wilmot's* operations, recently submitted to the Honorable the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, by Messieurs *Whitcher* and *Venning*, which Report is hereunto appended.

16th June 1869

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*,—That commencing from to-morrow, there be two distinct sittings of the House on every day during the remainder of the Session; the first sitting to be from three o'clock, p. m., to six o'clock, p. m.; and the second from half-past seven o'clock, p. m., until the adjournment of The House.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 38. To amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbour of Quebec.

No. 104. Respecting Juvenile Offenders within the Province of Quebec.

No. 36. To amend certain Acts of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada respecting the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.

The Bill (No. 94) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dominion Bank," was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 45) to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.—

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendments made by this House, to the following Bills of their own, without amendment, *viz*:—

No. 95. intituled: 'An Act to further amend the Charter of the Gore Bank."

No. 32. intituled: "An Act to naturalize *Eli Clinton Clark*."

Also agreeing to the following Bills, without amendment, *viz*:—

No. 31. To incorporate the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company.

No. 43. Respecting the International Bridge Company.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that the Bill [No. 111] respecting Nova Scotia, be now read the second time.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House any disturbance of the financial arrangements respecting the several Provinces provided for in the British North America Act, unless assented to by all the Provinces, would be subversive of the system of Government under which this Dominion was constituted, and if effected, as proposed by this Bill in favor of one Province, without at the same time providing for a general revision and readjustment of those arrangements, would be manifestly unjust to the other Provinces,—which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas:

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Cameron (Huron), Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Crawford (Leeds), Dorion, Ferguson, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Kempt, Little, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McConkey, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison, (Victoria, O.) Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Picard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Prince Edward), Ross (Wellington, C. R.), Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Wright, (York, Ontario, W. R.) and Young.—52.

Nays:

Messrs. Abbott, Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron (Inverness), Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E. Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Crawford (Brockville), Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Cornwall), Macdonald Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McDougall (Lanark), McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Power, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (King's, N. B.), Ryan (Montreal West), Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wilson and Workman.—97.

And the question being put, that the Bill be now read the second time,—it was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas.

Messrs. Abbott, Anglin, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bown, Brousseau, Burton, Cameron [Inverness], Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Chipman, Cimon, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Crawford [Brockville], Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Galt, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Gray, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Holmes, Howe, Huot, Jackson, Jones [Leeds and Grenville], Keeler, Killam, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, LeVesconte, Macdonald [Cornwall], Macdonald, Sir John A., [Kingston], McDonald[Lunenburg], Macdonald, [Middlesex], Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Power, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ryan [King's, N. B.], Ryan [Montreal West], Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Willson, and Workman.—97.

Nays.

Messrs. Béchard, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Crawford [Leeds], Dorion, Ferguson, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Kempt, Little, Macdonald [Glengarry], MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McCallum, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross [Prince Edward], Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Smith, Snider, Stirton, Thompson [Ontario], Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Wright York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—50.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. *Blake* moved, to add the following as Section 5.

The grants and provisions made by this Act and the British North America Act, 1867, shall be in full settlement of all demands on Canada by Nova Scotia ; which was adopted.

Mr. *Mills* moved the following Clause as Section 6.

This Act shall not take effect unless and until notified by the Imperial Government ; which was negatived on a division.—

Bill to be reported, as amended.

The Bill was accordingly reported, and the amendment made thereto, agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Killam* moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed for the purpose of expunging Clause 5 ;— which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Anglin, Cameron [Inverness], Chipman, Forbes, Killam, Le Vesconte, MacFarlane, and Power.—8.

Nays :

Messrs. Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Blanchet, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman, Bown, Brousseau, Burpee, Cameron [Huron], Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Coupal, Dobbie, Dorion, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Holton, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Kempt, Lacerte, Langevin, Lawson, Little, Macdonald [Cornwall], Macdonald [Glengarry], Macdonald Sir J. A. [Kingston], McDonald [Lunenburg], McDonald [Middlesex], Mackenzie, Magill, Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne], McCallum, McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McGreevy, McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morris, Morison [Victoria, O], Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard, Pinsonneault, Pope, Pozer, Rankin, Read, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross [Prince Edward], Ross (Wellington C. R), Ryan [King's N. B.], Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Simard, Simpson, Snider, Sproat, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson [Ontario], Tilley, Tremblay, Tupper, Wallace, Walsh, Webb, Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Workman, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R], and Young.—124.

And the question being put, that the Bill be now read a third time ; it was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a third time, on a division ; and passed on a division.

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

Thursday, 17th June, 1869.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole on Thursday last, the 10th instant, on the subject of arrangements, having in view the admission of the Colony of Prince Edward Island into the Dominion of Canada, were reported, and on motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, were amended, so as to read as follows :

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council, by and with the advice of the Privy Council, to enter into such negotiations, and to make such fiscal and other arrangements as he may deem expedient, with the Government and Legislature of Prince Edward Island, with a view to the admission of that Colony into the Dominion ; but all such arrangements shall be submitted to Parliament for its approval before any action is taken to give them effect or to pledge the public faith to their fulfilment.

The Bill [No. 98] for the appointment of a Queen's Printer, and for the management of Public Printing, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The Bill [No. 112] to amend Chapter 67 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled : "An Act respecting Electric Telegraph Companies," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a return of all correspondence with the Imperial Government on the subject of the Resolutions of the Nova Scotia Local Legislature, and the Minute of Council of Nova Scotia Government of date respectively 21st August, and 5th September, 1868.

On motion of Mr. *Magill*, Hon. Mr. *Read*, and Mr. *Cameron* [Huron], were added to the Select Committee on Hop growing and Salt interests in Canada.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan, and the application of the proceeds thereof.

On motion of Mr. *Masson* [Soulanges], an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all petitions, documents, orders in Council, or other papers having reference to the sale or lease of certain water powers at the Cascades, Cedars, and the Fort of Coteau du Lac, or other places in the County of Soulanges ; also copies of the instructions given for the sale or lease of the said water powers as well as of the protests or other documents which have prevented or retarded the sale or lease thereof.

On motion of Mr. *Colby*, The House concurred in the recommendations contained in the first Report of the Select Committee on the Hop growing and Salt interests in Canada.—

On motion of Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa County), Messrs. *Rankin*, *McMillan* and *Holmes*, were added to the Ottawa River Navigation improvement Committee.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Tilley*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole at the next sitting of The House, this day, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That it is expedient that provision shall be made as hereinafter mentioned for improving the channels and facilitating the navigation to the Port of Chatham, in the Province of Ontario, and for the purpose of making good to the Consolidated Revenue Fund any sums which may hereafter be voted by Parliament for that purpose ; to authorize the Governor in Council to impose by Proclamation from time to time a tonnage duty not exceeding ten cents per ton on vessels entering the Port aforesaid mentioned in such Proclamation, such duty to be payable not more than once in each year on any vessel not exceeding one hundred tons, and not more than twice in each year on any vessel exceeding one hundred tons measurement by register.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for a detailed statement of all accounts paid for Printing, other than advertising, from the 1st January, 1868, up to the present time.—

The House then adjourned at 1.25 A.M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Harrison*—On Friday next—Adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—To-morrow—BILL to continue the Charter of certain Banks.

Mr. *Pozer*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether it is the intention of the Government to grant the prayer of a Petition presented last year to the Honorable the Postmaster, praying for a weekly postal service between Forsyth and Shenley in the County of Beauce.

Hon. Sir *J. A. Macdonald*—To-morrow at 2nd Sitting—Certain Resolutions respecting the several fee funds in the Province of Quebec and Ontario.

ERRATUM.

The name of Mr. *Bodwell*, instead of Mr. *Bowell*, was erroneously inserted in yesterday's Votes, see page 222, in moving the Resolutions "That the tenders of *I. B. Taylor*, for the Printing,—that of *Hunter, Rose* and *Lemieux* for the Binding,—and that of *James Barber* for the furnishing the Paper, be accepted."

No. 44.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 17TH JUNE, 1869.

3 *o'clock, P.M.*

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Return of the "Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame de Québec," for the year ending, 31st May, 1869.

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

The following Petitions were received and read:—

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

Of the Honorable *Louis Joseph Papineau* and others; and of *F. S. Mackay* and others, both of the Township of Ripon, County of Ottawa; severally praying that the complaints and accusations made against the Honorable *Aimé Lafontaine* may be declared to be unfounded.

Of *Peter Kemp* and others; and of *Lewis Silverthorn* and others, both of the County of Norfolk; severally praying that the export duties levied upon pine, oak and spruce saw-logs and shingle bolts, under Schedule F. of the Tariff of 1868, may not be repealed.

On motion of Mr. *Gibbs*, the Bills (No. 108) to amend and extend the Charter of the Ontario Bank,—and (No. 109) to amend and extend the Acts of incorporation of the Bank of Toronto, were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole at the next sitting of The House, this day, to consider certain Resolutions respecting the several fee funds in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

On motion of Mr. *O'Connor* the fee (less the cost of printing) on the Bill (No. 42) to incorporate the Detroit River Bridge or Tunnel Company, was ordered to be remitted.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing with this House on the subject of printing, binding and paper required by the two Houses of Parliament, as stated in the message of this House on Wednesday the 16th instant.

Also agreeing to the amendments made by the House to the Bill (No. 101) of their own, intituled, "An Act to unite the Beaver and Toronto Life Insurance Companies," without amendment.

And also with the following Bill (No. 117) of their own, intituled "An Act to amend the Act passed by the Legislature of the late Province of Upper Canada, intituled An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the British American Fire and Life Assurance Company;" to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

On motion of Mr. *Street*, the said Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, and Rule 60 suspended.

The Bill (No. 98) for the appointment of a Queen's Printer, and for the management of the Public Printin g was read a third time, and passed.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the following Bills with amendments, viz :—

No. 49. To amend the Act to incorporate the Union Bank of Lower Canada.
No. 85. To continue and amend the Charter of the Quebec Bank.
No. 47. To amend the Charter and increase the Capital Stock of the North Shore Transportation Company.
No. 87. To amend the Act incorporating the Royal Canadian Bank, by extending, if necessary, the time for the resumption of specie payment; and also to authorize, if necessary, the amalgamation of the said Bank with any other Bank or Banks, and for other purposes,—on which last mentioned Bill they also report the proceedings of the Committee had thereon.

On the following Bills they recommend that the fees (less the cost of printing) be remitted, as their promoters have decided, under the present circumstances, not to proceed with them, viz :—

No. 46. To extend the Charter of the Bank of Nova Scotia.
No. 61. To continue in force divers Acts relating to "La Banque du Peuple."
No. 66. To continue for a limited time the Charter of "La Banque Jacques Cartier."

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, the fees (less the cost of printing) on the three last Bills, were ordered to be remitted.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* introduced a Bill (No. 118) to continue for a limited time the Charters of certain Banks.—Second reading at the next sitting of The House, this day.—

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted :

128. Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff..... ..$35,725.00.

To be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again, at the next sitting of The House, this day.

At 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House until ½ past 7 P. M., without question first put.

Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* laid before the House,—Miscellaneous Statistics of Canada, for the year 1867. Part 11. (Municipal Returns, Quebec, and Partial Returns from New Brunswick).

The House resumed the further consideration of Resolutions No. 18, 19 and 39, adopted in Committee of Supply on Friday, the 21st May last; which are as follows :—

18. Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia,..... .....$40,000.00
19. do do New Brunswick..... 11,000.00
39. Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces 20,000.00

Resolutions Nos. 18 and 19 being read a second time, were agreed to.

And Resolution No. 39 being read a second time,

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved in amendment, that the words following be added,—Provided that no portion of such money shall be paid to any member of this House; such payment being in violation of the spirit, if not the letter, of the Independence of Parliament Act, and calculated, in the opinion of this House, to detract from the independence of its members; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Anglin, Béchard, Benoit, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Burpee, Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Fortier, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Kempt, Killam, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Glengarry), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pickard, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Willson, Wood, Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—49.

Nays :

Messieurs Abbott, Archambeault, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cimon, Colby, Costigan, Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald, Sir John A. (Kingston), McDonald (Lunenburg) McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McKeagney, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Rankin, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ryan (Montreal West), Simard, Simpson, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Tupper, Walsh, and Webb.—79.

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

Mr. *Mills* moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be not concurred in, but that it be *Resolved*, That it is inexpedient to make any provision which would, if it became Law, transfer the powers of legislation upon the subjects of property and civil rights from the Provincial Legislatures, where they are at present vested, to the Parliament of Canada, as any such provision would, in the opinion of this House, tend to destroy the present system of Federal Government.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And the question being put on Mr. *Mills'* proposed amendment,—it was negatived on the following division :

Yeas.

Messrs. Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Kempt, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, McMonies, Mills, Morison [Victoria, O.], Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross [Prince Edward], Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Rymal, Snider, Stirton, Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Wright, [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—33.

Nays.

Messrs. Anglin, Ault, Beaty, Beaubien, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bolton, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Burton, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Coffin, Colby, Costigan, Currier, Daoust, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Howe, Huot, Hurdon, Jackson, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Little, Macdonald, Sir John A., [Kingston], Macdonald, [Middlesex], Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McConkey, McDougall [Lanark], McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pope, Rankin, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Dundas], Ryan [Montreal West], Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Webb, and Willson.—81

And the House being continued to sit until 12 of the o'clock, midnight.

FRIDAY, 18th Juue, 1869.

The 39th Resolution was then agreed to on a division.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

Ordinary.

129. Salaries of Military Brigade Majors		$25,000 00
130. do Drill Instructors		40,000 00
131. Military Schools		80,000 00
132. Ammunition		30,000 00
133. Clothing		65,000 00
134. Military Stores		45,000 00
135. Public Armouries and care of arms, including pay of storekeepers and caretakers, storemen, and the rent, fuel and light of Public Armouries		50,000 00
136. Drill pay and camp purposes, and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia		314,000 00
137. Contingencies and general service, not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations, and Bands of efficient corps		50,000 00
Revotes.		
138. Clothing	40,000 00	
139. Drill Pay and Camp purposes	38,000 00	
140. Targets	5,000 00	
141. Drill Sheds and Rifle Rannges	25,000 00	
		108,000 00
Extraor linary.		
Barrack accomodation	25,000 00	
Military Survey	2,607 00	
144. To meet the expense of any damage of Arms	5,000 00	
145. Gunboats	15,000 00	
		47,607 00
PUBLIC WORKS—*Maintenance and Repairs :*		
182. Ontario and Quebec		393,410 00
183. Nova Scotia		372,000 00
184. New Brunswick		140,000 00
185. Collection of Slide and Boom dues		11,935 00

To be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House this day.

The House resumed the further consideration of Resolutions Nos. 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, and 149, adopted in Committee of Supply on Thursday, the 3rd instant; which are as follows :

123. Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario	$120,712 00
124. Criminal Lunatic Asylum do	55,699 00
125. Penitentiary, Halifax, Nova Scotia	16,000 00
126. do St. John, New Brunswick	41,180 00
127. Directors of Penitentiaries	9,000 00
149. Construction of new Light-Houses	3,400 00

And the 123rd Resolution being read a second time,

Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges) moved in amendment, that the following words be added at the end of the said Resolution :—" The Salary of the following Officers, instead of being increased, as proposed by the detailed Estimates, should not exceed the amount paid to them during last past years.

The Salary of the Warden, besides lodging, fuel, and light to which the said Officer is entitled by Law, should be $2000 only, in lieu of $2,600.—This Officer to receive no other advantage or compensation whatsoever, unless the same be deducted from his above fixed Salary.

The Salary of the Deputy Warden should be $1000, in lieu of $1400.—The Salary of the Surgeon, or Medical Attendant $1000 in lieu of $1200, and the Salary of the Accountant $875 in lieu of $1000 ;—which was agreed to on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messrs. Anglin, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blake, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowell, Bowman, Brousseau, Brown, Caron, Cayley, Cheval, Costigan, Coupal, Currier, Fortier, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Holton, Lacerte, Le Vesconte, Little, Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, McMonies, Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Redford, Renaud, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (Montreal West), Rymal, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, and Young.—56.

Nays:

Messrs. Ault, Beaubien, Blanchet, Burton, Carling, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Chamberlin, Dobbie, Dufresne, Dunkin, Ferguson, Gibbs, Gray, Grover, Hagar, Harrison, Huot, Keeler, Langevin, Lapum, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), McDougall (Lanark), Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pope, Rankin, Read, Rose, Ross (Prince Edward), Shanly, Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Walsh, and Workman.—44.

And the question being put, that the said Resolution, as amended, be now concurred in,

And a Debate arising thereon,

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House adjourned at 1.30 A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *O'Connor*—For the Printing of the fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

ERRATUM IN THE VOTES OF WEDNESDAY, 16TH JUNE.

Mr. *Mills'* proposed motion in amendment, in Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 111) respecting Nova Scotia, should read as follows :—"This Act shall not take effect unless and until *ratified* by the Imperial Government," instead of *notified*, as erroneously printed.

No. 45.
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 18TH JUNE, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General State nent and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the County of Montcalm, for the year 1868.

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa County), from the Select Committee, to which was referred the Petition of the Reverend *C. Guillaume*, Curé, and others; praying for the improvement of the Ottawa River Navigation, and other references, presented the second, and final Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

In view of the advanced period of the Session at which the Committee was obtained, it has not been thought expedient to endeavor to collect new evidence to show the practicability of opening an unbroken line of navigable communication from Montreal by way of the Ottawa to Lake Huron. Your Committee, therefore, trusting that the investigation will be resumed in the next Session of Parliament, would desire their Report to be considered as preliminary to more thorough and searching examination of the very important subject with which it deals, Meantime they have limited their labors to collating from the documentary evidence at their command such information as would enable them to present a general summary of the leading features of what is known as the "Ottawa and French Rivers Navigation project," showing the extent and estimated cost of the works involved in the undertaking, and the advantages in point of distance, and time of transport to be derived from its completion.

The waters comprising the proposed line of navigation are as follow:—

Ottawa River, Montreal to Matawan	305 miles
Matawan River and Summit Ridge	46 "
Lake Nipissingue	30 "
French River	49 "
Total distance Montreal to Lake Huron	430 "

This chain of waters having been used by those engaged in the Fur Trade from the earliest days of discovery as the safest and most direct route from Montreal to the Great Lakes, has naturally and for a long time attracted attention as possible to be made available for the wider range of Commerce so rapidly developing in the West, and accordingly in the year 1856 the Commissioner of Public Works obtained from the Legislature an appropriation for the purposes of exploring and surveying the route, a task which they entrusted to Mr. *Walter Shanly*, Civil Engineer—who made a general exploration of the entire line of communication, and actual surveys of the Matawan River and of those portions of the Upper Ottawa where the greatest difficulties in the way of improvements are to be encountered.

The appropriation having been insufficient to meet the expenses of a complete survey of the whole route, an order to suspend the work was issued in May, 1857; but a further appropriation having been asked and obtained the following year, the survey was resumed under Mr. *T. C. Clarke*, Civil Engineer.

The Report of Messrs *Shanly* and *Clarke* are of record, and the facts they establish, may be summed up as follows:—

That the distance from the mouth of the French River, on Lake Huron, by way of Lake Nipissingue and the Ottawa, to Montreal..... 430 Miles.

That the saving in distance by this route, as compared with that by the Welland Canal, between Chicago and Montreal is..... 368 Miles.

That it is possible to obtain a continuous navigation throughout, with a depth of water according to Mr. *Shanly's* Report of..... 10 Feet.

And according to Mr. *Clarke* of..... 12 Feet.

That the Bay of the French River affords safe and accessible harbourage for the largest vessel navigating the Upper Lakes.

That an abundant supply of water for all possible purposes of lockage can be obtained at the summit.

That the total ascent and descent to be overcome by lockage is..... 698 feet.

That the total length of Canal required to improve the several obstructed portions of the route, and including the enlargement of the Lachine Canal, will not exceed..... 58 miles.

And that the highest estimate (M. *Shanly's*) for the completion of the whole scheme of Navigation, providing for locks of 250 feet in length by 50 feet in width, with 10 feet depth of water, is $24,000,000.

While the lower estimate (Mr. *Clarke's*) places the entire cost for a 12 feet navigation at not much over half that amount.

It is also shown by the Engineering Reports referred to, that the saving in time in the round trip of a propeller between Chicago and Montreal would be about 90 hours less than by the circuitous Lake route, and that the cost of transport, not taking into account the great saving in Insurance, would be less by fully 10 per cent on the Ottawa route, than on that by Lake Erie.

It is also satisfactorily established that there are no extraordinary Engineering difficulties to be overcome in constructing the several Canals needed as connecting links between the long stretches of deep water which form the leading feature in the entire length of the chain. At the summit dividing the Upper Waters of the Matawan from those of Lake Nipissingue, a cut of 20 feet in depth and scarce three quarters of a mile in length, would cause the former, now tributary to the Ottawa, to change their course and flow through the French River to Lake Huron.

Another feature deserving of remark, is that the improvements required are made up of a number of small canals, no fewer than 21 separate links in a total of 58 miles; the longest link in the chain being the Lachine Canal, 8½ miles long; and while it is admitted that in some places the excavations will be of hard rock, it is also shown that there are no very deep or long cuttings, and that the dams which will enter largely into the system of construction can be generally constructed without damage to the surrounding country.

Your Committee think that enough has now been said to show the practicability of the route, and with the growing necessity for doing something to improve our system of interior navigation, they respectfully submit that the Ottawa route is deserving of special attention, not alone as affording the most direct water communication between the seaports of the Dominion and the great Western Lakes, but also because of the benefits to be derived from its construction in tending to open up and make known so large an extent of the interior of the country, thus inducing settlement of our wild lands and stimulating manufacturing industry; the water of the Ottawa and its tributaries, as well in quality as in facilities for ready application, being, perhaps, unrivalled in the world. From a defensive or military point of view, the advantages of such means of communication with the Lakes, if, unfortunately, they should ever require to be tested, need hardly be remarked upon.

In conclusion, Your Committee would reiterate the hope that this most important national question may soon engage the attention of Parliament, and that it may be consistent with the public interests to complete, at an early day, the surveys of the needed improvements, so that perfect maps and charts of the route may be available to the public.

Hon. Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported the Bills (No. 108) to amend and extend the Charter of the Ontario Bank,—and (No. 109) to amend and extend the Acts of incorporation of the Bank of Toronto, with amendments,—and the Bill (No. 117) from the Senate, intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the British American Fire and Life Assurance Company," without amendment.—

Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the ninth Report of the said Committee, as follows:—

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

The 5th and 7th Reports of the Select Committee of the House of Commons on Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the Inspection of Fish.

Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to enquire into the administration of Justice, in the District of Ottawa, (For distribution only amongst the Members.)

The 2nd Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, on Immigration and Colonization.

Return to Address, Correspondence with the Imperial Government as to the outlay incurred by Canada in defence of the Frontier in 1863 and 1864, and also for the threatened Fenian Invasion subsequently (a sufficient edition to be published to give the Members six copies each.)

Return to an Order of the House of Commons, statement of the quantity of land sold or leased on Manitoulin Island, and the quantity of land held under Timber Licenses (For distribution only.)

Return to Address, Detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the survey and Management of the Intercolonial Railway since 1st April, 1868, (In Sessional papers only.)

Return to Address, Correspondence, Contracts and Tenders connected with the letting of section 7, on the Intercolonial Railway, (Certain selections only.)

Return to Address, detailed statement of the sums required to complete Parliamentary and Departmental Buildings.

Return to Address, Statement of the expense of keeping up the Parliament and Departmental Buildings for 30th June 1867, to 30th June 1868.

Return to two Addresses, Of the Senate, Correspondence between the Government and the Imperial or any Foreign Government or any Board of Marine Inspection relating to the establishment of a Dominion Board of Examiners for the classification of Masters and Mates of Sailing Vessels, and Correspondence between Government

and the Government of Great Britain or any Foreign Government or with individuals in Boards of Trade relating to the Shipping of Seamen; Also Reports of Departments or Minutes of Council on the same subject.

Report of the Select Committee, House of Commons on the Petition of *John Gordon* and others praying for the construction of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal.

The Committee also recommended that the following Documents be not printed, viz:

Return to Address, Despatch of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham, and Chandos, establishing the Order of Precedence in the Dominion.

Return to Address, Correspondence connected with the Navigation of the St. Clair Flats.

Return to Address, Number of Certificates granted under the Act passed in 1868, intituled "An Act respecting the Inspection of Steamboats."

Return to Address, Statement of the names of each and every head of a family of the Parish of St. Julienne, in the County of Montcalm, entered in the census of 1861.

Alphebetical lists of the Stockholders of the incorporated Banks in the Dominion made up to the first day of May 1869.

Mr. *Mackenzie* also presented the tenth and eleventh Reports of the said Committee on the subject of the distribution of the Public Printed Documents,—and relative to a revision of the distribution of the Statutes.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 5th ult; for a Return of the appointment and instructions to the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway; also a copy of the appointment and instructions to the Chief Engineer; copies of all reports and Communications by Commissioners and Chief Engineers, on the subject of tenders, and the letting of contracts for the construction of the said works, or any part thereof; copies of the Orders in Council above asked for, formed part of the Return of The House of Commons under date of the 19th May, 1869, called for by an Order of the House Commons, dated 3rd May, 1869, for copies of Tenders for the Construction of the Intercolonial Railway; names of sureties, etc; also copies of any Orders in Council approving said Reports or otherwise.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* delivered the following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, further estimates of the sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1869, 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, 11th June, 1869.

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits to The House of Commons further Estimates of the sums required for the Service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th May, 1870, and in accordance with the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867, he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 11th June, 1869.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Rose*, the said Messages and Estimates are referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of Supply, during the first sitting of The House, yesterday, was reported, and agreed to, and is as follows:—

128. Salaries of Military Branch and District Staff..... $45,725 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply during the second sitting of The House, yesterday, were reported, and are as follows:—

Ordinary.

129. Salaries of Military Brigade Majors.....		$25,000 00
130. do Drill Instructors.....		40,000 00
131. Military Schools.....		80,000 00
132. Ammunition.....		30,000 00
133. Clothing.....		65,000 00
134. Military Stores.....		45,000 00
135. Public Armouries and care of arms, including pay of storekeepers and caretakers, storemen, and the rent, fuel and light of Public Armouries.....		50,000 00
136. Drill pay and camp purposes, and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia.....		312,000 00
137. Contingencies and general service, not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations, and Bands of efficient corps.....		50,000 00

Revotes.

138. Clothing.....	40,000 00	
139. Drill Pay and Camp purposes.....	38,000 00	
140. Targets.....	5,000 00	
141. Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges.....	25,000 00	
		108,000 00

Extraordinary.

142. Barrack accommodation.....	25,000 00	
143. Military Survey.....	2,607 00	
144. To meet the expense of any damage of Arms.....	5,000 00	
145. Gunboats.....	15,000 00	
		47,607 00

PUBLIC WORKS—*Maintenance and Repairs*:

182. Ontario and Quebec.....	393,410 00
183. Nova Scotia.....	372,000 00
184. New Brunswick.....	140,000 00
185. Collection of Slide and Boom dues.....	11,935 00

The 129th to the 145th Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And the 182nd Resolution being read a second time,

And a Debate arising thereon,

And it being 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House until ½ past 7 P.M., without question first put.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, committed, considered, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz :—

No. 49. To amend the Charter of the Union Bank of Lower Canada.

No. 85. To amend the Charter of the Quebec Bank.

No. 47. To amend the Charter and increase the Capital Stock of the North Shore Transportation Company.

No. 87. To amend the Act incorporating the Royal Canadian Bank, by extending, if necessary, the time for the resumption of specie payment; and also to authorize, if necessary, the amalgamation of the said Bank with any other Bank or Banks, and for other purposes.

No. 108. To amend the Charter of the Ontario Bank.

No. 109. To amend the Charter of the Bank of Toronto, (amended.)

No. 117. From the Senate, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act passed by the Legislature of the late Province of Upper Canada, intituled : " An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the Britsh American Fire and Life Assurance Company,"—

A message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 94) of their own, intituled : An Act to incorporate the DominionBank," without amendment.

Also agreeing to the following Bills, with amendments, viz :.

No. 45. To incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax. (On motion of Mr. *McDonald* (Lunenburg), the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.)

No. 48. To amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company. (On motion of Mr. *Simard*, the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.)

No. 100. To incorporate the Canada Marine Insurance Company. (On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Abbott*, the said amendments were read the first time.—Second Reading to-morrow.)

The Order for taking into consideration the amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Bill (No. 70) for the more speedy trial in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors, in the Province of Ontario, was discharged, and on motion of Hon. Mr. *Abbott* re-committed with an instruction so to amend the Bill, as to make it applicable as well to the Province of Quebec, as to the Province of Ontario.

The said Bill was accordingly re-committed, considered, further amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed under the following title :

"An Act for the more speedy trial in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec."

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

188.	Miscellaneous Justice	$ 3,000 00

PENITENTIARIES AND PRISON INSPECTION.

189.	Penitentiary, Kingston, maintenance, additional	20,000 00
190.	Rockwood Asylum, additional for capital and construction	6,700 00
191.	Penitentiary, New Brunswick, including arrears before July 1, 1867, and maintenance of local prisoners	20,000 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

192.	Statistical Office, Nova Scotia, additional	3,590 00

EMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

193.	Additional Agencies, per Order in Council, of January 28	2,700 00

PUBLIC WORKS.

194.	Fort Garry Road, per Order in Council of 21st September, 1868, and 9th April, 1869	15,739 79
195.	Additional Expenditure, on do	1,486 67
196.	T. Begly, per Order in Council of 12th November, 1868	14,000 00
197.	Intercolonial Railway	98,000 00

OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM SERVICE.

198.	Repairs of steamer Druid	3,372 00

LIGHT HOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

199.	Buoys and Beacons, New Brunswick	1,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

200.	Towards cost of Confederation Medal	2,000 00

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

201.	To provide for the salaries of certain Deputy Heads, and the Secretary of the Treasury Board, part of whose salaries have hitherto been charged to separate services, and in lieu of such separate payments	3,700 00

COLLECTION OF REVENUE FROM PUBLIC WORKS.

202.	Maintenance Nova Scotia Railway, additional	30,000 00
203.	Do. New Brunswick	10,000 00

POST OFFICE.

204. Additional $15,000 00

Balances of appropriations carried on, see Public Accounts, part II, page 67, to be revoted.

205. Pictou and Truro Railway construction	$65,000 00	
206. Barrack fitments, balance	8,000 00	
207. Militia service, Nova Scotia, to October	32,145 01	
Do New Brunswick, do	25,270 65	
		130,415 66

PENITENTIARIES, &C.

209. Gratuity to Warden of Kingston Penitentiary, on his resignation, as per order of Council 5,200 00

MARINE HOSPITAL.

210. Contribution in aid of mariners and sick seamen to St. Catherines Hospital..... 500 00

PUBLIC WORKS.

211. Intercolonial Railway..... 2,500,000 00
212. For opening communication with North West Territories, establishing Government and providing for settlemnnt thereof..... 1,460,000 00

LIGHT HOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

213. Towards the re-construction of a light-house at Rondeau..... 2,000 00
214. Towards the construction of a light-house at Byng Inlet, Georgian Bay..... 700 00
215. Construction of Fog Whistle, Seal Islands..... 3,200 00

FISHERIES.

216. For the promotion of artificial Fish Breeding..... 2,000 00

EMIGRATION.

217. Further Estimates for expenses 8,000 00

COLLECTION OF CUSTOMS.

218. To provide for amount omitted for the out-door service at the Port of Halifax ... 20,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

219. For purchase of Red River Territory..... 1,460,000 00
220. Special grant to widow Perry, whose husband lost his life in the performance of public duty..... 500 00
221. To meet claims of the mother of Dr. Hogan, killed on railway in Nova Scotia.... 2,775 00
222. To enable Government to make good certain claims of the Town of St. Catherines, connected with advances during Fenian Raid in 1866, (still in litigation)..... 800 00

And the following Resolutions being proposed :—

33. Gratuity to Officers whose services were dispensed with at the end of Session of 1867-68....$1,400 00

And the House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight,

SATURDAY, 19th June, 1869,

The 33rd Resolution was adopted.

To be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The Bill (No. 63) to amend the Charter of the City Bank, was read the second time, committed, considered, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee to consider a certain Resolution for improving the channel and Navigation to the Port of Chatham in the Province of Ontario.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved, That it is expedient that provision shall be made as hereinafter mentioned for improving the channels and facilitating the navigation of the River Thames, to the Port of Chatham, in the Province of Ontario, and the Port of———in Nova Scotia and for the purpose of making good to the Consolidated Revenue Fund any sums which may hereafter be voted by Parliament for that purpose; to authorize the Governor in Council to impose by Proclamation from time to time a tonnage duty not exceeding ten cents per ton on vessels entering the Port aforesaid mentioned in such Proclamation, such duty to be payable not more than once in each year on any vessel not exceeding one hundred tons, and not more than twice in each year on any vessel exceeding one hundred tons measurement by register.

To be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, and agreed to.

The Order, for the third reading of the Bill (No. 99) to provide means for improving the Harbours and channels at certain Ports in the Dominion of Canada, was discharged, the Bill recommitted, considered, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.—

The Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 13.) respecting Perjury, being read a second time,

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said amendments were amended by expunging in Clause B. line 13, all the words after the "perjury" to the end thereof.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 12) respecting malicious injuries to property, were read a second time, and agreed to;—also to the Bill (No. 15) respecting Larceny and other similar offenses.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed for the next sitting of The House, this day, viz :—

No. 81. from the Senate; intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the inspection of Steamboats, and for the greater safety of Passengers by them."

No. 96. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting inquiries and investigations into shipwrecks and other matters.

No. 102. For the temporary Government of Rupert's Land, and the North Western Territory, when united with Canada.

No. 105. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the admeasurement and registration of Vessels."

No. 106. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice, in certain cases."

No. 110. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the trial and punishment of Juvenile Offenders."

No. 113. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to persons charged with indictable offences."

No. 114. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders."

No. 115. from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting contagious diseases affecting animals."

The House resumed the consideration of Resolutions Nos. 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, and 149, as reported yesterday, from the Committee of Supply, of Thursday, the 3rd instant.

And the question being put, that the 123rd Resolution, as amended, be now concurred in;—it was agreed to.

The remaining Resolutions, viz: Nos. 124, 125, 126, 127 and 149 being read a second time, were agreed to.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented;—Return to Address of the 13th of May last; for copies of all papers in possession of the Government, connected with the purchase from the late Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, of any property at, or adjoining the City of Hamilton, as a site for a Deaf and Dumb Asylum, with a statement of cost, an abstract of title, and any other necessary information appertaining thereto.

The House then adjourned at 1.20, A. M.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*—On Monday next—That an Order of this House do isssue for a statement of the debt of the late Province of Canada, shewing what is settled and undisputed and what is disputed and placed in a suspense account in order that the arbitrators may divide the excess of debt so far as the same is settled or undisputed, and also the assets to them referred by the Statute.

No. 46.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 18TH JUNE, 1869.

2nd Session, 1st Parliament, 32 Victoria, 1869.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 19TH JUNE, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 14th instant; for copies of all Reports, Plans, Surveys, and other documents sent in to the Board of Public Works Department during the past ten months, and having reference to the location of a Harbor of Refuge on the North Shore of Lake Erie, between Port Colborne and Point Pelée.

Return to Address of the 14th instant; for copies of all correspondence and documents relating to a registered letter containing money, addressed by a Mrs. *Warnock* to Messrs. *Henderson* & Bro., New York, which said letter never reached its destination.

Mr. *Pope* from the Select Committee to consider the Return to an Address of the 10th of May last; for copies of all correspondence, orders in council, and other papers between the Government and Mr. *Wm. Brewster*, or any other parties respecting the claim of Mr. *Wm. Brewster* for damages, etc., on account of work done on the Lachine Canal, presented the following Report:—

That they have examined the Documents referred to them and others submitted by Officers of the Receiver Generals and Public Works Department and have taken the evidence of Mr. *Brewster* and of the Deputy Minister of Public Works.

That from then it appears:

1st. That on the 19th January, 1844, Mr. *Brewster* and others became sureties for the execution of a contract by Messrs. *Gaball, Spalding, Wait* and *Caesels* upon the Lachine Canal.

2nd. That afterwards the Contractors failing in the execution of the work, the sureties were called upon to complete the contract which they proceeded with at great loss to themselves.

3rd. That upon the 23rd day of May, 1865, their progress not proving satisfactory to the then Board of Works, the execution of the work was taken out of their hands by the Government and entrusted to other persons, and a final estimate made of the value of the work done on the 15th August, 1865.

4th. That upon the subsequent adjustment of the account it was ascertained and decided by the Department in 1847, that the sum of £1,812 14 11 ($7,251.00) was due to the said *Wm. Brewster* and his associates for work done, they consenting to waive in consideration of prompt payment their claim for losses, damages, etc.

5th. That on the 24th October, 1849, an Order in Council for the payment of this sum was passed, and appended thereto is a note ordering payment to be made in two years Debentures with interest from date of final estimates *to wit* 15th August, 1865; Mr. *Trudeau* points out in his evidence, however, that the payments being in Debentures which could not be ante-dated, nor issued for a larger amount than that contained in the Order in Council itself. Mr. *Brewster* lost interest on the amount to which he was entitled during the four years and ninety-nine days, between 15th August, 1844, and 22nd November, 1849, amounting to $1,859.00.

6th. The claim for these arrears was repeatedly urged upon the Department and Government from the time of the payment of principal in December, 1849, until 28th June, 1867, when an Order in Council authorized the payment of the interest which had thus become due nearly 18 years before, and on 30th September of that year Mr. *Brewster* received on account thereof the sum of $1,852.000.

7th. Mr. *Brewster's* pretension is therefore that the sum of $1,849.00 interest which had accrued, and upon a settlement of accounts was admitted by the Department to have been due to him on the 22nd November, 1849, should be considered as a principal sum upon which interest ought to be paid him up to the time of the payment thereof in 1867.

8th. Without desiring to enter upon the question whether as a rule interest should accrue upon claims of this nature against the Government, your Committee consider it their duty to call the attention of the House to the peculiar and exceptional nature of this case. The decision in 1849 (not indeed embodied in the Order in Council itself, but arrived at and recorded by a Commissioner of Public Works) was that interest was to be allowed, and had therefore accrued from the date of the Final Estimate. This decision seems to have been overlooked by the Department in the more recent discussions respecting the settlement of this claim.

Under these circumstances they consider Mr. *Brewster's* claim for this interest a fair and equitable one.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, during the second sitting of The House, yesterday, were reported, and are as follows:—

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

188. Miscellaneous Justice ..... $ 3,000 00

PENITENTIARIES AND PRISON INSPECTION.

189. Penitentiary, Kingston, maintenance, additional 20,000 00
190. Rockwood Asylum, additional for capital and construction 6,700 00
191. Penitentiary, New Brunswick, including arrears before July 1, 1867, and maintenance of local prisoners 20,000 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

192. Statistical Office, Nova Scotia, additional 3,590 00

EMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

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222. To enable Government to make good certain claims of the Town of St. Catherines, connected with advances during Fenian Raid in 1866, (still in litigation)..... 800 00
33. Gratuity to Officers whose services were dispensed with at the end of Session of 1867-68..... 1,450 00

And the 188th to the 211th Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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

And the 212th Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to on a division.—

The 213th to the 222nd Resolution, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.—

Further consideration of the remaining Resolution No. 33, 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 their amendments to the Bill (No. 13) respecting Perjury, without further amendment.

Also agreeing to the following Bills, without amendment, *viz* :

No. 41. To incorporate the St. Thomas Board of Trade.

No. 103. To detach the Township of Doncaster from the County of Montcalm, and to attach it to the County of Terrebonne for Electoral purposes.

Also, agreeing to the Bill (No. 9) respecting Insolvency, with amendments (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading at the next sitting of The House, this day.)

And it being 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. (Acting) Speaker adjourned The House until ½ past 7 P. M., without question first put.—

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK P. M.

The Order for the second reading of the Bill (No. 58) respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of the rate of Interest on Money ;—which was agreed to on the following division :—

Yeas :

Messieurs Ault, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Bourassa, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, Coupal, Daoust, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Godin, Grover, Holton, Lacerte, Langevin, Macdonald (Cornwall) Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne, McCarthy, McKeagney, McMillan, Fâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pinsonneault, Pozer, Rankin, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Rymal, Shanly, Tilley, Tremblay, and Walsh.—56.

Nays :

Messieurs Anglin, Beaty, Blake, Bodwell, Bowman, Carling, Cartwright, Chamberlin, Chipman, Coffin, Currier, Dobbie, Forbes, Gibbs, Grant, Hagar, Harrison, Heath, Huot, Hurdon, Keeler, Lawson, Le Vesconte, Macdonald (Lunenburg), Macdonald (Middlesex), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McLelan, McMonies, Merritt, Metcalfe, Morris, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara) Munroe, Oliver, Ray, Redford, Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Simard, Simpson, Snider, Stephenson, Stirton, Street, Thompson (Ontario), Wells, Whitehead, Willson, Wood, Wright (Ottawa County), Wright [York, Ontario, W. R.], and Young.—55.

The House accordingly went into Committee, and after some time spent therein the Committee rose without reporting.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* moved, that the 149th Resolution (construction of new Light-houses, $3,400.00,) as reported on Thursday, the 16th instant, from the Committee of Supply on Thursday the 3rd of June, be now concurred in.

Mr. *Stirton* moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be referred back to the Committee, with an instruction to expunge the item of $2000, for the purchase of Chantry Island in Lake Huron ; which was negatived on the following division :—

Yeas:

Messrs. Anglin, Blake, Bourassa, Bowman, Cheval, Geoffrion, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Le Vesconte, Mackenzie, Metcalfe, Pâquet, Pelletier, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Rymal, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Tremblay, Wells, Whitehead, Wood, Wright (York, Ontario, W.R.), and Young.—27.

Nays:

Messrs. Archambeault, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brown, Burton, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Coffin, Costigan, Daoust, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grant, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Huot, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir J. A. (Kingston), McDonald (Middlesex), Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross (Champlain), Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Walsh, Willson, and Wright, (Ottawa County.)—64.

Hon. Mr. *Le Vesconte* moved in amendment, that the said Resolution be referred back to the Committee with an instruction to expunge the sum of $600 for the purchase of Pomket Island; which was negatived on the following division:—

Yeas.

Messrs. Anglin, Blake, Bodwell, Bourassa, Bowman, Cheval, Forbes, Geoffrion, Holton, Le Vesconte, Mackenzie, Oliver, Pelletier, Redford, Ross [Wellington, C. R.], Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Ontario), Wood, Wright, [York, Ontario W. R.], and Young.—21.

Nays.

Messrs. Archambeault, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brown, Burton, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E., Cartwright, Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Coffin, Costigan, Daoust, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Gendron, Gibbs, Grover, Harrison, Heath, Keeler, Lacerte, Langevin, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald, [Middlesex], Masson [Soulanges], Masson [Terrebonne], McCarthy, McLelan, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison [Niagara], Munroe, O'Connor, Perry, Pinsonneault, Ray, Read, Renaud, Robitaille, Rose, Ross [Champlain], Ross [Dundas], Ross (Prince Edward), Simard, Simpson, Sproat, Stephenson, Street, Tilley, Walsh, Whitehead, and Willson.—62.

The 149th Resolution was then concurred in.

The 33rd Resolution, adopted in a Committee of Supply during the second sitting of The House, yesterday, viz.: gratuity to officers whose services were dispensed with at the end of the Session of 1867-68—$1,450—being read a second time, was agreed to.

The 182nd, 183rd, 184th, and 185th Resolutions, adopted in Committee of Supply during the second sitting of The House on Thursday last, and reported yesterday, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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

The amendments made by the Senate to the following Bills, were severally read the second time, and agreed to, viz:

No. 48. To amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company.

No. 45. To incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 116) respecting the Ocean Mail Service without amendment.

The Bill (No. 81) from the Senate, intituled "An Act respecting the inspection of Steamboats, and for the greater safety of passengers by them," was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz*:

No. 96, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting inquiries and investigations into Shipwrecks, and other matters,"—

No. 102. To provide for the temporary government of Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory when united with Canada.

No. 110 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the trial and punishment of Juvenile Offenders."

The Bill (No. 106) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported—Committee to sit again on Monday next.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That this House do meet on Monday next at 11 a. m., and sit till 1 p. m, in addition to its other sittings, and that it be a Government Day.

The House adjourned at 11.58 P. M., until Monday next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Mackenzie—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to enquire into the circumstances connected with the purchase of land in the city of Hamilton from the late Sir *A. N. McNab* for a site for a Deaf and Dumb Asylum.

Mr. *Benoit*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the amount of money coined specially for Canada since 1858, and the cost of such coinage; also an approximative statement based on the information in the hands of the Government of the amount of American money in circulation in the Dominion.

No. 47.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 19TH JUNE, 1869.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 21st JUNE, 1869.

11 o'clock A.M.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the ninth and tenth Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions on the subject of allowances for travelling expenses to Judges of Superior Courts, etc.

[In the Committee.]

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the allowances for travelling expenses to the Judges of the Superior Courts in the Dominion, should be fixed by Statute, instead of being fixed by Order in Council, as provided in the Act of the now last Sesssion, 31 Vict., c. 33.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the following scale of Circuit allowances be adopted:

In the Province of Ontario,—

To each of the Judges of any of the Superior Courts of Law or Equity, one hundred dollars for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes, in any County except the County of York and the City of Toronto.

In the Province of Quebec,—

To each of the Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench, for each Term, [Appeal side and Criminal side), attended by him elsewhere than at his place of residence, one hundred dollars.

To eace of the Judges of the said Court of Queen's Bench, for attending any other Court, for each day he is absent from his place of residence, six dollars.

To each of the Judges of the Superior Court, attending any Court, for each day he is absent from his place of residence, six dollars, except that any Judge of the Superior Court, required to attend the Court of Appeals for the whole of a term, travelling allowances, as a Judge of the Queen's Bench performing the same duty; but this provision shall not apply to the attendance of a Judge of the Superior Court at the Court of Appeals for part only of a term, or for the purpose of disposing of cases, already heard.

And that in the two last mentioned cases three days absence at least shall always be allowed for.

In the Province of Nova Scotia,—

3. *Resolved*, To each of the Judges of the Supreme Court of that Province, and to the Judge in Equity, one hundred dollars for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes [not being an adjourned Court,] in any County except the County of Halifax.

In the Province of New Brunswick:

To each of the Judges of the Supreme Court of that Province, one hundred dollars, for each time he holds any Court for the trial of causes [not being an adjourned Court], in any County except the County of York.

That the application for payment of such allowance shall be accompanied by a certificate of the Judge applying for it, of the number of days for which he is entitled to claim it.

4. *Resolved*, That the foregoing scale of allowances shall take effect from the 22nd day of May, 1868, the day of the passing of the said Act, 31st Vict., c. 33.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that any retired Judge of any of the Superior Courts of the Province of Ontario, appointed or to be hereafter appointed Presiding Judge of the Court of Error and Appeal for that Province, and entitled, under the said Act 31 Vict., c. 33, to a retiring allowance of two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office he held at the time of his resignation, shall, while he continues to hold the office of Presiding Judge, be entitled to receive a further allowance equal to one-third of his said salary.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the salaries and retiring allowances or annuities of the Judges should be declared to be free and clear of all taxes and deductions whatsoever.

7. *Resolved*, That it is expedent to fix definitely the salaries of the County Judges in the Provinces of Ontario and New Brunswick, to be hereafter appointed, instead of leaving the same to be assigned within certain limits by the Governor in Council, as provided by the said Act, 31 Vict. cap. 33.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, that except in the County of York in the Province of Ontario, and the County of St. John in the Province of New Brunswick, the salary of each County Judge to be hereafter appointed, shall be two thousand dollars per annum, with two hundred dollars for travelling expenses; and that the salary of any County Judge, now holding office and in receipt of a less salary, should be raised to the said sum and allowance, and that in each of the said Counties of York in Ontario, and St. John in New Brunswick, the salary of the County Judge to be hereafter appointed shall be two thousand four hundred dollars, with two hundred dollars for travelling expenses, and the salary of the present Judge of the County Court of the said County of St. John, shall be the same last aforesaid.

9. *Resolved*, That it is expedient, in view of the Act of the Legislature of Quebec declaring the expediency of the appointment of an additional Judge of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, to reside in the District of Montreal, to provide for the payment of the salary of such Judge at the rate of four thousand dollars per annum.

10. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide for the payment of an allowance of six hundred dollars per annum to the Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty for the Province of Nova Scotia, and of a like allowance to the Judge of that like Court for the Province of New Brunswick.

11. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that all the sums mentioned in the foregoing Resolutions be granted to Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, and payable out of any moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

12. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that so much of the said Act, 31 Vict., cap. 33, as may be inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed.

To be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, and agreed to.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* then introduced a Bill (No. 119) to amend the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 33, and to make further provision with respect to the Salaries and travelling allowances of the Judges.—Second reading at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 9) respecting Insolvency, were read a second time, and agreed to.

The following Bills from the Senate were severally considered in Committee, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 106, intituled: "An Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases," (amended).

No. 115, intituled: "An Act respecting contagious diseases affecting animals."—

And No. 107, intituled: "An Act to remove doubts as to Legislation in Canada, regarding offences not wholly committed within its limits," was read the second, and a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee of Ways and Means.—

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the Financial year ending, the 30th day of June, 1869, the sum of $380,704.12 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, on the 30th day of June, 1870, the sum of 14,205,016.68 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that in order to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges placed thereon, the Governor in Council, be authorized to raise by way of loan with the guarantee of the Government of the United Kingdom, a sum of money not exceeding one million, four hundred and sixty thousand dollars, (£300,000 stg.) on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, (being the sum voted to be paid to the Hudson's Bay Company, whenever Rupert's Land is admitted into the Dominion) and that such loan may be raised on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest with such Sinking Fund, and subject to such conditions as the Governor in Council may think most advantageous, with the approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and that such loan be a charge on the said Consolidated Revenue.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that in order to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges placed thereon, the Governor in Council may raise by way of loan on the credit of the said Fund, a further sum not exceeding one million four hundred and sixty thousand dollars (being the sum voted for the purpose of opening communication with the North West Territory and establishing a Government therein and providing for the settlement thereof) and that such further loan be raised on such terms, for such period, at such rate of interest, with such Sinking Fund and subject to such conditions as the Governor in Council may think most advisable, and that the same be a charge on the said Consolidated Revenue Fund.

5. *Resolved*, And whereas authority has been given by the Act 31, Victoria cap. 13, to raise by way of loan the balance of £2,000,000 sterling required for the Intercolonial Railway not yet negotiated; and by the Act 31, Victoria cap. 41 to raise by way of loan £1,100,000 which may be required for certain works of fortification; and by the Act 31 Victoria cap. 48 to issue Dominion Stock to the extent of the deposits made by Insurance Companies under the

said Act; and by Act of the late Province of Canada, 29 & 30 Victoria cap 10, and the Act of the Dominion, 31 Victoria cap. 46, to issue Provincial notes to the extent of the balance of the sum of $8,000,000 therein mentioned.

And whereas over and above the said loans there remained on the 1st day of July, 1868, a balance of Debentures or other securities negotiable under the authority of various supply Acts, and under the Act of the late Province of Canada, 22 Vic., cap. 14, sec. 6, and under the Act of the Dominion of Canada, 31 Vic., cap. 4, sec. 2, to the extent of the sum of $8 380,925.55 (vide Public Accounts 1867-8, statement 26, part II, p. 42); and whereas during the current financial year a further amount of Debentures has been redeemed to the extent of $1,573,800, to which extent there is authority under the Acts above cited for the issue of new Debentures or other securities.

Resolved—That it is advisable that the authority to issue new Debentures or other securities to the extent of the two last sums above named, amounting in the whole to $9,954,525.54, be cancelled and repealed, and that in lieu thereof, in order to meet such redemptions and other charges on Consolidated Fund, the Governor in Council may raise by way of loan on the credit of the said Fund, during the year ending June 30, 1870, a sum not exceeding $7,000,000, over and above the four special loans first above enumerated, that is to say, the balance of the Intercolonial Loan, the loan for Works of Fortification, the Dominion Stock to cover Insurance Companies' deposits, and the balance issuable of Provincial Notes, together with the two sums of one million, four hundred and sixty thousand dollars each, for the purchase and opening out of the North-west territories, as provided by the 3rd and 4th of these resolutions.

6. *Resolved*, That, if at any time the Governor in Council shall deem it advisable to change the form of any of the existing Funded debt by substituting one class of securities for another, the restriction as to the above total sum of $7,000,000, which may not be exceeded in the year ending June 30, 1870, shall not prevent the issue of new securities in place of old ones called in and redeemed, provided neither the capital of the debt nor the annual charge for interest shall be thereby augmented.

7. *Resolved*, That the Governor in Council may authorize the raising of the sums mentioned in the foregoing resolutions by any of the methods following, or partly by one and partly by another of such methods that is to say: by the issue or issue and sale of Dominion Stock or Debentures, or of Exchequer Bills or Exchequer Bonds or by the granting of terminable annuities: any of which said securities shall be in such form and be made payable for such sums and bearing such rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, and for or redeamable at such period of time respectively as the Governor in Council may beem expedient; and such provision may be made for the creation of a Sinking Fund for the payment of such loans and the management thereof as the Governor in Council may deem expedient, and all sums of money so raised shall form part of the said Consolidated Revenue Fund.

To be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, and agreed to *nemine contradicente*. Committee to sit again, at the next sitting of The House, this day.

Hon. Mr. *Rose* then introduced a Bill (No. 120) for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1869, and the 30th June, 1870, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.—Second reading at the next sitting of The House, this day.—

The Bill (No. 76) respecting the Criminal Law, and to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned, was read the second time, and committed for the next sitting of The House, this day.—

The Bill (No. 118) to continue for a limited time the Charter of certain Banks, was read the second time, committed, considered, amended, reported, agreed to, read the third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee to consider certain Resolutions respecting the several fee funds in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

(In the Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the fees, dues and profits received by or onaccount of the Clerks of the Crown and their Deputies, and the Process Clerk in the Province of Ontario, and which under Cap. 10 of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, Section 29 and 40, were made part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the late Province of Canada, shall from and after the First day of July, be transferred to the Province of Ontario, and that all sums received after the said day for the stamps by which, under the Act 27-28 Vic., Cap. 5, the said fees, dues and profits are payable, shall (after deducting expenses) be paid over to the said Province.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the fees payable into the General Fee Fund of the Province of Ontario, under the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, Cap. 15, Sections 30 and 59,—Cap. 16, Section 67,—Cap. 19 Section 53,—and which are collected and accounted for under the provisions of Cap. 20 of the said Consolidated Statutes, and paid by stamps under the said Act 27-28 Vic., Cap. 5, shall belong to the Dominion of Canada, and continue to form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund thereof, out of which any deficiency in the amount of such fees to meet the charges thereon shall continue to be made good.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the fees payable to or for the Law Society of Upper Canada under Cap 33 or under Section 26 of Cap. 35, of the Consolidated Statutes for that Province, and which are payable by stamps under the said Act 27-28 Vic., Cap. 5, shall belong to the Province of Ontario, and that the proceeds of such stamps after deducting the expenses chargeable thereon shall be paid over to that Province.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that all fees or duties, payable in the Province of Quebec, to or for the Officer's of Justice Fee Fund, or to or for the Building and Jury Fund, whether under the 32nd Section of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, Cap. 109 or under any other Act or Law, or under the Act of the late Province of Canada, 12 Vic., Cap. 112 (for the erection or repairs of Court Houses and Gaols at certain places in Lower Canada), and payable by stamps under the said Act 27-28 Vic., Cap. 5, shall belong to the Province of Quebec, and that the proceeds of such stamps, after deducting the expenses chargeable thereon, shall be paid over to that Provicne.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the fees, the proceeds of which are to be paid over to the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec respectiv ely, shall continue to be collected by stamps under the provisions of the Act last aforesaid, and the control of the Minister of Finance, the expenses incurred being paid out of the proceeds of such stamps, until shall be otherwise ordered by Parliament.

6. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that nothing in the foregoing Resolutions shall affect the rights of the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario respectively, in the division and adjustment of their debts, credits, liabilities, properties and effects, under the 142nd clause of the British North America Act, 1867, nor the rights of any District in the Province of Quebec to the Building and Jury Fund appertaining to such District, and against which no Debentures have been issued by the late Province of Canada.

To be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported.—To be considered at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The Bill (No. 113) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to persons charged with Indictable Offences," was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, agreed to, read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 44), to enable *James Blanchfield Smith* to obtain an extension of the Patent of a certain invention, with amendments. (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The Order for the second reading of the Bill (No. 65) to amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, passed in the 29th and 30th years of Her Majesty's reign, to enable *Philip Pearson Harris* to obtain a Patent for a certain invention, was discharged, the Bill withdrawn, and on motion of Hon. Mr. *Dunkin*, the fee, less the cost of printing, was ordered to be refunded.

And it being one o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House until 3 P.M., without question first put.

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3 o'clock, P.M.

The Order for the consideration of the Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole during the first sitting of The House, this day, respecting the several Fee Funds in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, was discharged, and The House went again into Committee thereon.

In the Committee.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the fees, dues and profits received by or on account of the Clerks of the Crown and their Deputies, and the Process Clerk in the Province of Ontario, and which under Chapter 10 of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, sections 29, 40 and 41, were made part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the said late Province of Canada, shall from and after the first day of July, 1867, be held to have been transferred to the Province of Ontario, and that all sums received after the said day for the stamps by which, under the Act 27-28 Vic., cap. 5, the said fees, dues and profits are payable, shall (after deducting expenses) be paid over to the said Province.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide, that the fees payable into the General Fee Fund of the Province of Ontario, under the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, Chapter 15, sections 30 and 59,—cap. 16, section 67,—cap. 19, section 53,—and which are collected and accounted for under the provisions of cap. 20 of the said Consolidated Statutes, and paid by stamps under the said Act 27-28 Vic., cap. 5, shall, from and after the 1st day of July, 1867, be held to have been transferred to the Province of Ontario, and that all sums received after the said day for the stamps by which, under the Act 27 and 28 Vic., cap. 5, the said fees, dues and profits are payable, shall (after deducting expenses) be paid over to the said Province.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, and agreed to, as amended.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* then introduced a Bill (121) respecting certain Fee Funds in the Province of Ontario, which was read the first, second, and a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 119) to amend the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 33, and to make further provision in respect to the Salaries and travelling allowances of Judges, was read the second, and a third time, and passed.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 44) to enable *James Blanchfield Smith* to obtain an extension of the Patent of a certain Invention were read a second time, and amended on motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 98) for the appointment of a Queen's Printer, and for the management of Public Printing, with amendments. (On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the said amendments were read the first time, considered, and amended by expunging the word "December" in the last line, and inserting "October" instead thereof.)

Also agreeing to the following Bills without amendment, *viz*:—

No. 111, Respecting Nova Scotia.

No. 97, To amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, 12 Vict. Cap. 114, to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes.

No 104, Respecting Juvenile Offenders within the Province of Quebec.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, it was *Resolved*, That an Order of this House do issue for a statement of the debt of the late Province of Canada, shewing what is settled and undisputed and what is disputed and placed in a suspense account, in order that the arbitrators may divide the excess of debt so far as the same is settled or undisputed, and also the assets to them referred by the Statute.

On motion of Mr. *Walsh*, The House went into Committee to consider a Resolution on the subject of the appointment of weighers of grain; and after some time, the Committee rose without reporting.

Hon. Mr. *Grey*, from the Select Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, reported that they had carefully examined the List of Expiring Laws prepared by the Law Clerk, and had arrived at the conclusion that there are no Laws on the List which it is desirable to continue in force.

Mr. *Fortin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Robitaille*, that the third Report on the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish, be now concurred in, and which said Report is as follows:—

The Committee having under their consideration the provision of the 14th sub-section of the 13th section of the Fisheries Act, requiring the raising of seines, nets, &c., in the tidal waters, from Saturday till Monday of each week, and in view of the great difficulty and in many cases the absolute impossibility of complying with the said provision, together with the great injury to the Fisheries—the Maritime Fisheries especially—as the result of its enforcement, would respectfully recommend that the operation of the said sub-section be suspended in the tidal waters of the Provinces of Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved in amendment, that the said report be concurred in to the word "recommend," and that all the words after that word be left out, and the following substituted instead thereof:—"That the operation of the said sub-section be suspended under the provisions of the Fishery Act as to the Coast and Deep Sea Fisheries," which was agreed to, and the report concurred in as amended.

The Bill [No. 114] from the Senate, intituled "An Act respecting the Duties of Justices of the Peace, out of sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders," was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and the amendments agreed to.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, the Bill was recommitted for the purpose of further amending Clause 26.

The House accordingly again went into Committee, and made further amendments thereto, which were reported, and agreed to, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill [No. 100] to incorporate the Canada Marine Insurance Company, were read a second time and agreed to.

The Bill [No. 76] respecting the Criminal Law, and to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read again a third time, and passed.

The Order for the House to go into Committee to consider certain Resolutions declaring it expedient to authorize the raising of a Loan of £300,000 sterling, for the purpose of paying the like sum to the Hudson's Bay Company, etc., was discharged.

The Order for the second reading of the following Bills from the Senate, were severally discharged, viz:

No. 105, intituled: "An Act respecting the admeasurement and registration of Vessels."

No. 93, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of Canada 12 Vict., Cap. 114" to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes."

The Order for the second reading of the Bill (No. 3) to provide for carrying out of capital punishment in Prisons, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

Mr. *Bowell* moved, that the Bill (No. 4) the Interest Act of Canada, be now read a second time.

And it being six o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House until ½ past 7 o'clock P. M., without question first put.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the County of Vandreuil, for the year 1868.

A Message was received from the Senate agreeing to the following Bills, with amendments, *viz*:

No. 38. To amend the Acts for the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec, (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, the said amendments were agreed to).—

No. 49. To amend the Charter of the Union Bank of Lower Canada. (On motion of Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, the said amendments were agreed to).—

Also agreeing to the following Bills, without amendment, *viz*:

No. 87. To amend the Act incorporating the Royal Canadian Bank by extending, if necessary, the time for resumption of specie payment, and also to authorize, if necessary, the amalgamation of the said Bank with any other Bank or Banks, and for other purposes.

No. 108. To amend the Charter of the Ontario Bank.

No. 109. To amend the Charter of the Bank of Toronto.

No. 99. To provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion.

No. 112. To amend Chapter 67 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Electric Telegraph Companies."

No. 47. To amend the Charter and increase the Capital Stock of the North Shore Transportation Company.

No. 63. To amend the Charter of the City Bank.

No. 85. To amend the Charter of the Quebec Bank.

Also agreeing to the amendments made by this House, to the following Bills of their own, without amendment, *viz*:—

No. 81, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the inspection of Steamboats, and for the greater safety of Passengers by them."

No. 113, intituled: "An Act respecting the Duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to persons charged with Indictable Offences."

No. 106, intituled: "An Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases."

Mr. *McCarthy* moved, that the Petition of the Mayor and Corporation of Sorel, praying for compensation for License moneys collected, be referred to a Select Committee.

And notice being taken that the motion is not in order, inasmuch as its adoption would involve an expenditure of money.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion out of order.

The said motion was then, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all Reports, Estimates, letters and other papers, in relation to the construction of the road called the St. Lawrence & Gaspé road.

Mr. *Harrison* moved that the Report of the Select Committee on the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal, be now adopted.

And a Debate arising thereon,

The said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Masson* (Soulanges), an Address was voted to His Excelleney the Governor General, for copies of the Petition and of the documents and papers relating thereto, of *John Taylor*, Esq., of St. Polycarpe, in the County of Soulanges; praying that certain claims for damages caused by the dams at Beauharnois may be submitted for arbitration, as provided by Law in such cases.

Mr. *Benoit* moved, That an Address be voted to His Excellency for a statement shewing the amount o money coined specially for Canada since 1858, and the cost of such coinage; also, an approximative statement based

on the information in the hands of the Government of the amount of American money in circulation in the Dominion.

And a Debate arising thereon,

The said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The Order for the further consideration of Mr. *Bowell's* motion for the second reading of the Bill (No. 4) "The Interest Act of Canada," was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order for the second reading of the following Bills were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, *viz.:*

No. 7. To limit the Rate of Interest.

No. 20. To limit the Rate of Interest in the Dominion of Canada.

No. 71. Respecting Seduction.

The Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Grant's* proposed motion for the second reading of the Bill (No. 22) to provide for the general adoption of the practice of Vaccination, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 120) for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for financial years ending respectively on the 30th June, 1869, and on the 30th June, 1870, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service, was read the second, and a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 114) intituled: "An Act respecting the Duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders," without amendment."

Also agreeing to the following Bills without amendment, viz:

No. 32. Respecting procedure in Criminal cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law.

No. 102. For the temporary Government of Rupert's Land and the North Western Territory when united with Canada.

No. 70. For the more speedy trial in certain cases of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

No. 121. Respecting certain Fee Funds in the Province of Ontario.

No. 76. Respecting the Criminal Law, and to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned.

Also agreeing to the amendments made by this House to their amendments to the following Bills, without amendment, *viz*:—

No. 44. To enable James Blanchfield Smith to obtain an extension of the patent of a certain invention.

No. 98. Respecting the Office of Queen's Printer, and the Public Printing.

On motion of the Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until 11 A.M. to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of Saturday last, the items mentioned in statements 6 and 7 of the Report from the Select Committee on Mr. *Brewster's* claim for damages, etc., on account of work done on the Lachine Canal, are misprinted, and they should read as follows:—

6th. The claim for these arrears was repeatedly urged upon the Department and Government from the time of the payment of the principal in December, 1849, until 20th June, 1867, when an Order in Council authorized the payment of the interest which had thus become due nearly 18 years before, and on 30th September of that year Mr. *Brewster* received on account thereof the sum of $1,852.00

7th. Mr. *Brewster's* pretension is therefore that the sum of $1,859.00 interest which had accrued, and upon a settlement of accounts was admitted by the Department to have been due to him on the 22nd November, 1849, should be considered as a principal sum upon which interest ought to be paid him up to the time of the payment thereof in 1867.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 22ND JUNE, 1869.

11 O'CLOCK, A.M.

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

Honorable Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 7th instant; for copy of the general instructions given this spring to the Officer entrusted with the command of the Expedition for the Protection of the Fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence; and also, for copy of instructions given to the same Officer with regard to the extent and nature of his functions, and a statement of the number of sailors who are to compose the crew of the Government vessel "La Canadienne" during the present season.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 118) to continue for a limited time the Charters of certain Banks, with amendments. (On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rose*, the said amendments were agreed to.)

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, called upon *Alexander Morris*, Esq., Member for the South Riding of the County of Lanark, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Honorable Mr. *Rose* presented, in obedience to the Order of the House of the 26th May last, a statement of the following items in the "Statement of Affairs" in the Public Accounts of 1867, laid before this House, showing also how and for what separate works they originated, and what outstanding claims there are against any of such accounts, namely, Desjardins Canal,—Grand River Navigation Company,—Grantham Academy,—Oakville Harbor Company,—Tay Navigation Company,—Improvement of the River Trent,—Roads and Bridges U. C.,—do. L. C.,—Miscellaneous Buildings, U. C.,—do. L. C.,—Miscellaneous Works,—Steamers of the late Province of Canada,—Montreal Harbor Company; Cataraqui property; also showing as precisely as may be practicable, what outstanding claims there are against any of the other accounts of the late Province of Canada, whether mentioned in such statement or not; also for a statement of arrears of Hydraulic rents, and of money due upon any sales of land in connection with public works, or any other security for money not included in the "Statement of Affairs;" also for a statement of all moneys received since 30th June, 1867, on account of Shop, Tavern, and Auction licenses in the Province of Quebec affected by the Seigniorial Act of 1854, showing what has been done with the said moneys.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills without amendment, viz.

No. 119. To amend the Act 31st Victoria Chapter 33, and to make further provisions with respect to the Salaries and travelling allowances of the Judges.

No. 120. For grantiug to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1869, and the 30th June, 1870, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

Hon. Mr. *Langevin* presented,—Return to Address of the 16th instant; for all correspondence with the Imperial Government on the subject of the Resolutions of the Nova Scotia Legislature and the Minute of Council of the Nova Scotia Government of date, respectely 21st August, 1868, and 5th September, 1868.

Hon. Mr. *McDougall* presented,—in compliance with Chapter 12 of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada,—General Report of the Minister of Public Works for the year ending, 30th June, 1868.

On motion of Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, The House adjourned until 3 o'clock P.M.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, by *René Kimber*, Esq., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, desiring the attendance of The House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the Members present, went to the Senate Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills, *viz.*:

An Act respecting Patents of Invention.

An Act respecting Immigration and Immigrants.

The Canada Joint Stock Companies Clauses Act.

An Act to avoid the necessity of having Documents engrossed on parchment.

An Act respecting certain offences relative to Her Majesty's Army and Navy.

An Act for the better protection of Her Majesty's Military and Navy Stores.

An Act respecting the Department of Finance.

An Act respecting Offences relating to the Coin.

An Act respecting Forgery.

An Act for the better preservation of the Peace in the vicinity of Public Works.

An Act respecting Cruelty to Animals.

An Act respecting Vagrants.

An Act respecting Offences against the Person.

An Act for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian Affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 42.

An Act to confirm and give effect to a certain agreement between the Government of Canada and the Great Western Railway Company.

An Act to alter the limits of the Counties of Joliette and Berthier, for Electoral purposes.

An Act to place all Canadian Vessels on an equal footing as regards Pilotage in the Port of Quebec, and for other purposes, respecting Pilotage.

An Act to amend the Act 23 Victoria, Chapter 123, being an Act incorporating the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec.

An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto.

An Act to further amend the Charter of the Gore Bank.

An Act respecting the International Bridge Company.

An Act to incorporate the Dominion Bank.

An Act to naturalize Eli Clinton Clark.

An Act to incorporate the Canadian and European Telegraph Company.

An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes relating to the said Bank.

An Act to authorize an addition to the Capital Stock of the Bank of New Brunswick, and for other purposes connected with the said Bank.

An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company.

An Act to enable the holders of preference shares in the Great Western Railway Company to convert them into orninary shares at their option.

An Act to unite the Beaver and the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Companies.

An Act to incorporate the Dominion Mutual Life Guarantee Assurance Company.

An Act to incorporate the St. Thomas, (Ont.) Board of Trade.

An Act to amend the Act passed by the Legislature of the late Province of Upper Canada, intituled: An Act to incorporate a Company under the style and title of the British American Fire and Life Assurance Company.

An Act respecting Joint Stock Companies incorporated by Letters Patent.

An Act to detach the township of Doncaster from the County of Montcalm, and to attach it to the County of Terrebonne for electoral purposes.

An Act respecting Perjury.

An Act respecting the Ocean Mail Service.

An Act to incorporate the Canada Marine Insurance Company.

An Act respecting Malicious Injuries to Property.

An Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences.

An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts respecting the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company.

An Act to incorporate the Merchants Bank of Halifax.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Union Bank of Lower Canada.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the improvement and management of the Harbour of Quebec.

An Act respecting Insolvency.

An Act to remove doubts as to Legislation in Canada regarding offences not wholly committed within its limits.

An Act respecting the Criminal Law, and to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned.

An Act respecting Procedure in Criminal Cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law.

An Act respecting certain Fee Funds in the Province of Ontario.

An Act for the more speedy trial in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors, in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

An Act for the temporary Government of Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory when united with Canada.

An Act to amend the Charter of the Quebec Bank.

An Act to amend the Charter of the City Bank.

An Act to amend the Charter of the Bank of Toronto.

An Act to provide means for improving the Harbours and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion.

An Act to amend the Charter of the Ontario Bank.

An Act respecting the trial and punishment of Juvenile Offenders.

An Act respecting inquiries and investigations into Shipwrecks, and other matters.

An Act respecting Contagious Diseases affecting Animals.

An Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Session, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders.

An Act to enable James Blanchfield Smith, to obtain an extension of the Patent of a certain invention.

An Act respecting the Office of Queen's Printer, and the Public Printing.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the inspection of Steamboats, and for the greater safety of passengers by them.

An Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases.

An Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Session, in relation to persons charged with Indictable Offences.

An Act to amend chapter 67 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Electric Telegraph Companies."

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Royal Canadian Bank, by extending if necessary the time for resumption of specie payment, and also to authorize if necessary the amalgamation of the said Bank with any other Banks or Banks and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Charter, and increase the Capital Stock of the North Shore Transportation Company.

An Act to continue for a limited time the Charters of certain Banks.

An Act respecting Nova Scotia.

An Act to amend the Act of the late Province of Canada, twelfth Victoria, Chapter one hundred and fourteen, to consolidate the laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of Quebec and for other purposes.

An Act respecting Juvenile Offenders within the Province of Quebec.

An Act to amend the Act thirty-first Victoria, chapter thirty three, and to make further provision with respect to the salaries and travelling allowances of the Judges.

The Speaker of the House of Commons then said:—

May it please Your Excellency;—In presenting the Supply Bill, I venture to express the earnest hope that the important measures which have been enacted this session, may prove conducive to the honor of the Crown, and to the happiness and prosperity of Her Majesty's subjects within the extended range of Her Government on this continent.

In the name of the Commons of Canada, I now present to Your Excellency,

An Act for granting to her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1869, and the 30th June, 1870, 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 respecting the salary of the Governor General.

An Act for the relief of John Horace Stevenson.

His Excellency was then pleased to address the two Houses in the following Speech:—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate,

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

The time has come when I am able to release you from your labours, and I have the greater pleasure in doing so inasmuch as the session of which the opening was delayed for the reasons you are cognizant of has necessarily been protracted to a period somewhat later than suits the general convenience. Satisfaction may, I think, be expressed at the result of your deliberations.

In addition to the long list of measures and amendments on subjects of internal policy which have passed under your notice, your records show that memorable steps have been taken towards the accomplishment of the great scheme of uniting the whole of British North America in a single confederation.

You have sanctioned the arrangement entered into in London by the Imperial Government in reference to the North-West Territory—that wide expanse will, I hope, ere long be opened to settlement and become the abode of myriads of thriving and industrious immigrants.

The terms to which the Delegates from Newfoudland agreed, and which, it may be expected, will prove acceptable to the people of that Island, have met with your concurrence.

The basis has been laid for negociations with the Government of Prince Edward Island.

Moreover, what is not of less importance, seeing that the good-will of the people already within the Dominion is a matter perhaps of greater, at the least of equal concern with the acquisition of new territories, you have adopted the precautions of timely and well considered liberality in order to satisfy reasonable demands and conciliate attachment in Nova Scotia.

The Acts rendering the Criminal Laws uniform will ensure an exact and equal procedure, and cannot fail to be conducive in the highest degree to the public advantage.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

In Her Majesty's Name I thank you for the supplies you have granted for the public service. Though the revenue accruing from Import Duties has not reached the expected standard, I rejoice to think that a vigilant supervision of the public expenditure has obviated the necessity of imposing any fresh burdens on the people.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen:

I will not detain you further than to express the hope that in returning to your homes you will find the Country blessed with every prospect of an abundant season, and that you will continue your services to the State by encouraging industrial pursuits, diffusing contentment and upholding the authority of the law in your respective neighbourhoods.

The Parliament of the Dominion of Canada was then prorogued to Saturday, the 31st of July next.

JAMES COCKBURN,
Speaker.

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