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PROCLAMATIONS.

#### [L. S.]

JOHN YOUNG.

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

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

#### A PROCLAMATION.

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of *Canada*, to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved, The Right Honorable Sir JOHN YOUNG, Baronet, one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint *Michael* and Saint *George*, Governor General of *Canada*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Ottawa*, in Our Dominion, the THIRTIETH day of JULY, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and sixty nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

#### JOHN YOUNG.

[L. S.] VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.,

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

#### A PROCLAMATION.

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

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By Command.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

#### JOHN YOUNG.

#### [L. S.]

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

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

#### A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the SECOND day of the month of SEPTEMBER last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of *Canada* to the FOURTEENTH day of the month of OCTOBER instant, at which time, at Our City of *Ottawa*, you were held and constrained to appear; Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for *Canada*, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents

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enjoining you and each of you, that on TUESDAY, the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of November next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at Our City of Ottawa, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada, to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved, The Right Honorable SIR JOHN YOUNG, Baronet, one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor General of Canada. At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, in Our Dominion, the EIGHTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,

Canada.

JOHN YOUNG.

[L. S.]

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

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

#### A PROCLAMATION.

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada, to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved, the Right-Honorable Sir JOHN YOUNG, Baronet, one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor General of Canada. At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, in Our Dominion, the NINETEENTH day of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

#### JOHN YOUNG.

[L. S.]

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

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

#### A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Meeting of Our Parliament of *Canada* stands prorogued to the THIRTY-FIRST day of the month of DECEMBER instant, nevertheless, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to TUESDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of the month of FEBRUARY next, so that neither of you, nor any of you, on the said THIRTY-FIRST day of DECEMBER instant, at Our City of Ottawa, to appear are to be held and constrained, for WE DO WILL That you and each of you and all others in this behalf interested, that on TUESDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of the month of FEBRUARY next, at Our City of Ottawa aforesaid, personally you be and appear for theDespatch of Business, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our said Parliament of Canada, by the Common Council of Our said Dominion, may by the favor of God be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of *Canada*, to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved, The Right Honorable Sir JOHN YOUNG, Baronet, one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint *Michael* and Saint *George*, Governor General of *Canada*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Ottawa*, in Our Dominion, the TWENTY-THIRD day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

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## SESSION 1870.

Tuesday, 15th February, 1870.

A MESSAGE was brought by R. Edward Kimber, Esquire, Acting Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :--

Mr. Speaker,

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

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That, during the Recess, he had received the following notifications of vacancies which had occurred in the representation of the Electoral Districts of *Colchester*, (N.S.); *Huntingdon*; North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, Brome, and the South Riding of the County of Lanark; and that he had issued his Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out new Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the said Electoral Districts:---

To the Honorable James Cockburn, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada, Cobourg:

SIR,—We, the undersigned, Members of the House of Commons of Canada, do hereby inform and notify you that a vacancy in the representation in the House of Commons of the Electoral District of Colchester, in the Province of Nova Scotia, has happened by the summons to the Senate of Canada of the Honorable Archibald Woodbury McLelan, who had been elected as a Member for such District in the House of Commons, and request that a Writ may forthwith issue for a new election of a Member to represent the said District in the House of Commons.

Witness our hands and seals, at Ottawa, the fourth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

(L.S.)

JOSEPH HOWE, Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Hants.

(L.S.)

HECTOR L. LANGEVIN, Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of *Dorchester*. To the Honorable James Cockburn, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada:

I, the Honorable John Rose, Member of the House of Commons, for the Electoral District of the County of Huntingdon, do hereby in writing, under my hand and seal, before two witnesses, address to you, this my declaration of my intention to resign my seat as such Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of the County of Huntingdon.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my seal at the City of *Ottawa*, this 29th day of September, in the year 1869.

Signed, sealed, and delivered, in the presence of

S. L. TILLY.

J. CHAS. CHAPAIS.

JOHN ROSE, (L.S.)

#### To the Honorable James Cockburn, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada :

I, John Rankin, Esquire, Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, do, by this writing under my hand and seal, before two witnesses, declare my intention to resign my seat as such Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*.

As witness my hand and seal, this twelfth day of October, in the year 1869. Signed and sealed in the presence of

JOHN A. MACDONALD. H. BERNARD.

JOHN RANKIN, (L.S.)

#### To the Honorable James Cockburn, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada :

We, the undersigned, being two Members of the House of Commons of Canada, do hereby give notice to you, that a vacancy has happened in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the representation of the Electoral District of *Brome*, by the acceptance by the Honorable *Christopher Dunkin*, Member of the House of Commons for the said Electoral District, of an office of emolument under the Crown, that is to say —the Minister of Agriculture.

Given under our hands and seals, this sixteenth day of November, in the year 1869.

JOHN A. MACDONALD. (L.S.) HECTOR L. LANGEVIN. (L.S.)

#### To the Honorable James Cockburn, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada :

We, the undersigned, being two Members of the House of Commons of Canada, do hereby give notice to you, that a vacancy has happened in the House of Commons of Canada, in the representation of the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Lanark, by the acceptance by Alexander Morris, Esquire, Member of the House of Commons for the said Electoral District, of an office of emolument under the Crown, that is to say—the Minister of Inland Revenue.

Given under our hands and seals, this sixteenth day of November, in the year 1869.

John A. Macdonald, (L.S.) Hector L. Langevin, (L.S.)

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, that the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following Certificates :--

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

Ottawa, 14th July, 1869.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the tenth day of June last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, in the Province of *Ontario* (*George Rochester*, Esquire, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District), for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room and stead of *Daniel McLachlin*, Esquire, who, since his Election as the representative of the said Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, hath resigned his seat; *John Lorne McDougall*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ dated the twelfth day of July instant, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

#### EDOUARD L. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To William B. Lindsay, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Otlawa.

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

Ottawa, 16th July, 1869.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fourteenth day of June last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of L'Islet, in the Province of Quebec (Louis Zéphir Duval, Esquire, Notary Public, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District), for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of L'Islet in the House of Commons of Canada, in the present Parliament, the representation of which was then vacant; Barthélemy Pouliot, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly as appears by the Return to the said Writ dated the fourteenth day of July instant, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To William B. Lindsay, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa.

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

Ottawa, 22nd September, 1869.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election dated the seventh day of August last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Colchester*, in the Province of *Nova Scotia* (*Charles Blanchard*, Esquire, Sheriff of the County of *Colchester*, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District), for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of *Colchester*, in the House of Commons of *Canada*, during the present Parliament, in the room and stead of the Honorable Archibald Woodbury McLelan, who

since his Election as the representative of the said Electoral District of *Colchester* has been summoned to the Senate of *Canada*; the Honorable *Adams George Archibald* has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to said Writ, dated the thirteenth day of September instant, which is now lodged of Record in my office,

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To William B. Lindsay, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa.

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

Ottawa, 2nd November, 1869.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the sixteenth day of October last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Huntingdon, in the Province of Quebec, (Andrew Somerville, Esquire, Registrar for the County of Huntingdon, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District) for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of Huntingdon, in the House of Commons of Canada, in the present Parliament, in the room and stead of the Honorable John Rose, who, since his election as the representative of the said Electoral District of Huntingdon, hath resigned his seat; Julius Scriver, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, dated the thirtieth day of the month of October last past, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancerv, Canada.

To William B. Lindsay,, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa.

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

Ottawa, 17th November, 1869.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fourteenth day of October last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, in the Province of Ontario, (James Morris, Esquire, Sheriff of the County of *Renfrew*, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District) for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room and stead of John Rankin, Esquire, who, since his Election as the representative of the said Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, has resigned his seat, the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, dated the thirteenth day of the month of November instant, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To William B. Lindsay, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa.

Ottawa, 2nd December, 1869.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the seventeenth day of the month of November last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Brome*, in the Province of *Quebec*, (*Hiram Sewell Foster*, Esquire, Registrar of the County of *Brome*, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District) for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of *Brome*, in the House of Commons of *Canada*, in the present Parliament, in the room and stead of the Honorable *Christopher Dunkin*, who, since his Election as the Representative of the said Electoral District of *Brome*, hath accepted an Office of emolument under the Crown ; the Honorable *Christopher Dunkin* has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, dated the twenty-ninth day of the month of November last past, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To William B. Lindsay, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa.

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

Ottawa, 1st December, 1869.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the seventeenth day of the month of November last past, issued by His Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Lanark, in the Province of Ontario, (James Thompson, Esquire, Sheriff of the County of Lanark, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District) for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Lanark in the House of Commons of Canada, in the present Parliament, in the room and stead of Alexander Morris, Esquire, who, since his Election as the representative of the said Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Lanark, hath accepted an Office of emolument under the Crown; the Honorable Alexander Morris has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, dated the twenty-ninth day of the month of November last past, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN.

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To William B. Lindsay, Esquire,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa.

John Lorne McDougall, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Renfrew*; the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M., G.C.B., Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*; the Honorable Christopher Dunkin, Member for the Electoral District of Brome; the Honorable Alexander Morris, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Lanark; and Julius Scriver, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Huntingdon, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took their seats in The House. Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the administration of Oaths of Office.

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

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

#### Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate,

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,-

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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#### Gentlemen of the House of Commons,-

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

#### Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate,

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

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

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

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

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

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

Resolved, 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 crime and misdemeanor, and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House, The Report of the Librarian upon the state of the Library of Parliament, which is as followeth :----

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

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

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

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

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

During the recess, files of the principal Journals in the Maritime Provinces have been obtained from the Parliamentary Reading Rooms. These, together with several leading Papers in Ontario and Quebec, which have been annually collected for that purpose for several years past,—have been carefully completed and bound for the use of the Library. Such Periodicals, though difficult to collect, and expensive to bind, are of inestimable value for the purposes of reference.

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

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

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

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

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Alpheus Todd,

Librarian, House of Commons.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,

February 15th, 1870.

DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT, SINCE APRIL 15TH, 1869.

From Her Majesty's Secretary of State.

British and Foreign State Papers, vols. 51, 52, 53.

Imperial Statutes, 1869.

32e Livraison, Carte de la France.

From the Dominion Secretary of State.

Rapports du Jury International, Exposition de 1867, a Paris. 13 vol.

Hansard's Parliamentary Debates, Session 1869.

Two Medals (one in Silver, the other in Bronze), to commemorate the Confederation of the British North American Provinces, in 1867.

From the Honorable Mr. Carter, of Newfoundland.

Laws of Newfoundland, from 1833 to 1866, (lacking those for 1842), bound in 5 vols.

From E. W. Miller, Esq., Clerk Assistant, Legislative Council, New Brunswick.

Journals of Legislative Council, New Brunswick, for 1836 to 1850, bound in 4 vols.

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From the Parliament of South Australia. Proceedings and Papers of both Houses of South Australian Parliament, from 1863 to 1867. 15 vols. Laws of the same, for 1863 to 1867. 6 vols. From the Treasury Department, United States. Raymond's Report on Mineral Resources of Western States, 1869. From the State of Ohio. Ohio Law Reports, vol. 17. Gholson and Okey, Digest of Ohio Reports. Revised Laws, 1860 to 1868. 1 vol. Ohio Statistics, 1867 and 1868. Executive Documents, 1867. 2 vols. Senate and House Journals, 1867 and 1868. 4 vols. Laws of 1868. Report on Railroads and Telegraphs, 1867-8. Report on Agriculture, 1866 and 1867. 2 vols., with various unbound pamphlets. From the State of Pennsylvania. Executive Documents, 1868. Senate and House Journals and Legislative Documents, 1869. Laws of 1869. Reports on Railroads and on Schools, 1868. Legislative Handbook, 1869. From the State of Maine. Laws, Journals of both Houses, Legislative and Public Documents, and Legislative Manual for 1869. State Law Reports, vol. 55. Agricultural Report for 1868. Historical Society Collections, second series, vol. 1. From the State of New Hampshire. Laws and Journals of both Houses, for 1869. Reports on Education and Digest of School Laws, 1869. From the State of New York. Legislative Journals and Documents, for 1868. 26 vols. New York Reports, vols. 38, 39, 40. Barbour's Reports, vols. 51, 52, 53. State Laws, 1869. 2 vols. Legislative Manual, 1869. From Sir John A. Macdonald, K.C.B., M.P. Hurlbert's Britain and her Colonies, 1865. From Sir William Logan. Geological Map of Canada, published in 1869. From the Author. Langevin, Myr. J. Cours de Pedagogie, 1869 (2 copies). From E. M. Macdonald, Esg., M.P. James's Nova Scotia Supreme Court Reports, vol. 1. From the Paisley Magistrates and Town Council. Inaugural Ceremonies in honor of the opening of Fountain Gardens, Paisley : a Memorial Volume. From J. G. Bourinot, Esq.

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From Henry Lacroix. Esq.

Two copies of various pamphlets published by him in the years 1866 to 1869.

From Lucius O'Brien, Esq., M.D.

Thompson's Narrative of Conversions in Dingle, &c., Ireland, in 1846.

- Works deposited in the Library, under the Copyright Act, since the last Report, and numbered according to the Registry in the Office of the Minister of Agriculture.
- No. 55. Woodcut of a Stallion and his Groom, by William Halley, Toronto, 1869.
  - 56. Canadian Wild Flowers, painted and lithographed by Agnes Fitzgibbon, with botanical descriptions by C. P. Traill. Printed and Published by John Lovell, Montreal, 1868.
    - 57. Manuel du Saint Rosaire et du St. Scapulaire, et des pensés Chrétiennes pour tous les jours du mois. Enregistré par A. Côté, Quebec, 1869.
    - 58. Collins and Bennett's Base Ball Scorer, Copyrighted by Peter Collins, Dundas, Ontario, 1869. (A small card.)
  - 59. Whittaker's improved Pinnock's Catechism of the History of England; revised and adapted for the Schools of Canada, by Edward Manning, St. John, N.B. 1869.
  - 60. Wesleyan Ministers of the Canada Conference, 1869. A large Photographic Sheet, on cardboard, entered by Samuel Rose, 1869. (No key to the names of Ministers.)
  - 61. Ontario (Province of) Gazetteer and Directory. C. E. Anderson and Co., Proprietors, H. McEvoy, Editor, Toronto, 1869.
  - 62. Les Fleurs de la Poesie Canadienne, Montreal. Beauchemin et Valois, 1869.
  - Juneau, F. E. Compendium of Mental Arithmetic for the use of Schools. Montreal. Beauchemin et Valois, 1868.
  - 64. McBride Robert, Poems, satirical and sentimental, on many subjects connected with Canada. London, Ontario. 1869.
  - 65. Forrest, E. W. Ned Fortescue, or Roughing it through Life; a story founded on fact. Ottawa, Hunter, Rose and Co. 1869.
  - 66. The All-round Route Guide. Second edition. Copyrighted by William Wainright, Printed by the Montreal Printing and Publishing Company, 1869.
  - 67. Linton's Inductive Method, or Musical Analysis, and Teacher's Manual. Published by the Author. Printed by James Lovell, Toronto, 1869. Paper covers.
  - Ritual of the British American Order of Good Templars, for the use of Lodges in Ontario. Compiled and published by William Eastland. Printed by R. Romaine, Peterborough, 1869.
  - 69. Day, Mrs. C. M., History of the Eastern Townships, Province of Quebec, civil and descriptive. Printed by John Lovell, Montreal, 1869.
  - 70. The Legal Record of all Writs issued in the County and Superior Courts, Chattel Mortgages and Bills of Sale, filed in the Counties of Ontario, and Cities and Districts of Montreal and Quebec; a private and confidential semimonthly journal, issued to subscribers only. Vol. 1, No. 2, Toronto, July 26th, 1869. Copyrighted by F. J. Rooklidge. 6 pages, folio.
  - Traité élémentaire de Matière Médicale, et Guide pratique des Sœurs de Charité de l'Asile de la Providence de Montreal. Imprimerie de l'Asile. Montréal, 1869.
  - 72. Canadian series of School Books. Modern School Geography and Atlas. Authorized by Councils of Public Instruction for *Quebec*, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. Second edition. Printed by James Campbell and Son, Toronto. 1869.
  - 73. ——— Elementary Arithmetic, for Canadian Schools, by Rev. B. Smith and Archibald McMurchy, Univy. Coll. Toronto. Authorized by the Council of Public Instruction for Ontario. Printed by Copp, Clark and Co., Toronto, 1869.

- 74. Russell, Alexander J., The Red River Country, Hudson's Bay, and North West Territories, considered in relation to Canada, &c. With a Map. Published by G. E. Desbarats, Ottawa, 1869.
- 75. Wm. Bryce's Improved Base Ball Scorer, Copyrighted by W. Bryce, dealer in Base Ball Goods, Richmond Street, London, Ontario, 1869. A Card.
- 76. Plunkett, E. W., Inventors and Patentees' Manual, issued by the International Patent Office; with "The Patent Act of 1869" of Canada. Montreal. Printed by Louis Perrault and Co., 1869. (A pamphlet.)
- 77. Exeter Hall, a Theological Romance. Entered by William McDonnell, though originally published in New York, 1869.
- 78. Dupuis' Perpetual Chart Calendar. Entered by Nathan Fellowes Dupuis. Published by John Creighton, Kingston, Ontario, 1869. (A Leaflet.)
- 79. The Universal Advertizing Chart. Entered by *Grant Ridout*, 1869. (A ruled sheet of note paper.)
- 80. Dupuis, Perpetual Slide Calendar, Entered by Nathan Fellowes Dupuis. Published by John Creighton, Kingston, Ontario, 1869. (A Card, with a printed sheet of directions.)
- 81. Beers, W. G., Lacrosse; the national game of Canada. Published by Dawson, Brothers, Montreal, 1869.
- Laferrière, J. O., Ready Reckoner, for converting saw logs into the standard length and size: for use in the Ottawa district. Printed by Hunter, Rose and Co. Ottawa, 1869. (A Pamphlet).
- 83. Boucherville, G. Boucher de. Perpetual Calendar, since the Christian Era: in 3 Tables. On a sheet of card-board; with slides.
- Photograph, (on a card) of le Revd. Messire Billaudèle, Supérieur du Séminaire de Montréal, by Louis Desmarais.
- 85. My Own Story: a Canadian Christmas tale. By Grodenk. Published by the Daily Telegraph Publishing House, Bay Street, Toronto: and Copyrighted by J. Ross Robertson and J. B. Cook, 1869.
- Doutre, Gonzalve. Les lois de la procedure civile dans la province de Québec. Vol. 2. Montreal, 1869.
- 87. Fraser, John (Cousin Sandy) Tale of the Sea, and other poems: with illustrations. Published by Dawson Brothers, Montreal, 1869.
- 88. The Illustrated Dominion Copy Book. Entered by David Gillies, Hamilton, Ontario, 1869.
- 89. Group of Wesleyan Ministers of the *Canada* Conference, 1870. 505 photographic portraits on a large card, with a printed key to their names. Copyrighted by *Samuel Rose*, 1869.
- Popham, John. The Insolvent Act of 1869; with notes and decisions of the Courts of Ontario and Quebec. Published by Dawson Brothers, Montreal, 1869.
- 91. Photograph of the Rev. F. Bakewell, by Desmarais and Co. Montreal, 1869. On a small card.
- 92. Leonard, Mrs. Carrie, Gems for the Home Circle: Original poems. Printed by J. Cameron and Brother, London, Ontario, 1869.
- 93. Taylor, Fennings. The last Three Bishops appointed by the Crown for the Anglican Church of Canada. Printed by John Lovell, Montreal, 1869.
- 94. Creighton's Calendar for 1870, designed by N. F. Dupuis. Published by John Creighton, Kingston, Ontario, 1869. On a card.
- 95. Family Record : designed and wholly executed with a pen, by R. H. Trumbull. A lithograph on a large sheet ; published by Trumbull and Cruver, Chicago, Ill. and copyrighted in Canada, by Thomas Churchill, 1870.
- 96. Dawson, J. W., Handbook of Zoology. Part 1. Invertebrata. Published by Dawson Brothers, Montreal.

97. Hubert, P. Lois Organiques et jurisprudence sur le Notariat actuel en la province de Québec. Enrégistré par Dufresne, frères, Trois-Rivières, 1870.
98. Dawson, Rev. Æ. M. Our strength and their strength. The North-West Territory, and other papers, 8vo. Ottawa, 1870.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

#### Wednesday, 16th February, 1870.

Barthélemy Pouliot, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of L'Islet, 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 severally brought up, and laid on the Table :---

By Mr. Mackenzie,—The Petition of the Municipal Corporation of the Village of *Petrolia*; and the Petition of the Chiefs and other Indians of *Oka*, in the Seigniory of the *Lake of Two Mountains*, District of *Terrebonne*.

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

By Mr. Fortin,—The Petition of Lucien Briand and others, Shipmasters, Fishermen and Mariners, of the Magdalen Islands; the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Magdalen Islands, County of Gaspé; and the Petition of the Reverend M. N. Bilodeau and others, of the Municipality of Ste. Anne des Monts, County of Gaspé.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn for half an hour. The House adjourned accordingly.

FIFTEEN MINUTES TO FIVE O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Honorable Adams George Archibald, Member for the Electoral District of Colchester, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

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

Ordered, That the said Order be postponed till To-morrow.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

#### Thursday, 17th February, 1870.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

8. That we agree with His Excellency, that the creation of a Court of Appeal under the powers conferred upon us by the Union Act, is a matter well deserving our attention. And that we shall not fail attentively to consider any measure submitted to us for the establishment of such a Court, and for conferring upon it certain original jurisdiction. 9. That we bear in mind that the year 1871 is that in which the next decennial census is fixed by law to take place, and that, as there are different laws on the subject in the several Provinces, it will be necessary to pass a General Act to establish an uniform and accurate system throughout the Dominion. That we are glad to know that steps have already been taken to secure the co-operation of *Newfoundland* and *Prince Edward Island*; and that we trust, with His Excellency, that a census upon one system will be made simultaneously in all Her Majesty's *British North American* Possessions. That we are sensible of the importance of the information which the tables of the Census are calculated to afford, as, in addition to their interest and value on general grounds, it must be recollected that upon them depends the re-adjustment of the Parliamentary representation.

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Question be put upon each paragraph of the said Motion.

And the first two paragraphs being again read, were agreed to.

The third paragraph being again read,

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned,

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 18th February, 1870.

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

By Mr. Willson,-The Petition of Thomas Pearson, and others, Farmers, Producers, and Manufacturers, of Western Ontario. By Mr. Magill,-The Petition of the Ontario Carbon Oil Company, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Irvine,-The Petition of Messrs. George Baptist and Sons, Merchants, and others, residing at Quebec, and on the Ottawa.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the third paragraph of the Question which was yesterday proposed, That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session ;

And the Question being again proposed :-The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Macdonald (Cornwall), seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 21st February, 1870.

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

By Mr. Snider,-The Petition of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, County of Grey.

By Mr. O'Connor,-The Petition of William Scott, and others.

By Mr. Sylvain,-The Petition of David Ferguson, Seignior, and others, of Métis, County of Rimouski.

By Mr. Mackenzie,-The Petition of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Ennişkillen.

By Mr. Magill,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the City of Hamilton.

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

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

Of Thomas Pearson, and others, Farmers, Producers, and Manuacturers, of Western Ontario; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

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

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

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the third paragraph of the Question which was, on Thursday last, proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session;

And the Question being again proposed :--The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put on the third paragraph :-It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The fourth to the ninth paragraphs inclusive, being again read, were agreed to.

The tenth paragraph, being again read,

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

#### Tuesday, 22nd February, 1870.

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

By Mr. Harrison-The Petition of John Hallam and others.

By Mr. Merritt,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Lincoln.

By Mr. Oliver,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Oxford.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the tenth paragraph of the question which was, on Thursday last proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session.

And the Question being again proposed :- The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put on the tenth paragraph :--It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The eleventh to the fourteenth and last paragraph, being again read, were agreed to.

*Resolved*, 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.

Resolved, That the said Resolution be 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. Howe, Mr. Savary, and Mr. Scriver, to prepare

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and report the draft of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of Parliament, in conformity with the said Resolution.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald reported from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth :---

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir John Young, Baronet, one of Her Majesty's 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, &c., &c.

#### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :---

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

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

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

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

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

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

We are aware that the Laws in force on the subject of the Elective Franchise, and the regulation of the Parliamentary Elections in the several Provinces of the Dominion, vary much in their operation, and that it is important that uniform provision should be made, settling the Franchise and regulating Elections to the House of Commons. And we shall carefully consider any measure upon this subject which may be submitted to us. We thank Your Excellency for reminding us, that under the operation of an Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the year 1869, to amend the Laws relating to the Coasting Trade and Merchant Shipping in British Possessions, a period of two years is given to the Legislatures of the several Colonies of the Empire to make provision for the regulation of their Coasting Trade, and that in the absence of legislation on the subject, within the period named, the provisions of the Imperial Law will be in force. The extent and value of our internal commerce render legislation on this subject desirable, and we shall give our best attention to any measure with regard to it which may be submitted for our consideration.

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

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

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

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

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

We learn, with much satisfaction, that during the Summer and Autumn Your Excellency had the opportunity of visiting different parts of the Dominion, proceeding first to *Quebec*, and thence to the *Maritime* Provinces; and having at *Halifax* the honor of receiving His Royal Highness Prince *Arthur*; and having subsequently attended His Royal Highness in a tour through the Province of *Ontario*; and we are happy to be informed that everywhere the great capabilities of the Country, and the proofs of vigorous industry made themselves apparent, and that it became your Excellency's pleasing duty to report to Her Majesty's Government, as the result of your observation, that the inhabitants of the Dominion are well contented with their condition and prospects, and

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that the wish nearest their hearts is to avail themselves of the franchises and full powers of legislation, which they possess, in order to build up as a portion of the British Empire, institutions of their own choice, by laws of their own making.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

#### Wednesday, 23rd February, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,--General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the Districts of Ottawa and Saguenay, for the year 1869; in the Counties of Dorchester and Drummond, for the year 1868; and in the District of Rimouski, for the years 1866, 1867 and 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 9.)

Also, Statement of the affairs of the Montreal City and District Savings' Bank, for the year ending 31st December, 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 6.)

And also, Returns respecting the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 10.)

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

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron (Peel),—The Petition of the Canadian Bank of Commerce; and the Petition of the Gore Bank.

By the Honorable Mr. *McGreevy*,—The Petition of *Henry Fry*, President of the *Quebec* Board of Trade, and other Merchants, Traders, and others, doing business in the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. Workman, -- The Petition of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

By Mr. Chipman,—The Petition of Ebenezer Rand and others, of Canning, Township of Cornwallis.

By Mr. Redford,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Perth.

By Mr. Cameron (Huron),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Huron.

By the Honorable Mr. Carling,—The Petition of the London Board of Trade; and the Petition of J. Trumner, and others, of Western Ontario.

By Mr. Simard,-Two Petitions of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners.

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

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

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

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of *Canada*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 1.)

And also, Summary and Comparative Statements of the Imports and Exports of the Dominion of *Canada*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 1.)

Ordered, That Mr. Drew have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Godin have leave to bring in a Bill to limit the rate of Interest. He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—General Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 2.)

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Despatches or Correspondence with the Imperial Government, or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia : with copies of Resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbance of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangement. Also, the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Reports of Superintendents of Roads from *Thunder Bay* to *Fort Garry*, on the *Red River*, and detailed Statement showing the length of road constructed east of *Lake of the Woods*, and west of said lake, the length of bridging constructed, the cubic contents of embankments made, and excavations in earth and rock respectively, with the cost in items, the number of men, foremen, superintendents, clerks, and all others employed on each section. Also copies of Orders in Council relating to the said works, and instructions sent to those in charge.

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

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of accounts rendered to the Government, and placed before the Dominion Arbitrators for work and materials on Parliament Buildings, with copies of the evidence taken before said Arbitrators, and their award; also the official statement of accounts from the Public Works Office, shewing the several measurements and quantities of materials, with all Orders in Council, or other documents relating to the subject.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of instructions to Surveyors sent to North-West Territory, and statement showing the number of men employed and the salaries to be paid. Also, copies of all Orders in Council relating to such surveys and reports of Surveyors employed, with copies of all other documents relative thereto.

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

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

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House—Copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan, and the application of the proceeds thereof.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Canadian and Prince Edward Island Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, touching the admission of Prince Edward Island, or of British Columbia into the Union, and the terms of such admission.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Orders in Council, and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Governments of *Canada*, and any of the Provinces, touching any Legislation of any of the Provinces, including any instructions to His Excellency on the subject of Provincial Legislation.

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

A Message from the Senate, by John Fennings Taylor, one of the Masters in Chancery :---

#### Mr. SPEAKER,

The Senate acquaint this House, that they have appointed the Honorable Messieurs Allan, Blake, Bourinot, Bureau, Chaffers, Chapais, Ferguson, Flint, Hazen, Lacoste, Leonard, Leslie, Miller, Mills, Odell, Reesor, Ritchie, and Ross, a Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of their House are concerned, and to act on behalf of their House as Members of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

And then he withdrew.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Rymal, Mr. Blale, Mr. Magill, Mr. Scatcherd, Mr. Bown, Mr. Morrison (Niagara), and Mr. Merritt, be appointed to enquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of \$20,000 to the late Sir Allan Napier MacNab ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands in or near the city of *Hamilton*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Cameron (Huron),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Tenders sent in under the Act of last Session for the several services of Departmental Printing, Printing the Statutes, Binding, and Stationery; and also for copies of all Contracts entered into, Orders in Council, and all other Documents relating thereto; the statement to be in the same form as that sent down with the Tenders for Parliamentary Printing last year.

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

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, on Tuesday, the 15th instant.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, the Honorable Mr. Tilley, the Honorable Mr. Langevin, the Honorable J. S. Macdonald, the Honorable Mr. Holton, the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, the Honorable Mr. Smith, the Honorable Mr. McKeagney, Mr. Geoffrion, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Mr. Dufresne, and Mr. Bolton do compose the said Committee.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

#### Thursday, 24th February, 1870.

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

By Mr. Costigan,—The Petition of Peter G. Fraser, and others, Farmers, Traders, and Merchants, of the County of Victoria, New Brunswick.

By Mr. Stephenson,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent. By Mr. Ryan (Montreal),—The Petition of the Honorable John Young.

By the Honorable Mr. Wood,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Brant.

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

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

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

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, the Honorable Mr. Howe, the Honorable Mr. Langevin, the Honorable Mr. Tilley, the Honorable Mr. Morris, the Honorable Mr. Macdonald (Cornwall), Mr. Mackenzie, the Honorable Mr. Holton, Mr. Blake, the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, and the Honorable Mr. McDougall, be appointed to consider and report as to the papers connected with the North-West Territories, which it is expedient to lay before this House. The Honorable Mr. *Howe*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

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

#### JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, the accompanying papers relative to recent occurrences in the North-West Territories, referred to in the third paragraph of the Speech from the Throne. (Sessional Papers No. 12.)

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Ordered, That the said Message, together with the papers accompanying the same, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider and report as to the papers connected with the North-West Territories.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Langevin have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators in certain cases therein mentioned.

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

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of correspondence between the Government and the *Iroquois* Indians of *Two Mountains*, or other parties, relative to the sale or surrender of the Indian lands, with copies of all Orders in Council, or other documents relating to the difficulties existing with the said Indians. And also, a statement shewing what reserves are available for such Indians in any other parts of the Country.

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

#### On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Young,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of any correspondence which may have passed between the Government of *Canada*, and the Government of any of the Provinces included in the Dominion of *Canada* in relation to the property of intestates dying without heirs, as to whether it escheats to the Crown as represented by the Governor General, or to the Crown as represented by the Lieutenant Governors of the different Provinces. Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Stirton, seconded by Mr. Rymal,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively; also, a statement of all monies paid on account of the arbitration, and to whom such payments were made, with all documents connected therewith.

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

On motion of Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville), seconded by Mr. Blake,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the Office of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, and all their travelling expenses in connection with the said road, from the date of their appointment, up to the present time.

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

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be taid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Trustees or Stockholders of the Upper Canada Bank; also, any reports of such trustees, and statements shewing the liability of the Bank in detail, the nature and value of its assets, the quantity and estimated value of the real estate, the sales since the last return, shewing the assumed and realised values, and the cost of maintaining the present Board of Trustees.

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of Parliament be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 28th February, 1870.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Carling,-Two Petitions of the Great Western Railway Company; and the Petition of the Honorable William McMaster, Senator, and others.

By Mr. McMonies, — The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Wentworth.

By Mr. McDonald (Antigonish),—The Petition of Josiah Deacon, of Antigonish, Province of Nova Scotia.

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa; and the Petition of William Workman, President of the Ottawa Board of Trade, and others, of the Province of Ontario.

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By Mr. Oliver,—The Petition of Samuel Fowle, Reeve, and others, of the Township of East Nissouri, County of Oxford.

By the Honorable Mr. Irvine,—The Petition of Jean Giroux and others, Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec.

By Mr. Cameron (Huron),—The Petition of M. Hadwen and others; the Petition of Samuel Hannah, and others; the Petition of James Baird and others; the Petition of William Simpson and others; the Petition of Messrs. John McHardy and Co., and others; the Petition of George Strong, and others; and the Petition of John McClymont, and others, Farmers, Producers, and Manufacturers, of Western Ontario.

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

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

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

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

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the agreement between the said Company, and the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway Company; and to empower them to enter into an agreement with the International Bridge Company, for the construction and use of their Bridge.

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

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

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

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

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

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Supplementary Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 19th April, 1869; for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the survey and management of the Intercolonial Railway, since the 1st April, 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 13.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 21st June, 1869; for copies of all Reports, Estimates, Letters, and other papers, in relation to the construction of the road, called the *Saint Lawrence* and *Gaspé* road. (Sessional Papers No. 14.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 7th June, 1869; for copies of all letters from *Thomas A. Begley*, Esquire, and his Solicitors, since the year 1858, to the Government and the Ordnance Department at *Ottawa*, relating to the claim of **M**rs. *Begley* (formerly the vidow 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. (Sessional Papers No. 15.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House, reported, That they had prepared List of Members accordingly, and the same were read, as follow:—

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

2. ON EXPIRING LAWS.—Mr. Blake, Honorable Mr. Campbell, Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Cayley, Mr. Cheval, Mr. Cimon, Mr. Coffin, Mr. Drew, Mr. Ferris, Mr. Godin. Honorable Mr. Gray, Mr. Jones (Halifax), Honorable Mr. Kierzkowski, Mr. Lapum, Honorable Mr. Macdonald (Cornwall), Mr. McCallum, Mr. McDougall (Renfrew), Mr. Páquet, Mr. Pouliot, Mr. Power, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Willson and Mr. Young.—23.

3. ON RAILWAYS, CANALS AND TELEGRAPH LINES.—Honorable Mr. Abbott, Honorable Mr. Anglin, Honorable Mr. Blanchet, Mr. Bourassa, Honorable Mr. Carling, Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, Honorable Mr. Chauveau, Mr. Costigan, Mr. Currier, Honorable Mr. Donion, Honorable Mr. Dunkin, Mr. Ferguson, Honorable Sir A. T. Galt, Mr. Gendron, Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, Honorable Mr. Holton, Honorable Mr. Howe, Honorable Mr. Jackson, Mr. Joly, Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Honorable Mr. Langevin, Honorable Mr. McDonald (Cornwall), Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, Mr. McDonald (Middlesev), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Masson (Soulanges), Honorable Mr. McDougall (Lanark), Honorable Mr. McGreevy, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Pickard, Mr. Robitaille. Mr. Shanly, Mr. Street, Mr. Sylvain, Honorable Mr. Tilley, Honorable Mr. Tupper, Mr. Walsh, Mr. White, Mr. Whitehead and Honorable Mr. Wood.—44.

4. ON MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS.—Mr. <sup>6</sup>Ault, Mr. Bodwell, Mr. Bowell, Mr. Caron, Mr. Daoust, Mr. Drew, Mr. Fortin, Mr. Geoffrion, Mv. Harrison, Mr. Heath, Mr. Huot, Mr. Langlois, Mr. Lawson, Honorable Mr. McKeagney, Mr. McMonies, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Mills, Honorable Mr. Morris, Mr. Oliver, Mr. Pinsonneault, Mr. Ross (Dundas), Mr. Savary, Mr. Scratcherd, Mr. Scriver, Honorable Mr. Smith, Mr. Stirton, Mr. Wallace and Mr. Webb.—28.

5. ON STANDING ORDERS.—Mr. Bowman, Mr. Bown, Mr. Burpee, Mr. Cameron (Inverness), Mr. Chipman, Mr. Gaucher, Mr. Gauchet, Mr. Harrison, Honorable Mr. Huntington, Mr. Huot, Mr. Kempt, Honorable Mr. Le Vesconte, Mr. Little, Mr. MacFarlane, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. McMillan, Mr. Morison (Victoria 0.), Mr. Perry, Mr. Pouliot, Mr. Pozer, Mr. Ray, Honorable Mr. Ross (Champlain). Mr. Ross, Victoria, N.S.). Mr. Rymal and Mr. Sproat.—25.

6. ON PRINTING.-Mr. Beaty, Mr. Bellerose, Mr. Bourassa, Mr. Bowell, Mr.

Brousseau, Mr. Chamberlin, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. McDonald (Lunenburg), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Simard, Mr. Stephenson and Mr. Young.-12.

7. ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS. Honorable Mr. Anglin, Honorable Mr. Beaubien, Mr. Brousseau, Mr. Crawford (Leeds), Mr. Dufresne, Honorable Sir A. T. Galt, Mr. Gibbs, Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, Honorable Mr. Holton, Honorable Mr. Howe, Mr. Keeler, Mr. Lapum, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Magill, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. McConkey, Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Mr. Pope, Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Ryan (King's, N.B.), Honorable Mr. Tilley, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Young.-25.

8. ON BANKING AND COMMERCE.—Honorable Mr. Abbott, Honorable Mr. Archibald, Mr. Beaty, Mr. Blake, Mr. Bolton, Honorable Mr. Cameron (Peel), Honorable Mr. Campbell, Honorable Sir Geo. E. Cartier, Mr. Cartwright, Mr. Casault, Honorable Sir A. T. Galt, Mr. Gibbs, Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, Honorable Mr. Holton, Mr. Mackenzie, Honorable Mr. McDougall (Lanark), Honorable Mr. McGreevy, Mr. Metcalfe, Honorable Mr. Morris, Mr. Pope, Honorable Mr. Read, Mr. Simard, Mr. Street, Mr. Thompson (Haldimand), Honorable Mr. Tilley, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Workman.—27.

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

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, the Honorable J. S. Macdonald, the Honorable Mr. McDougall, (Lanark), the Honorable Mr. Gray, the Honorable Mr. Dorion, the Honorable Mr. Smith, the Honorable Mr. Blanchet, the Honorable Mr. Tupper, the Honorable Mr. Morris, the Honorable Mr. Archibald, the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, the Honorable Mr. Campbell, the Honorable Mr. Anglin, the Honorable Mr. Kierzkowski, Mr. Dufresne, Mr. Chamberlin, Mr. Street, Mr. Cartwright and Mr. Mills, be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald do carry the said Message to the Senate.

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

On motion of Mr. Dufresne, seconded by Mr. Scriver,

Resolved. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A statement shewing the names of the contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have thrown up their contracts, together with the names of their sureties, the length of road, the nature and description of work to be done, and the price agreed to be paid in each contract so thrown up; the work done by each of them respectively, and the amount paid to each; the contracts resumed by the Commissioners, and the amount paid to them by the sureties, in order that they might be released from their warranty, and by what sureties paid; shewing, also, whether any of the work so resumed by the Commissioners has been again given out by contract, and if so, when, to whom, and at what price; also, shewing who are the sureties, where they reside, and the nature of their occupations.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of his House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Stirton, seconded by Mr. Rymal,

**Resolved**, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement of the sums paid from the vote of \$20,000 last Session, "To defray expenses for the Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces," shewing the dates of payment, and to whom paid, and the nature of the services rendered for such payment.

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

On motion of Mr. Oliver, seconded by Mr. Magill,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement of the expenses connected with the mission to the North-West of the Honorable the Secretary of State for the Provinces.

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

On motion of Mr. Chamberlin, seconded by Mr. Pope,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A list of all persons who have passed the examination required for Employes in the Inland Revenue Department, under the Order in Council of the 24th September, 1866, since the 1st July, 1867; and a statement of the number of meetings of the Board since the former date, and dates of such meetings.

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

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

The Senate have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting "Fishing by Foreign Vessels," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, a Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and "relief of sick and distressed Mariners," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Fishing by Foreign Vessels," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the papers sent down by His Excellency's Message, connected with the North-West Territories, be printed for the use of Members.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

# Tuesday, 1st March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the Districts of *Terrebonne* and *Richelieu*, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 9.)

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

By Mr. Wright (Ottawa County),—The Petition of P. Wright and others, of the City of Ottawa, and Township of Hull.

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of Edward Haycock, and others, of the City of Ottawa, and Township of Hull.

By Mr. Cameron (Huron),—The Petition of Francis S. Douglas, and others; the Petition of James Tisdale, and others; the Petition of Robert Brown and others; the Petition of Archibald Hodgert, and others; the Petition of Hugh Love, senior and others; the Petition of N. McIntyre, and others: the Petition of Archibald Bishop, Reeve, of Usborne; the Petition of John J. Sweetman and others; and the Petition of James Brown and others, Farmers, Producers, and Manufacturers, of Western Ontario.

And a Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, presented on Thursday last, be now received ;

Mr. Speaker decided That this Petition prays for a grant of Money, and cannot therefore be received.

And a Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of *Peter G. Fraser*, and others, Farmers, Traders and Merchants, of the County of *Victoria*, *New Brunswick*, presented on Thursday last, be now received ;

Mr. Speaker decided, That this Petition involves the expenditure of Public Money and cannot be granted without recommendation from the Crown.

And a Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of the *Quebec* Harbor Commissioners, presented on Wednesday last, be now received ;

Mr. Speaker decided, That this Petition involves the expenditure of Public Money, and cannot be granted without recommendation from the Crown.

Ordered, That Mr. Mills have leave to bring in a Bill to render Members of the Legislative Council, and Legislative Assemblies of the Provinces now included, or which may hereafter be included, within theDominion of Canada, ineligible for sitting or voting in the House of Commons of Canada.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Mills have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the extradition of persons from the Dominion of Canada, charged with having committed crimes in the United States, and other Foreign Countries.

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

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Return shewing the Dominion Notes in circulation, and the Securities and Cash Reserves held to meet the same on the 9th day of February, 1870; also, a Return of the average circulation of Dominion Notes from July 1st, 1869, to January 31st, 1870, and of the amount of such notes held by the chartered Banks; also, a Return of the circulation of chartered Banks for the same period. (Sessional Papers No. 16.)

On motion of the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to Banks.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to Dominion Notes.

Resolved That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to Currency.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, to both Houses of Parliament.

And a Motion being made, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty,

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider that Motion.

Ordered, That that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to a Supply be referred to the said Committee.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*,

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

And then The House adjourned till Thursday next.

# Thursday, 3rd March, 1870.

By Mr. Morrison (Niagara),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Town of Niagara; the Petition of John Hall and others, of the Town of Niagara; the Petition of A. M. Smith and others, of the City of Ioronto; the Petition of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Niagara; and the Petition of R. B. McPherson and others, Merchants, Shipowners, and Traders, of the Village of Thorold, and County of Welland.

By Mr. Metcalte,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of York.

By Mr. Wells,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of York.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron (Peel),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Peel.

By Mr. Harrison,—The Petition of John Robert Martin, of the Town of Cayuga, in the County of Haldimand, and Province of Ontario, Barrister-at-Law.

By Mr. Munroe,-The Petition of Joseph Scott and others, of Tyrconnel.

By Mr. Young,—The Petition of the Council of the Agricultural and Arts Association of the Province of Ontario.

By Mr. Savary,-The Petition of the Union Bank of Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of Josiah Deacon, of Antigonish, Province of Nova Scotia, presented on Monday last, praying that a Committee be appointed to enquire respecting a system for preserving timber from decay, and to estimate what amount should be paid to him for communicating the process to the public, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided, That this Petition prays for a grant of money and cannot therefore be received. On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

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

The Honorable Mr. Tilley, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 1.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 24th February, 1870;—For Copies of all Correspondence between the Government and the Trustees or Stockholders of the Upper Canada Bank; also any reports of such trustees, and statements showing the liability of the Bank in detail, the nature and value of its assets, the quantity and estimated value of the real estate, the sales since the last return, showing the assumed and realised values, and the cost of maintaining the present Board of Trustees. (Sessional Papers, No. 24.)

Ordered, That Mr. Harrison have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

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

The Honorable Mr. Irvine, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of *Hochelaga*, informed the House, That at the instance of the sitting Member, the Committee had granted a Commission for the taking of evidence as to the qualification of the said sitting Member and matters relating thereto, and by the consent of the Petitioner and said sitting Member, they had appointed *Louis Bélanger*, Esquire, Advocate of the City of *Montreal*, in the Province of *Quebec*, the Commissioner to examine witnesses touching the allegations above mentioned.

The Committee, therefore, ask leave to adjourn until such time as Mr. Speaker, by his Warrant, shall direct the said Committee to re-assemble and take the proceedings of said Commissioner into consideration.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Irvine seconded by Mr. Cayley,

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to adjourn until directed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant to re-assemble to take into consideration the proceedings before the Commissioner.

Ordered, That Mr. Oliver have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Patent Act of 1869.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Ross (Dundas) have leave to bring in a Bill to limit the rate of Interest.

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

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of Parliament, and informing their Honors, that the Members of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, viz. :--Messieurs Beaty, Bellerose, Bourassa,

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Bowell, Brousseau, Chamberlin, Ferguson, McDonald (Lunenburg), Mackenzie, Simard, Stephenson and Young, will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing. Ordered, That Mr. Bowell do carry the said Message to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Read,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all treaties, surrenders of lands or agreements between the Crown and any of the Tribes of Indians located within the Provinces or Territories comprised within the Dominion of *Canada*; also, between the Hudson's Bay Company and any Tribe of Indians, so far as such documents may be in possession of the Government.

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

On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Mills,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return of all amounts paid by the Government to the Bank of *Montreal*, during the years 1866, '67, '68, and '69, showing the following particulars :—The amount of exchange bought, the interest paid, American currency converted, Debentures and Dominion Stock sold, with the dates of each transaction, the rates and commissions paid, the amount received by the Bank in lieu of circulation, old notes, &c., and all other information necessary to show the relations of that Bank to the Government during the years above mentioned; also, a statement of any Intercolonial Loan, Exchange sold, the rate, to whom and where sold, and also the average monthly balances lying to the Credit of the Government in the Bank.

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir Alexander T. Galt, seconded by Mr. Cartwright,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Correspondence with the Imperial Government, relative to the admission or exclusion of American fishing vessels from the waters of the Dominion, and all Orders in Council on the subject.

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

On motion of Mr. Fortin, seconded by Mr. Keeler,

Ordered, That the Entry in the Journals of this House of the 3rd May, 1869, in relation to the appointment of a Select Committee on the subject of the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of Fish, be now read;

And the same being read,

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed on the subject of Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of Fish; to report thereon from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; and that the 79th and 80th Rules of this House be suspended in relation to the said Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. Fortin, the Honorable Messieurs Anglin, Campbell, Chauveau and Blanchet; and Messieurs Caldwell, Simpson, Mackenzie, McCallum, Keeler, Workman, Simard, Robitaille, Renaud, Bolton, Savary, Ross (Victoria N.S.), Coffin, Langlois, Ross (Prince Edward), Jones (Halifax), Beaty, Cimon, Bourassa, Dufresne, and Burpee, do compose the said Committee.

Ordered, That seven be the Quorum of the said Committee.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to be cause to be laid before this House,—Lists of the Cadets who have passed through the several Military Schools of the Dominion, in each year, since the first establishment of the Schools, up to December 31st, 1869; defining first and second class Cadets, and such as have passed through two or more separate schools; giving the total numbers, exclusive of double returns, and the average age of the Cadets of each year; also the total cost of the schools, including pay to Cadets, staff, clothing, and Camp of Instruction, with an estimate of the average cost of each Cadet to the country, and the number also who hold Commissions in the Militia, and the number now in the Schools.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of `this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement of the expenses connected with the Honorable Mr. *McDougall's* Mission to the North West and back.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Huntington, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Petitions, Memorials, and correspondence relating to the appointment of a Postmaster for the Village of Waterloo, in the County of Shefford, in the place of H. L. Robinson, Esq., resigned.

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

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence, not already brought down, touching the demands made by James Beaty, M.P., or the Road Company, against the Government; and the demands made by the Government against the same parties, and statement of the settlement (if any) made of the said demands.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A copy of statement of the Public Debt of the late Province of *Canada*, so far as the same has been fixed and settled between the three Governments interested, and statement of the items still in dispute.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Nova Scotia*, touching the complaints of *Nova Scotia*, in respect of the Confederation of the Provinces.

Ordered, That the said  $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$  ddresses be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. Tupper, Mr. Mackenzie, the Honorable Mr. Anglin, the Honorable Mr. Holton, Mr. Chamberlin, the

Honorable Mr. Blanchet, the Honorable Mr. Beaubien, Mr. Cartwright, Mr. McDonald (Lunenburg), Mr. O'Connor, and Mr. Beaty, be appointed to report upon the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of this House.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

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

JOHN YOUNG,

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,---

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

Ottawa, 28th February, 1870.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 4th March, 1870.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell,—The Petition of the Diocesan Synod of Nora Scotia.

By Mr. Scriver,-The Petition of Samuel W. Foster and others.

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness),—The Petition of Alexander Campbell, M.P.P. and others, of Broad Cove, and Broad Cove Intervale Polling District.

By the Honorable Mr. Carling,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of London (Canada West.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, from the Select Committee appointed to consider and report as to the papers connected with the North-West Territories, which it is expedient to lay before this House, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the papers referred to them, and recommend the publication of all the documents sent down with the exception of one despatch from the Honorable *William McDougall* to the Secretary of State for the Province, dated 14th January, 1870, with enclosure accompanying the same, and of portions of certain other papers that might have a tendency to compromise private individuals.

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz. :--Of Messrs. George Baptist and others, for incorporation of the Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company,---Of the Canadian Bank of Commerce and the Gore Bank, for an Act to confirm an agreement made between the said Banks for amalgamation,---and of the Honorable John Young, for an Act to revive and amend the Act of 12 Vict., incorporating a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain with the River St. Lawrence.

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their Quorum be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

The Honorable Mr. Morris, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Statements of Spirits, Malt Liquor, Malt, Tobacco, Cigars and Snuff, Petroleum and Manufactures in Bond, the Materials used, the manufactures therefrom, the Revenue derived thereon; also, the Revenue from Bill Stamps, in the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 1.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870,—For Copies of all Despatches or Correspondence with the Imperial Government or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia; with Copies of Resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbance of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangement. Also the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence. (Sessional Papers, No. 25.)

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses, from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870. (Sessional Papers, No. 26.)

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

The Senate have passed a Bill, initialed : "An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to Banks;

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. Cartwright moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bolton, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "it is inexpedient to authorize the issue of legal tender notes in the manner proposed in the said Resolution," inserted instead thereof;

### YEAS :

### Messieurs

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

Anglin,	Coupal,	Keeler,	Ray,
Archibald,	Crawford (Brockville),		Renaud,
Ault,	Crawford (Leeds),	Langevin,	Ross (Champlain),
Beaty,	Daoust,	Lapum,	Ross (Dundas),
Beaubien,	Dobbie,	Lawson,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Béchard,	Drew,	Le Vesconte,	Savary,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,		Scatcherd,
Benoit,	Dunkin,	Macdonald, Sir John	Scriver,
Bertrand,	Ferguson,		Simard,
Blanchet,	Ferris,	McDonald (Antigonish)	
Bowell,	Forbes,	McDonald (Middlesex)	Smith,
Bown,	Fortier,		Snider,
Brousseau,	Fortin,	Masson (Soulanges),	Sproat,
Burpee,	Galt, Sir Alexander T.		Sylvain,
Caldwell,	Gaucher,	McCarthy,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Cameron (Huron),	Gaudet,	McConkey,	Tilley,
Cameron (Inverness),	Gendron,	McKeagney,	Tremblay,
Campbell,	Gibbs,	McMillan,	Tupper,
Carling,	Godin,	Merritt,	Wallace,
Caron,	Grant,	Metcalfe,	Walsh,
Cartier, Sir George E.	,Gray,	Morris,	Webb,
Casault,	Grover,	Morrison (Niagara),	White,
Cayley,	Harrison,	Munroe,	Willson,
Chamberlin,		O'Connor,	Wood,
Cheval,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Pâquet,	Workman,
Cimon,	Howe,	Perry,	Wright(OttawaC'nty)&
Colby,		Pinsonneault,	Wright (York, Ontario,
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So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Motion, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty :---The House resolved itself into the Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty. Resolution to be Reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

## Monday, 7th March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the Districts of *Iberville* and *Montmagny*, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 9.)

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

By Mr. Bourassa,—The Petition of La Banque du Peuple.

By Mr. Wright (Ottawa County),—The Petition of M. McBean and others.

By Mr. Kymal,—The Petition of Britton Bath Osler, of the Town of Dundas, County of Wentworth.

By Mr. Magill,-The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Hamilton.

By Mr. Bodwell,-The Petition of the Municipality of South Norwich.

By Mr. Walsh,—The Petition of the United Agricultural Societies of the North and South Ridings of the County of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. Cameron (Huron),—The Petition of James Laidlaw and others; the Petition of B. Seymour, Junior, and others; and the Petition of James Somerville and others, Farmers, Producers and Manufacturers, of Western Ontario.

By Mr. Savary,—The Petition of the Reverend R. F. Uniacke, Rector of St. George's Church, Halifax, and others, Members of the Church of England, of the City of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

By the Honorable Mr. Tupper,—The Petition of the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, assembled in Annual Session, at Halifax, Neva Scotia.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

And a Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of Alexander Campbell, M.P.P. and others, of Broad Cove and Broad Cove Intervale Polling District, be now received;

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

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their Quorum be reduced to ten Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to ten Members.

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

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz.:—Of the Honorable Wm. McMaster and others, for incorporation of the Detroit River Transit Company,—Of the Great Western Railway Company, for amendments to their Acts of Incorporation,—and Of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Collingwood, in reference to the construction of a harbor at the mouth of the River Beaver.

The time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire To-morrow, and as there are many Petitions (of which notice has been published) that are yet to come in, your Committee recommend that the time limited, by the 49th Rule for the reception of Petitions, Private Bills, and Reports thereon respectively, be extended for one week, in the hope that no further extension may be requisite.

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison (Niagara) have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors, and Company of the Gore Bank.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

A Message from the Senate, by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery.

Mr. Speaker,---

The Standing Committee of the Senate appointed for the present Session on the subject of Printing, viz. — the Honorable Messieurs Bureau, Burnham, Dumouchel, Holmes, Locke, Odell, Olivier, Reesor, Sanborn, Simpson, Skead and Steeves, are instructed to act on behalf of the Senate with the Committee of the House of Commons as a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of Printing as desired in their Message.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Carling have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Detroit River Transit Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

### On motion of Mr. Fortin, seconded by Mr. Keeler,

Ordered, That Mr. Killam and Mr. Sylvain be added to the Select Committee on the subject of the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of Fish.

On motion of Mr. Savary, seconded by Mr. Coffin,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Correspondence conducted with other Governments and powers, and reports of all International Conventions and Committees, touching the adoption of a uniform system of Currency among the principal Commercial Nations, and correspondence with, and representations made to the Government by Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, or other bodies or persons, on the subject of a uniform Currency for the Dominion of Canada.

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

Mr. Oliver moved, seconded by Mr. Cameron (Huron), and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take into consideration the expediency of recommending to the House the imposition of an Import Duty of per cent. on the following articles: Wheat, Flour, Indian Corn, Hops, Salt and Bituminous Coal; And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated, 10th May, 1869; for a Return showing the quantity of grain imported into this country from 1st April, 1867, to 1st April, 1869, giving each year's quantity, and the country imported from, and the quantity delivered at each Port respectively in the Dominion. (Sessional Papers, No. 27.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Official Return of the distribution of the Statutes of Canada, 32 and 33 Victoria, being 2nd Session of 1st Parliament (English and French versions), in compliance with the Act 31 Vict., cap. 1, sec. 14. (Sessional Papers No. 28.)

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by Mr. Thompson (Ontario, N. R.),

Ordered, That George Kempt, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Victoria (Ontario), have leave of absence for one week.

On motion of Mr. McCallum, seconded by Mr. Grover.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House—Copies of all Correspondence and reports of the Engineer in charge of the Welland Canal, since 30th June, 1867. First, as to feeding said Canal from Lake Erie; Second, as to the damage done to the Village of Dunnville by the freshet in April last; Third, as to building of waste weir in the embankment across the Grand River at the Village of Dunnville; Fourth, as to opening what are known as the back ditches along the Welland Canal through the Township of Moulton; Fifth, as to the supply of water furnished the mills on the said

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Canal in the year 1869; Sixth, as to the damage done to Port *Maitland* Piers in April last; Seventh, also copies of all Orders in Council since the 30th of June last, in reference to said works.

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

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence and despatches between the Imperial and Dominion Governments, in relation to the meeting of a Colonial Conference in London, with reference to the withdrawal of Her Majesty's Troops from the Colonies.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A statement showing in detail the defalcations in the Financial Departments of the Government, so far as brought to light; also copies of any regulations adopted during the past year, for the auditing of the Public Accounts.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Drew*, the Honorable Mr. *Irvine*, the Honorable Mr. *Morris*, the Honorable Mr. *Gray*, the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, the Honorable Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Webb*, Mr. *Harrison*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Savary*, and Mr. *Ferguson*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Wednesday next.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

## Tuesday, 8th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Robitaille,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Restigouche; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Mann, both of the County of Bonaventure.

By Mr. Dobbie,—The Petition of H. Sells and others of the Village of Vienna, County of Elgin.

By Mr. Wells,—The Petition of John Coyne, M.P.P., and others, of the County of Peel.

By Mr. Harrison,—The Petition of Frank Smith and others; the Petition of Miles Hughs and others; the Petition of Samuel H. Levallee and others; the Petition of M. Dwan and others; the Petition of William Parson and others; and the Petition of John Boxall and others, all of the City of Toronto. By Mr. MacNarlane,—The Petition of William Harmer and others, of the Township of Fullarton; and the Petition of James Page and others, of the Town of St. Mary's, both of the County of Perth.

By Mr. White,—The Petition of Richard Shaw Wood and others, of the Town of Oakville, County of Halton.

By Mr. Wright (Ottawa County),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Carleton.

By Mr. O'Connor.—The Petition of M. Twomey and others, of the Town of Amherstburg, County of Essex; and the Petition of G. W. Girdlestone and others, of the Town of Windsor, County of Essex.

By Mr. Workman,--The Petition of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade; the Petition of H. Taylor and others; and the Petition of James Brown and others, of the City of Montreal.

By Mr. Mills,—The Petition of O. Hubbard and others, of the Township of Down; the Petition of William Kimball and others, of the Township of Sombra; and the Petition of Joseph Crowder and others, of the Township of Euphemia, all of the County of Lambton.

By Mr. Whitehead,—The Petition of Wm. McConnell and others; the Petition of William Rattenbury and others, of the Town of Clinton; the Petition of Thomas Cooper and others, of Clinton; the Petition of William Lehman and others, of Lakeview; the Petition of William Young, Reeve, and others, of Colborne; and the Petition of John Leckie and others, of the Township of Grey, all of the County of Huron.

By Mr. Crawford (Leeds S.R.), The Petition of Sidney Wilter and others, of Yonge, County of Leeds.

By the Honorable Mr. Abbott,—The Petition of the Canada Central Railway Company.

By Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),—The Petition of the Reverend A. Labelle, Curé, and others, of St. Jérome, County of Terrebonne.

By the Honorable Mr. Carling,—The Petition of Messrs. Lawson, Vivian, & Co., and others, Manufacturers, engaged in the refining of Petroleum Oil in the Province of Ontario; and the Petition of Thomas W. Smith and others, of the City of London.

By Mr. Oliver,—The Petition of *Henry Hall* and others, of the Town of *Woodstock*; the Petition of *James O'Neil* and others; the Petition of *D. M. Perry* and others, of the Town of *Woodstock*; and the Petition of *John B. Hill* and others, all of the County of *Oxford*.

By Mr. Cameron (Huron),—The Petition of J. L. Hayes and others, of the Village of Exeter; the Petition of John P. Marshall and others, of the Village of Rodgerville; the Petition of John Cano and others, of the Village of Brucefield; the Petition of John Parsons and others, of the Township of Stephen; the Petition of Simon Pegg and others, of the Village of Crediton; the Petition of A. McGowie and others, of the Town of Goderich; the Petition of Thomas Darling and others, of the Townships of Hay and Seaforth; and the Petition of Caspar Hill and others, of the Village of Zurich, all of the County of Huron.

By Mr. Scatcherd,—The Petition of F. A. Thompson and others, of the Village of Granton, County of Middlesex.

By Mr. Redford,—The Petition of Alexander Davidson and others; and the Petition of John Gettler and others, both of the Town of Mitchell, County of Perth.

By Mr. Mackenzie,—The Petition of Andrew Elliot and others, of the Village of Oil Springs; the Petition of John Cameron and others, of the Township of Bosanquet; and the Petition of John D. Noble and others, Producers of Crude Petroleum, at and near Petrolia, in the County of Lambton.

Mr. Harrison, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:--- Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their Quorum be reduced to seven Members.

They would also call the attention of Your Honorable House to the fact, that the time limited for the reception of Petitions for Private Bills expires this day; and as there is reason to believe that there are several Petitions yet to come in, they recommend an extension, for one week, of the time limited for receiving Petitions, Private Bills, and Reports thereon respectively.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee respectfully recommend that their Quorum be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

Your Committee recommend that their Quorum be reduced to nine Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to nine Members.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee recommend that their Quorum be reduced to nine Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to nine Members.

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

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz. ...Of *Wm. Scott* and others, for incorporation of the *Detroit* River Bridge or Tunnel Company,...Of John R. Martin, for a Divorce from his wife,... And of the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, for power to the Provincial Synod of Canada to admit the Representatives of any Diocese in the Dominion.

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

On motion of Mr. MacFarlane, seconded by Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to

Tuesday, 15th March, instant; and for receiving Private Bills to Tuesday, the 22nd March, instant; and Reports on Private Bills to Tuesday, the 5th April next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Holton have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence,

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Holton, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

Ordered, That the Statement of Expenditure charged to unforseen expenses, from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870, laid before this House, on Friday last, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council laid before the House,—Annual Report of Sick and Distressed Mariners' Fund, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, in compliance with the Act 31 Vic. Cap. 64. Sec. 12. (Sessional Papers No. 29.)

Also, Receipts and Expenditure of Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen's Fund,— Sick and Disabled Seamen's Fund, and Montreal General Hospital, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 29.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th February, 1870; for a list of all persons who have passed the examination required for employés in the Inland Revenue Department, under Order in Council of 24th September, 1866, since 1st July, 1867; and a statement of the number of meetings of the Board since the former dates of such meetings. (Sessional Papers No. 30.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870; for---Copies of all Orders in Council, and of all Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Canadian and *Prince Edward Island* Governments, and between the Governments of *Canada* and *British Columbia*, touching the admission of *Prince Edward Island* or of *British Columbia* into the Union, and the terms of such admission. (Sessional Papers No. 31.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 31st May, 1869; for-Copies of all Correspondence and Petitions relative to the withdrawal of the subsidy from the Steamer formerly plying between *Prince Edward Island*, *Pictou*, and *Port Hood*, and the subsidizing of a Steamer between *Prince Edward Island*, *Pictou*, and *Port Hawkesbury*, *Nova Scotia*. (Sessional Papers No. 33.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald laid before the House, Reports of the Delegates appointed to negociate for the acquisition of Rupert's Land and the North-West Territory. (Sessional Papers No. 12.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Census.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Motion, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth :--

That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

The said Resolution being read a second time :

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

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

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to Banks, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, That the Committee had made further progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Resolved. That this House will, on Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to Dominion Notes.

### (IN THE COMMITTEE).

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

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

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

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

such Bank, for the redemption of Dominion Notes, shall be deemed to be held by the Receiver General.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Section Ten of the said Act, 31 Victoria, Cap. 46, in accordance with the preceding Resolutions.

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

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received on Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators in certain cases therein mentioned;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners."

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committee to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

*Resolved*, That until otherwise ordered, Government business and orders shall have precedence on Thursdays; and that on Government days, after the business and orders are gone through, the other business and orders of the previous day shall be taken up; and that on Thursdays the division of time intended by Rule 19 shall not be observed.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

## Wednesday, 9th March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Extracts from the Minutes of the Board of Internal Economy of the House of Commons :---

### MEETING OF 27TH JANUARY, 1870.

It was Resolved :

"That Mr. Speaker do address the Honorable Minister of Finance, informing him, "that the Board desire to andit the Accounts of the House of Commons to the 31st December " last; and request that a competent officer from the Auditor General's Department be " detailed to assist them in performing that duty at once, the officer so to be employed to " be paid for his service out of the House of Commons contingencies."

MEETING OF 4TH FEBRUARY, 1870.

Mr. Speaker informed the Board that Mr. T. D. Tims, of the Audit Office, had audited the accounts, and had submitted his report in writing in the words following:

Accounts of the House of Commons, for the year ending 31st December, 1869.

The undersigned has the honor to report that he has audited the books and accounts of the House of Commons for the year ending 31st December, 1869, submitted to him for examination in the Accountant's Office, and that all have been found perfectly correct.

The undersigned has much pleasure in again expressing his unqualified approval of the system of checks adopted by the Accountant upon all payments, and of the very methodical and correct manner in which the books and accounts continue to be kept by the assistant accountant, Mr. *Stansfeld*.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Thomas D. Tims,

Inspector Finance Department.

Finance Department, Ottawa, 1st February, 1870.

It was Resolved,

"That the Accounts presented by the Accountant be approved, and the same are "hereby confirmed as audited."

The Accounts current are annexed.

Memorandum, shewing comparison of Expenditure for the last half-years of 1868 and 1869, under the new system.

Expenditure from 1st July, 1868, to 1st January, 1869 Deduct Printing and Binding	$59,936\ 445,350\ 79$
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Balance in favor of latter	\$6,362 78

Ottawa, 9th March, 1870.

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Also, Statement of the Post Office Savings Bank, from 1st July, 1868, to the 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 6.)

And also, Statement of the Northumberland and Durham Savings Bank, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 6.)

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

By Mr. Merritt,—The Petition of the Fruit Growers' Association of the Province of Ontario.

By Mr. Dobbie,-Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of Elgin.

By Mr. McDonald (Middlesex),—The Petition of James S. Longhead and others, of the Village of Strathroy; and the Petition of P. G. Sutherland and others, of the Township of Metcalfe, both of the County of Middlesex.

By Mr. Forbes,—The Petition of the Reverend George W. Hill, Rector, and the Churchwardens and Vestry of the Parish of St. Paul's, Halifax.

By Mr. Ryan (Montreal), --- The Petition of Hugh McLennan and others, of the City of Montreal; and the Petition of the Corn Exchange Association of the City of Montreal.

By Mr. Walsh,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Norfolk.

By Mr. Whitehead,—The Petition of George Twamley and others, of the Township of Ashfield; and Petition of William Mallough, Reeve, and others, of Ashfield, County of Huron.

By the Honorable Mr. Morris,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Lanark.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Of the Reverend R. F. Uniacke, Rector of St. George's Church, Halifax, and others, Members of the Church of England, of the City of Halifax (Nova Scotia), praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Provincial Synod of Canada, to admit into union the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, and also for a continuance of the rights and privileges solemnly guaranteed to them by the Act of their own Legislature, and to exempt from the control or jurisdiction of such Provincial Synod all persons and corporations who are not members of the said Diocesan Synod. Of the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, assembled in Annual Session, at Halifax (Nova Scotia); praying that an Inebriate Asylum, or Asylums, may be established in the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. Brousseau, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

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

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

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

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

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

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

Return to Address,—Shewing the quantity of Grain imported into this country, from<sup>\*</sup> the 1st April, 1867, to 1st April, 1869, &c.

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

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

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

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

Mr. MacFarlane, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :----

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

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

Ordered, That Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the construction of the Intercolonial Railway."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Harrison have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Workman have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. Savary have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 9, initialed : "An Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange."

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

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,— Supplementary Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870, for Copies of all Despatches or Correspondence with the Imperial Government, or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia; with Copies of Resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbance of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangement. Also, the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence. (Sessional Papers, No. 25.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870,—For Copies of all Orders in Council, and of all Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan, and the application of the proceeds thereof. (Sessional Papers, No. 13).

Ordered, That Mr. Blake have leave to bring in a Bill further securing the Independence of Parliament.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Savary have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the law of Usury in the Province of Nova Scotia.

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

On motion of Mr. Coffin, seconded by Mr. Ross (Victoria N.S.),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Correspondence with the American Government, relative to depredations committed by American Fishermen in Canadian Waters.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to limit the rate of Interest;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to render

Members of the Legislative Councils and Legislative Assemblies of the Provinces now included, or which may hereafter be included within the Dominion of *Canada*, ineligible for sitting or voting in the House of Commons of *Canada*;

Mr. Mills, moved, seconded by Mr. Cameron (Huron), and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Harrison moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Gray, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And it being Six of the Clock P.M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

### Half-past Seven o'Clock, P.M.

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Carling have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The House resumed the Debate upon the Amendment, which was, this day, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill (to render Members of the Legislative Councils and Legislative Assemblies of the Provinces now included, or which may hereafter be included within the Dominion of *Canada*, ineligible for sitting or voting in the House of Commons of *Canada*), be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end of the Question.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:----

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### Messieurs

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

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Anglin,	Fertis,	Metcalfe,	Scriver,
Béchard,	Forbes,	Mills,	Smith,
Blake,	Fortier,	Morison (Victoria, O.),	Snider,
Bodwell,	Galt, Sir Alexander T.,	Oliver,	Stirton,
Bourassa,	Godin,	Pâquet,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Bowman,	Hagar,	Pelletier,	Thompson (Ontario),
Brousseau,	Holton,	Pickard,	Tremblay,
Burpee,	Huntington,	Pozer,	Tupper,
Caldwell,	Jones(L'ds& Grenville),	Ray,	Wallace,
Cameron (Huron),	Killam,	Redford,	Wells,
Carmichael,	Macdonald(Glengarry),	Renaud,	White,
Cheval,	McDonald(Antigonish)	Ross (Dundas),	Whitehead,
Chipman,	MacFarlane,	Ross (Pince Edw'd),	Workman,
Coffin,	Mackenzie,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	Wright (York, Ontarie,
Connell,	Magill,	Ross(Wellington, C.R.),	W. R.)., and
Coupal,	McConkey,	Ryan (King's N.B.),	Young69.
Currier,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Rymal,	
Dorion,	McMonies,	Scatcherd,	

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Then the Main Question, so amended, being put, Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

So it was resolved in the Affimative.

Thursday, 10th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Workman,—The Petition of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade; and the Petition of the Sun Insurance Company of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Anglin,—The Petition of Messrs. Charles Robin and Co. and others, of Carraquet and Shippegan, County of Gloucester.

By Mr. Brown,-The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of Belleville.

By Mr. Ryan (Montreal),—The Petition of L. Beaubien, M.P.P., and others; and the Petition of Charles Legge and others, both of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Tupper,—The Petition of the Honorable Charles Tupper and others, of the City of Halifax.

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

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

Of James Brown and others, of the City of Montreal; of John Coyne, M.P.P., and others, of the County of Peel; of Frank Smith and others; of Miles Hughs and others; of Samuel H. Lavallee, and others; of M. Dwan and others; of William Parson and others; of John Boxall and others, all of the City of Toronto; of William Harmer and others, of the Township of Fullarton; of James Page and others, of the Town of St.

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

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

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

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

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Restigouche*,—and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Mann*; severally praying that a sufficient sum of money be granted to repair and alter the *Post*office road from *Cross Point* to its junction with the *Montapedia* Road, be now received;

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Tupper, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to report upon the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of this House, have leave to report from time to time.

The Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, from the said Select Committee, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

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

The Honorable Mr. *Blanchet*, from the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr<sup>•</sup> Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :----

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Select Committee appointed to report upon the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of this House.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate, requesting their Honors to unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses upon the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament,—and informing their Honors, that the Honorable Mr. Tupper, the Honorable Mr. Anglin, the Honorable Mr. Holton, the Honorable Mr. Blanchet, the Honorable Mr. Beaubien, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Chamberlin, Mr. Cartwright, Mr. McDonald (Lunenburg), Mr. O'Connor, and Mr. Beaty, will act as Members of such Committee on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Tupper do carry the said Message to the Senate

Ordered, That Mr. Masson (Soulanges) have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Weights and Measures.

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

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards a Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Junction Railway Company.

Ordered, That Mr. Scriver have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

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The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was

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

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

"The said motion being put,

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

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

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

"Ordered, That the Chairman do report the same to the House."

Ordered, That Mr. Pope have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

Ordered, That the Select Committee, to whom was referred the correspondence respecting the North-West Territories, and who have already reported, be revived, and have power to enquire into and report upon the alleged improper publication of certain portions of such correspondence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of "sick and distressed Mariners," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Harrison* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons;

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

## Friday, 11th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Thompson (Haldimand),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Haldimand.

By Mr. Ryan (Montreal),—The Petition of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade.

By Mr. Perry,—The Petition of W. H. Scott, Mayor and others, of the Town of Peterborough.

By Mr. McMonies,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Wentworth.

By Mr. McCarthy,—The Petition of A. Nelson and others, landowners in the Royal Seigniory of Sorel, in the County and District of Richelieu.

By the Honorable Mr. Blanchet,—The Petition of Louis Ruel, of the Parish of St. Joseph de la Pointe Lévis.

By Mr. Merritt,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland.

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness),—The Petition of Thomas Willmott, M.D., and others, of Port Hastings, County of Inverness.

By Mr. *Currier*,—The Petition of the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company; and the Petition of Messrs. *Bronsons* and *Weston* and others, Manufacturers of sawed Lumber of the City of Ottawa and vicinity.

By Mr. Workman,-The Petition of William Workman, Mayor of Montreal, and others, of Canada.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of William Mallough, Reeve and others, of Ashfield; praying for aid to construct a Pier at Port Albert, on the East coast of Lake Huron, be now received; Mr. Speaker decided, That "as this Petition prays for aid, it cannot be received."

Mr. Harrison, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :----

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the Notice thereon sufficient, viz. : Of La Banque Nationale,—of La Banque du Peuple,—of John Hall and others, for incorporation of the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company,—and of Jean Giroux and others, for amendments to the Act incorporating the Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Second Supplementary Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870; for Copies of all Despatches or Correspondence with the Imperial Government or any of the Provincial Governments, on the subject of the new financial arrangements made with Nova Scotia; with copies of Resolutions introduced into the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, relative to the disturbances of the British North American Act by said special financial arrangement. Also the Address to Her Majesty from the Ontario Legislature, condemnatory of such interference with the Union Act, and praying the interposition of Her Majesty's Government to prevent its recurrence. (Sessional Papers, No. 25.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald also laid before the House,—Accounts of the Decayed Pilots' Fund of the Trinity Houses of Quebec and Montreal, for the year ending 31st December, 1869, in compliance with the Act 12 Vic., cap. 114, sec. 10. (Sessional Papers, No. 29.)

Ordered, That Mr. Snider have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor Dues, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonld, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That Mr. Crawford (Leeds, S.R.), be added to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to Banks.

A Message from the Senate, by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery.

### Mr. SPEAKER,

The Honorable Messieurs Allan, Ross, Simpson, McMaster, Tessier, Armand, Letellier de St. Just, Botsford, Odell, Ritchie, and Dickey, are appointed a Committee on the part of the Senate to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament.

And then he withdrew.

The Committee (to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to Banks) was resumed.

### (IN THE COMMITTEE).

The following Resolution was adopted.

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

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

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

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

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

5. Persons who, having been Shareholders in the Bank, have only transferred their shares or any of them to others, or registered the transfer thereof within one month before the commencement of the suspension of payment by the Bank, shall be liable to calls on such shares, under the next preceding paragraph, as if they had not transferred them, saving their recourse against those to whom they were transferred; and any Director who shall refuse to make, or enforce, or to concur in making or enforcing any such call, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be personally responsible for any damages suffered by such default, and any assignee, or other officer or person appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank in case of its insolvency, shall have the powers of the Directors with respect to such calls. Provided, that if the Bank be *en commandite*, the liability of the principal partners and of the *Commanditaires* shall continue for such time after their ceasing to be such, as is or may be provided in the Charter of the Bank. 6. Every new Bank shall, and every existing Bank whose Charter is continued and amended in conformity to these Resolutions, shall, from the time such amendments take effect be exempt from the tax now imposed on the average amount of Notes now in circulation, and to which other Banks will continue liable.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

RETURN of the amount of on the		bilities and Assets of the lay of A.D. 18	•	Bank,
CAPITAL AUTHORISED, \$	•	Capital Subscribed, \$	CAPITAL PAID UP, §	;

### LIABILITIES.

		\$ 1	cts.
1	Notes in circulation		
<b>2</b>	Government deposits, payable on demand		
3	Other deposits, payable on demand		
4	Government deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day		
<b>5</b>	Other deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day		
6	Due to other banks in Canada		
7	Due to other banks or agents not in Canada		
8	Liabilities not included under the foregoing heads		

### ASSETS.

ч	G., .	\$ cts.
1	Specie	
2	Provincial or Dominion notes	
3	Notes of other banks	
4	Balances due from other banks in Canada	
5	Balances due from other banks or agents not in Canada	
6	Government debentures, or stock	
7	Loans to the Government	
8	Loans, discount, or advances, on current account to corporations	
9	Notes and bills discounted, and current	
10	Notes and bills discounted, overdue, and not specially secured	
11	Overdue debts secured by mortgage, or other deed on real estate,	
	or by deposit of, or lien on stock, or by other securities	
12	Real estate, the property of the Bank, other than the bank pre-	
	mises, and mortgages on real estate, sold by the bank	
13	Bank premises	
14	Other assets not included under the foregoing heads	

We declare that the foregoing Return is made up from the books of the Bank, and that it is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. 18

day of

A. B.-President, dec. C. D.-Cashier, dc.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the clock, on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 12th March, 1870.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

# Monday, 14th March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, — General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the Districts of *Beauce*, *Beauharnois*, *Kamouraska* and *St. Francis*, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 9.)

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

By Mr. Morrison (Niagara),—The Petition of A. S. Page and others, of Oswego, State of New York, United States of America.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell,—The Petition of the Diocesan Synod of Nova Sco. ia.

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By the Honorable Mr. *McGreevy*,—The Petition of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; and the Petition of the *Quebec* and *Gulf Ports* Steamship Company.

By Mr. Bodwell,--The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of East Oxford. By Mr. Workman,-The Petition of Charles J. Way and others, Artists, Members

of an Association of Canadian Artists, organized for the advancement of the fine arts in the Dominion of Canada.

By Mr. Brown,—The Petition of Alexander Robertson, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Belleville, County of Hastings.

By the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,—The Petition of George W. Stephens and others, of the City of Montreal.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Of the Council of the *Montreal* Board of Trade; praying that no change may be made in the Tariff, as regards the natural products of the *United States*, and that no restrictions be imposed upon the use of the canals by American vessels.

Of A. Nelson and others, landowners in the Royal Seigniory of Sorel, in the County and District of *Richelieu*, Province of *Quebec*; praying that they may be empowered to hold the lands in the said Seigniory, granted to them by the Crown, in free and common soccage, and absolutely free.

Of Thomas Willmot, M. D., and others, residing at Port Hastings, County of Inverness; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf, at Port Hastings, of the steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of Messrs. Bronsons & Weston, and others, Manufacturers of sawed lumber in the City of Ottawa, and vicinity; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to extend their line of Railway across the Suspension Bridge over the Ottawa River, and through the Village of Hull, in the Province of Quebec, and for other purposes.

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

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of Messrs. Charles Robin & Co. and others, of Caraquet and Shippegan, County of Gloucester (N. B.); praying that

the Southern entrance of *Shippegan* Harbor may be deepened, and that a Breakwater be constructed so that the said Harbor may serve as a Harbor of Refuge, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided, That "as this Petition involves an expenditure of money, it "cannot be received."

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of W. H. Scott, Mayor, and others, of the Town of *Peterborough*; praying for aid to repair the Lock at *Whitlaw's* Rapids, near the Town of *Peterborough*, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided, That "as this Petition involves an expenditure of money, it "cannot be received."

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of *Louis Ruel*, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Lévis*; praying for arrears of Pension as a Volunteer during the war of 1812, be now received;

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

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison (Niagara) have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Blanchet*, *Ordered*, That Mr. *Brousseau* be added to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate informing their Honors that Mr. Brousseau has been added to the Joint Committee of Both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Tupper do carry the said Message to the Senate.

Ordered, That Mr. Mills have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act further securing the Independence of Parliament.

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

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 13th May, 1869, for a Report made by Captain 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 the said River St. John. (Sessional Papers, No. 34.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th February, 1870; for a detailed statement of the expenses connected with the mission to the North-West, of the Honorable Secretary of State for the Provinces. *(Sessional Papers, No. 12).* 

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870; for copies of all Orders in Council, and of all Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Governments of *Canada* and any of the Provinces, touching any Legislation of any of the Provinces, including any instructions to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of Provincial Legislation. *(Sessional Papers, No. 35.)*  A Message from the Senate by John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery :---

# Mr. SPEAKER,

The Honorable Mr. *Macpherson* has been added to the Committee of this Fouse appointed to act on behalf of the Senate as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Stephenson, seconded by Mr. Munroe,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all reports, plans and surveys of the Chief Engineer and his assistants, relating to the construction of a Harbor of Refuge on Lake *Erie* and on Lake *Huron* respectively.

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

# On motion of Mr. Harrison, seconded by

Resolved. That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions relating to the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

# (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

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

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

4. Resolved, That every such Inspector, who neglects or refuses to keep such a book as mentioned in the first Resolution, or to make the entries required to be made therein, or who neglects or refuses to make the returns required by the second Resolution, shall incur a penalty not exceeding \$80 for each offence, and be liable to be dismissed from his office, and be disqualified from ever after holding the same.

5. Resolved, That every fine or penalty imposed by the Acts of the late Province of Canada, 27 & 28 Vict. Cap. 21, and 29 and 30, Vict. Cap. 24, or by an Act to be founded on the foregoing Resolutions when the same does not exceed \$40, shall be recoverable by any Inspector of raw hides and leather, or by any other person suing for the same in a summary way before the Recorder or Police Magistrate of the City or Town within the Inspection limits of the said Inspectors, or before any two Justices of the Peace, and shall in default of payment be levied by a warrant of distress to be issued by such Recorder or Police Magistrate or Justices against the goods and chattels of the offender.

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6. Resolved, That when such penalty or fine exceeds \$40 it may be sued for and recovered with full costs of suit by such Inspector or other person by civil action in any court having jurisdiction in civil cases to the amount and may be levied by execution as in cases of debt.

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

8. Resolved, That the 29th and 30th sections of the said Act, 27 and 28 Vict., Cap. 21, be repealed.

9. Resolved, That this Act shall only apply to the Provinces of Ontario and Quebea. Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Grant, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Archibald,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of any reports or other information in the possession of the Government, respecting the Neepigon Country, its physical features generally, its adaptability for the purposes of colonization, and as a means of access to the *Red River* Territory.

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

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return in detail of all sums paid by the Government of *Canada* for barracks, barrack repairs, and rent for the Imperial Troops, from January 1st, 1861, to December 31st, 1869, and charged as Militia expenditure or otherwise, and the present liabilities of the Government in this connection.

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

On motion of Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville), seconded by Mr. Scatcherd,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed Statement of all costs and charges connected with the repairs, alterations, and maintenance of *Rideau* Hall and *Spencerwood*, since the 30th June, 1868, up to the present time, including all expenses of heating and lighting the Buildings, and all expenses connected with gardening, and every item of expense, in any way, either directly or indirectly connected with said Buildings; giving the charges connected with each Department separately.

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

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Statement in detail of all payments made by the Government of *Canada*, on account of liabilities of the late Province of *Canada*, since the 30th June, 1869.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Cayley be added to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed Statement of the salary and expenses of the "Inspector of Drill Sheds," at Toronto, with the date of his appointment, and a copy of his instructions and other papers, shewing the nature of his duties and the Military Districts over which his powers extend; also, the names of the officers (if any) performing similar duties in other Districts, with amounts of salaries and expenses, with copies of any instructions given to such officers.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Resolved, That the Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Harrison, the Honorable Mr. Morris, Mr. Savary, Mr. Blake, the Honorable Mr. Smith, the Honorable Mr. Dorion, and the Honorable Mr. Abbott, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 9, intituled: "An Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 15th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of Charles P. Treadwell and others, of the City of Ottawa.

By Mr. Wright (Ottawa County),—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Pontiac.

By Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),—The Petition of G. A. Masson and others, of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

By Mr. Cimon,—The Petition of J. Warren and others, Mariners and Fishermen of the Parish of St. Etienne de la Malbaie, County of Charlevoix.

By Mr. Whitehead,—The Petition of William A. Shearson and others, Farmers, Producers and Manufacturers, of Western Ontario. By Mr. Hagar,—The Petition of Charles P Treadwell, Sheriff, and others, of the Township of Longueuil.

The Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses upon the subject of reporting and publishing the Debates of Parliament, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

The Committee consider it of a great importance to the best interest of the country, that a reliable and authentic record of the Debates in Parliament should be secured.

The Committee asked for tenders from Messrs. Hunter, Rose & Co., Mr. Cotton, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Duvernay for the performance of the work in the following manner :

The work to be done in a style similar to the sheets already published by Mr. Cotton.

All speeches to be reported in the language in which they are delivered, and the speeches delivered in French to be translated, and the English version of each French speech to appear immediately after the original French version.

Members to be furnished with reports of their speeches for revision, if desired, and in all cases the report of speeches to be published within thirty-six hours after delivery. Contractor not expected to wait longer than six hours for revision of speeches after handing report to Members.

The Contractor to furnish 2,000 copies of the work, of which 1,000 to be half bound in calf and 1,000 to be handed daily to the distribution office, to be thence distributed as per a scale to be furnished.

Tenders to state maximum price for 2,000 pages, with rate of reduction allowed for each sheet of 16 pages, that the work may fall short of that amount ; and also at what rate per 100 additional copies will be supplied to the Press or to Members of the House who may desire to obtain them.

The Contractor also to state at what price he would be willing to publish a purely English edition of say 1,000 in sheets and 1,000 bound copies, and a purely French edition of say 500 in sheets and 500 bound copies.

The only tenders received were from Messrs. Hunter, Rose & Co., and Mr. Cotton, copies of which are annexed.

Mr. Rose and Mr. Cotton were called before the Committee to make explanations.

Mr. Rose stated that his price for a purely English edition was greater than for one with the French translated in addition to the French report.

Mr. Cotton explained that his charge for any excess over 2,000 pages and reduction for any lesser number of pages would be "pro rata," according to the contract price for the whole.

The Committee beg leave unanimously to recommend that the reporting and publication shall be in both languages, and that Mr. Cotton's Tender for the same be accepted for the present Session.

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Ottawa,, March 15th, 1870.

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OTTAWA, 15th March, 1870

To the Honorable C. Tupper, C.B., Chairman, Committee Debates of Parliament.

HONORABLE SIR,—In reply to letters addressed to us by Secretary of Committee on the 10th and 14th instant, inviting a Tender for the Printing of a "*Hansard*" for the Dominion Parliament, we beg to say that For an English edition of 2,000 copies of the Debates comprising 2,000 pages we will charge \$10,729.50.

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The above sums to include all charges for Reporting and Translating and Binding the English and French at the end of the Session in Vols. of 1,000 pages each in half calf extra, and a daily delivery of 1,000 copies in sheets of these Debates in English and 500 in French to the distribution office.

Should the Debates not reach 2,000 pages, we will make a deduction of \$74.64 for every 16 pages of the English edition, \$67.50 for the English and French, and \$44.00 for the French less than the 2,000, but should they exceed the stipulated numbers of 2,000 pages, then we will charge at the rate of \$74.64 for the English, \$67.50 for the English and French, and \$44.00 for the French for each 16 pages over 2,000.

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

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find the notices sufficient, viz. :--Of the Town Council of *Belleville*, for authority to levy harbor dues at the mouth of the River *Moira*, and of the *Canada* Central Railway Company, for an extension of their Charter.

Mr. Fortin, from the Select Committee on the subject of the 'Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of Fish, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that Schools of Navigation be established in the principal seaports of the Dominion in connection with the Boards of Examiners for Masters and Mates, which it is proposed to establish.

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 24th February, 1870; for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the Office of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, and all their travelling expenses in connection with said Road, from the date of their appointment, up to the present time. (Sessional Papers, No. 13.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th February, 1870; for a Statement shewing the names of the Contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have thrown up their contracts, together with the names of their surcties; the length of road, the nature and description of work to be done, and the price agreed to be paid, in each contract so throw up; the work done by each of them respectively, and the amount paid to each; the contracts resumed by the Commissioners, and the amount paid to them by the surcties, in order that they might be released from their warranty, and by what surcties paid; shewing, also, whether any of the work so resumed by the Commissioners has been again given out by contract, and, if so, when, to whom, and at what price; also, shewing who are the surcties, where they reside, and the nature of their occupations. (Sessional Papers, No. 13.)

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier laid before the House,—Report of the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway. (Sessional Papers, No. 13.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 3rd March, 1870; for copy of Statement of the Public Debt of the late Province of Canada, so far as the same has been fixed and settled between the three Governments interested; and Statement of the items still in dispute. (Sessional Papers, No. 36).

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 9th March, 1870; for Copies of all Correspondence with the American Government, relative to depredations committed by American fishermen in Canadian waters.

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GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Ottawa, March 12th, 1870.

SIR,—In answer to your order of reference on an Address from the House of Commons (herewith returned), for Copies of Correspondence with the United States Government, relative to depredations committed by American fishermen in Canadian waters, I have the honor to inform you that there is no correspondence on the subject on record in this office.

> I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient Servant, F. TURVILLE,

> > Governor's Secretary.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dorion have leave to bring in a Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Honorable Mr. *Morris*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the correspondence respecting the *North West Territories*, with power to enquire into and report upon the alleged improper publication of certain portions of such correspondence, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have made enquiry into the facts connected with the publication of certain portions of the papers relating to the *North-West Territories*, in the *Toronto Leader* in advance of their being submitted to the House; and have ascertained that no Officer connected with either the House of Commons, or with the Secretary of State's Department, and that no employée of the Printer's supplied these papers to the *Leader*.

The Committee further report to the House the evidence they have taken.

Mr. Lindsay, Clerk of the House, was examined, and said : Before the papers were first brought down, prior to the doors being opened, there was an arrangement made in the House that the papers when brought down should be referred to a Select Committee.

The papers were then brought down, and the resolution for a Select Committee passed, consequently, the papers were not laid on the table, and were never placed in my possession at all. The papers did not accompany the report of the Committee, and have never been in my possession at all. I have never seen them, and do not know how they or any of them got into the newspapers. A reporter, whose name I don't know, (I think the day before the papers appeared in the *Leader*) met me, and asked me "How can I get the remainder of the *Red River* papers." I said "I do not know, I have not the papers and know nothing about them, and understand it is a secret affair." He said "Oh, I have all, or nearly all I want," but still he wanted something more. After I saw the report in the *Leader*, I saw the same gentleman, and said to him something about the documents being published with the names and all, and said to him, merely, "You did not get the papers from me or from any Officer of the House." He said "No." There were several persons present.

Mr. Meredith was examined, and said: I am Under Secretary of State. At the request of the Select Committee, I acted in the transmission of these papers to the Printers, and had supervision over the Printing. I kept the papers under lock and key, brought them to the Printer's myself—warned the Printers to be specially careful they were not seen, and am satisfied that they were not seen by any one in my office, save a clerk.—I never communicated any of them to any one.—When the papers passed to the Printers, certain names and passages had been obliterated by the Committee in such a way that they could not be read.

Mr. Walsh was examined and said: I am the regular correspondent of the Leader. During the Session Mr. Gregg also acts as such. On Friday night week Mr. Gregg gave me a Memo. embracing a portion of the heads of the North-West correspondence. I had not the papers actually in my possession. I was instructed to ascertain if those papers were included among those to be published, and if so, to telegraph to the Leader that they might insert them at any early day. The papers I refer to were those subsequently published in the Leader. I asked Mr. Mackenzie, Member for Lambton, if these papers would be printed, and he said that they would, but that names would not be published, and that I ought to telegraph to that effect to the Leader to prevent it. I did telegraph accordingly on Saturday, and again on Monday and Tuesday to the same effect, and I do not know why they were published, I only know what Mr. Gregg told me as to the source from which he obtained the papers, and I have reason to believe that the papers were not procured from any Officer of the House, the Secretary of State's Department or the Printers.

James Beaty was examined, and said: he had no personal knowledge as to the source whence the papers were procured, and did not know of the publication till he saw it in the *Leader*. He never saw the papers, and never applied to any one to obtain them.

George R. Gregg was examined, and said: I am one of the Editors of the Leader. I transmitted to Toronto the papers which appeared in the Leader relating to the North-West. I did not obtain these from any employée of the House, or of the Secretary of State's Department, nor from the Printers. I received the papers for perusal, and for such other use as I might deem advisable. I prepared a statement from them in advance, which I sent to Toronto, with injunctions that it should not be published until further directions were given by me. In my absence from Ottawa a telegram was sent to Toronto, the purport of which was mistaken, and the papers were printed. It was not the intention of any one connected with the Leader to use the papers improperly. I meant to have struck out any portions eliminated by the House, but they were published in mistake. I obtained the papers in a perfectly honorable way.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Imagevin* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial Causes in New Brunswick.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House to consider a certain proposed Resolution relative to Banks;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be now re-committed to a Committe of the Whole House, to consider certain further amendments thereto.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

# (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

1. No new Bank shall issue notes, or commence the business of Banking until two hundred thousand dollars of its capital shall have been *bond fide* paid up, nor until it shall obtain from the Treasury Board a certificate that the said condition has been complied with, and the Treasury Board shall, before granting such, be satisfied in such way as may be prescribed by regulations, to be made by the said Board, that the said amount of the capital of the Bank has been *bond fide* paid up. 2. At least twenty per cent. of the subscribed capital of any such Bank shall be paid up in each year after it shall have commenced the business of Banking, until the whole shall have been paid up.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

12. The monthly returns to be made by the Bank to the Government shall be in the following form, and shall be made up on the first juridical day of each month, and shall exhibit the condition of the Bank on the last juridical day of the month preceding; and such monthly returns shall be signed by the President, or the Director then acting as President, and by the Cashier, or other principal officer of the Bank at its chief seat of business. 7

RETURN of the amount of	Liabilities ar	nd Assets of the		Bank,
on the	day of	A.D. 18	•	

Capital Authorised, \$. Capital Subscribed, \$. Capital P	AID UP,	\$
LIABILITES.		
1       Notes in circulation         2       Government deposits, payable on demand         3       Other deposits, payable on demand         4       Government deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day         5       Other deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day         6       Due to other banks in Canada	•	cts.

Due to other banks or agents not in Canada .....

Liabilities not included under the foregoing heads.....

# 15th March.

# ASSETS.

1	Specie	\$	cts.
<b>2</b>	Provincial or Dominion notes		
3	Notes of other banks		
4	Balances due from other banks in Canada		
5	Balances due from other banks or agents not in Canada	[	
6	Government debentures, or stock		
7	Loans to the Government		
8	Loans, discounts, or advances on current account to corporations	j	
9	Notes and bills discounted, and current		
10	Notes and bills discounted, overdue, and not specially secured		
11	Overdue debts secured by mortgage, or other deed on real estate,	Ì	
	or by deposit of, or lien on stock, or by other securities		
12	Real estate, the property of the Bank, other than the bank pre-		
	mises, and mortgages on real estate, sold by the bank	[	
13	Bank premises		
14	Other assets not included under the foregoing heads		
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We declare that the foregoing Return is made up from the books of the Bank, and that it is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. day of

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

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

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

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

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

17. The Bank shall always receive in payment its own notes at par, at any of its offices, and whether they be made payable there or not; but shall not be bound to redeem

them in Specie or Dominion Notes, at any place other than where they are made payable. The place or one of the places at which the notes of the Banks shall be made payable, shall always be its chief seat of business.

18. The Bank shall always hold as nearly as may be practicable one half of its Cash Reserves in Dominion Notes, and the proportion of such Reserves held in Dominion Notes, shall never be less than one third thereof; and the Receiver General shall make such arrangements as may be necessary for insuring the delivery of Dominion Notes to any Bank, in exchange for an equivalent amount in specie, at the several offices at which Dominion Notes will be redeemable, in the cities of Toronto, Montreal, Halifax and St. John, N. B., respectively.

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

20. The Directors of any now existing Bank being thereunto authorized at a general meeting of the Shareholders, called for that purpose, or the principal partners of a Bank *en commandite*, may, at any time before the expiration of its present Charter, notify the Minister of Finance of their intention to apply for an extension or modification of its Charter, with such amendments as will make it conformable to these Resolutions, and may apply to the Governor General for a Charter granting the extension or modification with such amendments, which Charter the Governor in Council shall grant on the report of the Minister of Justice and of the Treasury Board that it is in conformity with the law.

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

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

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

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

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the Committee had re-considered the said Resolution, and made amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report be received on Thursday next.

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

The Senate have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act respecting Official Assignees "appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864."

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

# Wednesday, 16th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Wright, (Ottawa County)—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of Hull, County of Ottawa.

By Mr. Ryan, (Montreal),—The Petition of R. W. Shepherd and others interested in the navigation of the Ottawa River.

By the Honorable Mr. Tupper,—The Petition of William Pryor and others, Bankers and Merchants, of the City of Halifax; and the Petition of James Robertson, L.L.D. Rector, and others, of the Church of England, Township of Wilmot, County of Annapolis.

By Mr. Hagar,—The Petition of James Summer and others, of the County of Carleton.

By the Honorable Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *John Hoffman* and others, of the Parish of *Berthier*; the Petition of *Louis Fournier* and others, of the Parish of St. *Thomas* and Village of *Montmagny*: and the Petition of *Cyrille Bernier* and others, of the Parish of Cap St. *Ignace*, all of the County of *Montmagny*.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Municipality of the Village of Hull, County of Ottawa, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that the Petition of the Ottawa City Passenger Railroad Company, for an Act to enable them to extend their line of Railway across the Suspension Bridge over the Ottawa River, and through the Village of Hull, in the Province of Quebec, may be granted.

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

Of A. S. Page, and others, of Oswego, State of New York, United States of America; praying that the Bill, now before Parliament, to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, may become Law.

Of the Diocesan Synod of *Nova Scotia*; praying that an Inebriate Asylum may be established in the Dominion of *Canada*.

Of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship at the principal Scaports of the Dominion.

Of the Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company; praying that they may be exempt from the operation of the law by which they are compelled to carry Branch Pilots.

Of the Municipality of the Township of East Oxford; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various Articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of *Charles J. Way*, and others, artists, Members of an Association of Canadian Artists, organized for the advancement of the fine arts in the Dominion of *Canada*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The Society of Canadian Artists."

Of Alexander Robertson, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Belleville, County of Hastings; praying for the passing of an Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating a Company to build a Railway from the said Town of Belleville to Peterborough, by the name of the Grand Junction Railway Company.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Masson (Soulanges) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 66 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Railways."

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

Ordered, That the Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Hull*, County ot Ottawa, received and read this day, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Abbott have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. Brown have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Town of Belleville to impose and collect Harbor Dues, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Thompson (Haldimand) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 10, relating to Postal Service.

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

On motion of Mr. McDougall (Renfrew, S.R.), seconded by Mr. Pozer,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Reports made by surveyors or others employed by the Government in the neighbourhood of Lake Neepigon, or any portions of the coast of Lake Superior.

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

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 26th May, 1869, for Copies of all Correspondence between the Canadian Government and the United States Government, Orders in Council and other papers in possession of this Government of a public nature, relating to the subject of the relative duties and imports on American vessels trading at Canadian Ports, as compared with the imports and duties now imposed by the United States upon Canadian vessels trading at United States Ports, since July 1st, 1867. (Sessional Papers, No. 37).

The Honorable Mr. *Huntington* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hagar*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing that the increasing populations and productions of this Dominion demand more extensive markets, and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other countries.

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

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

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

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

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That in all cases the treaties creating such proposed commercial arrangement should be subject to the approval of Her Majesty;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

On motion of Mr. Bodwell, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Monday next, and be then the first Order of the Day.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

# Thursday, 17th March, 1870.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Tilley,—The Petition of Messrs. J. and F. Burpee and Company, and others, Merchants and others, of the City of Saint John, Province of New Brunswick.

By Mr. Workman,-The Petition of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade.

By Mr. White,—The Petition of James Moffat and others, of the Township of Nassagaweya, County of Halton.

By Mr. Whitehead,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Hullett, County of Huron.

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

Of Charles P. Treadwell and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the "Canadian Pacific Railway and Navigation Company," with power to construct a Railway from Ottawa, through the Red River Territory and Rupert's Land, to the Pacific Ocean at Bute Inlet; also, for the interposition of the House in their behalf, to assist them in obtaining a grant of wild lands in aid of their undertaking.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Pontiac*; praying that the Bill, now before Parliament, to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*, may become law.

Of G. A. Masson and others, of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry; and of Charles P. Treadwell, Sheriff, and others, of the Township of Longueuil; severally praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of J. Warren and others, Mariners and Fishermen, of the Parish of Saint Etienne de la Malbaie, County of Charlevoix; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of William A. Shearson and others, Farmers, Producers, and Manufacturers, of Western Ontario; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Your Committee have considered the Petition of the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company, for authority to extend their railway over the Suspension Bridge across the River Ottawa, to the Village of Hull, and to connect with any railway that may be constructed to Aylmer. They find that no notice was published in the County of Ottawa, in which Hull is situate; but the notices are, in other respects, sufficient; and as no paper is published in that Village, and the Ottawa papers, in which the notice appeared, are freely circulated there, Your Committee recommend that the notice be considered sufficient. On the Petition of the Sun Insurance Company of *Montreal*, for an Act to revive and amend their Act of incorporation, the Notices have not yet been published for the full length of time required; but, as no private rights are affected, Your Committee recommend that the notice in this case also be considered sufficient.

The Petition of *Charles J. Way* and others, of *Montreal*, for incorporation of the Society of Canadian Artists, is not of a nature to require the publication of notice.

Mr. Magill, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report on the extent and condition of the Hop growing and Salt interests in *Canada*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :----

Your Committee have had under consideration the salt manufacturing interests on the shores of Lake *Huron*, in the Province of *Ontario*, and that the following facts have been established to the satisfaction of your Committee :

1st. That the supply of salt in that section of the Dominion is practically unlimited; brine of the finest quality having been found at points 75 miles apart, and at intermediate places.

2nd. That the number of wells now sunk is capable of supplying brine enough to make 3,000 barrels per day.

3rd. That during a greater portion of last year, the *Goderich* salt wells have been closed up, and the large capital invested in this important branch of Canadian industry, has been during that time wholly unremunerative, and that, unless some change takes place in our trade relations with the United States, this state of things is likely to continue.

4th. Your Committee further find that the Canadian is unable to compete with the American manufacturer, even in the Canadian market, for the following reasons :---

lst. The American manufacturers have their home market exclusively to themselves; the duty on salt admitted into the *United States* being a practical prohibition.

2nd. After supplying the home market thus secured to the American manufacturer, by their own Government, and supplying that market at prices more than fairly remunerative, their surplus production is exported to *Canada*, and there sold at prices which render it impossible for the Canadian manufacturer to retain the Canadian market.

3rd. That the State Government supplies the Salt Companies of the State of New York, with capital estimated at \$10,000,000, for the nominal sum of  $\frac{3}{4}$  per cent., and thus secures to said Companies important advantages over Companies dependent on private capital alone.

4th. The American manufacturers have an advantage in return freight, which is an important item in the conveyance of so bulky an article as salt, to market.

Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend that the House speedily adopt such measures as shall tend to relieve this important industry from the depressing influences to which your Committee have referred.

In reference to the Hop growing interests of the Dominion, your Committee find that their views are fully expressed in the Report of a Special Committee upon the "Hops and Salt interest," &c., which was concurred in by the House at the last Session of Parliament, and consequently they do not think it necessary to make any further Report thereon.

Mr. Drew, from the Select Committee to whom were referred the Bill to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders, (Mr. Drew), and the Bill to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in relation to summary convictions and orders (Mr. Harrison), presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have carefully examined the provisions of the above said Bills which were referred to them, and have agreed to combine the same in the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Aet respecting the Duties of Justices of the Peace out of "Sessions, in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders," with amendments, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House; and they also recommend that the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Mr. Savary, from the Select Committee to whom were referred the Bill to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, and the Bill to amend the Act 31 Vic. Cap. 9, intituled : "An Act to impose duties on Promissory Notes and "Bills of Exchange," presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have carefully examined the provisions of the above said Bills, which were referred to them and have agreed to combine the same in the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange" with amendments, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House, and recommend the Bill, as amended, to be reprinted.

Ordered, That Mr. Young have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the naturalization of certain Aliens.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Currier have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 3rd March, 1870, for a Return of all amounts paid by the Government to the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, '67, '68, and '69, shewing the following particulars :—The amount of exchange bought, the interest paid, American currency converted, Debentures and Dominion Stock sold, with the dates of each transaction, the rates and commissions paid, the amount received by the Bank in lieu of circulation, old notes, &c., and all other information necessary to show the ralations of that Bank to the Government during the years above mentioned, also, a Statement of any Intercolonial Loan, Exchange sold, the rate, to whom and where sold, and also the average monthly balances lying to the credit of the Government in the Bank. (Sessional Papers, No. 38.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

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

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, a copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 17th December, 1869, stating that Her Majesty will not be advised to disallow certain Acts passed by the Dominion Legislature in the last Session of Parliament, and calling attention to the Third Section of Cap. 23rd. (Sessional Papers, No. 39.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 16th March, 1870. On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Langevin, the Honorable Mr. Wood, Mr. Casault, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), and Mr. Carmichael, be added to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Archambeault have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray*, from the Committee of the Whole House to take into consideration a certain Resolution relative to Banks, reported a Resolution, which was read, as followeth :---

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

1. No new Bank shall issue notes, or commence the business of Banking until two hundred thousand dollars of its capital shall have been *bond fide* paid up, nor until it shall obtain from the Treasury Board a certificate that the said condition has been complied with, and the Treasury Board shall, before granting such, be satisfied in such way as may be prescribed by regulations, to be made by the said Board, that the said amount of the capital of the Bank has been *bond fide* paid up.

2. At least twenty per cent. of the subscribed capital of any such Bank shall be paid up in each year after it shall have commenced the business of Banking, until the whole shall have been paid up.

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

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

5. Persons who, having been Shareholders in the Bank, have only transferred their shares or any of them to others, or registered the transfer thereof within one month before the commencement of the suspension of payment by the Bank, shall be liable to calls on such shares, under the next preceding paragraph, as if they had not transferred them,

saving their recourse against those to whom they were transferred; and any Director who shall refuse to make, or enforce, or to concur in making or enforcing any such call, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be personally responsible for any damages suffered by such default, and any assignee, or other officer or person appointed to wind up the affairs of the Bank in case of its insolvency, shall have the powers of the Directors with respect to such calls. Provided, that if the Bank be *en commandite*, the liability of the principal partners and of the *Commanditaires* shall continue for such time **after** their ceasing to be such, as is or may be provided in the Charter of the Bank.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Capital Authorised, \$	•	CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, \$	•	Capital Paid Up, \$ .	
LIABILITIES.					

$     \begin{array}{c}       1 \\       2 \\       3 \\       4 \\       5 \\       6 \\       7 \\       7     \end{array} $	Notes in circulation Government deposits, payable on demand . Other deposits, payable on demand Government deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day Other deposits, payable after notice, or on a fixed day Due to other banks in <i>Canada</i> Due to other banks or agents not in <i>Canada</i>	\$   cts.
-	Liabilities not included under the foregoing heads	

# ASSETS.

1	Question	\$	cts.
1	Specie	1	
<b>2</b>	Provincial or Dominion notes		
3	Notes of other banks		
4	Balances due from other banks in Canada		
5	Balances due from other banks or agents not in Canada		
6	Government debentures, or stock		
`7	Loans to the Government		
8	Loans, discounts, or advances on current account to corporations	Í	
· 9	Notes and bills discounted, and current		
10	Notes and bills discounted, overdue, and not specially secured		
11	Overdue debts secured by mortgage, or other deed on real estate,	İ	,
	or by deposit of, or lien on stock, or by other securities		1
12	Real estate, the property of the Bank, other than the bank pre		
	mises, and mortgages on real estate, sold by the bank		
13	Bank premises	1	
14	Other assets not included under the foregoing heads		
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We declare that the foregoing Return is made up from the books of the Bank, and that it is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

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day of

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

13. The making of any wilfully false or deceptive statement in any account, statement, return, report, or other document, respecting the affairs of the Bank, shall, unless it amounts to a higher offence, be a misdemeanor, and every President, Vice-President, Director, Principal Partner en commandite, Auditor, Cashier, or other officer of the Bank,

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preparing, signing, approving, or concurring in such statement, return, report, or document, or using the same with intent to deceive or mislead any party, shall be held to have wilfully made such false statement, and shall further be responsible for all damages sustained by such party, in consequence thereof.

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

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

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

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

18. The Bank shall always hold as nearly as may be practicable one half of its Cash Reserves in Dominion Notes, and the proportion of such Reserves held in Dominion Notes, shall never be less than one third thereof; and the Receiver General shall make such arrangements as may be necessary for insuring the delivery of Dominion Notes to any Bank, in exchange for an equivalent amount in specie, at the several offices at which Dominion Notes will be redeemable, in the Cities of *Toronto, Montreal, Halifax* and *St. John, N. B.*, respectively.

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

20. The Directors of any now existing Bank being thereunto authorized at a general meeting of the Shareholders, called for that purpose, or the principal partners of a Bank *en commandite*, may, at any time before the expiration of its present Charter, notify the Minister of Finance of their intention to apply for an extension or modification of its Charter, with such amendments as will make it conformable to these Resolutions, and may apply to the Governor General for a Charter granting the extension or modification with such amendments, which Charter the Governor in Council shall grant on the report of the Minister of Justice and of the Treasury Board that it is in conformity with the law.

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the said Resolution be now read a second time.

And the said Resolution being read a second time;

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Colby moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Pickard, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolu-"tion be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to "amend the same by inserting the words 'in any City in this Dominion which has a "'population of more than 20,000 inhabitants' after the word 'Banking' in the first "line of the first paragraph," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

Messieurs Kierzkowski, Béchard, Colby, Pozer, Ray, Blake, Connell, Killam. Lawson. Redford, Bodwell, Coupal, Bolton, Le Vesconte, Koss (Prince Edw'd). Dorion, Macdonald(Glengarry), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Drew, Bourassa, Ross(Wellington, C.R.), Bowell, Ferguson, MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Savary, Bowman, Ferris, McDougall (Renfrew), Sénécal, Brown, Fortier. Galt, Sir Alexander T., McMonies, Burpee. Stirton, Caldwell. Thompson (Hald'm'd), Gaudet, Mills, Cameron (Huron), Geoffrion, Morison (Victoria, O.), Thompson (Ontario), Carmichael, Gendron, O'Connor, Tremblay, Wallace, Cartwright, Godin, Oliver, Pâquet. Wells. Cayley, Hagar, Pelletier, Wright (Ottawa Cheval. Huntington, Jones(L'ds& Grenville), Perry, County), and Chipman, Coffin, Kempt, Pickard, Wright (York, Ontario, W. R.).-68. Pinsonneault,

#### Y eas:

# Nays :

# Messieurs

Anglin,	Crawford (Leeds),	Macdonald, Sir John	
Archambeault,	Daoust,	A. (Kingston),	Ross (Champlain),
Archibald,	Dobbie,	McDonald (Antigonish)	Ross (Dundas),
Beaty,	Dufresne,	McDonald (Lunenburg)	Ryan (Montreal West)
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Beaubien.	Dunkin,	McDonald (Middlesex)	Sagtahand
Bellerose.	Fortin,	Magill,	Scatchera, Scriver.
Benoit.	Gaucher.		,
,	<i>,</i>		Simpson,
Bertrand,	Gibb <b>s</b> ,	( //	Smith,
Blanchet,	Gray,	McCallum,	Snider,
Bown,	Grover,	McCarthy,	Stephenson,
Brousseau,	Harrison,	McConkey,	Sylvain,
Cameron (Inverness),	Heath,	McDougall (Three	Tilley,
Cameron (Peel),	Hincks, Sir Francis,		Tupper,
Campbell,	Howe,	McGreevy,	Walsh,
Carling,	Huot,	McMillan,	Webb,
Caron,	Hurdon,	Metcalfe,	White,
Cartier, Sir George E.,	Keeler,	Morris,	Whitehead,
Chauveau,	Lacerte,	Morrison (Niagara),	Willson,
Cimon,	Langevin,	Pouliot,	Wood,
Costigan,	Lapum,	Read,	Workman, and
Crawford (Brockville),		Renaud,	Young82.
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So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Ross (Prince Edward) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bowell, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the said "Resolution be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to "strike out the first and second paragraphs thereof," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

# Yeas :

# Messieurs

Béchard,	Colby,	Kierzkowski,	Pickard,
Blake,	Connell,	Killam,	Pozer,
Bodwell,	Coupal,	Lawson,	Ray,
Bolton,	Currier,	Le Vesconte,	Redford,
Bourassa,	Dorion,	Macdonald (Glengarry	)Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Bowell,	Drew,	MacFarlane,	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Bowman,	Ferguson,	Mackenzie,	Ross (Wellington, C.R.),
Brown,	Ferris,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Rymal,
Burpee,	Fortier,	McMonies,	Sénécal,
Caldwell,	Galt, Sir Alexander I	'.Mills,	Stirton,
Cameron (Huron),	Geoffrion,	Morison (Victoria O.),	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Carmichael,	Godin,	O'Connor,	Thompson (Ontario),
Cartwright,	Hagar,	Oliver,	Tremblay,
Cheval,	Huntington,	Pâquet,	Wallace,
Chipma <b>n</b> ,	Jones (L'ds&Grenville	)Pelletier,	Wells and
Coffin,	Kempt,	Perry,	Wright (Ot'aC'nty)-64.

# Nays:

# Messieurs

Anglin,	Crawford (Leeds),	Little,	Robitaille,
Archambeault,	Daoust,	Macdonald, Sir John	Ross (Champlain),
Archibald,	Dobbie,	A. (Kingston),	Ross (Dundas),

Beaty,	Dufresne,	McDonald (Antig'nsh	),Ryan (Montreal West),
Beaubien,	Dunkin.	McDonald (Lunenb'g)	
Bellerose,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesez)	
Benoit,	Gaucher,	Magill,	
Bertrand,	Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Blanchet,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Snider,
Bown,	Gibbs,	McCallum,	Stephenson,
Bro <b>us</b> seau,	Gray,	McCarthy,	Sylvain,
Cameron (Inverness),		McConkey,	Tilley,
Cameron (Peel),	Harrison,	McDougall(Th'eR'v'rs	)Tupper,
Campbell,	Heath,	McGreevy,	Walsh,
Carling,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McMillan,	Webb,
Caron,	Howe,	Metcalfe,	White,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Huot,	Morris,	Whitehead.
Cayley,	Hurdo <b>n</b> ,	Morrison (Niagara),	Willson,
Chauveau,	Keeler,	Pinsonneault.	Wood,
Cimon,	Lacerte,	Pouliot,	Workman and
	Langevin,	Read,	Young86.
Crawford(Brockville),	Lapum,	Renaud,	-

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Ferguson moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the said Resolution "be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend "the same, by adding to the Returns of Assets the following: 'Loans, Discounts, or "'Advances on current account to Railway and Steamboat Corporations respectively,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

# Yeas :

Messieurs				
Bowell, Drew.	Jones (L'ds & Grenville) Little.	McFarlane, McCallum.	Ross (Dundas), Ross (Princ <b>e E</b> dw'd), <b>&amp;</b>	
Ferguson,	Macdonald (Glengarry) McDonald(Lunenburg)		Willson.—14.	

# Nays :

# Messieurs

Anglin,	Connell,	Killam,	Read,
Archambeault,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Redford,
Archibald,	Coupal,	Langevi <b>n</b> ,	Renaud,
Beaty,	Crawford (Brockville)		Robitaille,
Beaubien,	Crawford, (Leeds),	Lawson,	Ross (Champlain),
Béchard,	Currier,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Victoria N. S.),
Bellerose,	Daoust,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)
Benoit,	Dobbie,		Ryan (Montreal West),
Bertrand,	Dorion,	McDonald (Antigonish	Scatcherd,
Blake,	Dufresne,	McDonald (Middlesex	Scriver,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,		Sénécal,
Bodwell,	Ferris,	Magill,	Simpson,
Bolton,	Fortier,	Masson (Soulanges),	Smith,

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Bourassa,	Fortin.	Masson (Terrebonne),	Snider
Bowman,	Galt Sir Alexander T.		Stephenson,
Bown.	Gaucher,	·	Stirton.
Brousseau,	Gaudet,	McDougall (Renfrew),	
Brown,	Geoffrion,		Thompson (H'ldimand)
Caldwell,	Gendron,		Thompson (Ontario),
Cameron (Huron),	Gibbs,	McGreevy,	Tilley,
Cameron (Inverness),	Godi <b>n</b> ,	McMillan,	Tremblay,
Cameron (Peel),	Gray,	McMonies,	Tupper,
Campbell,	Grover,	Metcalfe,	Wallace,
Carling,	Hayar,	Mills,	Walsh,
Carmichael,	Harrison,	Morris,	Webb,
Caron,	Heath,	Morison (Victoria O.),	Wells.
Cartier Sir George E.	, Hincks Sir Francis,	Morrison (Niagara),	White,
Cartwright,	Howe,	Oliver,	Whitehead,
Cayley,	Huntington,	Pâquet,	Wood,
Chamberlin,	Huot,	Pelletier,	Workman,
Chauveau,	Hurdo <b>n</b> ,	Pinsonneault,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Cheval,	Keeler,	Pouliot,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Cimon,	Kempt,	Pozer,	W.R.), and
Coffin,	Kierzkowski,	Ray,	Young.—138.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Cartwright moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bolton, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "the said Resolution "be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend "the same by striking out the 18th paragraph," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Banks and Banking.

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

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

The Senate have passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the "Office of Queen's Printer," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Morris, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "respecting the Office of Queen's Printer," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House to consider certain proposed Resolutions relative to Dominion Notes;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the purpose of re-considering the same.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolution proposed :

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

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning;

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The said Resolution was agreed to.

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

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

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

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

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

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the Committee had re-considered the said Resolutions and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

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The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :---

By Mr. Grant,—The Petition of E. Harrington and others, of the Village of Arnprior, County of Renfrew.

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

Of R. W. Shepherd and others, interested in the navigation of the Ottawa River; praying that no Bill may be passed granting to any parties the right to obstruct in any way whatsoever the navigation of the said River.

Of William Prior, and others, Bankers and Merchants of the City of Halifax (Nova Scotia); praying that no change may be made in the currency of the Province of Nova Scotia.

Of James Robertson, L.L.D., Rector, and others, Members of the Church of England, Township of Wilmot, County of Annapolis (Noxa Scotia); praying that no Act may be passed empowering the Provincial Syn. 1 of Canada to admit into Union the Diccesan Synod of Nova Scotia, and also, for a continuance of the rights and privileges solemnly guaranteed to them by the Act of their Legislature, and to exempt from the control or jurisdiction of such Provincial Synod, all persons and Corporations who are not members of the said Diocesan Synod.

Of James Summer and others, of the County of Carleton, Province of Ontario; praying that the Petition of the Canada Central Railway Company, for an extension of their Charter for five years; also for power to amalgamate with other Companies along the same line, and also to extend their line to Lake Huron, may be granted.

Of John Hoffman and others, of the Parish of Berthier; of Louis Fournier and others, of the Parish of St. Thomas, and of the Village of Montmagny; and of Cyrille Bernier and others, of the Parish of Cap St. Ignace, all Mariners and Fishermen, of the County of Montmagny; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

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Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

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

Return to Address,—Detailed account of the Expenditures made by Government, during the last five years, on improvements extending from the foct of *Carillon* Rapids to the uppermost works on the *Ottawa* River.

Return to Address,—Copies of Orders in Council and Correspondence between the Imp. rial and Caradian and Prince Edward Island Governments, and between the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, tyching the admission of Prince Edward Island or of British Columbia into the Union.

Return to Address,—Copies of Order in Council and Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, and between the Government of Canada and any of the Provinces, touching any Legislation of the Provinces; including any instructions to His Excellency on the subject of Provincial Legislation.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Canadian and United States Governments, Orders in Council and other papers of a public nature, relative to the duties and imposts on American Vessels trading at Canadian Ports, as compared with those now imposed by the United States upon Canadian vessels trading at United States Ports.

Report of the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway.

*Return to Address*,—Statement of all costs and charges connected with the office of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners, including travelling expenses in connection with the said Road.

Return to Address,—Orders in Council and Correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments, touching the Intercolonial Railway Loan, and the application of the proceeds thereof.

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

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be printed in the Sessional Papers only, viz. :---

Accounts of the Decayed Pilot Fund, Montreal, for the year 1869 (condensed).

Annual Report of Sick and Distressed Mariners' Fund (condensed).

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen's Fund, for the Fiscal Year ending 30th June, 1869 (condensed).

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

Return to Address,—Statement of the Actions entered in each of the Vice Admiralty Courts of the Dominion.

Statements relating to the General Distribution of the Statutes of Canada.

Return to Address,—Statement of the Expenses connected with the Mission to the North-West of the Honorable Secretary of State for the Provinces.

Return to Address,—Detailed Account of all expenditure on the Rideau Canal since 1864, with Copies of all Reports and Papers relating thereto, &c., &c.

Return to Address,—Information respecting the Expenditure and Repairs of the Grenville and Carillon Canal, during the last three years, together with Papers and Petitions connected therewith, &c., &c.

Return to Address,—List of all persons who have passed the examination required for employées in the Inland Revenue Department, &c., &c.

Ordered, That Mr. Dufresne have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the incorporation of Institutions of Landed Credit (Crédit Foncier).

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

On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Cameron (Huron),

Ordered, That the Return 'o an Address of this House, dated 3rd March, 1870, of all amounts paid by the Govern nent to the Bank of *Montreal* for the years 1866, '67, '68 and 69, be referred to the Selec Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. Cartwright have leave to bring in a Bill for the better protection of navigable Streams and Rive: i.

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

On motion of Mr. Brousse u, seconded by Mr. Beaty,

*Recolved*, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions on the subject of Interest.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a Supreme Court for the Dominion of Canada.

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

A Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting the treatment and relief of "Sick and Distressed Mariners," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, on Thursday the 3rd March, instant, proposed, That the Bill (respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons) be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed :-The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 19th March, 1870.

On motion of Mr. Fortin, seconded by Mr. Cayley, Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned.

And then The House, having continued to sit till thirty-five minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

# Monday, 21st March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the County of *Bonaventure*, for the year 1869, and in the District of *Bedford*, for the years 1865, '66, '67, '68 and 69. (Sessional Papers, No. 9.)

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

By Mr. Bourassa,—The Petition of the Reverend F. Aubry, Curé, and others, of the Town of St. John's, Province of Quebec.

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By Mr. Wright (Ottawa County),--The Petition of Alexander Bowie and others, interested in the navigation of the Ottawa River.

By Mr. Street,—The Petition of A. G. Hill and others, of the Village of Welland. By Mr. Simpson,—The Petition of J. B. Symes and others.

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

Of Messrs. J. and F. Burpee and Company, and others, Merchants, and others, of the City of Saint John, Province of New Brunswick; praying that an Act may be passed securing uniformity of Currency throughout the Dominion.

Of the Council of the *Montreal* Board of Trade; praying that the rates of Interest on all Loans may be left to the natural influence of supply and demand, unhampered by any legislation thereon.

Of James Moffat, and others, of the Township of Nassagaweya, County of Halton; praying for certain Amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Hullett*, County of *Huron*; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into *Canada* from the United States.

Of *E. Harrington*, and others, of the Village of *Arnprior*, County of *Renfrew*; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to incorporate a Company, for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*, may become law.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Campbell have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada 19 and 20 Victoria, Chapter 141, to all parts of the Dominion of Canada,

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Ryan (Montreal) have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artists."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Wright (Ottawa County) have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the registration of Marks or Brands used in marking timber.

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

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 7th March, 1870; for Copies of all Correspondence conducted with other Governments and powers, and reports of all International Conventions and Committees, touching the adoption of a uniform system of Currency among the principal Commercial Nations, and correspondence with, and representations made to the Government by Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, or other bodies or persons, on the subject of a uniform Currency for the Dominion of Canada. (Sessional Papers, No. 40.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 3rd March, 1870; for Copies of all Correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Nova Scotia*, touching the complaints of *Nova Scotia*, in respect of the Confederation of the Provinces. (Sessional Papers, No. 41.)

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The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald laid before the House,—Statement made by Insurance Companies, in compliance with the Act 31 Vict. Cap. 48, Sec. 14. (Sessional Papers, No. 32.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

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

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, a Copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, No. 55, March 2nd, 1870, on the subject of the Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act of 1869.

Government House,

Ottawa, 21st March, 1870.

(Sessional Papers No. 42.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Anglin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Smith, Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Despatch accompanying the same, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Ordered, That Mr. Ryan (Montreal West) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, on Wednesday last, proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, representing that the increasing population and productions of this Dominion demand more extensive markets and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other Countries.

That a Continental system of commercial intercourse, bringing under one general Customs Union, or other desirable trade arrangement with this Dominion, the Countries chiefly interested in its trade would tend to expand our commerce, develope our resources and multiply our productions.

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

That a great advantage would result from placing the Government of this Dominion in direct communication with the several States which might be willing to negociate for such a commercial arrangement.

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

That in all cases the treatises creating such proposed commercial arrangement should be subject to the approval of Her Majesty.

And the Question being again proposed ;

The Honorable Sir *Alexander T*. *Galt* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Smith*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor "General representing that the increasing population and productions of the Dominion "demand more extensive markets, and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities "with other Countries.

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"That great advantage would result from placing the Government of the Dominion " in direct communication with all British Possessions and Foreign States, which might " be willing to negociate for commercial arrangements tending to this result.

"That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers " to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication for such " purpose with such British Possessions and Foreign States.

"That in all cases such proposed commercial arrangements should be subject to the " approval of Her Majesty," inserted instead thereof.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, That the words "an "Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General representing that the " increasing population and productions of the Dominion demand more extensive markets, " and a more unrestricted interchange of commodities with other Countries.

"That great advantage would result from placing the Government of the Dominion " in direct communication with all British Possessions and Foreign States, which might " be willing to negociate for commercial arrangements tending to this result.

"That it is expedient to obtain from the Imperial Government all necessary powers " to enable the Government of the Dominion to enter into direct communication for such " purpose with such British Possessions and Foreign States.

"That in all cases such proposed commercial arrangements should be subject to the "approval of Her Majesty," be left out, and the words "this House, while desirous of " obtaining for the Dominion the freest access to the Markets of the World, and thus " augmenting its existing prosperity-is satisfied that that object can best be obtained by " the concurrent action of the Imperial and Canadian Governments,---that any attempt " to enter into treaties with Foreign Powers, without the strong and direct support of "the Mother Country, as a principal party, must fail, and that a Customs Union with "the United States, now so heavily taxed, would be unfair to the Empire, and injurious " to the Dominion, and would weaken the ties now happily existing between them," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning;

#### Tuesday, 22nd March, 1870.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas:

Messieurs				
Archambeault,	Costigan, 4	Langlois,	Pinsonneault,	
Archibald,	Crawford (Brockville)	,Lapum,	Pope,	
Beaty,	Crawford (Leeds),	Lawson,	Pouliot,	
Beaubien,	Currier,	Le Vesconte,	Read,	
Bellerosc,	Daoust,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	,Renaud,	
Benoit,	Dobbie,	Macdonald Sir J. A.	Robitaille,	
Bertrand,	Drew,	(Kingston),	Ross (Dundas),	
Blanchet,	Dufresne.	McDonald (Antigonish	)Ross (Prince Edw'd),	
Bowell,	Dunkin,	McDonald(Lunenburg)	Ryan (King's N.B.),	
Bown,	Ferguson,	McDonald (Middlesex)	,Ryan (Montreal West)	
Brousseau,	Fortin,		Savary,	
Brown,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Scatcherd,	
Caldwell,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Scriver,	
Cameron (Huron),	Gendron,	McCallum,	Shanly,	
Cameron (Inverness),	Gibbs,	McCarthy,	Simpson	

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Cameron (Peel),	Grant,	McConkey,	Stephenson,
Campbell,	Gray,	McDougall (Three	Street,
Carling,	Grover,	Rivers),	Sylvain,
Caron,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McGreevy,	Tilley,
Cartier, Sir George E	L.,Holmes,	McKeagney,	Tupper,
Casault,	Howe,	McMillan,	Walsh,
Cayley,	Huot,	Morris,	Webb,
Chamberlin,	Irvine,	Morrison (Niagara),	Willson, and
Chauveau,	Keeler,	Munroe,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty).
Cimon,	Lacerte,	O'Connor,	<u>—100.</u>
Colby,	Langevin,	Perry,	
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Anglin,	Coupal,	MacFarlane,	Ross (Wellington C.R.),
Béchard,	Dorion,	Mackenzie,	Rymal,
Blake,	Ferris,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Smith,
Bodwell,	Fortier,	McMonies,	Snider.
Bolton,	Galt, Sir Alexander T.	,Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Bourassa,	Geoffrion,	Mills,	Thompson(Hald'm'nd),
Bowman,	Godin,	Morison (Victoria 0.),	Thompson (Ontario),
Burpee,	Hagar,	Oliver,	Tremblay,
Carmichael,	Holton,	Paquet,	Wallace,
Cartwright,	Huntington,	Pelletier,	Wells,
Cheval,	Joly,	Pickard,	White,
Chipman,	Kempt,	Pozer,	Whitehead,
Coffin,	Kierzkowski,	Ray,	Wood, and
Connell,	Killam,	Redford,	Young58.
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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the original Question, so amended : It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House, while desirous of obtaining for the Dominion the freest access to the Markets of the World, and thus augmenting its existing prosperity—is satisfied that that object can best be obtained by the concurrent action of the Imperial and Canadian Governments,—that any attempt to enter into treaties with Foreign Powers, without the strong and direct support of the Mother Country, as a principal party, must fail, and that a Customs Union with the United States, now so heavily taxed, would be unfair to the Empire, and injurious to the Dominion, and would weaken the ties now happily existing between them.

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General—Public Accounts of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 7.)

Also, Return shewing the amount of Dominion Notes in circulation, according to the Periodical Returns, from 1st October, 1869, to 1st February, 1870; and the Gold and Debentures held to meet the same, under the provisions of the Act 31 Vic. Cap 46, (Sessional Papers, No. 16.)

And also, Returns shewing the Specie and Debentures that would have been held, under the system proposed by the Government, against the circulation, during the same periods included in Return 1. (Sessional Papers, No. 16.)

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

Tuesday, 22nd March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Street,—Two Petitions of John Brown and others, of the Village of Thorold, County of Welland.

By the Honorable Mr. Blanchet,-The Petition of Augustin Doyer and others.

By Mr. Bechard,—The Petition of the Reverend C. St. Georges and others, of the Town of Iberville.

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of E. B. Eddy and others, of the Village and Township of Hull, County of Ottawa.

Mr. Drew, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor Dues, and for other purposes, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the *Detroit* River Transit Company, to which they have made several amendments, and have also, considered the Bill respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada* and the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company, and have agreed to several amendments, which latter Bill they have directed to be reprinted, as amended, forthwith.

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz. —Of the Union Bank of *Halifax* in the Province of *Nova Scotia*,—Of *Charles P. Treadwell* and others, for incorporation of the Canadian Pacific Railway and Navigation Company,—and of *Alexander Robertson* and others, for an Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating the Grand Junction Railway Company.

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report on the State of the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 8.)

The Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, also laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Regulations and Orders for the Active Militia, the Schools of Military Instruction and the Reserve Militia (in the cases therein mentioned) of the Dominion of *Canada*, 1870. (Sessional Papers, No. 8.)

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors, and Company of the *Gorg* Bank, and have agreed to report the same, with amendments.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Langevin, Mr. Shanly and Mr. Grant, be added to the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 7th March, 1870; for a statement showing in detail the defalcations in the Financial Departments of the Government, as far as brought to light; also copies of any Regulations adopted during the past year for the auditing of the Public Accounts. (Sessional Papers, No. 43.)

The Honorable Mr. Gray, from the Committee of the Whole House to take into consideration certain Resolutions relative to Dominion Notes, reported several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

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

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

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

4. Resolved,—That it is expedient to repeal Section Nine of the said Act, except as regards any existing arrangement made under it, which shall remain in force until terminated in accordance with the terms thereof, and to provide that the Governor may in his discretion establish branch offices of the Receiver General's Department in Montreal, Toronto, Halifax, and St. John (N.B.) respectively, or any of them, for the redemption

of Dominion Notes, or may make arrangements with any chartered bank or banks for the redemption thereof, and may allow a fixed sum per annum for such service at any or all of the said places; and that specie or Debentures held at any such Branch or by any such Bank for the redemption of Dominion Notes shall be deemed to be held by the Receiver General.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time.

And the 1st Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The 2nd Resolution being read a second time; and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Cartwright moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Sir Alexander T. Galt, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words " the said Resolution be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with "an instruction to adopt the following:

Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Act by providing that Dominion Notes to the amount of \$9,000,000 may be issued and remain outstanding at any time on the security of Debentures of the Dominion and Specie equal together to a like amount, and of which not more than \$7,000,000 shall be Debentures, such Debentures and specie to be held by the Receiver General for the redemption' of such notes, and the Receiver General shall always, as a rule, hold specie to the amount of at least twenty-five per cent. of the sum then issued, and shall under no circumstances hold a less amount of specie than fifteen per cent. of such issue, and if the amount of specie should at any time fall below twenty five per cent., it shall be the duty of the Receiver General, without delay, to increase the amount of specie to at least twenty-five per cent. of such issue. Provided always that as soon as \$5,000,000 have been issued no further increase shall take place for amounts exceeding \$1,000,000 at any one time, and each such increase shall be made at intervals of not less than three months"; inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow.

#### Y eas:

#### Messieurs

Béchard,	Galt, Sir Alexande	er T., Magill,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)
Blake,	Geoffrion,	McCallum,	Rymal,
Bodwell,	Gibbs,	McDougall (Ren	nfrew),Scatcherd,
Bolton,	Godin,	McMonies,	Scriver,
Bowell,	Holton,	Metcalfe,	Snider,
Bowman,	Huntington,	Mills,	Stirton,
Cameron (Peel),	Joly,	Morison (Victori	a O.), Street,
Cartwright,	Jones (L'de & Gren	ville)Oliver,	Thompson (H'ldim'nd)
Chipman,	Kempt,	Paquet,	Thompson (Ontario),
Colby,	Kierzkowski,	Pe lletier,	Tremblay,

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Connell,	Lapum,	Perry,	Wells,
Coupal,	Macdonald (Cornwall)		Whitehead,
Currier,	Macdonald (Glengarry		Wright (Ott'waC'nty), &
Dorion,	MacFarlane,	Redford,	Young59.
Fortier,	Mackenzie,	Ross (Prince Edw'd),	
	$N_{\rm c}$	ays:	
	Mes	ssieurs	
Anglin,	Crawford (Leeds),	Lacerte,	Ray,
Archambeault,	Dobbie,	Langevin,	Read,
Archibald,	Drew,	Langlois,	Renaud,
Ault,	Dufresne,	Macdonald Sir J. A.,	Robitaille,
Beaty,	Dunkin,	(Kingston),	Ross (Champlain),
Beaubien,	Ferguson,	McDonald (Antigonish)	
Bellerose,	Ferris,	McDonald (Lunenburg	
Bertrand,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesex)	Ryan (King's N.B.).
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ryan (Montreal West),
Bown,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Brousseau,	Gendron,	McCarthy,	Shanly,
Brown,	Grant,		Simpson,
Burpee,	Gray,		Smith,
Cameron (Inverness),	Grover,	Rivers),	Stephenson,
Campbell,	Hagar,		Sylvain,
Carling,	Heath,	McMillan,	Ťilley,
Caron,	Hinck's Sir Francis,		Tupper,
Cartier Sir George E.,		Morrison (Niagara),	Wallace,
Casault,			Walsh,
Cayley,	Hurdon,	O'Connor,	Webb,
Chamberlin,	Irvine,	Pinsonneault,	White,
Chauveau,			Willson, and
Coffin,	Killam,		Wood91.

Crawford (Brockville),

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution ;

Mr. Blake moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said "Resolution be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with an instruction to " amend the same so as to provide for the holding of a specie reserve in proportion to the " amount of Dominion Notes outstanding," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas :

### Messieurs

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Béchard,	Galt Sir Alexander T.	,McCallum,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)
Blake,	Geoffrion,	McMonies,	Rymal,
Bodwell,	Gibbs,	Merritt,	Scatcherd,
Bolton,	Hagar.	Metcalfe,	Scriver.
Bourassa,	Holton,	Mills,	Snider,
Bowell,	Huntington,	Morison (Victoria	O.), Stirton,
Bowman,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	) Oliver,	Street,

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Cameron (Huron),	Kempt,	Pozer,	Thompson (H'ld'mand)
Carmichael,	Kierzkowski,		Thompson (Ontario),
Cartwright,	Macdonald (Cornwall		Tremblay,
Cheval,	MacFarlane,		Wells,
Colby, Connell, Currier,	Mackenzie, Magill,	Redford, Ross (Prince Edw'd),	Wright (Ot wa Cnt'y) & Young.—53.

### Nays :

### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Chauveau,	Langevin,	Pinsonneault,
Archibald,	Crawford (Leeds),	Lapum,	Pouliot,
Ault,	Daoust,	Lawson,	Read,
Beaty,	Dufresne,	Le Vesconte,	Renaud,
Bellerose,	Dunkin,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Ross (Champlain),
Benoit,	Ferguson,	(Kingston),	Ross (Dundas),
Bertrand,	Ferris,	McDonald (Middlesex	
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Shanly,
Bown,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebone),	Simpson,
Caldwell,	Gendron,	McConkey,	Sylvain,
Cameron (Inverness),	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McMillan,	Tilley,
Campbell,	Holmes,	Morris,	Wallace,
Caron,	Hurdon,	Morrison (Niagara),	Webb,
Cartier, Sir George E.	, Irvine,	Munroe,	Willson, and
Casault,	Keeler,	O'Connor,	Wood.—62.
Chamberlin,	Lacerte,	Perry,	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution ;

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the "said Resolution be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with an instruc-"tion to amend the same so as to provide, that the sum to be held in specie by the "Receiver General for the redemption of Dominion Notes shall be twenty per cent. upon "the amount thereof in circulation, so long as such amount does not exceed five millions "of dollars. For any excess over five millions, twenty-five per cent. of such excess shall "be so held, and Debentures of the Dominion Notes," inserted instead thereof.

#### Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Béchard,	Galt, Sir Alexand	er T.,Magill,	Ross (Prince Edward),
Blake,	Geoffrion,	McCallum,	Ross(Wellington, C.R.)
Bodwell,	Gibbs,	McDougall (Ren	nfrew),Rymal,
Bolton,	Godin,	McMonies,	Scatcherd,
Bourassa,	Hagar,	Merritt,	Scriver,
Bowell,	Holton,	Mills,	Snider,
Bowman.	Huntington,	Morison (Victori	ia O.), Stirton,
Carmichael.	Joly,	Oliver,	Thompson (Haldim'd),
Carturight,	Kempt,	Paquet,	Thompson (Ontario),
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#### Cheval. Kierzkowski. Pelletier, Tremblay, Macdonald (Cornwall)Pickard, Wells, Connell, Currier, Whitehead, and MacFarlane, Pozer, Dorion, Mackenzie. Redford. Young.-53. Fortier,

### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Coffin,	Jones (L'ds & Grenv'e)	,Pope,
Archibald,	Costigan,	Keeler,	Pouliot,
Ault,	Coupal,	Lacerte,	Ray,
Beaty,	Crawford (Brockville)	, Langevin,	Read,
Beaubien,	Crawford (Leeds),	Langlois,	Renaud,
Bellerose,	Daoust,	Lapum,	Robitaille,
Benoit,	Dobbie,	Lawson,	Ross (Champlain),
Bertrand,	Drew,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Dundas),
Blanchet,	Dufresne,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Bown,	Dunkin,	(Kingston),	Ryan (King's N.B.),
Brousseau,	Ferguson,		)Ryan (Montreal W.),
Brown,	Ferris,	Masson (Soulanges),	Shanly,
Burpee,	Fortin,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Simpson,
Caldwell,	Gaucher,	McCarthy,	Stephenson,
Cameron (Inverness),	Gaudet,	McConkey,	Sylvain,
Campbell,	Gendron,	McGreevy,	Tilley,
Carling,	Grant,	McMillan,	Tupper,
Caron,	Gray,	Morris,	Wallace,
Cartier, Sir George E.		Morrison (Niagara),	Walsh,
Casault,	Heath,	Munroe,	Webb,
Cayley,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	O'Connor,	White,
Chamberlin,	Huot,	Perry,	Willson, and
Chauveau,	Hurdon,	Pinsonneault,	Wood.—93.
Cimon,	Irvine,		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution ; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 3rd, 4th and 5th Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 6th Resolution being read a second time; and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 31 Vict., Cap 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators, in certain cases therein mentioned, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Blanchet reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

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On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 7th March, 1870; for a Statement shewing in detail the defalcations in the Financial Departments of the Government so far as brought to light; also, Copies of any regulations adopted during the past year for the auditing of the Public Accounts, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Census;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial causes in *New Brunswick*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee,

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

*Resolved*, That when this House adjourns on Thursday next, it do stand adjourned until Saturday next, at Twelve o'clock, noon, and continue to sit on that day until Six O'clock p.m.; and that the Proceedings and Orders of the Day shall be the same as if the House had sat on Friday.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 23rd March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Bourassa,—The Petition of Thomas Hodgson and others, of the Village of Lacolle.

By the Honorable Mr. Kierzkowski, .-- The Petition of G. A. Dessaulles, Mayor, and others, of the City and Parish of St. Hyacinthe.

By Mr. Joly, --- The Petition of Edward J. Dalkin and C. W. Wilson, of the City of Quebec.

By Mr. Lapum,—The Petition of George Lake and others, of the County of Addington.

By Mr. Cartwright,—The Petition of James C. Hoffman and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Town of Napanee.

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of Thomas Murray, M.P.P., and others, of the Village of Pembroke, County of Renfrew.

By Mr. Magill,—The Petition of the Canada Screw Company; the Petition of Messrs. P. W. Dayfoot and Co., and others, of the City of Hamilton; the Petition of J. M. Wellington and others, of the Village of Brighton; the Petition of Thomas Hall and others, of Paris, County of Brant; the Petition of James Smart and others, of the Town of Brockville; the Petition of Messrs. A. A. Erb and Brothers and others, of the Village of Preston, County of Waterloo; the Petition of James Norris and others, of St. Catherine's, County of Lincoln; and the Petition of Messrs. McKechnie and Bertrand and others, of the Town of Dundas, County of Wentworth.

By the Honorable Mr. Huntington,—The Petition of G. G. Stevens, Mayor, and others, of the Village of Waterloo, Province of Quebec.

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

Of the Reverend F. Aubry, Curé, and others, of the Town of St. John, Province of *Quebec*; praying that the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of Alexander Bowie and others, interested in the navigation of the Ottawa River; praying that no Bill may be passed granting to any parties the right to obstruct in any way whatsoever the navigation of the said River.

Of A. G. Hill and others, of the Village of Welland; praying for the early enlargement and deepening of the Welland and St. Lawrence Canals.

Of J. B. Symes and others; praying that Lighthouses may be erected on certain points and islands in the Georgian Bay and Lake Superior.

Ordered, That Mr. Keeler have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Morris have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Ferries.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions.

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

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 14th June, 1869; 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. (Sessional Papers, No. 44.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th February, 1870; for a detailed statement of the sums paid from the vote of \$20,000 last session, to defray expenses for the Commission, for making provision for "the uniformity of the laws of the Provinces," shewing the dates of payment and to whom paid, and the nature of the services rendered for such payment. (Sessional Papers, No. 45.)

23rd March.

Mr. Magill moved, seconded by Mr. Street, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Minutes of Council, Reports of Government Engineers, and Correspondence generally, relating to the enlargement or improvement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, since the first day of July, 1867;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the chair.

At half past Seven O'clock P.M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor Dues, and for other purposes ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committee to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Detroit* River Transit Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company ;

The Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved, seconded by Mr. *Ryan* (Montreal), and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the *Gore* Bank ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

A Bill to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators to certain cases therein mentioned, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial Causes in *New Brunswick*;

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Pelletier moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Pozer, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "it be resolved, that the "Divorce Court in New Brunswick should be abolished," inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

# Thursday, 24th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Bellerose, — The Petition of *E. Parent* and others, of the City of Ottawa. By the Honorable Mr. Abbott, — The Petition of Thomas Barron, Warden, and others, of the County of Argenteuil.

By Mr. *Ryan* (*Montreal*),—The Petition of *William Workman* and others; and the Petition of *R. Trudeau* and others, Merchants, Traders, and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Mackenzie,—The Petition of Charles Taylor and others, Merchants, Traders, and others, of the Town of Sarnia.

By Mr. Magill,—The Petition of Messrs. John Bain and Son, and others, of Elora, Hespeler and Ayr, Province of Ontario; and the Petition of Messrs. G. J. and E. Walker and others, of Aylmer, Newbury, Walkerton and Park Hill, Province of Ontario.

By Mr. Kempt,—The Petition of David Browne and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Town of Lindsay.

By Mr. Gibbs, — The Petition of W. W. Cowan and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Village of Oshawa.

By Mr. Bowman,—The Petition of Messrs. Broedecker and Strubing and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Town of Berlin.

By the Honorable Mr. Huntington,—The Petition of Messrs. Allen Taylor and Co. and others, of Waterloo, County of Shefford.

By the Honorable Mr. Archibald,-The Petition of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, presented this day, be now received and read;

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for leave to lay before the House a Petition for the passing of an Act to increase their paid up Capital, notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.

The following Petition was then brought up, and laid on the Table :---

By the Honorable Mr. Archibald,—The Petition of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax. Ordered, That the said Petition be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for the passing of an Act to increase their paid up Capital.

Ordered, That the Petitions of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, received and read this day, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

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

Of John Brown and others, of the Village of Thorold, County of Welland; praying that such measures may be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them until they agree to reciprocate, all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of John Brown and others, of the Village of Thorold, County of Welland; praying for the enlargement of the Welland Canal.

Of the Reverend C. St. Georges, and others, of the Town of *Iberville*; praying that the Bill to incorporate a company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of E. B. Eddy and others, of the Village and Township of Hull, County of Ottawa; praying that the Bill to enable the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company to extend their line of Railway across the Suspension Bridge, over the Ottawa River, and through the Village of Hull, and for other purposes, may become law.

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of Augustin Doyer and others,

presented, on Tuesday last; praying for arrears of Pension due them since 1812, for services rendered during the last war with the United States, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided, "That as this Petition prays for money, it cannot be received."

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870; for Copies of all Tenders sent in under the Act of last Session for the several services of Departmental Printing, Printing the Statutes, Binding, and Stationery; and also for copies of all contracts entered into, Orders in Council, and all other documents relating thereto; the statement to be in the same form as that sent down with the Tenders for the Parliamentary Printing last year. (Sessional Papers, No. 46).

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870; for Copies of instructions to Surveyors sent to the North-West Territory, and statement showing the number of men employed, and the salaries to be paid; also copies of all Orders in Council relating to such Surveys and Reports of Surveyors employed, with copies of all documents relative thereto. (Sessional Papers, No. 12).

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870; for copies of accounts rendered to the Government, and placed before the Dominion Arbitrators, for work and materials on Parliament Buildings; with copies of the evidence taken before said Arbitrators and their award; also the official statement of account from the Public Works Office, showing the several measurements and quantities of materials, with all Orders in Council or other documents relating to the subject. (Sessional Papers, No. 19).

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Abbott, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Irvine,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting Official "Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Brown have leave to bring in a Bill to restore the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company, and have made several amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House. They have also considered the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Junction Railway Company which they beg leave to report without amendment; and also the Bill to incorporate the St. *Francis* and Megantic International Railway Company, to which they have made but one amendment.

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

The Senate have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Bills of Exchange and "Promissory Notes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Bills of "Exchange and Promissory Notes," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Saturday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, on Thursday, the 3rd day of March instant, proposed, That the Bill (respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons) be now read a second time,

And the Question being again proposed :--The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committee to a Committee of the whole House, for Saturday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of Quebec;

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

And then The House adjourned till Saturday next, at Twelve O'clock, Noon.

# Saturday, 26th March, 1870.

Twelve O'clock, Noon.

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

By Mr. Merritt,—The Petition of J. G. Currie, Mayor, and others; and the Petition of Messrs. W. B. Bieton and Co., and others, of the Town of St. Catherines.

By Mr. McDonald (Antigonish), — The Petition of Charles P. Martell and others, of the County of Antigonish, Nova Scotia.

By Mr. Morrison (Niagara),—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of Port Hope.

By Mr. Hagar,—The Petition of John Rogers and others, of the Township of Alfred, County of Prescott.

By Mr. Mackenzie,—The Petition of Messrs. Lawson, Harrington, and Co. and others, of the City of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

By Mr. Stephenson,—The Petition of J. R. Morris and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Province of Ontario.

By Mr. McDougall (Renfrew),—The Potition of the Municipal Council of the County of Renfrew.

By Mr. Shanly,—Two Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermon and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa.

By Mr. Heath,-The Petition of William O'Meara, Warden, and others, of the County of Pontiac.

By the Honorable Mr. Wood,- The Petition of J. M. Read and others, of the City of Ottawa.

By Mr. Cameron (Huron),—The Petition of Francis McDougall and others, of the City of Ottawa. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of Thomas Hodgson and others, of the Village of Lacolle; and of Thomas Murray, M.P.P., and others, of the Village of Pembroke, County of Renfrew; severally praying that the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, may become law.

Of G. A. Dessaulles, Mayor, and others, of the City and Parish of St. Hyacinthe; of James C. Hoffman and others, of the Town of Napanee; of G. G. Stevens, Mayor, and others, of the Village of Waterloo, Province of Quebec; of William Workman and others; of R. Trudeau and others, of the City of Montreal; of Charles Taylor and others, of the Town of Sarnia; of David Browne and others, of the Town of Lindsay; of W. W. Cowan and others, of the Village of Oshawa; and of Messrs. Boedecker and Strubing and others, Merchants, Traders, and others, of the Town of Berlin; severally praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of Edward J. Dalkin and C. W. Wilson, of the City of Quebec; praying that an increase duty be imposed upon all Earthenware imported into Canada.

Of George Lake and others, of the County of Addington; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of the Canada Screw Company; praying that an increase duty be imposed upon imported Wood Screws; and also, for the repeal of the duty upon Iron Wire imported into Canada.

Of Messrs. P. W. Dayfoot and Company and others, of the City of Hamilton; of J. M. Wellington and others, of the Village of Brighton; of Thomas Hall and others, of Paris, County of Brant; of James Smart and others, of the Town of Brockville; of Messrs. A. A. Erb and Brothers, and others, of the Village of Preston, County of Water-loo; of James Norris and others, of St. Catharines, County of Lincoln; of Messrs. Mc-Kechnie and Bertrand and others, of the Town of Dundas, County of Wentworth; of Messrs. Allen, Taylor, and Company, and others, of the Village of Waterloo, County of Shefford; of Messrs. John Bain and Son and others, of Elora, Hespeler, and Ayr; and of Messrs. G. J. and E. Walker and others, of Aylmer, Newbury, Walkerton, and Park Hill, all of the Province of Ontario; severally praying that such measures be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them until they agree to reciprocate all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of E. Parent and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of Thomas Barron, Warden, and others, of the County of Argenteuil; praying that the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become Law.

Mr. Bown, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have examined the Notice given on the Petition of Britton B. Osler, of the Town of Dundas, and find it sufficient;

On the Petition of the Merchants' Bank of *Halifax*, for authority to increase the amount of their paid-up capital,—Your Committee find that no notice was given, but as the application appears to have been considered necessary merely on account of some ambiguity of expression in the Act of last Session incorporating the Bank, your Committee are of opinion that notice is not necessary in this case.

Mr. Rymal, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of \$20,000 to the late Sir Allan

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Napier MacNab, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands, in or near the City of Hamilton, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix No. 1.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Census, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Street* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting the Ceasting Trade of Canada."

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable Mr. Campbell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill, from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Queen's Printer;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill, from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That out of respect for the memory of the late Thomas Kirkpatrick, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the County of Frontenac, this House do now adjourn.

And The House accordingly adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 28th March, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of Arthabaska and Quebec, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 9.)

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

By Mr. Oliver,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Township of Blandford. By Mr. Pelletier,—The Petition of Joseph Sirois, Mayor and others, of Ste. Anne de la Pocatieré, County of Kamouraska.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell,—The Petition of the Reverend William Bullock, D.D., Rector, and the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Cathedral Church of St. Luke, Halifax, Nova Scotia. By Mr. Godin,—The Petition of G. De Lanaudieré, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Joliette.

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa,

By the Honorable Mr. Abbott,—The Petition of Allan J. Grant and others; and the Petition of John Cross and others, both of the County of Prescott.

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

Of J. G. Currie, Mayor, and others, of the Town of St. Catharines; praying for the completion of the Welland Canal by the attainment of the Lake Erie level; also that the whole line may be put in a thorough state of repair; and also for the early enlargement of the Welland and St. Lawrence Canals.

Of Messrs. W. B. Bieton and Company and others, of the Town of St. Catharines; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada, but that an adequate Metallic Coinage may be issued instead thereof.

Of Charles P. Martell, and others, of the County of Antigonish, Province of Nova Scotia ; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the Steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of the Town Council of the Town of Port Hope; praying that the Bill to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, may become law.

Of John Rogers, and others, of the Township of Alfred, County of Prescott; and of William O'Meara, Warden, and others, of the County of Pontiac; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become law.

Of Messrs. Lawson, Harrington and Company, and others, of the City of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the abolition of the Excise duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of J. R. Morris, and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Province of Ontario; praying that Rond Eau, on Lake Erie, may be made a Harbor of Refuge.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Renfrew*; praying that the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal, to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*, may become law.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa; praying that the Bill to incorporate the "Quebcc and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company," may not become law.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa; of J. M. Read, and others; and of Francis McDougall and others, all of the City of Ottawa; severally praying for certain Amendments to the Bill respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

Mr. Drew, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :--

Your Committee have considered the Bill to authorize the Town of *Belleville* to impose and collect harbour dues, and for other purposes, and have agreed to certain amendments, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. Currier, seconded by Mr. Wright (Ottawa County),

Ordered, That all Petitions presented to this House for or against the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Amendment Bill, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,-Statement of Receipts and Expenditure on account of the Harbor Police, Montreal and Quebec, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, in compliance with the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 62, Sec. 7. (Sessional Papers, No. 47.)

And also, Rules and Regulations made by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, pursuant to the provisions of 32 and 33 Vic., Cap. 29, Sec. 118, to be observed on the execution of the judgment of death in every Prison, as well as guarding against any abuse in such execution, as also to give greater solemnity to the same, and of making known without the Prison walls the fact that such execution is taking place. (Sessional Papers, No. 48.)

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 14th March instant, for copies of all Reports, Plans and Surveys of the Chief Engineer and his assistants, relating to the construction of a Harbor of Refuge on Lake *Erie* and on Lake *Huron* respectively. (Sessional Papers, No. 49.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on a Bill to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor dues, and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Detroit* River Transit Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment. *Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company;

The Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved, seconded by Mr. *Shanly*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And Objection being taken by Mr. *Cameron*, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of *Huron*, That certain of the provisions of the said Bill, as amended by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, were not contemplated in the Notice given under the Rules of the House, nor in the Petition praying for the passing of the said Bill;

Mr. Speaker decided, That the Bill should be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders to report whether the powers to be conferred are in excess of \* the Notice given, or whether they are substantially included in it.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Carling, seconded by Mr. Shanly,

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged; and the Bill be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Junction Railway Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company; The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Wednesday next.

Ordered, The Petition of *M. McBean* and others; praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level opened throughout, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Wright (Ottawa County), the Honorable Sir Alexander T. Galt, the Honorable Mr. Holton, the Honorable Mr. Blanchet, the Honorable Mr. Connell, the Honorable Mr. McGreevy, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Young, Mr. Bodwell, Mr. Oliver, Mr. Hurdon, Mr. Ray, Mr. Ryan (Kings), Mr. Ryan (Montreal West), Mr. Workman, Mr. Currier, Mr. Grant, Mr. Hagar, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Lapum, Mr. McDonald (Middlesex), Mr. Burton, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Dufresne, Mr. Pope, Mr. Heath, Mr. Shanly, Mr. Grover, Mr. Simpson, the Honorable Mr. Tupper, Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville) and Mr. Pickard, to report thereon with ell convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records; and that the 79th Rule of this House be suspended as regards the said Committee.

Ordered, That all Petitions presented to this House, on the subject of the improvement of the Ottawa River, be referred to the said Committee.

Mr. Blake moved, seconded by Mr. Mills, and the Question being proposed, That an hnmble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty praying that she will be pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament providing that the Parliament of Canada shall not have power to disturb the financial relations established by the British North America Act (1867) between Canada and the several Provinces, as altered by the Act respecting Nova Scotia :

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Wednesday next, and be then the First Order of the Day, next after Routine business.

On motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Scatcherd,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A return shewing an account in detail of the amount originally advanced, by way of loan, by the late Province of Upper Canada, in connection with the Oakville Harbor, and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, and of the interest payable from time to time on the said loans, or either of them, and of any sums repaid in respect of the said loans, and of any abatement made in respect of them, and of the present state of the said loans, and of the amount due for principal and interest, with dates of the various transactions, and for copies of all correspondence and Orders in Council, and securities in respect of the said loans.

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

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House—Copies of all Orders in Council and correspondence, and of all leases and surrenders of leases touching the property now leased by Government to the Cornwall Manufacturing Company, or *George Stephen*, Esq., with a statement of the cents payable under the former leases, and of the rent (if any) payable under the present lease, and of the rents payable in respect of the other water powers in the *Cornwall* Canal leased by the Government to other parties.

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

On motion of Mr. Fortin, seconded by Mr. Robitaille,

Ordered, That Mr. McDonald (Lunenburg), the Honorable Mr. LeVesconte, and Mr. Cameron (Inverness), be added to the Select Committee on the subject of the Maritime and River Fisheries, Ocean and Inland Navigation, and the inspection of fish.

On motion of Mr. Stirton, seconded by Mr. Oliver,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement shewing the number of seizures from the 1st July, 1867, to the 1st July, 1869, for violations of the Inland Revenue Laws; the name of the owner of the property seized; the amount realized from each seizure; the name of the officer or officers who made the seizures; and the reward given for each seizure and to whom given.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of all correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents connected with the refund to Messrs. *Gooderham* and *Worts*, of *Toronto*, of certain Excise Duties, out of the Vote of last Session for unforeseen expenditure.

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

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a return of all Orders in Council, authorizing any Printing or Binding to be done without tender ; with a detailed statement of all expenditure incurred, under the authority of such Orders in Council in each such case.

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

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

# Tuesday, 29th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Bellerose,—The Petition of J. A. Berthelot and others.

By Mr. Morrison (Niagara),—The Petition of H. J. Brown and others, of the Township of Niagara, County of Lincoln, and others, of the State of New York, United States of America; the Petition of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Milwaukee; and the Petition of Messrs. West and Fowler and others, of the City of Milwaukee.

By Mr. Lapum,—The Petition of John Whelan and others, of the County of Addington, Province of Ontario.

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness),—The Petition of John McNeil and others, of the County of Inverness, N.S.

By Mr. Mackenzie,—The Petition of Joseph Kaye and others, of the City of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

By Mr. Workman,-The Petition of Henry Bulmer and others, of the City of Montreal.

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa; and the Petition of John Rochester, Jun., and others, of the City of Ottawa.

Mr. MacFarlane, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :----

Your Committee have considered the instruction of Your Honorable House, to consider the Bill to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company,—as amended by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, etc.,—and to report whether the powers proposed to be conferred are in excess of the Notice given, or whether they are substantially included in it; and after examination of the amendments, and hearing the parties, have come to the conclusion that the only amendment which calls for any remark, viz., that which empowers the Company to alter the gauge on their main line, is not of such a character as to have required Notice under the 51st Rule of Your Honorable House, but is one dictated by considerations of public policy, and within the competency of Parliament to make therein on public grounds. And the Committee beg leave to report the Bill as amended.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

The Committee recommend that the correspondence and other papers connected with the recent occurrences in the *North-West* Territories be reprinted for the use of Members, in such number as to give each Member four copies.

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

Message from the Governor General, transmitting copies of a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act of 1869.

Return to Address, for statement of sums paid from the vote of 20,000 to defray expenses of the Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the laws of the Province, &c.

Message from the Governor General, transmitting despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, stating that Her Majesty will not be advised to disallow certain Acts passed by the Dominion Legislature in the last Session of Parliament, and calling attention to the 3rd section of Cap. 23. (Sessional Papers only.)

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., on the subject of legalizing, under certain conditions, the Reprint of British Copyright Works in Canada.

Return to Address, Copy of His Excellency the Governor General's Commission, and the Royal Instructions which accompanied the same. (Sessional Papers only.)

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz. : *Regulations* and Orders for the Active Militia of the Dominion of *Canada*.

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., relative to the withdrawal of subsidy from the Steamer formerly plying between Prince Edward Island, Pictou and Port Hood, and the subsidizing of a Steamer between Prince Edward Island, Pictou and Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia.

Return to Address, For report made by Captain Bent, R.E., and Mr. Grant, C.E., concerning navigation of River St. John, N. B., &c., &c., and all other papers, petitions, and reports connected with the navigation of the said River St. John.

Return to Address, Statement of the Public Debt of the late Province of Canada, so far as the same has been fixed and settled between the Governments interested, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., touching the adoption of a uniform system of Currency among the principal Commercial Nations, &c.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

The Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River St. Lawrence, and have made several amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House, and they have caused the said Bill, to be reprinted, as amended.

The Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved, seconded by Mr. *Street*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill to amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company, reported, this day, by the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, be read a second time, To-morrow.

And Objection being taken by Mr. *Drew*, Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Wellington*, That it does not appear by the Report of the said Committee that they had considered the point referred to them ; that the Report does not state whether the provisions of the Bill are in excess of the notice, or whether they are substantially included in it.

Mr. Speaker said, That he thought the Report sufficiently met the object of the reference. The Committee in considering the matter, were not necessarily bound by any words made use of by him in expressing his opinion as to the scope of the reference.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, To-morrow.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of "Canada," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office "of Queen's Printer," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Census, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Street reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Banks and Banking;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee on the Bill respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons;

Mr. Ferguson moved, seconded by Mr. Drew, That it be an instruction to the said

Committee to provide, That, until Parliament shall otherwise provide, the qualifications and disqualifications of voters at elections of Members to the House of Commons, shall be regulated by the Laws enacted by the Local Legislatures of the several Provinces within the Dominion for representatives to the popular branch of their respective Legislatures;

And Objection being taken by Mr. *Dufresne*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Montcalm*, That the motion is not in Order, inasmuch as an instruction cannot be given to the Committee to do that which it is already in their power to do; also, that the 84th Section of "The *British North America* Act" provides exactly for the case contemplated in the motion;

Mr. Speaker decided, That the motion is not in Order; inasmuch as it is not competent for the House to instruct the Committee to do that which it is already in their power to do.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Wash reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870; for Reports of Superintendents of Roads from *Thunder* Bay to *Fort Garry* on the *Red River*; and detailed statement showing the length of road constructed east of *Lake of the Woods*, and west of said lake; the length of bridging constructed, the cubic contents of embankments made, and excavations in earth and rock respectively, with the cost in items, the number of men, foremen, superintendents, clerks, and all others employed on each section. Also, copies of Orders in Council relating to the said works, and instructions sent to those in charge. (Sessional Paper, No. 12).

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—First Annual Report of the Directors of Penitentiaries of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1868. (Sessional Papers, No. 5).

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 30th March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Shanly, -The Petition of Richard Eaton and others, of the City of Montreal.

By Mr. Currier,—The Petition of J. B. Guérard and others, of the City of Ottawa. By Mr. Bellerose,—The Petition of François Armand and others.

By Mr. Magill,—The Petition of W. A. Cooley and others, of Ancaster and Caledonia; the Petition of L. Tourje and others, of the Village of Orono, County of Durham; the Petition of Messrs. Huggert Brothers and others, of the Town of Brampton; the Petition of J. Fleury and others, of the Village of Aurora; the Petition of F. F. Mac-Arthur and others, of Rowmanville; the Petition of S. T. Willett and others, of Chambly; and the Petition of Messrs. Webster and Boyes and others, of Napanee.

By Mr. Stephenson,-The Petition of J. B. Sheldon and others, of Ontario.

By the Honorable Mr. Wood,—The Petition of the Board of Trade, of the Town of Brantford.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Blandford*; praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into *Canada* from the *United* States.

Of Joseph Sirois, Mayor, and others, of Ste. Anne de la Pocatiére, County of Kamouraska; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of the Reverend William Bullock, D.D., Rector, and the Churchwardens and Vestry of the Cathedral Church of St. Luke, Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia; praying that the Petition of the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, for an Act to empower the Provincial Synod to admit the Representatives of any Diocese in the Dominion, which may not have been hitherto represented therein, and also to empower the Synod of every such Diocese to adopt the Provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, may be granted.

Of G. De Lanaudière, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Joliette; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Ottawa; of Allan J. Grant and others; and of John Cross and others, of the County of Prescott; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become law.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Archibald have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Halifax.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, & Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 24th February, 1870; for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively; also, a statement of all moneys paid on account of the arbitration, and to whom such payments were made, with all documents connected therewith. (Sessional Papers, No. 53).

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question which was, on Monday last, proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying that she will be pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament providing that the Parliament of *Canada* shall not have power to disturb the financial relations established by the *British North America* Act (1867), between *Canada* and the several Provinces, as altered by the Act respecting *Nova Scotia*;

And the Question being again proposed,

The Honorable Mr. Archibald moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. McDonald (Middlesex), That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this House adheres to the decision of the Parliament of Canada at its "last Session, as embodied in the Act intituled: 'An Act respecting Nova Scotia,'" inserted instead thereof;

And Objection being taken by Mr. *Blake*, Member for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of *Durham*, That the motion in amendment is out of Order, inasmuch as it is not relevant to the main motion.

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At Half Past Seven O'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

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

The Senate have passed a Bill initialed : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the "extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America," to which they desire the concurrence of the House.

Also, a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend an Act respecting Cruelty to Animals," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light Houses, "Buoys and Beacons," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, a Bill intituled : "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates "of Ships," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respect-"ing the extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend an Act "respecting Cruelty to Animals," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "relating Light Houses, Buoys and Beacons," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting Certificates "to Masters and Mates of Ships," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

A Bill to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor dues, and for other purposes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and the Title be "An Act to authorize the Cor-"poration of the Township of Collingwood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect "Tolls or Harbor dues at the mouth of *Beaver* River, and for other purposes."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

• A Bill to incorporate the *Detnoit* River Transit Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to incorporate the "Detroit River Tunnel Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada* and the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Carling* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendment was then twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Junction Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Street* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Francis* and *Megantic* International Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Morrison (Niayara)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Town of *Belleville*, to impose and collect Harbor dues, and for other purposes ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company;

The Honorable Mr. *Carling* moved, seconded by Mr. *Street*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River *St. Lawrence*.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Objection taken to the amendment, which was proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty; praying that She will be pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament, providing that the Parliament of *Canada* shall not have power to disturb the financial relations established by the *British North America* Act (1867) between *Canada* and the several Provinces, as altered by the Act respecting *Nova Scotia*, and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this "House adheres to the decision of the Parliament of *Canada* at its last Session, as "embodied in the Act initiale: 'An Act respecting *Nova Scotia*," inserted instead thereof, being again urged;

Mr. Speaker decided, That the said proposed amendment is relevant to the main motion.

And the amendment to the Original Question being again proposed;

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, in amendment thereunto, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, That the words "this House adheres to the decision of "the Parliament of Canada, at its last Session, as embodied in the Act initialed : 'An Act "respecting Nova Scotia' be left out, and the words "it is the undoubted privilege of Par-"liament to fix and determine the amount of all Expenditure chargeable on the Public "Funds of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 31st March, 1870.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

# Yeas :

# Messieurs.

Anglin,	Colby,	Keeler,	Pinsonneault,
Archambeault,	Costigan,	Killam.	Pope,
Archibald,	Coupal,	Lacerte,	Pouliot,
Ault,	Crawford (Brockville	), Langevin,	Ray,
Beaty,	Daoust,	Langlois,	Read,
Beaubien,	Dobbie,	Lapum,	Renaud,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Lawson,	Robitaille,
Benoit,	Dunkin,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Champlain),
Bertrand,	Forbes,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	,Ross (Victoria N. S.),
Blanchet,	Fortin,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Ryan (Montreal West),
Bown,	Gaucher,	(Kingston),	Savary,
Brousseau,	Gaudet,	McDonald (Antigonish	
Cameron (Inverness),	Gendron,	McDonald (Lunenberg	Shanley,
Campbell,	Grant,	McDonald (Middlesex)	Simpson,
Carling,	Gray,	Masson (Soulanges),	Stephenson,
Caron,	Grover,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Street,
Cartier Sir George E.	, Holmes,	McCarthy,	Tilley,
Casault,	Howe,	McGreevy,	Tupper,
Cayley,	Huot,	McKeagney,	Walsh,
Chamberlin,	Hurdon,	Morrison (Niagara),	Workman, and
Chauveau,	Irvine,	O'Connor,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Cimon,	Jackson,	Perry,	
Coffin,			

### Nays :

#### Messieurs.

Béchard,	Ferris,	McConkey,	Rymal,
Blake,	Fortier,	McDougall (Ren	nfrew), Scatcherd,
Bolton,	Geoffrion,	McMonies,	Sénécal,
Bourassa,	Gibbs,	Merritt,	Smith,
Bowell,	Godin,	Metcalfe,	Snider,
Bowman,	. Hagar,	Mills,	Stirton,
Brown,	Holton,	Morison (Victor	ia O.), Thompson (H'ldimand)
Burpee,	Joly,	Munroe,	Tremblay,
Caldwell,	Kempt,	Pâquet,	Wallace,

Cameron (Huron),	Kierzkowski,	Pelletier.	White.
Carmichael,	Macdonald (Glengarry	,	Whitehead,
Cheval,	MacFarlane,	Pozer,	Wood,
Connell,	Mackenzie,	Redford,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Dorion,	Magill,	Ross (Prince Edward)	, W.R.), and
Drew,	McCallum,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)	
Ferguson.	,		· · ·

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question on the amendment to the Original Question, so amended, being again proposel;

Mr. Oliver moved, in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. Magill, that the words "but this House is of opinion that no further grant or provision, beyond those made by the "Union Act and the Act respecting Nova Scotia, should in the future be made out of the "Revenues of Canada for the support of the Government or Legislature of any of the "Provinces," be added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put, That those words be there added; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:----

#### Yeas :

### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Dorion,	Lawson,	Redford,
Archibald,	Drew,	Le Vesconte.	Robitaille,
Ault,	Dufresne.	Macdonald (Cornwall	). Ross (Champlain).
Beaty,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Glengarry	) Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Beaubien,	Ferguson,	Macdonald, Sir John	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Béchard,	Ferris,	A. (Kingston),	Ross (Wellington, C.R.),
Benoit,	Fortier,		)Ryan (Montreal West)
Bertrand,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesex	
Blake,	Gaucher,	MacFarlane,	Savary,
Blanchet,	Gaudet,	Mackenzie,	Scatcherd,
Bourassa,	Geoffrion,	Magill,	Scriver,
Bowell,	Gendron,	Masson (Soulanges),	Sénécal,
Bowman.	Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Bown,	Godin,	McCallum,	Simpson,
Brousseau,	Grant,	McCarthy,	Smith,
Brown,	Gray,	McConkey,	Snider,
Burpee,	Grover,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Stephenson,
Caldwell,	Hagar,	McKeagney,	Stirton,
Cameron, (Huron),	Holmes,	McMonies,	Street,
Campbell,	Holton,	Merritt,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Carling,	Howe,	Metcalfe,	Tilley,
Caron,	Huot,	Mills,	Tremblay,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Hurdon,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	Tupper,
Casault,	Irvine,	Morrison (Niagara),	Wallace,
Cayley,	Jackson,	Munroe,	Walsh,
Chamberlin,	Joly,	O'Connor,	White,
Chauveau,	Keeler,	Pâquet,	Whitehead,
Cheval,	Kempt,	Pelletier,	Wood,
Coffin,	Kierzkowski,	Perry,	Workman,
Colby,	Killam,	Pinsonneault,	Wright (Ottawa
Connell,	Lacerte,	Pouliot,	Čoun <b>t</b> y),

Coupal, Crawford (Broc Daoust, Dobbie,	Langevin, kville), Langlois, Lapum,	Pozer, Ray, Read,	Wright (York, Onterio, W. R.), and Young.—134.
		Nays :	

# Messieurs

Anglin,	Costigan,	McGreevy,	Pope, and
Bellerose,	Forbes,	Pickard,	Renaud.—10.
Cimon,	McDonald (Anti	gonish)	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question on the Amendment to the Original Question, so amended, being again proposed;

The Honorable Mr. Wood moved, in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. Magill, That the words "and that such steps should be taken as to render impossible any such "grant or provision," be added at the end thereof;

And Objection being taken by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Member for the Town of *Cornwall*, That the motion is irregular, and cannot be put because of its vagueness;

Mr. Speaker said, That the motion is certainly very vague, but he cannot say that the House cannot express a vague opinion.

And the Question being put, That those words be there added; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

#### Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Ault.	Ferris.	McCallum,	Rymal,
Béchard,	Fortier.	McConkey,	Scatcherd,
Blake,	Geoffrion.	McDougall (Rentrew)	, Sénécal,
Bolton,	Gibbs,	McMonies,	Smith,
Bourassa,	Godin,	Merritt,	Snider,
Bowell,	Holton,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Bowman,	Joly,	Mills,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Brown,	Kempt,	Morison (Victoria O.),	
Burpee,	Kierzkowski,	Pâquet,	White,
Cameron (Huron),	Macdonald Cornwall	) Pelletier,	Whitehead,
Cheval,	Macdonald(Glengarry	Pozer,	Wood,
Connell,	MacFarlane,	Redford,	Wright (York Ontario
Dorion,	Mackenzie,	Ross (Prince Edw'd),	W.R.), and
Drew,	Magill,	Ross(Wellington, C.R.)	, Young56.
Fergu <b>son</b> ,	-	,	

#### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Anglin,	Colby,	Killam,	Pinsonneault,
Archambeault,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Pope,
Archibald,	Coupal,	Langevin,	Pouliot,
Beaty,	Crawford(Brockville),	Langlois,	Ray,
Beaubien,	Dobbie,	Lapum,	Read,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Lawson,	Renaud,
Benoit,	Dunkin,	Le Vesconte,	Robitaille,

Bertrand,	Forbes,	Macdonald, Sir John	
Blanchet,	Fortin,		Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Bown,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Antig'nsh)	,Ryan (Montreal West),
Brousseau,	Gaudet,	McDonald (Lunenb'g),	Savary,
Cameron (Inverness),	Gendron,	McDonald (Middlesex)	
Campbell,	Grant,	Masson (Soulanges),	Shanly,
Carling,	Gray,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Caron,	Grover,	McCarthy,	Stephenson,
Cartier, Sir George E.	,Holmes,	McGreevy,	Street,
Casault,	Howe,	McKeagney,	Tilley,
Cayley,	Huot,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tupper,
Chamberlin,	Hurdon,	O'Connor,	Walsh,
Chauveau,	Irvine,	Perry,	Workman and
Cimon,	Jackson,	Pickard,	Wright(Ot'aC'nty)-85.
Coffin,	Keeler,	•	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question, as amended: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, as amended, being put: That it is the undoubted privilege of Parliament to fix and determine the amount of all Expenditure chargeable on the Public Funds of the Dominion; but this House is of opinion that no further grant or provision beyond those made by the Union Act and the Act respecting *Nova Scotia*, should in the future be made out of the revenues of *Canada*, for the support of the Government or Legislature of any of the Provinces; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George G. Cartier,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for the issue of a Writ for the election of a Member of this House for the Electoral District of the County of Frontenac, in the place of Thomas Kirkpatrick, Esquire, deceased.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Two of the Clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 31st March, 1870.

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

By Mr. Pickard,—The Petition of J. W. Smith and others, of the County of York, Province of New Brunswick.

By Mr. Lapum,—The Petition of Samuel Stewart and others, of the County of Addington.

By the Honorable Mr. Tupper,—The Petition of James A. Moren and others, Coal Owners interested in the Coal Trade of the Province of Nova Scotia.

By Mr. Hagar,—The Petition of John A. McKinly and others, of the Township of North Plantagenet; the Petition of William Bradley, Reeve and others, of the Township of Caledonia; the Petition of James H. Molloy, Reeve and others, of the Township of South Plantagenet; and the Petition of C. W. Hamelin and others, of the Townships of Alfred and West Hawkesbury, County of Prescott.

By Mr. Magill,—The Petition of William Cottingham and others, of the Village of Omemee, County of Victoria; the Petition of H. A. Massey and others, of Newcastle, County of Durham; and the Petition of H. Merrick and others, of Merrickville, County of Grenville.

By Mr. McDougall (Renfrew),--The Petition of Patrick Devine and others, of the County of Renfrew.

By Mr. Street,—The Petition of John C. Kirkpatrick and others, of the Village of Chippawa, County of Welland.

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

Of J. A. Berthelot and others; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of H. J. Brown and others, of the Township of *Niagara*, County of *Lincoln*, and others of the State of New York, United States of America; of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of *Milwaukee*; and of Messrs. West and Fowler and others, of the City of *Milwaukee*, United States of America; praying that the Bill to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company, may become law.

Of John Whelan and others, of the County of Addington, Province of Ontario; praying that Custom Duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of John McNeil and others, of the County of Inverness, Province of Nova Scotia; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of Joseph Kaye and others, of the City of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the abolition of the Excise Duty on Refined Petroleum.

Of *Henry Bulmer* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the Bill respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company, may become law.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa; praying that the Bill to incorporate the "Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company," may not become law.

Of John Rochester, Jr., and others, of the City of Ottawa, praying for certain amendments to the Bill respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "The Sun Insurance Company of *Montreal*," and have made several amendments thereto, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

The Honorable Mr. Howe, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 24th February, 1870; for Copies of all Correspondence between the Government and the *Iroquois* Indians of *Two Mountains*, or other parties, relative to the sale or surrender of the Indian lands, with Copies of all Orders in Council, or other documents relating to the difficulties existing with the said Indians. And also a statement shewing what reserves are available for such Indians in any other parts of the Country. (Sessional Papers, No. 55.)

Ordered, That Mr. MacFarlane have leave to bring in a Bill to enable Railway Bridge and Tunnel Companies to settle their differences with other Companies by Arbitration.

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

On motion of Mr. Brousseau, seconded by Mr. Beaty,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Third and Fourth Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

A Bill respecting the Census, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act respecting the First Census."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting Banks and Banking, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 31 Vict. Cap. 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ferguson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the amendment which was, on Wednesday, 23rd March, instant, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill (relating to the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial Causes in *New Brunswick*) be now read the third time; and which amendment was, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "it be resolved that "the Divorce Court in *New Brunswick* be abolished," inserted instead thereof;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill further to amend the Acts respecting the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Masson (*Terrebonne*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the extradition of certain offenders to "the United States of America."

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, To morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend · An Act respecting Cruelty to Animals;'"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be read the third time, To-morrow.

A Bill respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their con currence.

A Bill to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company. was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their con currence.

The House according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the Town of *Belleville* to impose and collect Harbor Dues, and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Mills reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Oliver reported. That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River St. Lawrence, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Oliver reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That, during the remainder of the Session, the Order of business on Wednesdays shall be, until the hour of Six P. M., Questions put by Members ; Notices of Motions; Public Bills and Orders,-From half past seven o'clock P. M., Private Bills for the first hour; Government measures.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 1st April, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :--By the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks,-The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Renfrew,

By Mr. Workman,—The Petition of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association ; and the Petition of Charles King.

By Mr. O'Connor,-- The Petition of Donald Cameron, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Windsor.

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

Of Richard Eaton and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of J. B. Guérard and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying for certain amondments to the Bill respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company.

Of *François Armand* and others; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers  $\Lambda$  cts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of William A. Cooley and others, of Ancaster and Caledonia; of L. Tour, e and others, of the Village of Orono, County of Durham; of Messrs. Huggert Brothers and others, of the Town of Brampton; of J. Fleury and others, of the Village of Aurora; of F. F. McArthur and others, of Bowmanville; of S. T. Willett and others, of Chambly, Province of Quebec; and of Messrs. Webster and Boyes and others, of Napanee; severally praying that such measures may be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them, until they agree to reciprocate, all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of J. B. Sheldon and others, of Ontario; praying that the Rond Eau, on Lake Erle, may be made a Harbor of Refuge.

Of the Board of Trade, of the Town of *Brantford*; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of *Canada*.

Mr. Drew, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the Society of Canadian Artists, and have agreed to certain Amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend 'An Act respecting the "extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend 'An Act respecting Cruelty "to Animals," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made in Committee to the Bill respecting Banks and Banking; and the same were read.

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, and the Question being proposed. That the said Amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. Cartwright moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Connell. That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "Bill be "now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the "fifth subsection of the first section by adding the words :-- Provided always that any "' Bank which shall discontinue the issue of its Notes, and shall have duly notified "' Government, at least six months in advance of its intention so to do, shall be exempted "' from the operation of this sub-section,' at the end thereof," inserted instead thereof;

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That the words, "amend the fifth subsection of the first "section by adding the words :— 'Provided always that any Bank which shall discontinue "'the issue of its Notes, and shall have duly notified Government, at least six months "'in advance of its intention so to do, shall be exempted from the operation of this sub-"'section,' at the end thereof," be left out, and the words, "strike out the fifth subsection of the first section," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they ware taken down, as follow :----

		Yeas :	
		Messieurs	
Béchard,	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Ross(Wellington, C.R.)
Bodwell,	Holton,	Mills,	Rymal,
Bolton,	Joly,	Oliver,	Sénécal,
Bourassa,	Kierzkowski,	Pâquet,	Snider,
Cartwright,	Macdonald (Corn	wall), Pelletier,	Stirton,
Cheval,	Macdonald (Gleng	arry)Pickard,	Wells,
Connell,	Mackenzie,	Pozer,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Dorion,	McDougall, ( Ren	frew)Redford,	W.R.), and
Fortier,	Mc Monies,		dw'd), Young36.
Godin,		(	<i>,</i>

# Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archamb <b>eault</b> ,	Crawford, (Leeds),	Langevin,	Renaud,
Ault,	Currier,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Beaty,	Daoust,	Lapum,	Ross (Champlain),
Bellerose,	Dobbie,	Lawson,	Ross (Dundas),
Benoit,	Drew,	Little,	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Bertrand,	Dufresne,	Macdonald Sir J. A.,	Ryan (Montreal West)
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	(Kingston),	Savary,
Bowell,	Ferguson,	McDonald (Lunenburg	
Bown,	Ferris,	Magill,	Shanly,
Brousseau,	Forbes,	Masson (Soulanges),	Simpson,
Brown,	Fortin,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Smith,
Burpee,	Gaucher,	McCallum,	Sproat,
Caldwell,	Gaudet,	McCarthy,	Stephenson,
Cameron (Huron),	Gendron,	McConkey,	Street,
Campbell,	Gibbs,	McGreevy,	Thompson (H'ld'mand)
Carling,	Gray,	McKeagney,	Tilley,
Caron,	Grover,	McMillan,	Tremblay,
Cartier Sir George E.	, Hincks Sir Francis,	Merritt,	Tupper,
Casault, 1	Holmes,	Morris,	Wallace,
Cayley,	Howe,	Morison (Victoria 0.)	Walsh.
Chamberlin,	Huot,	Morrison (Niagara),	White,
Chanvean.	Hurdon,	Munroe,	Whitehead,
Colley,	Jackson,	Perry,	Willson,
Costigan,	Keeler,	Pinsonneault,	Wood,
Coupal,	Kemnt	Ray,	Workman, and
Crawford (Brockville	),Lacerte,	Read,	Wright (Ött wa C'nty). — 103.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

#### Yeas :

# Messieurs

Bolton,	Fortier,	Macdonald ((	Cornwall)Ross (Prince Edward),
Cartwright,	Holton,	McDougall (I	Renfrew), Rymal, and
Connell,	Kierzkowski,	Mills,	Workman,—13.
Dorion,			

# Nays:

# Messieurs

Archambeault,	Currier.	Le Vesconte,	Renaud,
Archibald.	Daoust.	Little.	Robitaille.
Ault.	Dobbie,	Macdonald (Glengarry	
Beaty,	Drew,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Ross (Dundas),
Béchard,	Dufresne,	(Kingston),	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Bellerose,	Dunkin,		$Ross(Wellington, C. \acute{R.})$
Benoit,	Ferguson,	Mackenzie,	Ryan (Montreal W.),
Bertrand,	Ferris,	Magill,	Savary,
Blanchet,	Forbes.	Masson (Soulanges),	Scatcherd,
Bodwell,	Fortin,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Sénécal,
Bourassa,	Gaucher.	McCallum,	Shanly,
Bowell,	Gaudet,	McCarthy,	Simpson,
Bowman,	Gendron,	McConkey,	Smith,
Bown,	Gibbs,	McGreevy,	Snider,
Brousseau,	Godin,	McKeagney,	Sproat,
Brown,	Gray,	McMillan,	Stephen <b>s</b> on,
Burpee,	Grover,	McMonies,	Stirton,
Burton,	Hagar,	Merritt,	Street,
Caldwell,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Metcalfe,	Thompson (II'ldim'nd)
Cameron (Huron),	Holmes,	Morris,	Tilley,
Campbell,	Howe,	Morison (Victoria 0.),	Tremblay,
Carling,	Hvot,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tupper,
Caron,	Jackson,	Munroe,	Wallace,
Cartier, Sir George E	"July,	Oliver,	Walsh,
Casault,	Jones (L'ds & Grenv'e)	,Paquet,	Wells,
Cayley,	Keeler,	Pelletier,	Whitehead,
Chauveau,	Kempt,	Perry,	Willson,
Cheval,	Killam,	Pinsonneault,	Wood
Colby,	*Lacerte,	Pozer,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Costigan,	Langevin,	Kay,	Wright (York Ontario,
Coupal,	Langlois,	Read,	W.R.) and
Crawford (Brockville),		Redford,	Young.—128.
Crawford (Leeds),	Lawson,		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be now read a second time.

The Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "now "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the "sixth section, by adding the words 'Until the first day of January, in the year 1875,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

# Yeas :

# Messieurs

Anglin,	Holton,	Mc Monies,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)
Bodwell,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	)Merritt,	Rymal,
Bowell,	Kempt,	Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,
Bowman,	Lawson,	Mills,	Sénécal,
Brown,	Macdonald (Cornicall)	Morison (Victoria 0.),	Snider,
Cartwright,	Macdonald (Glengarry	Munroe,	Stirton,
Connell,	MacFarlanc,	Oliver,	Thompson (Haldim'd),
Crawford (Brockville,	) Mackenzie,	Pelletier,	Wells,
Drew,	Magill,	Pozer,	Wright (York Ontario
Fortier,	McCallum,	Redford,	W.R.), and
Gibbs,	McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	Young-46.
Hagar,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Ross (Prince $Edw d$ ),	·

#### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Colby,	Kecler,	Renaud,
Archibald,	Costigan,	Killam,	Robitaille,
Beaty,	Coupal,	Lacerte.	Ross (Champlain),
Béchard,	('ranford (Leeds),	Langevin,	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Bellerose,	Currier,	Langlois,	Ryan (Montreal West),
Benoit,	Daoust,	Layum,	Shanly,
Bertrand,	Dobbie,	Le Vesconte,	Simpson,
Blanchet,	Dufresne,	Little,	Smith,
Bolton,	Dunkin,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Bown,	Ferguson,	(Kingston),	Stephenson,
Brousseau,	Ferris,	Masson (Soulanges),	Street,
Burpee,	Forbes,	Masson (Terrebonne)	
Caldwell,	Fortin,	McCarthy,	Tremblay,
Cameron (Huron),	Gaucher,	McGreevy,	Tupper, .
Cameron (Inverness),		McKeagney,	Wallace,
Campbell,	Gendron,	Mc Millan,	Walsh,
Carling,	Godin,	Morris,	White,
Caron,	Grant,	Morrison (Niagara),	Whitehead,
Cartier, Sir George E.,	Grau.	Paquet,	Willson,
Casault,	Grover,	Perry,	Wood,
Cayley,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Pinsonneault,	Workman, and
Chamberlin.	Howe,	Ponliot,	Wright (Ott'wa C'nty),
Cheval.	Huot,	Ray,	93,
Cimon,	Jackson,	Read,	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next;

Mr. Oliver moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bodwell, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "now re-committed to a "Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the thirteenth section, "by striking out the words 'either vote in person or by proxy,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

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

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits Estimates of certain of the sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1871; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 1st April, 1870.

(Sessional Papers, No. 52.)

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made in Committee to the Bill to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next;

Mr. Cartwright moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bolton, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "now re-committed to "a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the seventh section, by "adding the words, 'Provided always that in the event of the said Dominion Notes "ceasing to be redeemed in gold on demand, as herein provided, the said Notes shall, "ipso facto, cease to be legal tender, and no Bank shall be required to keep any portion "of its cash reserves in said Notes, any provision heretofore made to the contrary in "any Act affecting Banks or Banking notwithstanding,' at the end thereof," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put :

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

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

The Senate have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to provide for the organization "of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces," to which they desire the concurrence of this House. On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to provide for the "organization of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, initialed : "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light-Houses, Buoys and Beacons;"

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock P.M., Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company;

The Honorable Mr. Carling moved, seconded by Mr. Street, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his consent, so far as the interest of the Crown is concerned, that the House may do therein, as they shall think fit.

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

Mr. Oliver, moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Whitehead, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a "Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to strike out the clause referring "to the guage," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Cameron (Huron) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Whitehead, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "recommitted "to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to provide that all freight "requiring transhipment, in order to pass over the said Railway, shall be so transhipped, "by and at the cost of said Railway, with the same facilities, and at no greater cost than "now," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment ; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake Champlain and the River Saint Lawrence.

Mr. Ryan (Montreal West) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Honorable Mr. Langevin moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Morris, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the

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"And provided also that the said Company shall at their own cost and charges, make "and maintain such works as may be necessary to secure the safest and most prompt "working of the Trains upon any line of Railway, that the said Canal may intersect; "that the charges of watching any such works shall be paid for by the Canal Company; "that all works rendered necessary by the intersection of any lines of Railway shall be "submitted to the Companies owning said Railway Lines, and approved of by the Governor "General in Council before being commenced, and that full and proper compensation "shall be made to the Railway Companies for the injury and damage done to their lines "by the intersection of the Canal;" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Blanchet reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendment was then twice read, and agreed to.

And the Question being proposed, that the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Benoit moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Costigan, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a "Committee of the whole House for the purpose of striking out the words ' on Lake St. " 'Louis,' in the eighth line of the second page," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made in Committee to the Bill to authorize the Town of *Belleville*, to impose and collect Harbor Dues, and for other purposes; and the same were twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committee to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Blanchet reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act relating to Light-

"houses, Buoys and Beacons," was read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That the House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Colby* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Amendments be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments were then read, as follow :---

Page 1, line 13.—After "construction" insert "of any."

Page 1, line 34.—After "deface" insert "distinguish."

Page 2, line 1. - Leave out "twenty-one" and insert "fifteen."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

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

# (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand six hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the salaries of the Governor General's Secretary's Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand nine hundred and thirtythree dollars and thirty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the salaries of the Department of the Privy Council, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand one hundred and ninety-two dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the salaries of the Department of Justice, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, initialed : "An Act respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Gray, from the Committee of the whole House to take into consideration certain proposed Resolutions relating to the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather, reported several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:--

1. Resolved, That every Inspector of raw hides and leather, now or hereafter to be appointed, shall keep a proper book or books, which shall be open to public inspection, in which he shall from time to time enter a statement or account of all green, raw, and salted hides and leather inspected by him or his Assistant Inspector or Inspectors, shewing the respective weight, quality, and condition thereof, how the same have been classified by him, for whom they have been inspected, and the amount paid for such inspection. 2. Resolved, That every such Inspector shall, twice in each year, and not later than the tenth day of January and the tenth day of July, make a return to the Board of Trade of the City or Town in respect to which he has been appointed, of the foregoing particulars.

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

4. *Resolved*, That every such Inspector, who neglects or refuses to keep such a book as mentioned in the first Resolution, or to make the entries required to be made therein, or who neglects or refuses to make the returns required by the second Resolution, shall incur a penalty not exceeding \$80 for each offence, and be liable to be dismissed from his office, and be disqualified from ever after holding the same.

5. Resolved, That every fine or penalty imposed by the Acts of the late Province of Canada, 27 & 28 Vict. Cap. 21, and 29 and 30, Vict. Cap. 24, or by an Act to be founded on the foregoing Resolutions when the same does not exceed \$40, shall be recoverable by any Inspector of raw hides and leather, or by any other person suing for the same in a summary way before the Recorder or Police Magistrate of the City or Town within the Inspection limits of the said Inspectors, or before any two Justices of the Peace, and shall in default of payment be levied by a warrant of distress to be issued by such Recorder or Police Magistrate or Justices against the goods and chattels of the offender.

6. Resolved, That when such penalty or fine exceeds \$40 it may be sued for and recovered with full costs of suit by such Inspector or other person by civil action in any court having jurisdiction in civil cases to the amount and may be levied by execution as in cases of debt.

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

8. Resolved, That the 29th and 30th sections of the said Act, 27 and 28 Vict., Cap. 21, be repealed.

9. Resolved, That this Act shall only apply to the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.

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

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 4th April, 1870.

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

By Mr. Workman, -The Petition of J. B. Duncan and others, of Actonvale.

By Mr. McDougall (Renfrew),—The Petition of Oliver Forester and others, of the County of Renfrew.

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness),—The Petition of L. McDougall and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton.

By the Honorable Mr. Le Vesconte,—The Petition of Murdock Matheson and others, of St. Esprit, and adjacent parts, County of Richmond, Province of Nova Scotia.

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

Of J. W. Smith and others, of the County of York, Province of New Brunswick; praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Invention.

Of Samuel Stewart and others, of the County of Addington; praying that Custom duties may be imposed upon various articles imported into Canada from the United States.

Of James A. Moren and others, Coal Owners, interested in the Coal Trade of the Province of Nova Scotia; praying that a Custom duty may be imposed upon Coal imported into Canada from the United States.

Of John A. McKinly and others, of the Township of North Plantagenet; of William Bradley, Reeve, and others, of the Township of Caledonia; of James H. Molloy, Reeve, and others, of the Township of South Plantagenet; of C. W. Hamelin and others, of the Townships of Alfred and West-Hawkesbury, County of Prescott; and of Patrick Devine and others, of the County of Renfrew; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become law.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Renfrew*; praying that the Bill respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company, may become law, with certain amendments.

Of William Cottingham and others, of the Village of Omemee, County of Victoria; of II. A. Massey and others, of Newcastle, County of Durham; and of H. Merrick and others, of Merrickville, County of Grenville; severally praying that such measures be adopted as will place Canadian Industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them, until they agree to reciprocate, all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

Of John C. Kirkpatrick and others, of the Village of Chippawa, County of Welland; and of Donald Cameron, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Windsor, County of Essex; severally praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of the *Montreal* Corn Exchange Association; praying that no Custom duties may be imposed on Grain and other articles imported from the *United States*, and that no restrictions be placed on the use of the Canadian Canals by *United States* Vessels.

Of Charles King; praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :----

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

Rules and Regulations made by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, pursuant to the provisions of 32 and 33 *Vict.*, Chap. 29, to be observed on the execution of the judgment of death in every Prison, &c.

Return to Address,—Copies of Tenders sent in under the Act of last Session for the several services of Departmental Printing, &c., &c.

Supplementary Return to Address, for a Statement shewing the names of the Contractors on the Intercolonial Railway who have thrown up their contracts, &c.

Statement of Expenditure and Receipts of Harbor Police at Montreal and Quebec, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1859, (Sessional Papers only.)

The Committee also recommond that the following documents be not printed, viz :---

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Governments of Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively, &c. Return to Address,-Information on the subject of Marriage Laws of the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :--

Your Committee beg to inform Your Honorable House that the promoters of the Bill respecting the Ottawa City Passenger Railway Company have appeared before them and signified their desire not to proceed with the Bill for the present Session,

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared amendments to each, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House :---

Bill to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company.

Bill to revive the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Wood have leave to bring in a Bill to enable Britton Bath Osler, to obtain Letters Patent for the invention or discovery known as "Carrs Disintegrator," for disintegrating, dispersing, reducing or mixing ores and other substances.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill to amend the Act to incorporate "The Sun Insurance Company of Montreal" was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the *Gore* Bank, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Sreaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Scatcherd reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artists;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Scatcherd reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Coffin,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of all moneys expended on the public piers and wharves of the Dominion from July 1st, 1867, with the names of the parties expending the same, and the name of each public wharf or pier upon which such expenditure took place. Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

The Honorable Mr. Wood moved, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, That it be Resolved,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

12. That books were opened in the Crown Lands Department, labelled "Road Improvement Fund," with a heading to each page in the words, "Statements of the amounts available for public improvements on sales of Crown Lands, Grammar School Lands, and Common School Lands, under 16 Vic., Cap. 159, Sec. 14, in each Township in the County of \_\_\_\_\_," in which books the accounts of the Fund were kept.

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

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

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

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

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

And Objection being taken by Mr. *Casault*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Bellechasse*, That the House cannot consider the proposed Resolution in the manner proposed by the mover; and that it should have originated in Committee of the whole House;

Mr. Speaker ruled, That the objection taken by the Honorable Member for the County of *Bellechasse* was good.—He thought that the Resolution should originate in Committee of the whole House. Unquestionably the Resolution involved a charge upon the public purse of the Dominion. With regard to the point raised by the Honorable Member for *Lambton*, as to the Dominion Government having the power of paying this money out of the Provincial subsidies, the very circumstance of this House being the trustee, as it were, of the Provinces of *Ontario* and *Quebec*, should make it all the more necessary that every proper constitutional check should be interposed before any charge should be incurred which would eventually be imposed upon those Provinces. He, more-over, was inclined to think, that there should be a Message from the Governor General, before such a motion could be entertained.—He therefore declared the motion to be out of order.

Mr. McCarthy moved, seconded by Mr. Keeler, and the Question being put. That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. Dorion, Mr. Dufresne, Mr. Wright (Ottawa County), Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Mr. Gendron, Mr. Fortin, Mr. Caron. Mr. McDouyall (Three Rivers), and the Mover, be appointed to examine into the facts respecting the Tenure of Lands in the Seignory of Sorel, and whether the proprietors therein are liable to rentes constituées, or hold their properties in free and common soccage; with power to send for persons, papers and records; The House Givided : and it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Bodwell moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson (Haldimand), and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, for a copy of all correspondence with the Militia Department touching the resignation of eight of the Company Officers of the 7th Battalion of Militia, Ontario; and also touching the dismissal of Captain Meredith, of No. 4 Company of said Battalion, and Lieuteuant and Adjutant Green of the same Battalion; The House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. Fortin, seconded by Mr. Robitaille,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of *Gaspé*, and the County of *Bonaventure*, since first July 1868; also copies of all correspondence and of instructions given to either of the said Judges directing them to proceed to the holding of the Court at *Amherst*, *Magdalen Islands*, at the periods fixed by law, with a statement of the numbers of sittings, and the date of each sitting of such Court.

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

On motion of Mr. Godin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holtow,

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Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Statement of the expenses incurred by the Department of Inland Revenue in the collection of the Duty on Leaf Tobacco, of Canadian growth exclusively, shewing, besides the salaries of Officers employed for that purpose, all expenses incurred for travelling expenses, correspondence, printing, &c., from the 30th June, 1868, to 30th June, 1869, and distinguishing the amount of expenses so incurred by each Province.

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

On motion of Mr. Walsh, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Carling,

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Weighers of Grain.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that Weighers of Grain be appointed, and that they be entitled to a Fee not exceeding ten cents for each load of Grain weighed by them respectively.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Mills reported the Resolution accordingly; and the same was read, as followeth :---

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that Weighers of Grain be appointed, and that they be entitled to a Fee not exceeding ten cents for each load of Grain weighed by them respectively.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Walsh have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the weighing of Grain.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville).

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Minutes in Council, and Departmental Orders, and of all Correspondence between the Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of Quebec and Ontario respectively, relating to the rate of interest allowed since the 4th May, 1859, on the capital of the Seigniors and the capital of compensation to the Townships in Lower Canada, and also on the compensation to Upper Canada arising out of the Seignorial Legislation, called the Upper Canada Building Fund.

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

On motion-of the Honorable Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville). Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Contracts and papers relating to the construction of the Court House and Gaol in the District of Algoma, and a statement of all moneys, with dates, paid to the Contractor or Contractors, Architects, Overseers, and others, in respect thereof by the Government of the late Province of Canada, and by the Government of the Dominion, as well on account of the late Province as also on account of the Province of Ontario. Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return showing the state of the Account between *Thomas Robertson*, and the Government, in regard to the receipts and expenditure of the *Dundas* and *Waterloo* Macadamised Road, whilst under the charge of the said *Thomas Robertson*, as agent; and also, what steps (if any) have been taken to affect a settlement of the said account.

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

Mr. Magill moved, seconded by Mr. Colby, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report on the extent and condition of the Hop Growing and Salt Interest in Canada;

And Objection being taken by the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, Member for the Electoral District of the *South Riding* of the County of *Brant*, That the Motion is out of Order, inasmuch as its adoption would lead to the imposition of duties.

Mr. Speaker said, That he did not think that the adoption of this Report would, beyond question, involve the imposition of duties.—The recommendation is "that the House will adopt such measures as shall tend to relieve this important industry from depressing influences."—It might be argued that this recommendation involves some tax or duty to be imposed, but that result does not follow conclusively; the measures asked for, are measures of relief, so far as the House is informed.—He overruled this objection.

Another Objection being taken by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, Member for the Electoral District of Montreal East, That the subject matter of the Report related to Trade, and should therefore originate in Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. Speaker said, That a Bill, relating to Trade, must originate in Committee of the Whole House, but the Rule in express terms is confined to Bills only.—He thought that the House might adopt a Report of this general character, relating to Trade, which would leave it uncommitted as to specific measures.—He overruled this objection also.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report on the extent and condition of the Hop Growing and Salt Interests in *Canada*;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 5th April, 1870.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

On motion of Mr. Paquet, seconded by Mr. Godin,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A full statement in detail of the sum paid and to be paid in connection with the arrest, trial, and conviction of the murderer, and those accused of the murder, of the late Honorable *Thomas D'Arcy* McGee; also, a statement of sums paid by way of reward, and to whom paid; the whole since 25th, May, 1869.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council. On motion of Mr. Bodwell, seconded by Mr. Oliver,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all unsettled claims or accounts against the Government of *Canada*, for barraeks, barrack repairs and rent, for Imperial troops, from 1st January, 1861, to the present time, and also the amount allowed in each case, and charged as Militia expenditure and estimate of Officers of Board of Works in all such cases.

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

Mr. Ross (Dundas) moved, seconded by Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), and the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolutions :--

1. That it is expedient to enact that the rate of Interest upon all contracts and agreements written or verbal, expressed or implied for the payment of the money, shall be six per cent. per annum, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties or provided by law.

2. That in all contracts hereafter made, whether written or verbal, it shall be lawful for the parties to stipulate or agree that eight per cent. per annum, or any less sum or rate of interest, shall be taken and paid on money loaned, or in any manner due and owing from any person or corporation to any other person or corporation.

3. That if any person or corporation shall contract for or receive a greater rate of interest, directly or indirectly, than eight per cent. per annum, upon any contract, written or verbal, such person or corporation shall forfeit the whole of the interest so received, and shall be entitled only to recover the principal sum due to such person or corporation.

4. That every person who, for any loan or forbearance of any money, goods, or things, shall pay or deliver any greater sum, or rate of interest, or value than is above allowed to be received or taken, may recover at any time within one year after such payment or delivery, by action at law against the person or corporation that shall have taken or received the same, the whole amount of interest, or sum, or delivery in the nature of interest, so paid or made on the contract or agreement.

5. That any person proceeded against for any contravention of the above Resolutions may be compelled to answer on oath any complaint that may be exhibited against him in any Court for the recovery of any sum of money or rate of interest, goods, or things, taken, accepted or received in violation of the foregoing provisions or any of them.

6. That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed.

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

The Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Mills*, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :-- •

Yeas :

Anglia,	Drew,	Mackenzie,	Scatcherd,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Magill,	Simpson,
Bodwell,	Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Stirton,
Bolton,	Hincks Sir Francis,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Street,
Boroman,	Holton,	McGreevy,	Thompson (II'ld' mand)
Cameron, (Huron),	Hutchison,	Merritt,	Tupper,
Cartier Sir George E.,	Joly,	Mills.	White,
Casault,	Keeler,	Morris.	Willson,
Chamberlin,	Lanyevin,	Morrison (Niagava),	Wood.

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Chauvean, Colby,	Lawson, Macdonald Sir J.	Oliver, A. Perru	Wright (Ot'waC'nty) & Young47.
Connell, Costigan,	(Kingston),	Robitaille,	10000gt 111

# Nays :

## Messieurs

Ault,	Cimon,	McCallum,	Renaud,
Bertrand,	Coupal,	Pelletier,	Ross (Champlain),
Bourassa,	Gendron,	Pinsonneault,	Ross (Dundas),
Bowell,	Godin,	Pouliot,	Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Broussean,	Grover,	Pozer,	Rymal, and
Cayley,	Jones (L'de & Grenvill		Walsh26.
Cheval,	Masson (Soulanges),		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville), seconded by Mr. Scatcherd,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A statement giving the names of all persons who have been employed, either temporarily, or otherwise, in connection with the Public Service at Ottawa, including the House of Commons and Senate, since the 1st January, 1868, up to the present time, giving the names of those employed in each department separately, the date of each appointment, and the amount of salary or allowance to be paid to each, together with the nature of the business to be transacted by each person so appointed.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Connell, seconded by Mr. Bolton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement, shewing the names of all persons who have been appointed to office, or who have been or are now employed in connexion with the North-West Territory; with the salaries, allowances, or expenses connected therewith to each, including any sums paid or allowed to delegates or persons acting for the Government, shewing the whole amount so paid or advanced up to the present date.

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

Mr. Masson (Soulanges) moved, seconded by Mr. Renaud, That the Commission to be shortly appointed to consider the Question of Canals for the whole Dominion be instructed, among other things, to enquire as to whether it would not be more economical, as well as more advantageous for the Dominion, in so far as regards trade, navigation and defence, not to enlarge the Beauharnois Canal, but to leave it in its present state, to be used for ordinary purposes of trade, in view of the fact that it is almost impossible to enlarge it into a Ship Canal, without again incurring enormous expense, which, not including the amount expended for piers, lighthouses, and dams, has already reached more than \$250,000, on account of damages to property alone; and whether it would not be better to construct a new Canal on the North side of the Cotean Rapids, as ought to have been done in the first place, both on the grounds of economy and for strategical purposes.

Mr. Speaker decided, That the Motion is not in Order, as it purports to give an instruction to a Commission which is not appointed : The said Motion was then, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :---

1. Resolved, That a Sum not exceeding Six thousand six hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Governor-General's Secretary's Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand nine hundred and thirtythree dollars and thirty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of the Privy Council, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand one hundred and ninety-two dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Justice, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

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

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

# Tuesday, 5th April, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Northern Railway of Canada, for the year ending 31st December, 1869. (Nessional Papers,  $No_{\pi}10$ ).

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

By Mr. Stirton,-The Petition of the Guelph Board of Trade.

By Mr. Dobbie,-The Petition of the Port Bruce Harbor Company.

By Mr. Masson (Soulanges),—The Petition of the Reverend L. M. Lavallée, Curé, and others, of St. Zotique.

By Mr. Workman,—The Petition of Angus Cameron and others, by their Attorney E. M. Hopkins; the Petition of P. W. Archambault and others; and the Petition of E. J. Senkler and others.

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness),—The Petition of William Lee Tremaine and others, of the County of Inverness.

By Mr. Colby,—The Petition of E. P. Felton and others, Notaries, residing in the Town of Sherbrooke.

By Mr. Gibbs,-The Petition of A. S. Whiting and others.

By Mr. Whitehead,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Logan, County of Perth.

Mr. Bronsseau, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :--

The Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed, viz :

Return to Address-Reports, Plans, and Surveys of the Chief Engineer and his Assistants relating to the construction of a Harbor of Refuge on Lake Erie and on Lake Huron respectively (without the maps). Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorised payment of the sum of \$20,000 to the late Sir Allan Napier MacNab, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands in or near the City of Hamilton. (In a condensed form and in the Appendix only).

The Committee also recommend that the following Documents be not printed, viz :--

Return to Address-Statement showing the limits of the Pilotage grounds, tariff of Pilots' fees, and the number of Pilots in each Port of the Dominion.

Return to Address-Petitions and Correspondence on the subject of Compulsory Pilotage.

The Committee have had under their consideration the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses, from the 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870, referred to them, and beg to report their proceedings in reference thereto.

#### Committee Room,

# 1st April, 1870.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses from 1st July 1869, to 28th February, 1870.

Hon. Mr. Holton moved that it be resolved,

That in the opinion of the Committee, the claim of  $\$1,170 \frac{\$1}{100}$  for stone, a portion of which, at least, was declared many years ago by the verdict of a jury, to belong to the Crown, as being an asset of the defaulting York Roads Company, ought not to have been paid out of the appropriation for unforeseen expenses, but, if deemed advisable by the Government, should have been reserved for the judgment of Parliament.

On which the Committee divided :

# Yeas :

#### Messieurs.

Anglin, Macdonald(Glengarry)Ross (Prince Edw'd), Young.-7. Holton Mackenzie, Wood, and

# Nays :

# Messieurs.

Langevin,	Dufresne,		Robitaille,
Tilley,	Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Ryan (King's N.B.), d
Crawford (Leeds)	Keeler.	Lawson,	Walsh12.

## Monday, 4th April, 1870.

The Committee resumed consideration of the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses from 1st July, 1869, to 25th February, 1870.

Hon. Mr. Holton moved that it be resolved,

That in the opinion of the Committee the claim of Messrs. Gooderham and Worts for  $\$17,892_{160}^{55}$ , the amount of duty alleged to have been paid by them on Spirits and Malt destroyed by fire, ought not, in the absence of a Statutory provision applicable to it and similar cases, to have been paid without a special vote of Parliament, and especially ought not to have been paid out of the appropriation for Unforeseen Expenses, as that appropriation was not intended to authorize the discretionary remission of taxes.

On which the Committee divided :

## Yeas :

#### Messieurs

**∆**nglin, Holton, Mackenzie, McConkey, Masson (Terrebonne),& Young.-8.

# Nays :

Messieurs

Brousseau,	Howe,	Lawson,	<i>Tilley</i> , and
Crawford (Leeds),	Keeler.	Morrison (Niagara),	Walsh,-11.
Dufresne,	Langevin,	Ryan (King's N.B.),	

Wood,

Carmichael.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Holton*, it was Ordered, That the proceedings of the Committee respecting the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses from 1st July, 1869, to 28th February, 1870, be reported to the Honse.

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company, and have agreed to certain amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

The time limited for the reception of Reports from Committees on Private Bills will expire this day. Your Committee recommend that it be extended to Tuesday, the 12th instant; and they also recommend that the Notice required to be given, under the 60th Rule, prior to the consideration of Private Bills by Committees, he reduced, for the remainder of the Session, to three days.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports from Select Standing Committees upon Private Bills, be extended to Tuesday, the 12th instant.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill, respecting Banks and Banking;

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Godin moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Sénécal, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Com-"mittee of the Whole House, with an instruction to provide that the maximum rate of "interest or discount to be demanded, retained, or recovered by Banks on all loans or "contracts, be limited to and fixed at seven per centum per annum," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

# Yeas :

Ault,	Dorion,	Joly,	Pouliot,
Béchard,	Drew,	Jones' (L'ds & Gren	ville)Pozer,
Benoit,	Dufresne,	Kierzkowski,	Read,
Bertrand,	Ferris,	Lacerte,	Renaul,
Bowell,	Forbes,	Macdonald (Cornu	vall), Ross (Dundas),

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Brousseau,	Fortier,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ross (Prince $Edw'd$ ),
Brown,	Gaucher,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Burpee,	Gaudet,	McCarthy,	Rymal,
Caron,	Geoffrion,	McKeagney,	Savary,
Cayley,	Gendron,	McMillan;	Sénécal,
Cheval,	Godin,	Paquet,	Smith, and
Cimon,	Hutchison,	Pelletier,	Wallace49.
Connell,		•	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
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Abbott,	Currier,	McDonald (Middlesex	),Ryan (Montreal West)
Archambeault,	Dobbie,	Mackenzie,	Scatcherd,
Archibald,	Dunkin,	Magill,	Scriver,
Blanchet,	Fortin,	McCallum,	Shanly,
Bodwell,	Gibbs,	McConkey,	Simpson
Bolton,	Grant,	McDougall (Renfrew)	, Snider,
Bowman,	Gray,	McGreevy,	Sproat,
Bown,	Grover,	McMonies,	Stephenson,
Caldwell,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Merritt,	Stirton,
Cameron (Huron),	Holton,	Metcalfe,	Street,
Cameron (Peel),	Huot,	Mills,	Thómpson(Hald'm'nd),
Campbell,	Hurdon,	Morris,	Tilley,
Carling,	Jackson,	Morison (Victoria 0.)	, Tupper,
Cartier Sir George E		Morrison (Niagara),	Wells,
Cartwright,	Kempt,	Munroe,	-Whitehead,
Casault.	Langevin,	Oliver.	Wood,
Chamberlin,	Langlois,	Perry,	Workman,
Colby,	Lawson,	Pickard,	Wright (Ottawa C'ny),
Costigan,	Macdonald Sir J. A.		Wright (York Ontario
Crawford (Brockville)		Ross (Wellington C.R.	
Crawford (Leeds),	McDonald (Lunenb'a)	, Ryan (King's N.B.),	Young82.
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So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

Ordered. That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the Act, 31 Vict., Cap. 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes;

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *George* E. Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Bodwell moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Young, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "recommitted to a "Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to provide that no notes of less "denomination that one dollar be issued," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

#### Yeas :

Anglin,	
Bodwell	

Forbes, Geoffrion,

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Messieurs Metcalfe, Mills,

Snider, Stirton,

Bolton,	Holton,	Pâquet,	Thompson (H'ldimand)
Bowman,	Joly,	Pickard,	Wells,
Cameron (Inverness),	Kempt,	Pozer,	Whitchcad,
Carmichael,	Kierzkowski,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	Workman,
Cartwright,	Mackenzie,	Ross(Wlington, C.R.),	Wright (York, Ontarie,
Connell,	McCallum,	Rymal,	W. R.), and
Currier,	McDougall (Renj'w),	Scriver,	Young38.
Dorion,	McMonies,	Sénécal,	-

# Nays :

## Messieurs

Archambeault,	Colby,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	)Pouliot,
Archibald,	Costigan,	Keeler,	Ray,
Ault,	Coupal,	Lacerte,	Read,
Beaty,	Crawford (Brockville)	Langevin,	Renaud.
Béchard,	Crawford (Leeds),	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Bellerose,	Dobbie,	Lawson.	Ross (Champlain),
Benoit.	Drew	Macdonald (Cornwall)	
Bertrand.	Dufresne.		Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Blanchet.	Dunkin,	A. (Kingston),	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Bowell,	Ferguson.	McDonald (Antigonish)	Ryan (Montreal West),
Bown,	Ferris,	McDonald (Lun <sup>*</sup> nburg)	
Brousseau,	Fortier,	Magill,	Shanly,
Brown.	Fortin,	Masson (Soulanges),	Simpson,
Burpee.	Gaucher,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Callwell,	Gaudet,		Syroat,
Cameron (Huran),	Gendron,		Stephenson,
Cameron (Peel).	Gibbs,	McGreevy,	Street,
Campbell,	Godin,	McMillan,	Tilley,
Carling,	Grant.	Merritt,	Tremblay,
Caron,	Gray,	Morris,	Tupper,
Cartier, Sir George E.,	Grover,	Morison (Victoria 0.),	Wallace,
Casault,	Heath,	Morrison (Niagara),	Walsh,
Cayley,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Munroe,	Willson,
Chamberlin,	Howe,	Oliver,	Wood, and
Chauveau,	Huot,	Pelletier,	Wright (Ottawa
Cheval,	Hurdon,	Perry,	County).—105.
Cimon,	Jackson,	Pinsonneault,	<b>~</b> /

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

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

The Senate having passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to facilitate the signing of "Militia Commissions," without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have passed the Bill intituled : "An Act to extend the powers" of the Official Arbitrators to certain cases therein mentioned," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House  $\P$ 

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators to certain "cases therein mentioned;" and the same was read, as followeth :—

Page 1, line 7.—After "reign" insert "chapter twelve."

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

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act relating to Lighthouses, Buovs and Beacons;"

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Holton*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Chateanguay*, called attention to certain Clauses of the Bill, which make disposition respecting Public expenditure, and authorize the incurring of obligations that could not, in his opinion, originate in the Senate;

Mr. Speaker said, That by referring to the authorities, it appeared that the Commons had accepted provisions in Bills from the Lords *creating charges* not directly imposed by the Bill, but to be defrayed out of moneys to be provided by Parliament ;—but that exception having been taken to this practice, it did not appear to have been continued since 1860. The present Bill fell far short of the class of Bills alluded to. The last Clause in the first section, provides that nothing in this Act shall give authority to the Minister to cause expenditure, until previously sanctioned by Parliament ; and this overrides the eighth section referred to by the Honorable Member. No contract could therefore be entered into under that section, which could bind Government, and necessitate an expenditure of public moneys, unless it had been previously sanctioned by Parliament. He could not therefore sustain the objection of the Honorable Member for *Chateanguay*.

The Bill was then read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions on the subject of Interest.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE).

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

2. *Resolved*—That it is expedient to provide that 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 recovered.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning;

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3. Resolved—That it is expedient to provide, that if any higher rate than eight per cent, per annum is stipulated, such rate shall be *ipse 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. Resolved—That it is expedient to provide that all former laws respecting interest and usury shall be repealed. 5. *Resolved*—That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing provisions shall apply to any loan, or contract for the loan, or forbearance of money, made on or after the first day of January next.

6. *Resolved*—That it is expedient to provide that these Resolutions shall not apply to any body corporate, which, by any existing law, or by the terms of any Charter, or Act of Incorporation, may now lawfully stipulate for, and receive a higher rate of interest than eight per cent.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ross (Dundas) reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

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

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

Wednesday, 6th April, 1870.

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

By the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks,—The Petition of John McAndrew and others, of North Renfrew.

By Mr. Langlois,—The Petition of Louis Panet and others, Notaries, of the City of Quebec.

By Mr. Ihompson (Haldimand),-The Petition of James McLean, Indian Commissioner.

By Mr. Morrison (Niagara),—The Petition of R. K. Winslow and others, of Cleveland, Ohio, United States of America.

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

Of J. B. Duncan and others, of Acton Vale; praying for certain Amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of Oliver Forester, and others, of the County of Renfrew; praying that the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company may become law.

Of L. McDougall, and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton; praying for the establishment of a tri-weekly instead of a weekly communication between Port Hood and Pictou, and that the steamers commence running immediately on the opening of navigation, and continue till the close of the same.

Of Murdock Matheson, and others, of Saint Esprit, and adjacencies, County of Richmond, Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the establishment of a Way Office at Saint Esprit, and that Murdock Matheson, Senior, may be appointed to take charge of the same.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Bincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to *La Banque du Peuple*, and have 'agreed to several amendments, which they recommend to the favorable consideration of your Honorable House.

Your Committee would also recommend that the notice required to be given under Rule 60, prior to the consideration of Private Bills by Committees, be reduced for the remainder of the Session, to three days.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Abbott, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Morris,

Ordered, That the notice required by the 60th Rule, prior to the consideration of Private Bills by Committees, be reduced to three days, for the remainder of the Session.

Mr. Morrison (Niagara) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Carling, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Langevin, the Honorable Mr. Wood, Mr. McCallum, Mr. Street, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Thompson (Haldimand), and the mover, be appointed to inquire into the state, case, and management of the monument erected on Queenston Heights to the memory of the late Major General Sir Isaac Brock, to report thereon by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records; and a Debate arising thereupon :- The said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Ryan (Montreal), seconded by Mr. Workman,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the **Governor** General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—a Return of the names of all persons now employed in the *Montreal* Post Office as clerks or letter carriers; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salaries paid the same.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—a Return of the names of all parties now employed in the Excise Office in *Montreal*; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salary or remuneration paid to each.

Resolved. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—a Return of the names of all persons appointed and now employed in the Montreal Custom House as clerks, tidewaiters, supernumeraries, packers, or labourers in examining warehouse; when appointed or employed; the salary or amount paid to each; also the names of the clerks, tidewaiters, supernumeraries, packers, or labourers, dismissed or suspended since 1866, and the cause of their dismissal or supension.

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

The Honorable Mr. Wood moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver, and the Question being proposed, That it be resolved,

That by the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1869, it is provided that a sum of money, bearing the same proportion "to that which, under the provisions of the said Act, will "be payable yearly to the Seigniors in *Lower Canada*, as the population of the Town-"ships shall, by the Census of 1861, be found to bear to that of the Seigniories, shall be "payable yearly out of the Provincial Funds to the credit of the *Lower Canada* Muni-"cipal Loan Fund, but for the benefit of the Township only," which said sum amounts to \$756,710.

That by the same Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the "Governor in Council to direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the yearly "sum coming to any such Townships, or to the said Town (of *Sherbrooke*), at the rate of "seventy-five per cent. of such capital in discharge of the whole."

That in the debt of the late Province of *Canada*, as set forth in the Public Accounts 1869, part 3, page 2, in the item "Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships (Capital)," the said compensation to the Townships is charged against the late Province at 100 per cent., \$756,710, instead of 75 per cent., \$567,532–50, at which latter sum, according to sec. 5, sub-sec. 2, of 22 *Vict.* c. 15, the Governor in Council is authorized to direct its payment, and therefore at which sum only it should be charged against the late Province;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

Aud it being Six of the clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

# Half-past Seven o'Clock, p.m.

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

The Senate have passed a Bill initial : "An Act for the better Protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley.

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the better Protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

A Bill to provide for the Amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors, and Company of the *Gore* Bank, was, according to Order, read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurience.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Society of the Canadian Artists;

Mr. Workman moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan (Montrea<sup>T</sup>), and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a third time;

Mr. *Bodwell* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*, That all the words after "now," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Com-"mittee of the Whole House, with instructions to strike out the Fifth Clause, which gives "power to the Society to acquire works of Art, and dispose of them to contributors to its "Funds by lot or chance," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Outario* and *Erie* Ship Canal Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to restore the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bowell* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Morris, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Ferries.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

# (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to make such regulations, from time to time, as he may deem expedient in relation to Ferries over which exclusive Legislative authority is assigned to the Parliament of *Canada*, by the *British North America* Act, 1867, for any of the following purposes, that is to say :---

Firstly, For establishing the extent and limit of all, or any such Ferries as aforesaid;

Secondly, For defining the manner in which the conditions (including any duty or sum to be paid for the license) under which, and the period for which, licenses shall be granted in respect of such Ferries, or any one or more of them;

Thirdly, For determining the size and description of the vessels to be used on any such Ferries by the persons holding licenses in respect thereof, and the nature of the accommodation and conveniences to be provided for passengers carried in such vessels;

*Fourthly*, For fixing the tolls or rates at which persons and chattels shall be carried over such Ferries, and the manner and places at which such tolls or rates shall be published or made known;

Fifthly, For enforcing the payment of such tolls or rates, by the persons carried, or for whom chattels are carried, over such Ferries;

Sixthly, For regulating the conduct of persons holding licenses, in respect of such Ferries, and for fixing the times and hours and parts of hours during and at which vessels employed on such Ferries shall cross and recross, or depart from either side of any such Ferry for that purpose ;

Seventhly, For annulling and declaring the forfeiture of any Ferry license in consequence of the conditions thereof, or any of them, not having been fulfilled.

*Eighthly*, For imposing penalties, not exceeding ten dollars in any case, for the violation of any such regulation.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Walsh reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth — Resolved, That it is expedient to authorize the Governor in Council to make such regulations, from time to time, as he may deem expedient in relation to Ferries over which exclusive Legislative authority is assigned to the Parliament of Canada, by the British North America Act, 1867, for any of the following purposes, that is to say :--

Firstly, For establishing the extent and limit of all, or any such Ferries as aforesaid ;

Secondly, For defining the manner in which the conditions (including any duty or sum to be daid for the license) under which, and the period for which, licenses shall be granted in respect of such Ferries, or any one or more of them;

Thirdly, For determining the size and description of the vessels to be used on any such Ferries by the persons holding licenses in respect thereof, and the nature of the accommodation and conveniences to be provided for passengers carried in such vessels;

Fourthly, For fixing the tolls or rates at which persons and chattels shall be carried over such Ferries, and the manner and places at which such tolls or rates shall be published or made known; Þ

*Fifthly*, For enforcing the payment of such tolls or rates by the persons carried, or for whom chattels are carried, over such Ferries;

Sixthly, For regulating the conduct of persons holding licenses, in respect of such Ferries, and for fixing the times and hours and parts of hours during and at which vessels employed on such Ferries shall cross and recross, or depart from either side of any such Ferry for that purpose.

Seventhly, For annulling and declaring the forfeiture of any Ferry license, in consequence of the conditions thereof, or any of them, not having been fulfilled.

*Eighthly*, For imposing penalties not exceeding ten dollars in any case, for the violation of any such regulation.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Ferries; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Morris have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Ferries.

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

. *Resouled*, That this House will To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain Resolutions relating to the Supreme Court.

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

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that 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 recovered. 3. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that 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. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that all former laws respecting interest and usury shall be repealed.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing provisions shall apply to any loan, or contract for the loan or forbearance of money, made on or after the first day of January next.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that these Resolutions shall not apply to any body corporate, which, by any existing law, or by the terms of any Charter or Act of Incorporation, may now lawfully stipulate for and receive a higher rate of interest than eight per cent.

And the 1st Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

And the Question being proposed, That the 2nd Resolution be now read a second time;

Mr. Young moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Thatall the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "it is "inexpedient to allow Societies or any other corporate bodies to charge a higher rate of "Interest than private individuals are to be allowed to charge," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

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The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* (*Cornwall*) moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Anglin*, That the words "it is inexpedient "to allow Societies or any other corporate bodies to charge a higher rate of Interest than "private individuals are to be allowed to charge," be left out, and the words "the said "Resolutions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions "to expunge the 6th Resolution," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amenlment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :-

# Yeas :

Abbott.	Dobbie,	Macdonald (Glengarry)Ross (Dundas),	
Anglin,	Dorion,	McDonald (Lunenberg)Ross (Prince Edward)	,
Ault,	Drew,	Mackenzie, Ross (Victoria N. S.),	
Béchard,	Dufresne,	Magill, Ross (Wellington C.R)	,
Bellerose.	Ferris,	Masson (Soulanges), Ryan (Montreal West)	,
Benoit,	Forbes,	Masson (Terrebonne), Rymal.	
Bertrand,	Fortier,	McCallum, Savary,	
Bodwell,	Gaucher,	McConkey, Scatcherd,	
Bourassa,	Gaudet,	McDougall (Rentrew), Scriver,	
Bowell,	Geoffrion,	McMillan, Sénécal,	
Bowman,	Gendron.	McMonies, Shanly,	
Brown,	Gibbs,	Merritt, Snider,	
Cameron (Huron),	Godin,	Metcalfe, Sproat,	
Cameron (Peel).	Grant,	Mills, Stephenson,	
Carling,	Gray,	Morison (Victoria O.), Stirton,	
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Caron,	Grover,	Morrison (Niagara),	Street,
Cartwright,	Holton,	Munroe,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Casault,	Hutchison,	Oliver,	Webb,
Cayley,	Joly,	Pâquet.	Wells,
Chamberlin,	Jones (L'ds&Gr'nville)	Pelletier,	White,
Cheval,	Kempt,	Perry,	Whitehead,
Cimon,	Kierzkowski,	Pinsonneault,	Workman,
Connell,	-	Pouliot,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
Costigan,	Lapum.	Pozer,	Wright (York, Ontario
Coupal,	Le Vesconte,	Renaud,	W.R.), and
Currier,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	,Ross (Champlain),	Young103.

# Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archibald,	Chauveau,	Heath,	Macdonald, Sir John
Blanchet,	Crawford (Brockville	), Hincks, Siv Francis,	A. (Kingston),
Brousseau,	Crawford (Leeds),	Huot,	Morris,
Campbell,	Dunkin,	Keeler,	Robitaille,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Fortin.	Langevin,	Tilley, and
		Langlois,	Walsh 21.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question : It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to expunge the 6th Resolution.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the 6th Resolution be expunged.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ross (Dundas) reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received,

Mr. Ross (Dundas) reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth :---

Resolved, That the 6th Resolution be expunded.

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

And the Question being put, That the 2nd Resolution be now read a second time: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being proposed, That the 3rd Resolution be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. Cameron (Peel) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Workman, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the Resolutions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with "instructions to report the following Resolutions:

"1. That the rate of Interest recoverable by suits on contracts where no rate of "Interest is agreed on, or in cases where interest is recoverable by Law, shall be six "per cent. per annum, unless by agreement the rate of Interest is to to be greater than "six per cent., when such greater rate of Interest but to the extent of eight p<sup>er</sup> "cent. only, shall be recoverable by Law.

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"2. That on any contract, where a rate of Interest greater than six per cent. per "annum is agreed to be paid, and is actually paid, no part of such Interest shall be "recoverable back by the party paying the same," inserted instead thereof;

Mr. Joly moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Pelletier*, That the words "report the following Resolutions :

"1. That the rate of Interest recoverable by suits on contracts where no rate of "Interest is agreed on, or in cases where interest is recoverable by Law, shall be six per "cent. per annum, unless by agreement the rate of Interest is to be greater than six per "cent., when such greater rate of Interest, but to the extent of eight per cent. only, shall "be recoverable by Law.

"2. That on any contract, where a rate of Interest greater than six per cent. per "annum is agreed to be paid, and is actually paid, no part of such Interest shall be "recoverable back by the party paying the same," be left out, and the words "leave out "all the words after 'stipulated' in the 3rd Resolution, and insert the words 'the party "'stipulating such higher rate than eight per cent., shall *ipso facto* forfeit the whole of "the Interest, as a penalty; and if any higher rate than eight per cent. per annum be paid, "the whole of the amount so paid for Interest shall be recoverable by the parties paying "it, provided the action for recovering it be brought within six months from the "payment," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon; The Amendment to the said proposed amendment, was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

# Yeas :

## Messieurs

Abbott,	Forbes,	Mills,	Stephenson,
Bod well,	Gibbs,	Morison (Victoria 0.	), Stirton,
Bowman,	Grant,	Morrison (Niagara),	Street,
Cameron (Huron),	Kempt,	Munroe,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Cameron (Peel),	Mackenzie,	Oliver,	Webb,
Carling,	Magill,	Renaud,	Wells,
Cartwright.	McConkey.	Ross (Wellington, C.R.	
Connell,	McDougall (Renfrew	), Ryan (Montreal Wes	t) Workman,
Currier,	Mc Monies,	Scatcherd,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Dobbie,	Merritt.	Snider,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Ferris,	Metcalfe,	Sproat,	W.R.), and
	-	•	Young44.

## Nays':

Anglin,	Cimon,	Hutchison,	Påquet,
Archambeault,	Costigan,	Joly,	Pelletier.
Ault,	Coupal,	Jones (L'ds & Gr'nvill	le)Perry,
Béchard,	Crawford (Brockville	e),Keeler,	Pinsonneault,
Bellerose,	Crawford (Leeds),	Kierzkowski,	Pouliot,
Benoit,	Dorion,	Lacerte,	Pozer,
Bertrand,	Drew,	Langevin,	hobitaille,
Blanchet,	Dufresnc,	Langlois,	Ross (Champlain),
Bourassa, Bowell,	Dunkin,	Lapum,	Ross (Dundas),
Browell,	Fortier,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Prince Edward),
Brousseau,	Fortin,	- Macdonald'(Cornwal	1).Ross (Victoria N.S.),

Brown,	Gaucher,	Macdonald(Glengarry	)Rymal,
Campbell,	Gaudet,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	
Caron,	Geoffrion,		Scriver,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Gendron,	McDonald(Lunenburg	)Sénécal,
Casault,	Godin,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Cayley,	Grover,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Walsh,
Chamberlin,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McCallum,	White, and
Chauvean,	Holton,	Mc Millan,	Whitehead78.
Cheval,	Huot,	Morris,	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the 3rd Resolution be now read a second time ;

The Honorable Mr. Cameron (Peel) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Workman, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to provide "that no person or corporation shall take or receive more than eight per cent. per annum "by way of interest, on any contract, and no such rate of interest shall be payable in "advance, in whole or in part," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

# Yeas :

# Messieurs

Bodwell,	Holton,	Mills,	Stirton,
Bowman,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	e) Morison (Victoria, O.)	,Thompson (H'ldim'nd)
Cameron (Huron),	Kempt,	Oliver,	Walsh,
Cameron (Peel),	Mackenzic,	Perry,	Wells,
Cartwright,	Magill,	Renaud,	Whitehead,
Currier,	McConkey,	Ross (Prince Edward	), Workman,
Dorion,	McDougall(Renfrew),	Ross (Wellington C.R.	Wright (Ottawa C nty),
Ferris,	Mc Monies,		,Wright (York Ontario),
Geoffrion,	Metcalfe,	Rymal,	W.R.) and
	•	Snider,	Young37.

#### Nays :

Abbott.	Cimon,	Hutchison,	Munroe,
Archibald,	Costigan,	Joly.	Paquet,
Ault,	Coupal,	Keeler,	Pelletier,
Béchard,	Crawford (Brockville)	,Kierzkowski,	Pinsonneault,
Bellerose,	Crawford (Leeds),	Lacerte,	Pouliot.
Benoit,	Dobbie,	Langevin,	Pozer,
Bertrand,	Drew,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Blanchet,	Dufresne,	Lapmm,	Ross (Champlain).
Bourassa,	Dunkin,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.).
Bowell,	Forbes,	Macdonald (Cornicall)	
Brousseau,	Fortier,	Macdonald (Glengarry	
Brown,	Fortin	Macdonald Sir J. A.	
Campbell,	Gaucher,	(Kingston),	Sénécal,
Carling,	Gaudet,	McDonald (Lunenb'rg)	Sproat,
Caron,	Gendron,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Cartier, Sir George E.	,Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne),	

# 7th April.

Ca <b>sault,</b> Cayley, Chamberlin, Chauveau, Cheval.	Godin, Grant, Grover, Hincks, Sir Francis, Huot.	McCallum, McMillan, Merritt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara).	Tilley, Webb, White and Willson.—82.	e
Cheval,	Huot,	Morrison (Niagara),		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the 3rd Resolution be now read a second time.

The Resolution was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

The 4th Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

And the Question being proposed, That the 5th Resolution be now read a second time;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Mills*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Com-"mittee of the Whole House, with instructions to provide that the Province of Ontario "shall be exempt from the operation of the proposed restrictions in the rate of interest," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

# Yeas:

Messieurs

Abbott.	Gibbs,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Bodwell,	Holton,	Mills,	Thompson (H'dim'nd),
Bowman,	Kempt,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	,Wells,
Cameron (Huron),	Le Vesconte,	Munroe,	Whitehead,
Cameron (Peel),	Mackenzie,	Oliver,	Willson,
Cartwright,	Magill,	Ross (Wellington, C.R.	
Chamberlin,	McConkey,	Scatcherd,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Connell,	McDougall (Renfrew)	),Snider,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Currier,	Mc Monies,	Sproat,	W.R.), and
Dobbie,	Merritt,	Stephenson,	Young40.
Dufresne,	-		•

## Nays :

Archibald,	Cimon,	Keeler,	Pinsonneault,
Ault,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Pouliot,
Béchard,	Coupal,	Langevin,	Pozer,
Bellerose,	Crawford (Leeds),	Langlois,	Renaud,
Benoit,	Drew,	Lapum,	Robitaille,
Bertrand,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Cornwall	)Ross (Champlain),
Blanchet,	Forbes,	Macdonald (Glengarry	
Bourassa,	Fortier,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Ross (Prince Educ'd),
Bowell,	Fortin,	(Kingston),	Ross (Victoria N.S.).
Brousseau,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Lunenb rg	)Ryan (Montreal West),
Brown,	Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Campbell,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne)	
Carling,	Godin,	McCallum,	Seriver,
Caron,	Grant,	McMillan.	Street,
Cartier, Sir George E	Gray.	Morris,	Tilley,
Casault,	Grover,	Morrison (Niagara),	Walsh,

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Gibbs moved, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, and the Question being put, That the House do now adjourn : It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, that the 5th Resolution be now read a second time: It was resolved in the affirmative.

The 5th Resolution was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Interest.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

And then The House, having continued to sit till seven minutes after Two of the Clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 7th April 1870.

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

By Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),—The Petition of the Reverend S. Tassé, Superior of the Seminary of Ste. Thérèse, and others, of the County of Terrebonne.

By Mr. Drew,—The Petition of J. M. Fraser and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Village of *Elora*.

By Mr. Ryan (Montreal), -- The Petition of Thomas Fraser and others, Merchants, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell,—The Petition of the Honorable E. P. Fynn, M.E.C., and others, Members in the Local Legislature of Nova Scotia for the Island of Cape Breton.

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

Of 'the *Guelph* Board of Trade; praying that Custom duties may be imposed on all Foreign products imported into *Canada*, and for the exclusion of Foreigners from Canadian Fisheries, and for the imposition of restrictions upon the use of the Canals by American vessels.

Of the Reverend L. M. Lavallée, Cure, and others, of St. Zotique; praying that the Engineer sent to fix a site for a Lighthouse at the head of the Coteau Rapids, may be instructed carefully to examine a site opposite to the village of St. Zotique, with a view to its selection.

Of the Municipality of the Township of Logan, County of Perth; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of Angus Cameron and others, by their Attorney, E. M. Hopkins; of P. U. Archambault and others; and of E. J. Senkler and others; severally praying for certain amendments to the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

Of William Lee Tremaine and others, of the County of Inverness; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the Steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

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Of E. P. Felton and others, Notaries, residing in the Town of Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec; praying for certain amendments to the Bill respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

Of A. S. Whiting and others; praying that such measures may be adopted as will place Canadian industry on terms of fair competition with the people of the United States, by withdrawing from them, until they agree to reciprocate, all such commercial facilities as they do not accord to Canadians.

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of the Port *Bruce* Harbor Company; praying that instead of erecting one large Harbor of Refuge at *Rond Eau*, an annual subsidy may be granted to the several Harbors on the North shore of Lake *Erie*, provided they are kept in an efficient condition, be now received and read;

Mr. Speaker decided, That the Petition prays for aid, and therefore cannot be received.

Mr. Street reported, from the Committee to consider a certain Resolution respecting the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia, a Resolution which was read, as followeth :----

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the thirteenth section of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, third series, initialed :--- "Of Currency;" or of any other Act or Law, or of the Charter of any Bank, in force in Nova Scotia, as prohibits the issue of any Bank Note by any chartered Bank, for a less sum than twenty dollars; and to provide that no chartered Bank in Nova Scotia shall issue any Bank Note for a less sum than four dollars currency of that Province, under the penalty imposed by the said thirteenth section of the said chapter eighty-three for issuing Notes for a less sum than twenty dollars.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Le Vesconte reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

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

The Honorable Mr. Howe, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 31st May, 1869; for a statement of all lands sold in the Saugeen Indian Peninsula from the year 1856 to 1861 inclusive, showing the amount at which such lands were originally sold; what quantity of such lands have since been declared forfeited and been resumed by the Government; how much money was paid thereon prior to such forfeiture; what quantity of such forfeited lands have been resold and for what amount, also the quantity of lands now unsold. (Sessional Papers, No.  $\tilde{\sigma}$ .)

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

The Senate have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled : 'An Act to amend the Act relating to Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons," without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE).

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., cap. 44, and the tariff of Duties and Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on animals, viz:—Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep: which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum *ad valorem*, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz :---

Cigars	Per lb.	\$0	45
Coal and Coke	,, ton	0	50
Salt; except Salt imported from the United			
Kingdom or any British Possessions, which			
shall be free of duty	Per bushel of 56 lbs.	0	5
Hops	Per lb.	0	5
Vinegar and Acetic Acid	Per Gallon	- 0	10
Rice	Per lb.	0	1
Wheat	Per bushel	- 0	4
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats,			
Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other			
Grain except Wheat	Per bushel	- 0	3
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye	Per barrel of lbs.	- 0	25
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal			
of any other grain except Wheat and Rye	Per barrel	0	15
Spinite and Steam Watern with .			

Spirits and Strong Waters, viz :--

Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Syke's Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, viz :----

Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, Tafia Whiskey,

and unenumerated articles of like kind..... Per gallon \$0–80 Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, viz :---

Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Old Tom Gin, Scheidam	
Schnapps, Bitters, and unenumerated articles of like	
kind	<b>\$1</b> 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks,	1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks	
or bottles; thirty of such flasks or bottles not con-	
taining more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle	0 4
Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters	1 20
Spirits and Strong Waters imported into Canada mixed with our	

Spirits and Strong Waters imported into *Canada*, mixed with any ingredient or ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines. Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed "Spirits or Strong Waters" and subject to a duty as such.

Fruits preserved in Brandy or other Spirits...... Per gallon \$1 20 5. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "goods paying ten per centum ad valorem," viz:-- Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Grease and Grease Scraps, Vegetables including potatoes, and other roots, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the Schedule B, by striking "Iron Wire" out of the List of "goods paying five per centum ad valorem."

7. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by repealing so much thereof as imposes any Duty of Customs on Tobacco, or on Wines, or on Packages, and substituting the following in lieu thereof :--

Tobacco and Snuff,  $12\frac{1}{2}$  per centum *ad valorem*, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *ad valorem*, and a specific duty of *ten* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon.)

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the words "Salt," under the head "Natural Products," the words "Salt, when imported" from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions :"----and---

By adding under the heading "Manufactures and Products of Manufactures,"— Bookbinders' Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and—

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—"Drugs, Dye Stuffs, Oils and "Colors not elsewhere specified,"—the words, "Colors, and other articles, when imported "by room-paper makers and stainers, to be used in their trade only; viz."

9. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "Manufactures and "Products of Manufactures:"—" Fire Engines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal "Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories—not to include "Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—" Gold and Silver in Leaf,"— "Emery Paper and Emery Cloth,"—" Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—" Platers' Leaf," all which articles will be thereafter included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of tifteen per centum *ad valorem* under Schedule B.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "Natural Products," the following articles, viz. :--Coal and Coke, --Flour, Wheat and Rye, --Grain of all kinds, --Grease, and Grease Scraps, --Hay, Hops, --Indian Corn, --Indian Meal, --Roots, --Shrubs, Trees-- and Vegetables, culinary, --all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.

11. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section :--

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which ad valorem Duty of Customs is imposed, "imported into Canada by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods on ship-board "at the last place of their shipment into Canada; and the value of such goods for duty, "if imported from the United States by land or inland navigation, shall be the actual "value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into "Canada, and whence they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to Canada; "and such value shall be ascertained by adding to the value of such goods at the place of "growth, production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether by land or "water, and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of "growth, production or manufacture, to the vessel in which the shipment thereof is made "to Canada, or to the place where the goods are purchased in the United States, and "whence they are directly conveyed to Canada as aforesaid,—and including also the value

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"of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind in which such goods are "contained, and all export duties on such goods, and all costs and charges incurred in "placing such goods on shipboard, or in the vessel, cars, or carriage, in which they are "conveyed to Canada."

12. Resolved, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent., of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 Vict., c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the followng in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31 :---

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, "except Cigars and common *Canada* Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, "15 cents."

"7. On common Canada Twist, otherwise cailed Tabac blanc en torquette, being the "unpressed leaf rolled and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of "Canada, for every pound or less quantity than a pound, 10 cents."

"8. On Cigars for every pound, or less quantity than a pound, 30 cents."

14. Resolved, That it is expediemt to provide that the foregoing Resolutions and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That th<sup>e</sup> Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

# Friday, 8th April, 1870.

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

By Mr. Ross (Wellington),—The Petition of M. Middleniss and others, of Elora and vicinity.

By Mr. Beaty,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Toronto.

By Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),—The Petition of G. Laviolette and others, of the County of Terrebonne.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read :--

Of John McAndrew, and others, of North Renfrew; praying that the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company may become law. Of Louis Panet, and others, Notaries, residing in the City of Quebec; praying for certain Amendments to the Bill respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

Of James McLean, Indian Commissioner; praying to be relieved from the action of Section 9 of the Act for the gradual enfranchisement of Indians, the better management of Indian Affairs, and to extend the provisions of the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 42.

Of R. K. Winslow and others, of Cleveland, Ohio, United States of America; praying that the Bill to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company may become law.

Mr. Harrison, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of *Canada*, 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141, to all parts of the Dominion of *Canada*, and have agreed to certain amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. Brousseau, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

The Committee beg leave to report the following Resolutions (unanimously adopted by the Committee):

Resolved, That Parliament having entered into Contracts for the Printing Services of Parliament, and the Executive Government having, under the Statute of the last Session, likewise entered into Contracts for the Printing required by the several Departments, and the said several Contracts having been awarded to the same person, who now contends that under his two contracts he has a right to double charges for all printing that he may execute for the joint use of the Government and Parliament when such documents are ordered by the Government for Departmental use; that is, being paid twice for the one composition ; which is not only contrary to custom, but to the spirit and intention of the Parliamentary Contract, and which, if allowed, must apply to every document, etc., printed by Parliament :--as, by the Distribution list, thirteen copies of all the Votes, Bills, Documents, etc., are for the use of the Departments of the Privy Council, besides several copies for every other Department in the Service, the practical effect of which would be, as exemplified in an account submitted to this Committee for printing the Report of the Public Works Department, which, under the Parliamentary Contract, amounts to \$208 83 for 1,870 copies, but which was also charged, under the Departmental Contract, in addition, \$175 021, for 500 copies, making the total \$383 851, being \$120,351 more than if the whole had been printed under Parliamentary Contract, which system, if not checked, will cause great loss to the public :-- and, that the Government now, as heretofore, can obtain from the Contractor for Parliamentary Printing as many extra copies of any documents being printed as they may require for their own use without other charge than the Presswork and Paper, though the two contracts are held by the one person :-- and for the purpose of defining the separate Contracts, it be held that all Bills, Reports, or Documents submitted to Parliament, either in Manuscript or Print, are Parliamentary Documents, whether the Copy has been sent to the Printer either by the Departments or by Parliament, as the Public Service may require, and to bear the imprint of the Contractor as the "Parliamentary Printer," and to be paid for at Parliamentary rates, after being checked and certified as according to Contract by the Clerk of the Committee ; and that Departmental work shall bear the imprint of the Contractor as "Departmental Printer," and be paid for at Departmental rates ; after being checked and certified as according to Contract by Queen's Printer.

And further,

Resolved, That should the Government or any Department thereof at any time require more than the usual number of copies of any documents which they now get under the Distribution list, they do notify the Clerk of the Printing Committee in writing to that effect in sufficient time that he may add such extra number to the Distribution List.

On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hinoks, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions, providing for a system of superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service, and of the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons.

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

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :---

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Detroit River Tunnel Company."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize the Town of *Belleville* to impose and collect "Harbor Dues, and for other purposes."

Bill, initialed : "An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company."

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 3rd March, 1870; For Lists of the Cadets who have passed through the several Military Schools of the Dominion, in each year, since the first establishment of the Schools, up to December 31st, 1869; defining first and second class ('adets, and such as have passed through two or more separate schools: giving the total numbers, exclusive of double returns, and the average age of the Cadets of each year; also the total costs of the schools, including pay to Cadets, staff clothing, and Camp of Instruction, with an estimate of the average cost of each Cadet to the country, and the number who now hold Commissions in the Active Militia, and the number in the Schools. (Sessional Papers, No. 58.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1870; For copies of all unsettled claims or accounts against the Government of *Canada*, for barracks, barrack repairs, and rent, for Imperial troops, from 1st January, 1861, to the present time, and also the amount allowed in each case, and charged as Militia expenditure, and estimate of Officers of Board of Works in all such cases. (Sessional Papers, No. 59.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 14th March, 1870; For a return in detail of all sums paid by the Government of *Canada* for barracks, barrack repairs, and rent for the Imperial Troops, from 1st January, 1861, to 31st December, 1869, and charged as Militia expenditure or otherwise, and the present liabilities of the Government in this connection. (Sessional Papers, No. 59.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 14th March, 1870; For a detailed statement of the salary and expenses of the "Inspector of Drill Sheds," at *Toronto*, with the date of his appointment, and a copy of his instructions and other papers, shewing the nature of his duties, and the Military Districts over which his powers extend; also the names of the officers, if any, performing similar duties in other districts, with amount of salaries and expenses; with copies of any instructions given to such officers. (Sessional Papers, No. 60.)

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate intituled : "An Act respecting certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships;" And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

## Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

On motion of Mr. Casault, seconded by Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 24th February, 1870; for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and the Dominion Government, relative to the settlement of all accounts with and between the same respectively, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called :---

A Bill to restore the Charter of the Grand Junction Railroad Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to revive the Charter of "the Grand Junction Railroad Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr Abbott reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Morrison (Niagara)*, reported, That the Committee had made some progress; and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The Committee on the Bill, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Cer-"tificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," was resumed; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDonald (Lunenburg)*, reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments were then read, as follow :---

Page 2, line 27.-Leave out "eight" and insert "five."

Page 2, line 34 .- Leave out "four" and insert "three."

Page 5, line 8.—After "purpose" insert the following as Clause A.

Clause A.--" All fees received under this Act shall be paid over to the Receiver "General, and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada."

The Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Department of Militia and Defence, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand five hundred and eightyseven dollars, and fifty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Department of Secretary of State, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of the Receiver General, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand four hundred and fifty-five dollars, and eighty-three cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Finance Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand five hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Customs Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Inland Revenue Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand seven hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-nine thousand nine hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Post Office Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand seven hundred and five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand two hundred and tendollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Treasury Board Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the House, having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 9th April, 1870.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Finance Offices, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Dominion Offices, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

**Resolutions** to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee. And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

# Monday, 11th April, 1870.

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness),—The Petition of Ronald McLellan and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read ;---

Of the Reverend S. Tassé, Superior of the Seminary of Ste. Thérése and others; and of G. Laviolétte and others, of the County of Terrebonne; severally praying for increased duties on Agricultural products and manufactured goods imported from the United States, and on manufactured goods imported from Great Britain and other Countries.

Of J. M. Fraser, and others, Merchants, Traders and others, of the Village of Elora; praying that Fractional Paper Currency may not be introduced into the Dominion of Canada.

Of Thomas Fraser and others, Merchants of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act providing for the Inspection of Fish by competent Officers to be appointed for that purpose.

Of the Honorable E. P. Flynn, M.E.C., and others, Members of the Local Legislature of Nova Scotia, for the Island of Cape Breton; praying that no change may be made in the present arrangements with respect to the Steamer running between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of *M. Middlemiss* and others, of *Elora* and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that the Locks on all Canals shall be closed to traffic; that no Railway Train or Engine shall be permitted to run; and that no vessel shall leave any Inland Port from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality of the City of *Toronto*; praying for the abolition of the Excise duty on Refined Petroleum.

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of *Halifax*, and have agreed to report the same, amended. Your Committee would also recommend that, as the said Bill has been rendered necessary in consequence of the insertion in the Act of last Session, incorporating the said Bank, of a provision which contemplated some general legislation on Banking that did not subsequently take place, the fee on the said Bill be remitted, and rule 58 suspended for that purpose.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Howe, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

Resolved, That out of respect for the memory of the late William Henry Chipman, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Kings (N.S.), this House do now adjourn.

And The House accordingly adjourned till To-morrow.

# Tuesday, 12th April, 1870.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Archibald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Connell, Ordered, That the fee paid on the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of *Halifax*, be remitted, as recommended by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Department of Finance.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the House again in Committee of Supply;

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

The Honorable Sir Alexander T. Galt moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Shanly, That all the words after "That" to the end of the question, be left out, and the words "it be resolved, That the present system under which the Intercolonial Railway "is being constructed as a Public Work of the Dominion is expensive and unsatisfactory: "That it is not in the public interest that the Government should be charged with the "maintenance and working of Railways—and that, in the opinion of this House, it is "desirable that steps should be immediately taken to ascertain whether arrangements "cannot be made with responsible parties for the construction of the Intercolonial "Railway as a private enterprise—including existing contracts—and for the acquisition "of existing Dominion Railways—in part payment thereot—whereby a very large sum "may be saved in the cost of the former work, and the Government relieved from the "difficulty and expensive duty of managing an extensive Railway system," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

Yeas :

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Bolton,	Galt, Sir Alexand	er T., Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,
Bowman,	Geoffrion,	Mills,	Shanly,
Burpee,	Godin,	Morison (Victory	a O.), Snider,
Carmichael,	Holton,	Oliver,	Stirton.
Carturight,	Kierzkowski,	Pâquet,	Wells,
Colby,	MacFarlanr,	Pickard,	Whitehead,
Connell,	Mackenzie,	Redford,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Currier,	Magill,		$dw^{i}d$ , $W.R.$ , and
			Young40.

Nays :

#### Messiours

Anglin, Dobbie, · Lapum, Renaud, Archambeault, Drew, Lawson, Robitaille, Ross (Champlain), Archibald. Dufresne, Le Vesconte, Beaty, Macdonald (Cornwall), Ross ( Dundas). Dunkin, Macdonald, Sir J. A., Ross (Victoria N.S.), Bechard. Fortier, Ryan, (King's, N.B.), Bellerose. Fortin, (Kingston),

Messieurs

Benoit,	Gaucher,	MaDanald Lamanhana	C'
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Bertrand,	Gaudet,	McDonald (Middlesex	
Blanchet,	Gendron,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Bown,	Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Simpson,
Brousseau,	Grant,	McDougall (Three	Smith,
Caldwell,	Gray,	Rivers),	Sproat,
Cameron (Inverness)	, Grover,	McGreevy,	Stephenson,
Cameron (Peel),	Hayar,	McKeagney,	Street,
Carling,	Heath,	McMillan,	Tilley,
Caron,	Hincks Sir Francis,	Merritt,	Tremblay,
Cartier Sir George E.	, Holmes,	Morris,	Tupper,
Casault,	Howe,	Morrison (Niagara),	Wallace,
Cayley,	Hurdon,	Munroe,	Walsh,
Chauvean,	Hutchison,	Perry,	Webb,
Cheval,	Jackson,	Pinsonneault,	Willson,
Cimon,	Keeler,	Pouliot,	Wood
Costigan,	Lacerte,	Pozer,	Workman, and
Coupal,	Langevin,	Ray,	Wright (Ott'wa C'nty).
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So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolution proposed :---

1. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Departmental Contingencies, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Wednesday morning :

Wednesday, 13th April, 1870.

Resolution agreed to.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Stationery Office for Stationery, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous Expenses in connection with the Administration of Justice, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :--

Bill, intituled : "An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of "Commerce and the President, Directors and Company of the *Gore* Bank."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis* and *Megantic* International "Railway Company."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship "Canal to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River St. Lawrence."

Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting the First Census."

Bill, intituled : "An Act further to amend the Acts respecting the Improvement "and Management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.

And also, the Senate have passed a Bill, intituled : "An Act to empower the Police "Court in the City of *Halifax* to sentence juvenile offenders to be detained in the *Halifax* "Industrial School," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Senate have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to continue and make "perpetual certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Province of *New Brunswick*, relative "to the Police Force in the Parish of *Portland*, in the City and County of *St. John*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to authorize the "Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Gray*, to impose and "collect Tolls or Harbor dues at the mouth of *Beaver* River, and for other purposes," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to continue and make "perpetual certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Province of New Brunswick, relative to "the Police Force in the Parish of Portland, in the City and County of St. John," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, this day.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to empower the Police "Court in the City of *Halifax* to sentence juvenile offenders to be detained in the "*Halifax* Industrial School," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill, initialed : "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Junction "Railway Company," and the same were read, as follow :—

Page 1, line 19,—After "iron" insert "or steel."

Page 2, line 28,-Leave out from "ballot" to the end of the clause.

Page 3, line 37,—Leave out "for the purpose of electing Directors," and insert "or "at a special meeting to be called for the purpose."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill, initialed: "An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Colling" wood, in the County of Grey, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor dues at the mouth " of the *Beaver* River, and for other purposes," and the same was read, as followeth :----

Page 1, line 20,—After "harbor" insert "to be called the Harbor of *Thornbury*." The said Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

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

Wednesday, 13th April, 1870.

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

By Mr. Ross (Wellington, C.R.),—The Petition of the Reverend George Smellie and others, of Fergus and vicinity.

By Mr. Munroe,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Aldborough, County of Elgin.

By Mr. Hagar,—The Petition of James Daniels and others, of the Township of Longucuil; the Petition of J. P. Wells and others, of West Hawkesbury; and the Petition of Magloire Parent and others, of the Township of South Plantagenet, all of the County of Prescott.

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

Of the Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*; praying that Mr. F. C. Capreol may be appointed one of the Commissioners in connection with the subject of Canals for the Dominion.

Of Ronald McLellan and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton; praying for the establishment of a tri-weekly instead of a weekly communication between Port Hood and Pictou, and that the Steamers commence running immediately on the opening of navigation, and continue till the close of the same.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix*, No. 2.)

Ordered, That Mr. Godin have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, being chapter 41, of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada.

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

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Second Annual Report of the Directors of Penitentiaries of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald also presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th March, 1870,—For a Return shewing an account in detail of the amount originally advanced, by way of loan, by the late Province of Upper Canada in connection with the Oakville Harbor, and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, and of the interest payable from time to time on the said loans, or either of them, and of any sums repaid in respect of the said loans, and of any abatement made in respect of them, and of the present state of the said loans, and of the amount due for principal and interest, with dates of various transactions, and for Copies of all Correspondence and Orders in Council, and securities in respect of the said loans. (Sessional Papers, No. 61.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th March, 1870,—For a Copy of all Correspondence, Orders in Council, or other documents connected with the refund to Messrs. *Gooderham* and *Worts*, of *Toronto*, of certain Excise Duties out of the Vote of last Session for unforeseen expenditure. (Sessional Papers, No. 62.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 3rd March, 1870,—For Copies of all Petitions, Memorials and Correspondence relating to the appointment of a Postmaster for the Village of *Waterloo*, in the County of *Shefford*, in the place of *A. L. Robinson*, Esquire, resigned. (Sessional Papers, No. 63.)

### On motion of the Honorable Mr. Connell, seconded by Mr. Caldwell,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return shewing the names of the parties who have tendered for locomotives and tenders, box and freight cars and platform cars; the number and price of such tenders; also the names of the parties whose tenders have been accepted, with the price and quantity assigned to each.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to his Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Fortin, seconded by Mr. Robitaille,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of Correspondence between the Minister of Customs and the Collectors of Customs of the Ports of *Canada*, relative to the Return of the number of vessels owned in the Dominon of *Canada* on the 1st July, 1867; and also Copies of the lists of the vessels owned in *Canada* at the date aforesaid, furnished by the said Collectors of Customs, upon which lists the Return above referred to has been prepared.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such-Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Mills,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return shewing in detail all amounts paid by any of the Departments for subscriptions to, or advertising in Newspapers during the years 1868-9.

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

### On motion of Mr. Grant, seconded by Mr. McDonald (Middlesex),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Reports made by the Engineers of the Public Works Department, on their examination, so far as made last fall, of *Dawson's* proposed line of Canal or water communication through the North-West Territory.

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

The Honorable Mr. Wood moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Anglin, the Honorable Mr. Archibald, the Honorable Mr. Smith, Mr. Savary, Mr. Bolton, Mr. Colby, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), the Honorable Mr. Dorion, Mr. Scatcherd, Mr. Drew, Mr. Ferguson, the Honorable Mr. Irvine and the Mover, be appointed to inquire into and report to this House the facts respecting the Land Improvement Fund of Upper Canada; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And it being Six of the Clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville) reported, That the Committee had made further progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns on Thursday next, it do stand adjourned till Saturday next at 3 o'clock P.M.; and that the proceedings and Orders of the Day shall be the same as if it were Friday.

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

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :---

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society of Canadian Artists."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 46, and to regulate "the issue of Dominion Notes."

Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting Banks and Banking."

And also, the Senate have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "respecting Perjury," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Senate have passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act "'respecting the security to be given by Officers of Canada,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Howe,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act res-"pecting Perjury," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Howe,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend 'An Act "'respecting the security to be given by Officers of Canada,'" be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill, from the Senate, initialed: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships;"

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And Notice being taken by the Honorable Mr. Holton, a Member of the House, That this Bill contains provisions establishing grounds of expense, which would have to be defrayed out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and that it ought therefore to have originated in this House;

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*Resolved*, That as the said provisions are such as this House is disposed to concur in, it does not think it necessary, at this late period of the Session, to insist on its privileges in respect to the said Bill, but that the waiver of the said privileges in this case be not however drawn into a precedent.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Police of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenses of the Water Police, Montreal, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand four hundred and fifty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the River Police, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand two hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand four hundred and sixty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Contingencies of the House of Commons, per Serjeant-at-Arms' Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolution proposed, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Chairman of the Commissioners under the House of Commons Internal Economy Act, in full of all services, attendance and travelling expenses during the year, for the year ending 30th June, 1871:—The Committee divided : Yeas, 25, Nays, 32.—Resolution accordingly negatived.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for a grant to Parliamentary Library, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of printing, binding and distributing the laws, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of printing, printing paper, and bookbinding, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for a grant to the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway, for two special trains daily, during Session of Parliament, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenses of Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, *Toronto*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, Kingseon, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, Montreal, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

17. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, *Halifax*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingent expenses of Statistical Office, *Halifax*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Prothonotaries Returns of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, Province of *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to meet the possible amount required in the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1871, for the taking of the Census.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-five thousand seven hundred and seventy-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Immigration and Quarantine, viz. :

vlaries of Immigration Agents and Employés, \$18,212.00; Medical Inspection, Port of *uebec*, \$2600.00; Quarantine, Grosse Isle, \$12,00.00; Quarantine, St. John (N.B.), \$3,900.00; Quarantine, Halifax (N.S.), \$4,060.00; to meet possible expenses of Immigration, \$45,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the House, having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday Morning;

### Thursday, 14th April, 1870.

25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand five hundred and twentysix dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine Hospitals New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, Hospital at St. Catherines, and maintenance, &c., of Shipwrecked and Sick and Distressed Seamen at the several Ports of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to L. Gagné, Messenger, House of Assembly, for the year ending  $^{30}$ th June, 1871.

28. *kesolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *John Bright*, Messenger, House of Assembly, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. Antrobus, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

30. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and ninety-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. Recolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Jane Lakey, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Rhoda Smith, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Janet Alderson, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Margaret McKenzie, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Ann Richey, and two children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

36. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Morrison, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Louise Prudhomme, and two children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

38. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Virginie Charron, and four children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

39. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Paul M. Robins, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

40. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty for pension to Charles T. Bell, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

41. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars, and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *Alex. Oliphant*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

42. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-one dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *Charles Lugsden*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

43. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to John White, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

44. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-one dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *Thomas Charters*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

45. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Samuel McCrag, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

46. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Charles T. Robertson, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

47. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Percy G. Routh, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

48. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *Richard S. King*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

49. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to George A. McKenzie, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

50. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Edward Hilder, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

51. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Fergus Scholfield, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to John Bradley, for the year ending 30th, June 1871.

53. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-one dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Richard Penticost, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

54. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to James Bryan, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

55. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Jacob Stubbs, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

56. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Connor, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

57. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ninety-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Hodgins, and three children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

58. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to John Martin, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

59. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to A. E. Marchand, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

60. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to A. W. Stevenson, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

61. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. J. Thorburn, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

62. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seventy-eight dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. F. T. Worthington and children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

63. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. J. H. Elliott, and children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

64. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. George Prentice, and children, for the year ending 30th June 1871.

65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and sixty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Ellen Kirkpatrick, and three children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

66. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

67. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six millions dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Intercolonial Railway, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

68. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses connected with the Nova Scotta Railway (Revote \$20,000.00), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

69. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the European and North American Railway, N.B., for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

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Ordered. That the Report be received this day.

The Honorable Mr. Gray also acquainted the House that he was directed to move. That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,-Statement of re-organization of the Public Departments and classification of Officers, under the 15th section of "The Canada Civil Service Act, "1868." (Sessional Papers, No. 64).

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

## Thursday, 14th April, 1870.

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

By Mr. Robitaille,- The Petition of the Reverend J. O. Normandin and others, of Hamilton; the Petition of the Reverend N. Audet and others, of Carleton; the Petition of the Reverend A. Audet and others, of Marie; the Petition of Barnabas McGie, Mayor, and others, of Hope; the Petition of the Reverend Joseph H. Leonard and others, of Mann; and the Petition of the Reverend N. Levesque and others, of Port Daniel, all of the County of Bonaventure.

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix, No. 2).

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the apprehension and detention of such persons as shall be suspected of committing acts of hostility or conspiring against Her Majesty's Person and Government.

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

Ordered. That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Campbell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Langevin have leave to bring in a Bill respecting certain works on the River Ottawa.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Morris have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants.

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

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to authorize the apprehension "and detention of such persons as shall be suspected of committing acts of hostility or "conspiring against Her Majesty's Person and Government," without any amendment.

'The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to An Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1870,—For a Return showing the state of the Account between *Thomas Robertson* and the Government in regard to the receipts and expenditure of the *Dundas* and *Waterloo* Macadamised Road whilst under the charge of the said *Thomas Robertson*, as agent; and also, what steps (if any) have been taken to effect a settlement of the said account. (Sessional Papers, No. 65.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 6th April, 1870,—For a Return of the names of all persons now employed in the *Montreal* Post-office, as Clerks or Letter Carriers: the date of their appointment or employment, and the salaries paid the same. (Sessional Papers, No. 66.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1870,—For copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of *Gaspé* and the County of *Bonaventure*, since First July, 1868; also Copies of all Correspondence, and of all instructions given to either of the said Judges directing them to proceed to the holding of the Court at *Amherst*, *Magdalen Islands*, at the periods fixed by law, with a statement of the number of sittings, and the date of each sitting of such Court. (Sessional Papers, No. 67.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1870,—For a detailed statement showing the names of all persons who have been appointed to office, or who have been or are now employed in connexion with the North-West Territory; with the salaries, allowances, or expenses connected therewith to each, including any sums paid or allowed to delegates or persons acting for the Government, showing the whole amount so paid or advanced up to the present date. (Sessional Papers, No 12.)

Ordered, That Mr. Perry have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the provisions of Chapter 37, 32 and 33 Vict., intituled: "An Act respecting Contagious "Diseases affecting Animals."

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in *Nova Scotia*;

- The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to remove certain restric-"tions with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act for the better protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen "in Her Majesty's Navy;"

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The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Magill* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Saturday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Ferries;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House; and the Resolution respecting Ferries, adopted by this House on Wednesday the 6th April instant, was referred to the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had made some progress; and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again this day.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by R. Edward Kimber, Esquire, Acting Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :---

### MR. SPEAKER,

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

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

Mr. Speaker reported, That agreeably to the command of His Excellency the Governor General, the House had attended upon His Excellency, in the Senate Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Bill:—

""An Act to authorize the apprehension and detention of such persons as shall be "suspected of committing acts of hostility or conspiring against Her Majesty's Person and "Government."

The House again went into Committee on the Bill respecting Ferries, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Department of Finance;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Saturday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to provide for the organization of the Department of the "Secretary of State for the Provinces;"

The Honorable Mr. Howe moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time; Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "it "be resolved that the exigencies of the Public Service do not require the establishment "of another Department," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Senat<sup>o</sup>, by their Clerk, as followeth :---

The Senate have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships," without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have passed a Bill intituled : "An Act to amend an Act for "the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Senate have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend 'the Peni-"'tentiary Act of 1868,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Langevin,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend an Act for "the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works," be now read the first time,

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Saturday next.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Langevin,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Peni-"tentiary Act of 1868," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Saturday next.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and forty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for works of construction on Canals, etc., as follows:---Lachine Canal, supply weir at head (Revote) \$34,000.00; Culvert, River St. Pierre, \$16,000; Welland Canal, deepening to Lake Erie level (Revote \$25,000) \$86,000.00; waste weir at Dunnville, \$27,000 00; Chambly Canal, houses for Lock-keepers (Revote), \$3,850 00; Rideau Canal, increase of water supply (Revote \$10,000.00), \$12,000.00; Carillon and Grenville Canal, St. Ann's Lock (probable cost \$250,000.00), \$150,000.00; Miscellaneous Works, chargeable to construction (Revote \$11,000.00), \$15,150.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One million three hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the North-West Territories, (Revote) for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eleven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Harbors and Piers (Revote \$25,000), as follows: Lakes *Erie* and *Huron* \$100,000.00; *Mabou* Harbor \$5,000.00; *Coteau du Lac* Pier \$4,000.00; Piers below *Quebec* \$2,500.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for the protection to Little Hope Light House, (N. S.) for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolution proposed. 5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and fiftytwo thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Public Buildings, as follows: Ottawa Parliament and Departmental Buildings (Revote) \$63,000.00; Ottawa Parliament Library (Estimate \$145,000) \$100,000.00; Montreal Custom House \$200,000.00; St. John's, (N.B.) Custom House \$75,000.00; London Custom House (estimate \$50,000) \$25,000; Toronto Examining Warehouse \$10,000.00; Toronto Emigrant Sheds \$10,000.00; Halifax Quarantine Station (Revote \$10,000) \$14,000; Post Offices, Toronto, Quebec and London \$155,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 15th April, 1870.

Resolution agreed to.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Slides and Booms and works necessary to facilitate the descent of Timber, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

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

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till Ten minutes after One of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till To-morrow, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon.

Saturday, 16th April 1870.

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

By Mr. Robitaille,—The Petition of R. H. Montgomery and others, of New Richmond, County of Bonuventure.

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness),—The Petition of Hugh Campbell and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton.

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

Of the Reverend *George Smellie* and others, of *Fergus* and vicinity; praying for the passing of an Act declaring that the Locks on the Canals shall be closed to traffic; that no Railway Train or Engine shall be permitted to run; and that no Vessel shall leave any Inland Port from midnight on Saturdays till midnight on Sundays.

Of James Daniels, and others, of the Township of Longueuil; of J. P. Wells, and others, of West Hawkesbury; and of Magloire Parent and others of the Township of South Plantagenet, all of the County of Prescott; severally praying that the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, may become Law. Of the Reverend J. O. Normandin, and others, of Hamilton; of the Reverend N. Audet, and others, of Carleton; of the Reverend A. Audet, and others, of Marie; of Barnabas McGie, Mayor, and others, of Hope; of the Reverend Joseph H. Leonard, and others, or Mann; and of the Reverend N. Lévesque, and others, of Port Daniel, all of the County of Bonaventure; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Sea Ports of the Dominion.

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Aldborough*, County of *Elgin*; praying for aid towards the construction of a Harbor of Refuge at *Port Turnival*, be now received;

Mr. Speaker decided, That this Petition prays for aid and cannot therefore be received.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Irvine, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Archambeault, Ordered, That the fee paid on the Bill to incorporate the Quebec and Ottawa Lumber Forwarding Company, be remitted; and that the 58th Rule of this House be suspended for that purpose.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act for the better protection of the Clothing "and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honor, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions providing for a System of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service and the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons.

### (IN THE COMMITTEE).

1. Resolved, That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of sixty years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary -during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years when an annual allowance of thirty-five fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years; if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years' service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order; and such additional

number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. Resolved That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made for the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards, and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty-five years of service.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of one twentieth for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within three years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed twenty per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than ten per cent.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing herein contained shall be understood as impairing or affecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body, to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted to him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months' pay for every two years' service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V, c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body and mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act., S. 7.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of sixty years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the Seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments; and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Miscellaneous improvements of Rivers, for the year ending 30.h June, 1871.

Resolution proposed : 2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenses of Road between St. Anne des Monts and Fox River, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Mr. Mackenzie moved, That the said Resolution be expunged; On which the Committee divided : Yeas 22, Nays 35.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, the words "as a final vote," were added after the word "River."

Resolution, as amended, agreed to.

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

#### Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bown* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself thto the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141, to all parts of the Dominion of Canada;

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The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committee to a Committee of the Whole House, for Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of *Halifax*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time. The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 2, of the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada, called upon the Honorable Mr. Blanchet, Member for the Electoral District of Lévis, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

The Honorable Mr. Blanchet accordingly took the Chair of the House.

The Committee of Supply was again resumed.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous Expenses connected with Roads and Bridges, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of surveys and inspection, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Arbitrations and Awards, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Works not otherwise provided for, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the following purposes, viz. : for Rents, Repairs, Furniture, \$45,000 00; for Heating Public Buildings, *Ottawa*, \$32,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

§. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Buildings generally (Revote), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with *Richibucto* Harbor (two years), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Amherst Harbor and House Harbor, Magdalen Islands, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. R. solved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Western Extension, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to definay expenses in connection with the Eastern Extension, New Brunewick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Fredericton Branch, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-three thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs of steamer Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand five hundred and fortyone dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for moiety of subsidies payable to Inman Line between *Halifax* and *Cork*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

17. Aesolved, that a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for steam communication between *Quebec* and Maritime Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for steam communication between *Prince Edward Island* and the Ports of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Packet communication between *Pictou* and the *Magdalen Islands*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for steam communication between New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Tug Service, Upper St. Lawrence, between Montreal and Kingston, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-six thousand four hundred and forty-four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light-Houses and Coast Service, viz.: Salaries of Light-House Keepers, &c., \$12,097.00; Maintenance of Light-Houses, &c., \$17,147.00; Construction of Light-Houses, Fog Trumpets, &c., \$104,000.00; Maintenance of New Light-Houses for part of season \$3,200.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light-Houses and Coast Service between Quebec and Montreal, viz.: Salaries of Light-House Keepers \$3,825.00; Maintenance, &c., of Light-Houses, \$6,825.00; Steamer Richelieu \$4,200.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand four hundred and eightyeight dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Trinity House, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand six hundred and fourteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Trinity House, *Montreal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding I wo thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for removal of the wreck of the *Glanmore*, for the year ending June 30th, 1871.

27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-four thousand five hundred and four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light-Houses and Coast Service above Montreal, viz: Salaries and Allowances, \$22,884.00; Maintenance, \$21,720.00; Construction, \$9,900.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand three hundred and sixty-four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light-Houses and Coast Service, Nova Scotia, viz: Salaries and Allowances, \$27,446.00; Maintenance, etc., \$36,918.00; Construction, \$11,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand five hundred and sixty-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light-Houses and Coast Service, New Brunswick,

viz: Salaries and Allowances, \$11,427.00; Maintenance, etc., \$11,325.00; Construction, \$3,200.00; Buoys and Beacons, \$4,610.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

30. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to Sable and Seal Islands Humane Establishments, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of Cape Race Light, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs of Schooner La Canadienne, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens, viz: for Ontario, \$5,500.00; Quebec, \$7,000.00; New Brunswick, \$6,000.00; Nova Scotia, \$6,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Fishways and Oyster Beds, and for Fish Breeding, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-seven thousand seven hundred and eight dollars be granted to Her Majesty, additional for the Protection of the Fisheries (Marine Police), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. (Acting) Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

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

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned till Three o'Clock, P.M., on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 7th March, 1870;—For Copies of all correspondence and reports of the Engineer in charge of the Welland Canal, since 30th June, 1869. First, as to feeding said Canal from Lake Erie; Second, as to the damage done to the Village of Dunville by the freshet in April last; Third, as to building of waste weir in the embankment across the Grand River at the Village of Dunville; Fourth, as to opening what are known as the back ditches along the Welland Canal through the Township of Moulton; Fifth, as to the supply of water furnished the mills on the said Canal in the year 1869; Sixth, as to the damage done to Port Maitland Piers in April last; Seventh, also Copies of all Orders in Council since the 30th of June last, in reference to said works. (Sessional Papers, No. 68.)

And then The House adjourned till Tuesday next.

# Tuesday, 19th April, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of St. Hyacinthe and Joilette, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 9.)

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

By Mr. Lawson,—The Petition of George G. Charlton and others, of Lynedock and vicinity.

By Mr. Simard,—The Petition of Henry Fry and others, Steamboat owners, Manufacturers, Merchants, and others, of the City of Quebec and Town of Lévis.

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

Of R. H. Montgomery and others, of New Richmond, County of Bonaventure; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of Hugh Campbell and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton; praying for the establishment of a tri-weekly instead of a weekly communication between Port Hood and Pictou, and that the Steamers commence running immediately on the opening of Navigation, and continue to the close of the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Savary have leave to bring in a Bill to amend section 142 of the Insolvent Act of 1869.

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

On motion of Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Ross (Victoria),

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for the issue of a Writ for the Election of a Member of this House for the Electoral District of King's, in the place of William H. Chipman, Esquire, deceased.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Perjury;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, initialed : "An Act to amend the Penitentiary Act of 1868."

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-nine thousand one hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of Military Branch and District Staff of Militia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of Brigade Majors of the Militia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for allowances for Drill Instruction, to extend to the 1st November, 1871; it being impossible to get in all the claims under this head, before the expiration of the financial year.

4. *Resolve 1*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Schools, including the pay of the Superintendent and his Clerk, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of ammunition, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of clothing, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Stores and Storage, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Armories, and care of Arms, including the pay of Storekeepers, and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rent, fuel and light of Public Armories, to extend to the 1st November, 1871; it being impossible to get in all the claims under this head before the expiration of the financial year.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and twenty-six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for drill pay and camp purposes, and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia, to extend to the 1st November, 1871; it being impossible to get in all the claims under this head before the expiration of the financial year.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for including assistance to Rifle Association and Bands of efficient Corps, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Targets, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenses of enrolment, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Barrack accommodation, for the year ending 30th Jnne, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand six hundred and seven dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Survey, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expense of any damage to Arms, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

17. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expense of Gun Boats, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of care of properties transferred from the Ordnance, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expense of improved Fire Arms (Henry-Martini, and Snider Rifles), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-nine thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingent expenses of the Culler's Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand three hundred and twentyone dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses for Steamboat Inspection, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for annual grant to Indians, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for annual grant to Indians, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for annual grant to Indians, *New Brunswick*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to purchase blankets for aged and infirm Indians, Ontario and Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses for printing the Canada Gazette, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray postages of the Canada Gazette, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolution proposed :—28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray 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), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Holton*, the words "and confined to payments "connected with the service of the year," were inserted after the word "Council."

Resolution, as amended, agreed to.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Shipping Master's Office, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses connected with ascertaining correct time at *Ottawa*, and firing of noon gun, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for code of signals and flags for the Dominion Government, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of investigations relating to wrecks, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy, to be apportioned by Order in Council, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolution proposed :--34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and ninety-three thousand eight hundred and thirty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports, viz. :--In the Province of Quebec, \$169,544.00; in the Province of Ontario, \$164,722.00; in the Province of Nova Scotia, \$88,507.00; in the Province of New Brunswick, \$61,058.00; and the salaries and contingent expenses of Inspectors of Ports, \$10,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the House, having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock, on Wednesday morning;

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Resolution agreed to.

35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray contingencies of Head Office, covering Printing, Stationery, Advertising, etc., at the several Ports of Entry, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

36. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and four thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet salaries of outside Officers and Inspectors of Excise, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, postage, furniture, etc., in connection with the Inland Revenue, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

38. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Preventive Service in connection with the Inland Revenue, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. Morris, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 6th April, 1870,-For a return of the names of all parties now employed in the Excise Office, in *Montreal*; the date of their appointment or employment, and the salary or renumeration paid to each. (Sessional Papers, No. 69.)

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

# Wednesday, 20th April, 1870,

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

By Mr. Cameron (Inverness), - The Petition of Messrs. Hart and Ingraham and others, of Port Hawkesbury ;- the Petition of Allan McLean and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton; - and the Petition of John McDonald and others, of East and West Lake Ainslie Polling District.

By Mr. Joly,—The Petition of the Society for the Promotion of Home Industry. By Mr. Workman,-The Petition of John Pratt and others.

On motion of Mr. Brousseau, seconded by Mr. Jackson,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the 5th and 6th Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville) moved, seconded by Mr. Cimon, and the Question being put, That in the opinion of this House the construction and management of the Intercolonial Railway ought to be placed under the direct control of the Government, and that so much of the Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway as provides for the appointment of Commissioners ought to be repealed; The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

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### Yeas :

### Messieurs

Béchard,	Ferris,	McMonies,	Rymal,
Bertrand,	Geoffrion,	Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,
Bodwell,	Godin,	Mills,	Scriver,
Bowman,	Holton,	Munroe,	Snider,
Brown,	Joly,	Oliver,	Stirton,
Carmichael,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville)	Pelletier,	Tremblay,
Cheval,	Kempt,	Pickard,	Wells,
Cimon, .	Langlois,	Redford,	Whitehead,
	MacFarlane,	Renaud,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Coupal,		Ross (Prince Edward)	
Dorion,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Ross (Wellington, C.R.)	Young 44.
Dufresne,			-

### Nays:

### Messieurs

Abbott,	Colby,	Irvine,	Pope,
Anglin,	Connell,	Keeler,	Pouliot.
Archambeault,	Dobbie.	Lacerte,	Pozer,
Archibald,	Drew,	Langevin,	Ray,
Ault,	Dunkin,	Lawson, .	Read,
Beaty,	Ferguson,	Le Vesconte,	Robitaille,
Bellerose,	Forbes,	Macdonald (Glengarry	)Ross (Champlain),
Blanchet,	Fortin,	Macdonald Sir J. A.,	Ross (Dundas),
Bowell,	Fortier,	(Kingston),	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Brown,	Gaucher,	McDonald(Middlesex)	, Ryan, (King's, N.B.),
Brousseau,	Gaudet,	Magill,	Simard,
Burpee,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Simpson,
Burton,	Gibbs,	McConkey,	Sproat,
Caldwell,	Grant,	McDougall (Three	Tilley,
Cameron (Inverness),	Gray,		Tupper,
Campbell,	Grover,	McGreevy,	Wallace,
Caron,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McMillan,	Walsh,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Holmes,	Morris,	Webb,
Gartwright,	Howe,	O'Connor,	Willson,
Casault,	Huot,	· Pâquet,	Workman, and
Cayley,	Hurdon,	Perry,	Wright (Ott'wa C'nty)
Chauveau,	Hutchison,	Pinsonneault,	

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Rymal* moved, seconded by Mr. *Stirton*, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of \$20,000, to the late Sir *Allan Napier MacNab*, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands in or near the City of *Hamilton*;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill respecting the Canada Central Railway Company;

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The Honorable Mr. Abbott moved, seconded by Mr. Morrison (Niagara) and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald (Cornwall)* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ferguson*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, to add the following clause "thereto: 'And be it enacted that no portion of the line of railroad, now in the course of "construction from the City of *Ottawa* to *Carleton Place* shall be held or construed to be "'part of the said *Canada* Central Railroad," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas : Messieurs

Ault,	Dobbie,	Macdonald (Cornwal	l)Ross (Champlain),
Béchard,	Drew,	Macdonald (Glengarr	
Bowell,	Ferguson,		Ross (Prince Edward),
Brown,	Fortin,	McCallum,	Rymal,
Carling,	Gendron,	McConkey,	Snider,
Casault,	Grover,	Metcalfe,	White,
Cayley,	Holmes,	Munroe,	Whitehead,
Chauveau,	Lawson,	Pâquet,	Willson, and
Cheval,	Le Vesconte,	Pelletier,	Wright (York Ontario,
·	,	Pinsonneault,	W.R.)37.

#### Nays : Messieurs

Abbott,	Crawford (Brockville	,)McDonald (Middlesex	c)Ray.
Anglin,	Currier,	MacFarlane,	
Archibald,	Dorion,	Mackenzie,	Robitaille,
Beaty,	Dufresne,		, Ross (Wellington, C.R.)
Bellerose,	Ferris,	McDougall (Renfrew)	,Scatcherd,
Bertrand,	Gaucher,	McMillan,	
Bodwell,	Gaudet,	McMonies,	Simard,
Bowman,	Gibbs,	Merritt,	Simpson,
Bown,	Hagar,	Mills,	Stirton,
Brousseau,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Morris,	Sylvain,
Burpee,	Holton,	Morison (Victoria O.)	
Caldwell,	Jackson,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tremblay,
Campbell,	Jones (L'ds & Grenv'e	),O'Connor,	Wallace,
Carmichael,		Oliver,	Webb,
Caron,	Kempt,	Perry,	Wells,
Cartier, Sir George E.	, Lacerte,	Pickard,	Workman,
Cimon,	Langevin,	Pope,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Colby,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.	.Pouliot,	and
Costigan,	(Kingston),	Pozer,	Young.—74.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald* (*Cornwall*) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ferguson*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, to provide that any powers or "privileges contained in the said Bill to authorize the construction of the said *Canada* "Central Railroad shall not extend towards Lake *Huron*, beyond the Village of *Pembroke*, "in the County of *Renfrew*," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

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	Y	eas:	
	Me	ssieurs	
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Caldwell, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E. Cheval, Cimon,	Hincks Sir Francis, Holton, Howe, ,Huot, Irpine, Jackson,	Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Oliver, Perry, Pickard, Pope,	Webb, Wells, Workman, Wright (Ottawa C'nty), and Young.—86.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time; The Honorable Mr. Chauveau moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macdonald (Cornwall), That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instruc-"tions to add the following clause thereto: 'No Railway or part of Railway to be built, "acquired, or completed before the time limited by the Act hereby amended by the said "Canada Central Railway Company, or by the said Ottawa Valley Railway Company, "or by any Company amalgamated or to be amalgamated with the same, shall be deemed "to have been built, acquired, or completed within such time in so far as the grant of "land therein mentioned is concerned," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the hour for Private Bills having expired ;

The Orders for Government Measures were called :

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Tilley, seconded by the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks,

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*Resolved*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution on the subject of the duty on vessels imposed under the authority of the Act 32, 33 *Vic*. Cap. 40.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting Perjury," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend The Penitentiary Act of "1868," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions providing for a system of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service and the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :---

1. Resolved, That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of sixty years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years when an annual allowance of thirty-five fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years; if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years' service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order; and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. Resolved That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made from the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards, and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty-five years of service.

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4. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of one twentieth for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within three years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed twenty per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than ten per cent.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing herein contained shall be understood as impairing or affecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body, to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted to him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months' pay for every two years' service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body and mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act., S. 7.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of sixty years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he \* shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the Seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments; and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuicies shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time.

And the 1st and 2nd Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 3rd Resolution being read a second time; and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Blanchet* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Huot*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the "said Resolution be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instruc-"tions to provide for a uniform abatement of two and a half per cent. on all salaries," inserted instead thereof;

/ Mr. Godin moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. Geoffrion, That the words "to provide for a uniform abatement of two and a half per "cent. on all salaries," be left out, and the words "to amend the same by adding the "following at the end thereof;"

"That it is expedient to provide that any person to whom the present Resolutions "apply, voluntarily retiring from the Civil Service, and not being entitled to the retiring "allowance, shall receive one half of the amount which he shall have contributed to the "said Fund without interest; but if he enters the Civil Service again at any time after-"wards, such amount shall be re-imbursed by him to the Fund on his re-entering, with "interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, otherwise his service prior to his retiring "shall not be computed in his length of service in calculating the retiring allowance to "which he may afterwards be entitled.

"And it is expedient to provide that, except as hereinafter provided, if a person to "whom these Resolutions apply dies while in the Civil Service, or while he is in receipt "of a retiring allowance, his widow shall be entitled during her life or until she re-"marries to an annual allowance equivalent to one-half the retiring allowance which her "husband received, or to which he would have been entitled at the time of his death if "he had then retired.

"But the widow shall not be entitled to such yearly allowance, unless she was "married to such person at least one year before his death.

"And the widow of any person who at the period of passing hereof is over sixty "years of age, or who, in any other manner, is then entitled to retire with a retiring "allowance, shall not be entitled to such allowance.

"That it is expedient to provide that the orphan children of any person whose widow "received, or would have been entitled to receive, an annual allowance in virtue of the "preceding Resolution, may receive out of the said Fund, an annual allowance which "shall be determined by the Governor in Council according to the tircumstances in which "such orphans are left, but not exceeding in the whole the annual allowance which the "widow received, or to which she would have been entitled.

"But such annual allowance shall in no case be paid to an orphan over Twenty-one "years of age, or to any orphan whose mother is then in receipt, as a widow, of an allow-"ance in virtue of these Resolutions," inserted instead thereof;

#### Yeas:

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Coupal,	Hutchison,	Pelletier.
Béchard,	Dorion,	Joly,	Pouliot,
Bertrand,	Forbes,	MacFarlane,	Pozer,
Bodwell,	Fortier,	Mackenzie,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Bourassa,	Geoffrion,	Magill,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)
Caron,	Gendron,	McMonies,	Rymal,
Casault,	Godin,	Metcalfe,	Savary,
Cayley,	Gray,	Mills,	Sproat,
Cheval,	Hagar,	Oliver,	Ŵhite,
Cimon,	Holton,	Pâquet,	Whitehead, and
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Abbott,	Drew,	Lawson,	Read.	
Anglin,	Dufresne,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	Redford.	
Archibald,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Glengarry	Renaud,	
Ault,	Ferguson,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Robitaille.	
Beaty,	Ferris,		Ross (Champlain),	
Bellerose,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesex	Ross (Dundas).	
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),		
Bolton,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebonne)	"Scatcherd,	
Bowell,	Gibbs,	McCallum,	Scriver.	
Bowman,	Grant,		Simard,	
Bown,	Grover,	McDougall (Three	Snider,	
Brousseau,	Hincks, Sir Francis,		Sylvain,	
Brown,	Holmes,	McGreevy,	Thompson (H'ldim'nd)	
Burpee,	Howe,		Tilley,	
Caldwell,	Huot,	Merritt,	Wallace,	
Campbell,	Hurdon,	Morris,	Walsh,	
Carling,	Irvine,	Morison (Victoria, O.),	Webb,	
Carmichael,	Jackson,	Morrison (Niagara),	Wells,	
Cartier, Sir George E.	"Jones (L'ds & Grenville		Willson,	
Chauveau,	Keeler,	O'Connor,	Workman,	
Connell,	Kempt,	Perry,	Wright (Ot'wa C'nty) &	
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Nays :

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the Original Question; The House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Joly moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bertrand, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolution be "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the same, "by adding after the words 'six hundred dollars, where they occur the second time, the "'words 'but such contribution to the Superannuation Fund shall not be compulsory on "'any person whose life is now insured, as long as his life continues to be insured; but "'such parties will not be entitled to any share of the Superannuation Fund,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

Yeas :

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Anglin,	Dorion,	MacFarlane,	Pouliot,
Archambeault,	Ferris,	Magill,	Pozer,
Béchard,	Forbes,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Ross (Prince Edward),
Bertrand,	Fortier,	McCallum,	Ross (Wellington, $C.\dot{R}$ )
Bolton,	Gaucher,	McMonies,	Savary,
Bourassa,	Gaudet,	Merritt,	Snider,
Burpee,	Godin,	Metcalfe,	Sproat,
Caldwell,	Grover,	Mills,	Stirton,
Casault,	Hurdon,	Mori <b>s</b> on (Victoria O.)	, Sylvain,

Cimon, Joly, Paquet, Webb, Connell, Jones (L'ds & Gr'nville) Pelletier, Wells, and Coupal, Kempt, Pickard, Wright (Ottawa C nty). Currier, Macdonald (Glengarry) Pope, -55. Mays : Nays : Nays : Messieurs Abbott, Drew, Langlois, Read, Archibald, Dufresne, Lawson, Redford, Ault, Dunkin, Macdonald, Sir J. A., Renaud, Beaty, Ferguson, (Kingston), Robitaille, Bellerose, Fortin, McDonald(Middlesex), Ross (Champlain), Blanchet, Gendron, Masson (Soulanges), Ross (Dundas), Bowell, Gibbs, McConkey, Scatcherd, Bown, Gray, McGreevy, Scriver, Campbell, Hincks, Sir Francis, McMillan, Simard, Carling, Howe, Morris, Tilley, Caron, Huot, Morrison (Niagara), Walsh, Cartier, Sir George E., Jackson, Munroe, White, Chauveau, Keeler, O'Connor, Willson and Cheval, Lacerte, Perry, Workman58.	Cayley,	Hutchison,	Oliver,	Wallace,
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	Cheval,	Lacerte,		Workman58.
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So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution; The House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 4th to the 8th Resolutions inclusive, being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolutions; The House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases.

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

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Post-Office, Ontario and Quebec Mail services, viz.: Grand Trunk Railway, \$167,000; Great Western Railway, \$45,000; other Railways, \$40,000; Steamboat Service, \$40,000; Ocean Mail Service, \$10,000; Military and Naval Postage Refunds, \$6,000; Salaries of Outside Services; Inspectors, Railway Clerks, &c., \$100,000; payments for Ordinary Mail Contract Service, \$215,000; Miscellaneous \$30,000; Nova Scotia Mail Service, \$85,000, and New Brunswick Mail Service, \$80,000, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

#### Thursday, 21st April, 1870.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seventy-six thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs of Public Works Ontario and Quebec; Ordinary Repairs, \$185,000.00; Maintenance, Salaries of Staff, &c., \$155,000; Welland Canal: Repairs to Port Maitland Terminus, \$15,000.00; Cornwall Canal: Renewing superstructure of Piers, \$6,900.00; Rebuilding Superintendent's House, \$4,000.00; Rideau Canal: Renewing and enlarging Bulk Heads, \$10,500.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and Repairs on Nova Scotian Railways, as follows: working expenses, \$284,000; Relaying of Track, &c., \$28,750.00; Renewal of Cars, \$7,250.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs on European and North American Railway and Eastern Extension working expenses, for the year ending 30th June 1871.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand five hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet salaries and contingencies of Canal Officers, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand one hundred and seventytwo dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of collection of Slide and Boom Dues, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Minor Revenues, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the possible amount for increases under the Civil Service Act, or for possible new appointments required by any extension of the staff, or other change, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand and sixty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and contingencies of the House of Commons, per Clerks' Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray travelling expenses and contingencies, *Europe* and *Canada*, in connection with Immigration and Quarantine, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

The Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Honorable Mr.  $\hat{G}ray$  also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then The House, having continued to sit till Ten minutes before Two of the Clock, on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 21st April 1870.

Parish of St. Antoine de la Rivière du Loup, and other Parishes, County of Maskinongé. By the Honorable Mr. Blanchet,—the Petition of Julien Chabot and others, of the Town of Lévis.

By Mr. Cartwright,-The Petition of the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:— 27

Of George G. Charlton and others, of Lynedoch, and vicinity; praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting Patents for Inventions.

Of *Henry Fry* and others, Steamboat Owners, Manufacturers, Merchants and others, of the City of *Quebec*, and Town of *Lévis*; praying that coal imported from *Great Britain* may be admitted free of duty.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate, to request that their Honors will be pleased to give leave to John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, their Clerk, to attend in order to his being examined before the Select Standing Committee of this House on Public Accounts, on Monday next, the 25th inst., at 11 o'Clock, A.M.; and produce before the said Committee an account of the sums paid to each of the Members of that House as indemnity and mileage for the last Session of the present Parliament.

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

On motion of Mr. Brousseau, seconded by Mr. Beaty,

Ordered, That the Seventh Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration.

Mr. Street reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :---

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Militia and Defence, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand five hundred and eightyseven dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Secretary of State, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of the Receiver-General, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand four hundred and fiftyfive dollars and eighty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Finance Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand five hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Customs Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Inland Revenue Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand seven hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Public Works, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-nine thousand nine hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Post Office Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand seven hundred and five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand two hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Treasury Board Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

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13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Finance Offices, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Dominion Offices, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the 1st and 2nd Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 3rd Resolution being read a second time;

Ordered, That the consideration of the said Resolution be postponed.

The 4th to the 13th Resolutions inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to. The 14th Resolution, being read a second time, as followeth :---

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved, in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, That the words "Ten thousand six hundred dollars" be left out, and the words "Six thousand five hundred dollars, the service in *Nova Scotia* not requiring a larger "appropriation than the same service in *New Brunswick*," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

### Y eas:

#### Messieurs

Anglin,	Dorion,	McCallum,	Ross (Wellington, C.R).
Ault,	Drew,	McConkey,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Béchard,	Ferris,	McDougall(Renfrew),	
Bertrand,	Fortier,	McMonies,	Scatcherd,
Bodwell,	Gaucher,	Metcalfe,	Scriver,
Bolton,	Geoffrion,	Mills,	Snider,
Bowell,	Godin,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	Stirton,
Bowman.	Hagar,	Munroe,	Thompson (H'dim'nd),
Brown,	Holton,	Oliver,	Tremblay,
Burpee,	Hutchison,	Pelletier,	Wallace,
Caldwell,	Joly,	Pickard,	Webb,
Cameron (Huron),	Kempt,	Pouliot,	Wells,
Carmichael,	Macdonald(Glengarry	)Pozer,	Whitehead,
Cartwright,	MacFarlane,	Redford,	Willson,
Cheval,	Mackenzie,	Renaud,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Connell,	Magill,	Ross (Dundas),	W.R., and
Costigan,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ross (Prince Edward)	Young68.
Crawford (Brockville)			5

## Nays:

#### Messieurs

Abbott,	Cimon,	Hurdon,	Morris,
Archambeault,	Colby,	Irvine,	Morrison (Niagara),
Archibald,	Dobbie,	Jackson,	O'Connor,
Beaty,	Dufresne,	Keeler,	Perry,
Beaubien,	Dunkin.	Langevin,	Pinsonneault,
Deauoien,	Dunkin,	Langevin,	Pinsonneauit,

Bellerose,	Ferguson,	Langlois,	Pope,
Benoit,	Forbes,	Le Vesconte,	Read,
Blanchet,	Fortin,	Macdonald (Cornwall	)Ross (Champlain),
Bown,	Gaudet,		Ross (Victoria, N. S.),
Brousseau,	Gendron,	(Kingston),	Savary,
Campbell,	Gibbs,	McDonald (Middlesex	) Simpson,
Carling,	Grant,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Sproat,
Caron,	Gray,	McDougall (Three	Stephenson,
Cartier Sir George E.,		Rivers),	Sylvain,
Casault,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McGreevy,	Tilley,
Cayley,	Howe,	McMillan,	Walsh, and
Chauveau,	Huot,	Merritt,	Workman.—66.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the said Resolution, so amended, was agreed to, as followeth :

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand five hundred dollars (the service in Nova Scotia not requiring a larger appropriation than the same service in New Brunswick) be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Dominion Offices, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The 15th Resolution being read a second time, as followeth :---

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Dominion Offices, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Mr. Mackenzie moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That this House regrets that the Government should have deemed it necessary to increase the salaries of Officers in the Public Service, at a time when the utmost economy is absolutely necessary, —when there is a deficit in the Revenue,—and when this House has reduced the salaries paid to its Officers.

Mr. Masson (Soulanges) moved, seconded by Mr. Pinsonneault, That no Public Employee shall receive more than one salary, and that the word "Salary" shall mean annual or temporary salary, emolument, fee, payment, compensation, or allowance of any kind whatsoever;

And Objection being taken, that this motion is out of order, inasmuch as the two motions have no connection with one another;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows :--- The question is on the motion for granting the sum of \$6,500.00 for the Dominion Offices, New Brunswick, and the Honorable Member for Lambton moves, "That this House regrets that the Government should have deemed "it necessary to increase the salaries of Officers in the Public Service, at a time when "the utmost economy is absolutely necessary,-when there is a deficit in the Revenue,---"and when this House has reduced the salaries paid to its Officers." This latter motion I must treat as a distinct substantive proposition.—It is not offered in amendment to the Resolution; the House is not asked to reduce or recall that vote; it is not proposed to refer the Resolution back to the Committee, but is a substantive proposition, and as proposed to the House I must treat it per se. Then the Motion of the Honorable Member for Soulanges, who has moved an amendment respecting salaries, I think is not pertinent to the motion of the Honorable Member for Lambton, and I think cannot be said to be in order.—It seems to me to be most unreasonable, most illogical, that a general proposition, such as that of the Honorable Member for Lambton, should be amendable by the proposition of the Honorable Member for Soulanges. The latter is not in its form proposed as an amendment; it does not propose to strike out or to add anything to the motion. It is a separate proposition standing alone, and quite distinct from the other. Therefore, I decide that it is not in order.

And the Question being put, That this House regrets that the Government should have deemed it necessary to increase the salaries of Officers in the Public Service, at a 33 Victoria.

time when the utmost economy is absolutely necessary,—when there is a deficit in the Revenue—and when this House has reduced the salaries paid to its Officers; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :—

### Yeas :

## Messieurs

Anglin, Ault,	Ferris, Fortier,	McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew),	
Bodwell,	Geoffrion,	. /	Scatcherd,
Bolton, Bowell,	Godin, Hagar,	Metcalfe, Mills,	Scriver, Snider,
Bowman,	Hayar, Holton,	Morison (Victoria 0.)	
Brown,	Hutchison,	Oliver,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Burpee,	Joly,	$P \hat{a} quet,$	Wallace,
Carmichael,	Jones (L'ds&Gr'nville)		Wells,
Cartwright,	Kempt,	Pickard,	Whitehead,
Cheval,	Macdonald(Glengarry)	Pozer,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Connell,	MacFarlane,	Redford,	W.R.), and
Coupal,	Mackenzie,	Ross (Prince Edw'd)	,Young.—53.
Dorion,	McCallum,	. , , , ,	

## Nays :

## Messieurs

Abbott,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Pouliot,
Archambeault,	Crawford (Brockville)	,	Ray,
Archibald,	Dobbie,	Langlois,	Read,
Beaty,	Drew,	Lawson,	Renaud,
Beaubien,	Dufresne,	Le Vesconte,	Robitaille,
Béchard,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	Ross (Champlain),
Bellerose,	Ferguson,	Macdonald, Sir John	Ross (Dundas),
Benoit,	Forbes,	A. (Kingston),	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Bertrand,	Fortin,	McDonald (Lunenburg	Ruan (King's N.B.),
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex	Savary,
Bown,	Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	Simpson,
Brousseau,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	1 1
Burton,	Gibbs.	McDougall (Three	Stephenson,
Caldwell.	Grant,	Rivers),	Sylvain,
Cameron (Inverness),		McGreevy,	Tilley,
Campbell,	Grover,	McMillan,	Tremblay,
Carling,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Merritt,	Tupper,
Caron.	Holmes,	Morris.	Walsh,
Cartier, Sir George E		Morrison (Niagara),	Webb,
Casault,	Huot,	Munroe,	Willson,
Cayley,	Hurdon,	O'Connor,	Workman, and
Chauveau,	Irvine,	Perry,	Wright (Ottawa
Cimon,	Jackson,	Pinsonneault,	County)92.
Colby,	Keeler,	Pope,	

So it passed in the Negative.

The 15th Resolution was then agreed to.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act intituled "'An Act to incorporate The Sun Insurance Company of *Montreal*," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act intituled : 'An Act to incorporate the "'Sun Insurance Company of *Montreal*," and the same was read, as followeth :----

Page 2, line 45-Leave out from "books" to "shall" in line ult.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Irvine, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, informed the House, That they have fixed Thursday the 28th instant, at 11 o'clock, A.M., for hearing the argument of Counsel in the said case, and with the consent of both parties, request leave to adjourn till that day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Irvine, seconded by Mr. Cayley,

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to adjourn till Thursday the 28th instant, at 11 o'clock, A.M.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :—

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Departmental Contingencies, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Stationery Office for Stationery, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous Expenses in connection with the Administration of Justice, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Police of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Water Police, *Montreal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand four hundred and fifty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the River Police, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand two hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand four hundred and sixty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Salaries and Contingencies of the House of Commons, per Sergent-at-Arms' Estimate, for the year ending **30**th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for a grant to Parliamentary Library, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Printing, Binding, and Distributing the Laws, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Printing, Printing Paper, and Bookbinding, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for a grant to the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway, for two special trains daily, during Session of Parliament, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, Toronto, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, Kingston, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, *Montreal*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

17. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, *Halifax*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Observatory, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and ninety dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Contingent Expenses of Statistical Office, *Halifax*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Prothonotaries' Returns of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, Province of Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the possible amount required in the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1871, for the taking of the Census.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-five thousand seven hundred and seventy-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Immigration and Quarantine, viz. : Salaries of Immigration Agent and Employés, \$18,212.00; Medical Inspection, Port of *Quebec*, \$2,600.00; Quarantine, *Grosse Isle*, \$12,000,00; Quarantine, *St. John* (*N.B.*), \$3,900.00; Quarantine, *Halifax* (*N.S.*), \$4,060.00; to meet possible expenses of Immigration \$45,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand five hundred and twenty six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine Hospitals, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; Hospital at St. Catharine's; and Maintenance, &c., of Shipwrecked and Sick and Distressed Seamen at the several Ports of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June 1871.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to L. Gagné, Messenger, House of Assembly, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

28. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to John Bright, Messenger, House of Assembly, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. Antrobus, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

**30**. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and ninety-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Jane Lakey, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *Rhoda Smith*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Janet Alderson, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Margaret McKenzie, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and thirty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Ann Richey and two children, for the year ending **30**th June, 1871.

36. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Morrison, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Louise Prud'homme and two children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

38. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Virginie Charron and four children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

39. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Paul M. Robins, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

40. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Charles T. Bell, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

41. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Alex. Oliphant, for the year ending 30th June, 1971.

42. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-one dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Charles Lugsden, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

43. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to John White, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

44. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-one dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Thomas Charters, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

45. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty

cents be granted to Her Majesty for pension to Samuel McCrag, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

46. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *Charles T. Robertson*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

47. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Percy G. Routh, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

48. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Richard S. King, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

49. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to George A. McKenzie, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

50. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Edward Hilder, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

51. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Fergus Scholfield, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to John Bradley, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

53. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-one dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to *Richard Penticost*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

54. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to James Bryan, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

55. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Jacob Stubbs, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

56. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Connor, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

57. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ninety-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mary Holgins and three children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

58. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars he granted to Her Majesty, for pension to John Martin, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

59. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to A. E. Marchand, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

60. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to A. W. Stevenson, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

61. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. J. Thorburn, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seventy-eight dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. *P. T. Worthington* and children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

63. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. J. H. Elliott and children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

64. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Mrs. George Prentice and children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and sixty six dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for pension to Ellen Kirkpatrick and three children, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

66. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as compensation to Pensioners, in lieu of land, for the year enling 30th June, 1871.

67. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six million dollars be granted to Her 28 Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Intercolonial Railway, for the year

ending 30th June, 1871. 68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses connected with the *Nova Scotia* Railway (Revote \$20,000.00), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

69. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the European and North American Railway, N.B., for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the 1st to the 9th Resolution inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 10th Resolution being read a second time, as followeth :---

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Commission for making provision for the uniformity of the Laws of the Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Mr. Mills moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hutchison, and the Question being put, That as the Laws relating to property, civil rights and procedure in Ontario, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia cannot be assimilated without the consent of their Legislatures respectively, and that as none of the said Provinces have expressed a desire to effect such assimilation, it is not expedient to vote the sum of \$7,000 now proposed for the said purpose; The House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :--

## Yeas:

Messieurs

D. J 11	II.	Mills.	Paum al
Bodwell,	Hagar,	/	Rymal,
Bourassa,	Hutchison,	Morison (Victoria, O.	),Scatcherd,
Bowman,	Joly,	Oliver,	Snider,
Burpee,	Kempt,	Pelletier,	Stirton,
Carmichael,	Macdonald(Gtengarr	y)Pickard,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Cheval,	MaeFarlane,	Pozer,	Wells,
Connell,	Mackenzie,	Redford,	White,
Coupal,	Magill,	Ross (Dundas),	Whitehead,
Dorion,	McCallum,		), Wright (York, Ontario,
Fortier,	McDougall (Renfrew	), Ross ( Victoria, N.S.	), $W.R.$ ), and
Geoffrion,	McMonies,	Ross(Wellington, C.R)	.) Young45.
Godin,	Metcalfe,		

#### Nays :

## Messieurs

Abbott,	Cimon,	Jackson,	Perry,
Archambeault,	Colby,	Keeler,	Pinsonneault,
Archibald,	Daoust,	Lacerte,	Pope,
Ault,	Dobbie,	Langevin,	Pouliot,
Beaty,	Drew,	Langlois,	Read,
Beaubien,	Dufresne,	Lawson,	Renaud,
Bellerose,	Dunkin,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	, Robitaille,
Bertrand,	Ferguson,		Ross (Champlain),
Bowell,	Ferris,	McDonald(Lun'nburg	)Ryan, (King's, N.B.),
Bown,	Forbes,	McDonald (Middlesex	),Scriver,
Brousseau,	Fortin,	Masson (Soulanges),	Simpson,
Brown,	Gaucher,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Sproat,
Burton,	Gaudet,	McConkey,	Stephenson,
Caldwell,	Gendron,	McDougall (Three	Sylvain,
Cameron (Huron),	Gibbs,	Rivers),	Tilley,

Campbell,	Grover,	McGreevy,	Wallace.
Carling,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McKeagney,	Walsh,
Caron,	Holmes,	McMillan,	Webb,
Cartier, Sir George E.	, Howe,	Merritt,	Willson,
Casault,	Huot,	Morris,	Workman, and
Cayley,	Hurdon,	Morrison (Niagara),	Wright (Otlawa C'nty).
Chauveau,	Irvine,	O'Connor,	

So it passed in the Negative.

The 10th Resolution was then agreed to.

The 11th to the 17th Resolution inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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The Honorable Mr. Connell moved, seconded by Mr. Pickard, and the Question being put, That the words "University and St. John" be added after the words "New Brunswick;" The House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

The 18th Resolution was then agreed to.

The 19th and 20th Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 21st Resolution being read a second time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Langevin. Ordered, That the said Resolution be expunded.

The 22nd to the 69th and last of the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Bown reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :--

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and forty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for works of construction on Canals, etc., as follows : Lachine Canal, Supply Weir at head (Revote), \$34,000.00; Culvert, River St. Pierre \$16,000.00 ; Welland Canal, Deepening to Lake Erie Level (Revote \$25,000), \$86,000.00; Waste Weir at Dunville, \$27,000.00; Chambly Canal, Houses for Lock-Keepers (Revote), \$3,850.00; Rideau Canal, Increase of Water Supply (Revote \$10,000.00) \$12,000,00; Carillon and Grenville Canal, and St. Ann's Lock (probable cost, \$250,000) \$150,000.00; Miscellaneous Works, chargeable to contraction (Revote \$11,000.00) \$15,150.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One million three hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the North West Territories (Revote), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eleven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Harbors and Piers (Revote \$25,000.00) as follows:-Lakes Erie and Huron \$100,000.00; Mabou Harbor \$5,000.00; Coteau du Lac Pier \$4,000.00; Piers below Quebec \$2,500.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for the protection to Little Hope Light-House (N.S.), for the year, ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and fifty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Public Buildings, as follows :- Ottawa Parliament and Departmental Buildings (Revote), \$63,000.00; Ottawa Parliament Library (Estimate \$145,000), \$100,000.00; Montreal Custom House, \$200,000.00; St. John's (N.B.) Custom House, \$75,000.00; London Custom House (Estimate \$50,000), \$25,000.00; Toronto Examining Warehouse, \$10,000.00; Toronto Immigrant Sheds, \$10,000.00; Halifax Quarantine Station (Revote \$10,000), \$14,000.00; Post Offices: Toronto, Quebec and London, \$155,000.00; for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Slides and Booms, and works necessary to facilitate the descent of Timber, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the 1st Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The 2nd Resolution being read a second time; and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Masson (Soulanges) moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Pinsonneault, That the words "provided no portion of the said sum, or of the Dominion "Funds, shall be expended in employing troops, or the Militia of the Dominion, for the "purpose of regaining by force of arms the possession of said Territory, nor until the "peaceful possession of the same shall have been secured to this Dominion, according to " and under the terms of the agreement entered into between the Imperial authorities " and the Government of Canada," be added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the remaining Resolutions be postponed.

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twelve thousand eight hundred and thirty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and eighty-four dollars and twelve cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defrav expenses of the Rockwood Asylum, Kingston, Ontario, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand two hundred and fifty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Penitentiary, *Halifax*, *Nova Scotia*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand one hundred and sixteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Penitentiary, St. John, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Directors of Penitentaries, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for improvement of River *Thames*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the

Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this Louse will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,— Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th March, 1870; for a Return of all Orders in Council authorizing any printing or binding to be done without tender, with a detailed statement of all expenditure incurred under the authority of such Orders in Council in each such case. (Sessional Papers, No. 46.)

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :--

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Miscellaneous Improvements of Rivers, for the year ending 30th June 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of road between Ste. Anne des Monts and Fox River, as a final vote, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous Expenses connected with Roads and Bridges, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Surveys and Inspection, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Arbitrations and Awards, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to definate expenses of Miscellaneous Works, not otherwise provided for, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-seven thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the following purpose, viz: for Rents, Repairs, Furniture, \$45,000.00; for heating Public Buildings, Ottawa, \$32,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Buildings generally (Revote), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with *Richibucto* Harbor (2 years), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with *Amhersi* Harbor and House Harbor, *Magdalen* Islands, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty one thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Western Extension, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the Eastern Extension, *New Brunswick*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with the *Fredericton* Branch, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty three thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintainance and repairs of Steamers, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand five hundred and fortyone dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for moiety of subsidies payable to Inman Line between Halifax and Cork, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

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17. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for steam communication between Quebec and Maritime Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for steam communication between *Prince Edward Island* and the Ports of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Packet communication between *Pictou* and the *Magdalen Islands*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871,

20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for steam communication between New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, for the year ending 30th March, 1871.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Tug Service, Upper St. Lawrence, between Montreal and Kingston, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty six thousand four hundred and forty-four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light Houses and Coast Service, viz. : Salaries of Light House Keepers, etc., \$12,097.00, maintenance of Light Houses, etc., \$17,147.00; Construction of Light Houses, Fog Trumpets, etc., \$104,000.00; maintenance of new Light Houses for part of season \$3,200.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light Houses and Coast Service, between Quebec and Montreal, viz. : Salaries of Light House Keepers, \$3,825.00; Maintenance, etc., of Light Houses, \$6,825.00; Steamer "Richelieu," \$4,200.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand four hundred and eightyeight dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the *Trinity House*, *Quebec*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand six hundred and fourteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingences of the Trinity House, Montreal, for the year ending 30th June 1871.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for removal of the wreck of the "Glanmore," for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-four thousand five hundred and four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light Houses and Coast Service above Montreal, viz.: Salaries and allowances \$22,884.00; maintenance \$21,720.00; construction \$9,900.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

28. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand three hundred and sixty-four dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light Houses and Coast Service, Nova Scotia, viz. : Salaries and Allowances, \$27,446.00; Maintenance, etc., \$36,918.00; Construction, \$11,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand five hundred and sixty-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Light Houses and Coast Service, New Brunswick, viz. : Salaries and Allowances, \$11,427.00; Maintenance, etc., \$11,325.00; Construction, \$3,200.00; Buoys and Beacons, \$4,610.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

30. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to Sable and Seal Islands Humane Establishments, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of *Cape Race* Light, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs of Schooner "La Canadienne," for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens, viz.: for Ontario, \$5,500.00; for Quebec, \$7,000.00; for New Brunswick, \$6,000.00; for Nova Scotia, \$6,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Fishways and Oyster Beds, and for Fish Breeding, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-seven thousand seven hundred and eight dollars be granted to Her Majesty, additional for the protection of the Fisheries (Marine Police), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :----

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-nine thousand one hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the subaries of Military Branch and District Staff of Militia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of Brigade Majors of the Militia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for allowances for Drill Instruction, to extend to the 1st November, 1871; it being impossible to get in all the claims under this head before the expiration of the financial year.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Schools, including the pay of the Superintendent and his Clerk, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-four thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Ammunition, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Clothing, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Hor Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Stores and Storage, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Public Armories and care of Arms, including the pay of Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rent, fuel and light of Public Armories, to extend to the 1st November, 1871; it being impossible to get in all the claims under this head before the expiration of the financial year.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and twenty-six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for drill pay and camp purposes, and all other incidental expenses connected with the drill and training of the Militia, to extend to the 1st November, 1871; it being impossible to get in all the claims under this head before the expiration of the financial year.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray contingencies and General Service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations and Bands of efficient Corps, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Targets, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Enrolment for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Barrack Accommodation, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand six hundred and seven dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Military Survey, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expense of any damage to Arms, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expense of Gunboats, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of care of Properties transferred from the Ordnance, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expense of improved Fire-Arms (Henry-Martini and Snider Rifles) for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-nine thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Cullers' Offices, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand three hundred and twentyone dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses for Steamboat Inspection, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Annual Grant to Indians, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Annual Grant to Indians, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Annual Grant to Indians, *New Brunswick*, for the year ending **30**th June, 1871.

25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to purchase Blankets for aged and infirm Indians, Ontario and Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses for printing the Canada Gazette, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray postages of the *Canada Gazette*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

28. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Unforeseen Expenses (Expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council, and confined to payments connected with the service of the year, and a detailed account thereof to be laid before Parliament during the first fifteen days of the then next Session), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Shipping Master's Office, Quebec, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses connected with ascertaining correct time at *Ottawa* and firing of noon gun, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Code of Signals and Flags for the Dominion Government, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of investigations relating to Wrecks, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy, to be apportioned by Order in Council, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and ninety-three thousand eight hundred and thirty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingent expenses of the several Ports, viz.: in the Province of Quebec, \$169,544.00; in the Province of Ontario, \$164,722.00; in the Province of Nova Scotia, \$88,507.00; in the Province of New Brunswick, \$61,058.00; and the salaries and contingent expenses of Inspectors of Ports, \$10,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray contingencies of Head Office, covering Printing, Stationery, Advertizing, &c., at the several Ports of Entry, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and four thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet salaries of outside Officers and Inspectors of Excise, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand one hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray travelling expenses, rent, fuel, stationery, postage furniture, &c., in connection with the Inland Revenue, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Preventive Service in connection with the Inland Revenue, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and eighteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Post Office, viz. : for Ontario and Quebec Mail Services, as follows : Grand Trunk Railway, \$167,000 ; 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, Inspectors, Railway Clerks, etc., \$100,000.00 ; Payments for ordinary Mail Contract Service, \$215,000.00 ; Miscellancous, \$30,000.00 ; Nova Scotia Mail Service, \$85,000.00 ; New Brunswick, \$80,000.00 , for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seventy-six thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs of Public Works, Ontario and Quebec, as follows: Ordinary repairs, \$185,000.00; Maintenance, salaries of staff, etc., \$155,000.00; Welland Canal, repairs to Port Maitland Terminus, \$15,000.00; Cornwall Canal,—renewing superstructure of Piers, \$6,900.00; rebuilding Superintendent's House, \$4,000.00; Rideau Canal, renewing and enlarging Bulk Heads, \$10,500.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs on Nova Scotia Railways, as follows: Working expenses, \$284,000.00; Relaying of Track, etc., \$28,750.00; Renewal of Cars, \$7,250.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for maintenance and repairs on the European and North American Railway, and Eastern Extension Working Expenses, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand five hundred and 29

thirty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet salaries and contingencies of Canal

Officers, for the year ending 30th June, 1871. 6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand one hundred and seventytwo dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of collection of Slide and Boom dues, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Minor Revenues, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the possible amount for increases under the Civil Service Act, or for possible new appointments required by any extension of the staff, or other change, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand and sixty five dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries and contingencies of the House of Commons, per Clerk's Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray travelling expenses and contingencies, *Europe* and *Canada*, in connection with Immigration and Quarantine, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns at its next sitting this day, it do stand adjourned till To-morrow at Half-past seven o'clock, P.M., and that Government business and Orders have precedence.

The Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 6th April, 1870; for a return of the name of all persons appointed and now employed in the Montreal Custom House as Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers or Laborers in Examining Warehouse; when appointed or employed; the salary or amount paid to each; also the names of the Clerks, Tidewaiters, Supernumeraries, Packers or Laborers dismissed or suspended since 1866, and the cause of their dismissal or suspension. (Sessional Papers, No. 70.)

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

## Friday, 22nd April, 1870.

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

Of Messrs. Hart and Ingraham, and others, of Port Hawkesbury; praying that the proposed reduction in the subsidy to the Prince Edward Island Steam Navigation Company, may not be carried out.

Of Allan McLean, and others, of the County of Inverness, Cape Breton; praying that measures may be taken to ensure the calling at the Government Wharf at Port Hastings, of the Steamers plying between Pictou and Port Hawkesbury.

Of John McDonald, and others, of East and West Lake Ainslie, Polling District; praying that the proposed improvements to Mabou Harbor, recommended by Mr. Page, Government Engineer, may be carried out.

Of the Society for the promotion of Home Industry; and of *John Pratt*, and others; severally praying that Coal imported from *Great Britain*, may be admitted free of duty.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

That the Contractor for the Printing of Parliament being also a Contractor for other Public Printing, it is expedient, in order to avoid errors, to Resolve ;

That the Committee are of opinion, that all papers and documents ordered to be printed by Parliament, are subject to the terms of Contract entered into between Parliament and the Contractor for the Parliamentary Printing; and that the Annual Reports, from the Heads of the several Departments, are clearly comprised within the Parliamentary Printing, as documents to be submitted to Parliament; and also, that it is within the power of Parliament to order, under its Contract, such number of copies of the above as may be required for the Public Service; and, to prevent any misunderstanding, it be requested that the Heads of the several Departments do communicate to this Committee what number of Printed Copies of their several Reports, or other Parliamentary Documents they may respectively require, that such number may be added to, and form part of the Parliamentary Distribution List.

On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd February, 1870, for copies of all Tenders sent in under the Act of last Session for the several Services of the Departmental Printing, Printing the Statutes, Binding and Stationery; and also, for copies of all Contracts entered into, Orders in Council, and all other Documents relating thereto; and the Return to an Address, dated 28th March, 1870, for copies of all Orders in Council, authorizing any Printing or Binding to be done without tender, with a detailed statement of all expenditure incurred under the authority of such Orders in Council in each such case, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

The House proceeded to take into further consideration the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Resolutions which were, yesterday, reported from the Committee of Supply, and the same were again read, as follow :---

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eleven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for Harbors and Piers (Revote \$25,000.00), as follows: Lakes Erie and Huron, \$100,000.00; Mabou Harbor \$5,000.00; Coteau du Lac Pier, \$4,000.00; Piers below Quebec \$2,500.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Rsolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses for the protection to Little Hope Light House, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and fifty two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses in connection with Public Buildings, as follows: Ottawa Parliament and Departmental Buildings (Revote) \$63,000.00; Ottawa Parliament Library (Estimate \$145,000), \$100,000.00 Montreal Custom House, \$200,000.00; St. Johns, N.B., Custom House \$75,000.00; London Custom House (Estimate \$50,000.00) \$25,000.00; Toronto Examining Warehouse \$10,000.00; Toronto Emigrant Sheds \$10,000.00; Halifax, Quarantine Station (Revote \$10,000.00) \$14,000.00; Post Offices, Toronto, Quebec, and London \$155,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Slides and Booms and works necessary to facilitate the descent of Timber, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the said Resolutions were agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twelve thousand eight hundred and thirty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and eightyfour dollars and twelve cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Rockwood Asylum, Kingston, Ontario, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand two hundred and fifty-one dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Penitentiary, Halifax, Nova Scotia, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand one hundred and sixteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Penitentiary, St. John, New Brunswick, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Directors of Penitentiaries, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for improvement of River *Thames*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Department of Finance; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Carling* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled : "An Act to revive the Charter of the "Grand Junction Railroad Company," without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Interest;

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Mackenzie* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Holton*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

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Abbott,	Dobbie,	McDougall (Three	Scatcherd,
Anglin,	Gibbs,	Rivers),	Snider,
Bodwell,	Grant,	McKeagney,	Sproat,
Bolton,	Hagar,	McMonies,	Stephenson,
Bowman,	Holton,	Merritt,	Stirton,
Bown,	Hutchison,	Metcalfe,	Tupper,
Burton,	Jackson,	Mills,	Webb,
Caldwell,	Kempt,	Morison (Victoria 0.)	Wells,
Cameron (Huron),	Lawson,	Morrison (Niagara),	Whitehead,
Cameron (Inverness),	Le Vesconte,	Munroe,	Willson,
Cameron (Peel),	Macdonald (Glengarry	)O'Connor,	Wood,
Carling,	McDonald (Middlesex		Workman,
Carmichael,		Pope,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Cartwright,	Mackenzie,	Ray,	Wright (York Ontario
Colby,	Magill,	Redford,	W.R.), and
Connell,	McConkey,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	
Currier,		, Ross (Wellington C.R.)	

## Nays :

## Messieurs

Archambeault,	Costigan,	Irvine,	Pouliot,
Archibald,	Coupal,	Joly,	Pozer,
Ault,	Daoust,	Keeler,	Read,
Beaubien,	Dorion,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Béchard,	Drew,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Lapum,	Ross (Champlain),
Benoit,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	,Ross (Dundas),
Bertrand,	Ferguson,	Macdonald, Sir John	Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Blanchet,	Fortier,	A. (Kingston),	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Bowell,	Fortin,	McDonald (Lunenb'g),	Rymal,
Brousseau,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Savary,
Brown,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Scriver,
Burpee,	Geoffrion,	McCallum,	Shanly,
Campbell,	Gendron,	McMillan,	Simpson
Caron,	Godin,	Morris,	Sylvain,
Cartier Sir George E.,	Grover,	Paquet,	Tilley,
Casault,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Pelletier,	Tremblay,
Cayley,	Howe,	Perry,	Wallace,
Chauveau,	Huot,	Pickard,	Walsh and
Cheval,	Hurdon,	Pinsonneault,	White80.
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So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put; The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

## Yeas :

## Messieurs

Archambeault,	Costigan,	Irvine,	Pouliot,
Archibald,	Coupal,	Joly,	Pozer,
Ault,	Daoust,	Keeler,	Read,
Beaubien,	Dorion,	Langevin,	Renaud,

## Yeas : Messieurs

Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Bowell, Brousseau, Brown, Burpee, Campbell, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E. Casault, Casult, Cayley, Chauveau, Cheval.	Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Huot,	(Kingston), McDonald (Lunenberg Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum, McMillan, Morris, Pâquet, Pelletier, Perry, Pickard,	Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (King's, N.B.), Nymal, Savary,
Cheval, Cimon,	Hurdon,	Pinsonnealt,	

### Nays :

Messieurs				
Abbott,	Dobbie,	McDougall (Three	Scatcherd,	
Anglin,	Gibbs,	Rivers),	Snider,	
Bodwell	Grant,	McKeagney,	Sproat,	
Bolton,	Hagar,	McMonies,	Stephenson,	
Bowman,	Holton,	Merritt,	Stirton,	
Bown,	Hutchison,	Metcalfe,	Tupper,	
Burton,	Jackson,	Mills,	Webb,	
Caldwell,	Kempt,	Morison (Victoria O.)	, Wells,	
Cameron (Huron),	Lawson,	Morrison (Niagara),	Whitehead,	
Cameron (Inverness),	Le Vesconte,	Munroe,	Willson,	
Cameron (Peel),	Macdonald (Glengarry	n)O'Connor,	Wood	
Carling,	McDonald (Middlesex	Oliver,	Workman,	
Carmichael,	MacFarlane,	Pope,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),	
Cartwright.		Ray,	Wright (York, Ontarie,	
Colby,	Magill,	Redford,	W. R.), and	
Connell,	McConkey,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	Young65.	
Currier,		)Ross(Wlington, C.R.),		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 being read,

Hon. Mr. *Tupper* moved to expunge the word "eight" and insert "seven" instead; The Committee divided : Yeas 55, Nays 69. So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. McDonald (Lunenburg) moved that Clause 2 be amended by inserting the words "except in the Province of Nova Scotia" before the word "any" in the 1st line.

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, That Clause 2 be amended by inserting the words "except in the Provinces of Nova Scotia, Ontario, and New Brunswick," before the word "any" in the 1st line; on which the Committee divided: Yeas 61, Nays 65. So it passed in the Negative.

# 22nd April.

Mr. Webb moved, That the Committee do now rise; the Committee divided : Yeas 61, Nays 71. So it passed in the Negative.

The Question was then put on Mr. *McDonald's (Lunenberg)* Motion; the Committee divided: Yeas 60, Nays 72. So it passed in the Negative.

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of the House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the Debate on the Amendment which was, on Wednesday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill (respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company) be now read the third time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, with "instructions to add the following Clause thereto. No Railway or part of Railway to be "built, acquired, or completed before the time limited by the Act hereby amended by "the said *Canada* Central Railway Company, or by the said *Ottawa* Valley Railway Com-"pany, or by any Company amalgamated or to be amalgamated with the same, shall be "deemed to have been built, acquired, or completed within such time, in so far as the "grant of land therein mentioned is concerned," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed; The House resumed the Debate.

And the hour for Private Bills having expired; The Orders for Government Measures were called.

The Committee on the Bill respecting Interest was resumed.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Clause 2 being again read.

Mr. *MacFarlane* moved, That the Committee do now rise; Yeas 23, Nays 43. So it passed in the Negative.

Clause 2 was then agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Mr. Young moved, That the following Clause be added to the Bill, after Clause 3: "That no Corporate body shall be allowed to charge a higher rate of Interest than private "individuals." Yeas 33, Nays 44. So it passed in the Negative.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment. *Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to continue and make perpetual certain Acts and parts of Acts of "the Province of *New Brunswick*, relative to the Police Force in the Parish of *Portland*, "in the City and County of St. John;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Hutchison* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto. Ordered, That the Amendment be now taken into consideration. The Amendment was then read as follow :— Leave out "perpetual" in the Title, and insert "permanent."

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to empower the Police Court in the City of *Halifax* to sentence "juvenile offenders to be detained in the *Halifax* Industrial School;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Forbes reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled "An Act to amend An Act respecting the security to be given by Officers of "Canada."

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow at Half-past Seven o'Clock P.M.

## Saturday, 23rd April, 1870.

### Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

By Mr. Fortier,-The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of Sorel.

By the Honorable Mr. Tupper,—The Petition of Messrs. B. Douglas and Company and others, of Amherst, County of Cumberland, Province of Nova Scotia.

By Mr. Gaudet,-The Petition of Antoine Mayrand and others of Three Rivers and vicinity.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Honorable R. D. Wilmot, Senator, and others, of the Dominion of Canada, presented this day, be now received.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for leave to lay before the House a Petition for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The *Quebec* and *New Brunswick* Railway Company," notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.

The following Petition was then brought up, and laid on the Table :---

By the Honorable Mr. Chauveau,—The Petition of the Honorable R. D. Wilmot, Senator, and others, of the Dominion of Canada.

Ordered, That the said Petition be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company."

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

Of Julien Chabot, and others, of the Town of Levis; praying that coal imported from Great Britain may be admitted free of duty.

Of the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society; praying for the passing of an Act, declaring that Sunday labor in all Departments of the Public Service shall be discontinued, that the locks on all Canals shall be closed to traffic,—and that all Railway Trains shall cease to run from midnight on Saturdays, till midnight on Sundays.

A Motion being made and seconded, that the Petition of the Reverend L. Aubry, Curé, and others, of the Parish of St. Antoine de la Rivière du Loup, and other Parishes, County of Maskinongé, praying that the sum of \$6,000.00 may be granted for deepening the River du Loup, at its mouth, be now received;

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

Mr. Mackenzie moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dorion, and the Question being proposed, That the Return relative to Oakville Harbor, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And Objection being taken by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, Member for the Town of *Cornwall*, That no notice has been given of the said Motion.

And Mr. Speaker being appealed to by the Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, Member for the County of *Cumberland*, whether it is not too late to take the Objection, in consequence of the Debate having continued for some length;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows: "My attention being drawn to the fact that no notice has been given, I must at once declare the Motion out of Order."

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill to vest in Her Majesty for the purposes therein mentioned the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of Bank of Upper Canada.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill respecting Interest;

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *George E.* Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions so to amend "the same as to provide that six per cent. shall be the maximum legal rate of interest; "and that Banks and all other Corporations shall be placed in the same position as "private individuals," inserted instead thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

The Honorable Mr. Cameron (Peel) moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned; The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:--

	<i>Yeas</i> : Messieurs		
Abbott, Anglin,	Gibbs, G <b>rant</b> , 30	McMonies, Merritt,	Sp <b>r</b> oat, <b>Ste</b> phe <b>neo</b> n,

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Archibald, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Bown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel), Cartwright, Colby, Connew,	Macdonald (Glengarry MacFarlane, Mackenzic, Magill, McConkey,	Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.), Morrison (Niagara), Munroe, O'Connor, Oliver, Pickard, Pope, Redford,	
Conness, Dufresne,	Rivers),	Snider,	Young.—59.

Nays : .

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		Mes	ssieurs	
	Ault.	Coupal,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	)Pinsonmeault
	Beaubien,	Daoust,	Keeler,	Pouliot,
	Béchard,	Dobbie,	Langevin,	Pozer,
	Bellerose,	Dorion,	Langlois,	Ray,
	Benoit,	Drew,	Lapum,	Read,
	Bertrand,	Dunkin,	Lawson,	Renaud,
	Blanchet,	Ferguson,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Champlain),
	Bowell,	Forbes,		Ross (Prince Edw'd),
	Brown,	Fortier,	A. (Kingston),	Ryan (King's N.R.),
	Campbell,	Fortin,	McDonald(Lunenburg)	
	Carling,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex)	)Scriver,
	Carmichael,	Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	
	Caron,	Geoffrion,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
	Cartier Sir George E.,	Gendron,	McCallum,	Sylvain,
	Casault,	Godin,	McGreevy,	Tilley,
	Cayley,	Grover,		Tupper,
	Chauveau,	Hincks Sir Francis,	Morris,	Walsh,
	Cheval,	Howe,	Pâquet,	White,
	Cimon,	Huot,	Pelletier,	Willson and
·•*)	Costigan,	Hurdon,	Perry,	Wood—79.

So it passed in the Negative. And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

Y	eas	:

Messieurs			
Abbott,	Forbes,	McMonies,	Snider,
Anglin,	Gendron,	Merritt,	Stephenson,
Archibald,	Gibbs,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Benoit.	Grant,	Mills,	Thompson (Haldim'd),
Bodwell.	Gray,	Morison (Victoria, O.	), Thompson (Ontario),
Bolton,	Holton,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tremblay,
Bowman,	Hutchison,	Munroe,	Tupper,
Bown.	Kempt,	O'Connor,	Wallace,
Burpee,	Lawson,	Oliver,	Webb,
Burton,	Le Vesconte,	Pickard,	Wells,

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# 23rd April.

Caldwell, Cameron, (Huron) Cameron (Peel) Cartwright, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Dufresne,	Macdonald (Glengarr, McDonald (Lunenb'rg MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Three Rivers),	),Ray, Redford, Renaud,	Whitehead, Wood, Workman, Wright (Ottawa C'nty) Wright (York, Ontario, ), W.R.), and Young.—70.
	N	ays :	
	$\mathbf{Me}$	ssieurs	
Archambeault,	Cheval,	Huot,	Pâquet,
Ault,	Coupal,	Irvine,	Pelletier,
Beaubien,	Daoust,	Jackson,	Perry,
Béchard,	Dobbie,	Joly,	Pinsonneault
Bellerose,	Dorion,	Keeler,	Pouliot,
Bertrand,	Drew,	Langevin,	Pozer,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Langlois,	Read,
Bowell,	Ferguson,	Lapum,	Robitaille,
Brousseau,	Fortier,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.	Ross (Champlain),
Brown,	Fortin,	(Kingston),	Scriver,
Campbell,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex)	,Shanly,
Carmichael,	Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	Simpson,
Caron,	Geoffrion,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Sylvain,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Godin,	McCallum,	Tilley,
Casault,	Grover,	McGreevy,	Walsh,
Cayley,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McMillan,	White, and
Chauveau,	Howe,	Morris,	Willson67.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions so to amend the same as to provide that six per cent. shall be the maximum legal rate of interest; and that Banks and all other Corporations shall be placed in the same position as private individuals.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Clause 1, amended by expunging the words "continue to" in line 1, and also, by expunging all the words after "interest" in line 2.

Clause 2, amended by expunging the word "eight" in line 1, and inserting the word "six" instead thereof.

Clause 3, amended by expunging the word "eight" and inserting the word "six" instead thereof, also by expunging all the words after "recoverable" in line 3.

Clause 4, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mills reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Amendments be now taken into consideration. The Amendments were then read. The Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dorion*, and the Question being proposed, That the Amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. Joly moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bowell, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be now re-committed "to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend it by expunging all "the words after 'stipulated' in line 2, clause 3, and inserting instead thereof, the "following: 'the party stipulating such higher rate of Interest than six per cent. shall "'ipso facto forfeit the whole of the Interest as a penalty," inserted instead thereof;

And The House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock, on Sunday morning :

Sunday, 24th April, 1870.

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		Messieurs			
Abbott,	Coupal,	MacFarlanc,	Ray,		
Archambeault,	Currier,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Read,		
Ault,	Dorion,	McConkey,	Renaud,		
Beaubien,	Drew,	McDougall (Renfrew)	,Ross (Prince Edw'd),		
Béchard,	Ferguson,	McDougall (Three	Ryan (King's, N.B.),		
Bellerose,	Geoffrion,	Rivers),	Snider,		
Benoit,	Gibbs,	McMonies,	Tremblay,		
Bertrand,	Godin,	Merritt,	Tupper,		
Bowell,	Grant,	Morison, (Victeria, O.			
Bown,	Holton,	Morrison (Niagara),	Webb,		
Brousseau,	Hutchison,	O'Connor,	Wells,		
Brown,	Jackson,	Pâquet,	Wood,		
Cartwright,	Joly,	Pelletier,	Workman,		
Casault.	Langlois,	Pope,	Wright (Ot'wa C'nty) &		
Chauveau,	Le Vesconte,	Pouliot,	Wright (York Ontario),		
Cimon,	Macdonald (Gleng	arry)Pozer,	<i>W</i> . <i>R</i> .)—63.		
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Messieurs					
Blanchet,	Fortin,	Lawson,	Perry,		
Campbell,	Gaucher,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.	, Pinsonneault,		
Caron,	Gaudet,	(Kingston),	Robitaille,		
Cartier, Sir George E., Gendron, McDonald (Middlesex), Ross (Champlain),					
Cayley,	Gray,	Magill,	Scatcherd,		
Cheval,	Grover,	Masson (Soulanges),	Shanly,		
Dobbie,	Howe,	McCallum,	Sylvain,		
Dufresne,	Keeler,	McGreevy,	Tilley,		
Dunkin,	Kempt,	McMillan,	White, and		
Forbes,	Langevin,	Oliver,	Willson-41.		
Fortier,	Lapum,				

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend it by expunging all the words after "stipulated" in line 2 clause 3, and inserting instead thereof the following: "the party stipulating such higher "rate of Interest than six per cent. shall *ipso facto* forfeit the whole of the Interest as a "penalty." The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Clause 3, amended by expunging all the words after the word "stipulated" in line 2, and inserting the words "the party stipulating such higher rate of Interest than six 'per cent. shall *ipso facto* forfeit the whole of the Interest as a penalty," instead thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made further amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the said amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read, and agreed to.

The Original amendments were then read a second time, and agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Tupper* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Holton*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next;

Mr. Scatcherd moved, seconded by Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then The House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the Clock on Sunday morning, adjourned till To-morrow.

Monday, 25th April, 1870.

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :---

By Mr. Sylvain,—The Petition of the Very Reverend Edmond Langevin, Vicar General of the Diocese of St. Germain de Rimouski and others, of the Province of Quebec.

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

Of Christian Wurtele and others, Trustees of the Quebcc Provident and Savings' Bank; praying for a renewal and extension of the Act relating to Savings' Banks, for ten years or longer.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Sorel*; praying that Custom duties may not be imposed on Wheat, Flour, Coal, &c., as proposed by the Government.

Of Messrs. B. Douglas and Company, and others, of Amherst, County of Cumberland, Province of Nova Scotia; praying for the passing of an Act to assimilate the Currency of the Dominion.

Of Antoine Mayrand and others, of Three Rivers, and vicinity; praying that Coal imported from Great Britain, may be admitted free of duty.

Mr. Brousseau, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix No. 3.)

Mr. MacFarlane, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Hon. R. D. Wilmot, Senator and others, of the Dominion of *Canada*, for incorporation of the *Quebec* and *New Brunswick* Railway Company, and find that the notices have not been given for the full time required by the Rule; but they find that the railway will not interfere with any existing interest, and Your Committee therefore beg to recommend that the notice be deemed sufficient.

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25th April.

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Supplementary Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1870, for copies of all correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of *Gaspé*, and the County of *Bonaventure*, since, First July, 1868; also copies of all correspondence, and of all instructions given to either of the said Judges directing them to proceed to the holding of the Court at *Amherst*, *Magdalen Islands*, at the periods fixed by law, with a statement of the number of sittings, and the date of each sitting of such Court. (Sessional Papers, No. 67).

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

The Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :---

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Ontario* and *Erie* Ship Canal Company." Bill, intituled: "An Act to remove certain restrictions with respect to the issue of "Bank Notes in *Nova Scotia.*"

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the Debate upon the amendment, which was, on Wednesday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill (respecting the *Canada* Central Railway Company), be now read the third time; and which Amendment was, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with "instruction to add the following Clause: 'No Railway or part of Railway to be built, "acquired, or completed before the time limited by the Act hereby amended by the said "*Canada* Central Railway Company, or by the said *Ottawa* Valley Railway Company, or "'by any Company amalgamated or to be amalgamated with the same shall be deemed to "thave been built, acquired, or completed within such time in so far as the grant of land "therein mentioned is concerned," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed :--The House resumed the Debate.

And Objection being taken by Mr. *Grant*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Russell*, That the Amendment is not in Order, inasmuch as one day's notice had not been given thereof, under the 68th Rule of this House;

Mr. Speaker decided, That as it had already been debated upon during two previous sittings, it was too late to take the objection.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas :

#### Messieurs.

Ault,	Cimon,	Lawson,	Ross (Champlain),
Beaubien,	Coupal,	Macdonald (Cornwall	) Ross (Dundas),
Béchard,	Dobbie,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ross-(Prince Edw'd),
Benoit,	Drew,	McCallum,	Stephenson,
Bertrand,	Ferguson,	McConkey,	Sylvain,
Bowell,	Fortin	Paquet,	Thompson (H'ldim'nd)
Cameron (Huron),	Gendron,	Pelletier,	Tremblay,
Carling,	Godin,	Pinsonneault,	White,
Casault,	Grover,	Pouliot,	Whitehead,
Cayley,	Hurdon,	Pozer,	Willson, and
Chauveau,	Irvine,	Robitaille,	Wood46.
Choval	Langlois,		



Abbott.	Fortier,	Masson (Terrebonne)	Rymal.
Anglin,	Gibbs,	McDougall(Renfrew),	Savary,
Archibald,	Grant,	McDougall (Three	
Bodwell,	Gray,	Rivers),	Shanly,
Bolton,	Hincks, Sir Francis,		Simpson,
Bowman,	Holton,	Morris,	Stirton,
Brousseau,	Howe,	Morrison (Niagara),	Thompson (Ontario),
Burpee,	Hutchison,	O'Connor,	Tilley,
Caldwell,	Joly.	Oliver,	Tupper,
Campbell,	Jones (L'de & Grenville)	Perry,	Wallace,
Colby,	Keeler,	Pickard,	Wells,
Costigan,	Langevin,	Pope,	Workman,
Currier,	Le Vesconte,	Redford,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
Dorion,	McDonald (Lunenb'rg)	Renaud,	and
Dunkin,	MacFarlane,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.,),	Young.—61.
Forbes,	Mackenzie,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),	

## Nays :

Messieurs

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Abbott, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dorion,

Ordered, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the purpose of amending the same by striking out of the 9th section thereof, all after the word "Company" in the sixth line of the said section, and inserting instead thereof the following words : "such a sum of money for the same as shall be determined and fixed by "the Parliament of Canada, either for the absolute purchase thereof, or for the leasing "thereof, or for the making of running arrangements therewith in respect of any "Railway appertaining to the Dominion of *Canada*.—But no claim shall be made by "the said Company for any exclusive right of way. Provided always that the said "Company shall not be construed to have any more power or right in respect of claiming "any land grants than they would have had if this Act had not been passed."

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The Amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of *Canada*, 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141, to all parts of the Dominion of *Canada*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDonald (Lunenburg)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Amendments be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to extend the operation "of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 19 and 29 Vict., Chapter "141, concerning the Synod of the Church of England in Canada, to the Province of "Nova Scotia."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Tupper* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gray*, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of Reporting and Publishing the Debates of Parliament;

Mr. McDonald (Lunenburg) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the Report be referred back to the Committee, with a recommendation that a plan be "devised and reported, by which the efficient Reporting and Publishing the Debates of "next Session of Parliament may be secured," inserted instead thereof;

Mr. Bodwell moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. Stirton, That the words "the Report be referred back to the Committee, with a "recommendation that a plan be devised and reported, by which the efficient Reporting "and Publishing the Debates of next Session of Parliament may be secured;" be left out, and the words "it is inexpedient, at this late period of the Session, to take any "action in regard to Reporting the Debates of this House," inserted instead thereof.

Yeas:				
Messieurs				
Anglin,	Fortier,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ross (Dundas),	
Ault,	Gaucher,	McCallum,	Ross (Prince Edward),	
Béchard,	Gaudet,	McConkey,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	
Bertrand,	Geoffrion,	McDougall (Rent'w),	Ross (Wellington C.R.)	
Bodwell,	Gibbs,	McMillan,	Rymal,	
Bolton,	Godin,	McMonies,	Scatcherd,	
Bowell,	Grover,	Merritt,	Scriver,	
Bowman,	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Shanly,	
Bown,	Holmes,	Mills,	Simard,	
Brown,	Holton,	Morison (Victoria 0.),	Snider,	
Burpee,	Hurdon,	Munroe,	Sproat,	
Caldwell,	Hutchison,	Oliver,	Stirton,	
Cameron (Huron),	Jackson,	Paquet,	Sylvain,	
Carmichael,	Joly,	Pelletier,	Thompson (H'ldim'nd)	
Casault,	Jones (L'ds & Gr'nville	Perry,	Thompson (Ontario),	
Cheval,	Keeler,	Pickard,	Wallace,	
Cimon,	Kempt,	Pinsonneault,	Webb,	
Colby,	Langlois,	Pope,	Wells,	
Costigan,	Lapum,	Pouliot,	White,	
Coupal,	Lawson,	Pozer,	Whitehead,	
Daoust,	Le Vesconte,	Ray,	Willson	
Dobbie,	Macdonald (Cornicall)	Read,	Wood and	
Dorion,	McDonald (Middlesex)		Wright (York, Ontaris,	
Drew,	MacFarlans,	Renaud,	<i>W</i> . <i>R</i> .),—97.	
Dufresne,	Mackenzie,			

		Nays :		
Messieurs				
Archambeault,	Currier,	Huot,	Robitaille,	
Beaubien,	Dunk <b>in</b> ,	Langevin,	Ross (Champlain),	
Bellerose,	Ferguson,	McDonald (Lunenburg)	Savary,	
Benoit,	Forbes,	Masson (Terrebonne),		
Brousseau,	Fortin,	McDougall (Three	Tupper,	
Carling,	Gendron,	Rivers ),	Walsh,	
Caron,	Grant,	McKeagney,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty).	
Cartier, Sir George	E.,Gray,	Morris,	and	
Cayley,	Howe,	O'Connor,	Young35.	
Chauveau,		,	•	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the Amendment to the Original Question, so amended: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put,

Resolved, That it is inexpedient, at this late period of the Session, to take any action in regard to reporting the Debates of this House.

Mr. *Mills* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dorion*, and the Question being proposed, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following proposed Resolutions :---

1. Resolved, That the British North America Act, 1867, declares that it shall be lawful for the Queen, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, on Addresses from the Houses of the Parliament of Canada, to admit Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory, or either of them, into the Union on such terms and conditions, in each case, as are in the Addresses expressed, and the Queen thinks fit to approve, subject to the provisions of said Act, and the provisions of such Order in Council, shall have effect as if they had been enacted by the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

2. Resolved, That the four Provinces of the Dominion of Canada are declared by the British North America Act to be Federally united, under which form of Union the powers of the Provincial Legislatures are derived from the same high source as those of the Federal Legislature, and cannot be altered or abridged by that Legislature; and it is essential to the Federal principle that the terms and conditions of admission into the Union of the remaining Provinces and Territories of British North America should be settled and secured in like manner.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient that Her Majesty's Order in Council, for the admission of the North-West Territories into Canada, should contain such terms and conditions as will secure to the people of the Territories certain powers of self-government, and as will create a Federal relation between Canada and any Province to be established within the Territories, and give to the people of such Province, the same rights, and to its Government and Legislature, the same powers and authorities, and the same protection against encroachments as are now enjoyed by the Provinces already included in the Dominion;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

On motion of the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, seconded by the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—a Statement of the amount paid each District Staff Officer of the Volunteer Force for supplying offices for the District Staff, the names of the officers supplied, the amount paid for each office so supplied from October, 1868, up to 1st November, 1869; also the amount paid by order of the Militia Department for office rent directly to any members of the District Staffs, and if so, to whom; together with all correspondence connected therewith, or in any way appertaining thereto.

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

#### On motion of Mr. Metcalfe, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

Ordered, That a Statement be laid before this House from the several Banks of the Dominion, giving the names of the Shareholders and the amount of Stock held by each such Shareholder; the nominal value of such shares and the amount paid up; and also that the Clerk of the House be directed to procure the printing of such Returns for distribution and Sessional Papers, as soon as received by him.

And The House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning;

## Tuesday, 26th April, 1870.

On motion of Mr. Béchard, seconded by Mr. Pelletier,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, A copy of the Report of H. W. Austin, in relation to certain obstructions called "Eel Weirs" existing in the River Richelieu, between St. John and Iberville.

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

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards a Bill to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Chauveau have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, and the 60th Rule of this House was suspended in relation thereto

On motion of Mr. Wright (Ottawa County), seconded by Mr. Currier,

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution providing for the Registration of marks or brands used for marking Timber.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE).

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provision for the Registration of marks or brands used for marking timber: and, for that purpose, to impose the following fees, to wit:—

On every application to register a timber mark, including certificate \$2.00

For each certificate of registration not already provided for ..... 0.50

For each copy of any drawing, the reasonable expenses of preparing

the same.

For recording any assignment..... 1.00

And that such fees be paid over by the Minister of Agriculture to the Receiver General, and form part of Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

On every application to register a timber mark, including certificate \$2.00 For each certificate of registration not already provided for ...... 0.50 For each copy of any drawing, the reasonable expenses of preparing the same.

And that such fees be paid over by the Minister of Agriculture to the Receiver General, and form part of Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

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

On motion of Mr. Magill, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return shewing, Istly, the amount which has accrued in each year from the sale of Clergy Reserves in Upper Canada, since the passage of the Act 18th Victoria, Chap. 2; 2ndly, a statement of the amount paid annually to each Municipality in Upper Canada during that period; and 3rdly, the amount now due to each of them respectively under the authority thereof.

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

And then The House, having continued to sit till Twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 26th April, 1870.

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

By Mr. Robitaille,---The Petition of John Campbell, J.P., and others, of Nouvelle and Shoolbred; and the Petition of the Municipalities of Restigouche and Matapedia, County of Bonaventure.

By Mr. Workman,—The Petition of the Montreal Board of Trade; and the Petition of the New City Gas Company, of Montreal.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:---

The Committee beg to submit, as their Tenth Report, the Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to examine into the remuneration paid to the Employés of the Department of the Printing of Parliament, attached to the Joint Distribution Room as follows :---

That the Staff employed in the Distribution Room is a Distributor, an Assistant Distributor, and two Messengers; the two former are paid an annual salary, the Distributor of \$600 and the Assistant of \$500; while the two messengers, employed only during the Session, each receive \$2.00 per diem. The Distributor, Edward Botterell has been in the Public Service over 14 years, during the most of which time he has been employed in his present capacity, and is thoroughly efficient in the performance of his duties, which under Confederation have largely increased, entitling him in the opinion of the Sub-Committee, to an equivalent increase in his salary, which they recommend to be advanced from \$600 to \$\$00, When the Joint Distribution Room was established, doing away with the distribution of the Printed Papers in either House, Napoléon Boulet was transferred from the Senate to this Room as Assistant Distributor; he has been in the Public Service some seven years, and has proved efficient in the increased duties he has been called on to perform, entitling him, in the opinion of the Committee, to have his salary advanced from \$500 to \$600. The two Sessional Messengers J. Rivet. and E. O. Botterell perform their duties faithfully, but the Committee conceive their remuneration of \$2.00 per diem quite sufficient.

The Honorable Mr. Langevin a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th March, 1870, for copies of all Orders in Council and correspondence, and of all leases and surrenders of leases touching the property now leased by Government to the *Cornwall* Manufacturing Company, or *George Stephen*, Esquire, with a Statement of the rents payable under the former leases, and of the rent (if any) payable under the present lease, and of the rents payable in respect of the other water powers in the *Cornwall* Canal leased by the Government to other parties. (Sessional Papers, No. 71.)

A Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to continue and make perpetual certain "Acts and parts of Acts of the Province of *New Brunswick* relative to the Police Force "in the Parish of *Portland*, in the City and County of *Saint John*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with an Amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to empower the Police Court in the "City of *Halifax* to sentence juvenile offenders to be detained in the *Halifax* Industrial "School," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution on the subject of the duty on vessels, imposed under the authority of the Act 32-33 Vic., Cap. 40.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved,—That it is expedient to amend the Act, 32 and 33, Vict., Cap. 40, so as to provide that the duty therein mentioned shall be payable once in twelve months, on vessels not over one hundred tons burthen, and twice in twelve months, on vessels over one hundred tons burthen, instead of being payable once or twice (as the case may be) in each fiscal year; and that such duty shall be payable on vessels entering the harbors in which it is imposed, whether such vessels are or not entered or cleared at the Custom House, and shall be payable at any harbor where there is no collector, to any officer of the Customs authorised to receive it, on pain of the detention of the vessel, and of a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars for non-payment; and that the said Act shall extend to Aspy Bay or Cape North Harbor, and Southern Bay, Inganiche, both in Victoria County, Nova Scotia, as well as to the Ports and Harbors mentioned in the said Act.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray [reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution,

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported the Resolution accordingly; and the same was read, as followeth :---

*Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act, 32 and 33 *Vict.*, Cap. 40, so as to provide that the duty therein mentioned shall be payable once in twelve months, on vessels not over one hundred tons burthen, and twice in twelve months, on vessels over one hundred tons burthen, instead of being payable once or twice (as the case may be) in each fiscal year; and that such duty shall be payable on vessels entering the harbors in which it is imposed, whether such vessels are or not entered or cleared at the Custom House, and shall be payable at any harbor where there is no collector, to any officer of the Customs, authorized to receive it, on pain of the detention of the vessel, and of a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars for non-payment; and that the said Act shall extend to Aspy Bay or Cape North Harbor, and Southern Bay, Inganiche, both in Victoria County, Nova Scotia, as well as to the Ports and Harbors mentioned in the said Act.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Tilley* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the Act to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion.

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

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:----

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., cap. 44, and the tariff of Duties and Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on animals, viz :--Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep : which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum ad valorem, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz :---

Cigars Coal and Coke Salt ; except Salt imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions, which			45 50	
shall be free of duty		0	5	
Hops	Per lb.	0	5	
Vinegar and Acetic Acid	Per Gallon	0	10	
Rice	Per lb.	0	1	
Wheat	Per bushel	0	4	
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats,				
Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other				
Grain except Wheat	Per bushel	0	3	
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye	Per barrel of lbs.	0	25	
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal				
of any other grain except Wheat and Rye	Per barrel	Q	15	

Spirits and Strong Waters, viz :---Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, viz :----Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, Tafia, Whiskey, Per gallon \$0 80 and unenumerated articles of like kind..... Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, viz :---Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Old Tom Gin, Scheidam Schnapps, Bitters, and unenumerated articles of like kind ..... Per gallon \$1 20 Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks... 1 20 ... Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks or bottles; thirty of such flasks or bottles not containing more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle..... 0 4 1 20 Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters..... Spirits and Strong Waters imported into Canada, mixed with any ingredient or Ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines, Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed

"Spirits or Strong Waters" and subject to a duty as such.

Fruits preserved in Brandy or other Spirits...... Per gallon \$1 20 5. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "goods paying ten per cent ad valorem," viz.:--

Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Grease and Grease Scraps, Vegetables including potatoes and other roots, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the Schedule B, by striking "Iron "Wire" out of the List of "goods paying five per centum ad valorem."

7. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by repealing so much thereof as imposes any Duty of Customs on Tobacco, or on Wines, or on Packages, and substituting the following in lieu thereof :---

Tobacco and Snuff, 121 per centum ad valorem, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *ad valorem*, and a specific duty of *ten* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon).

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the words "Salt," under the head "Natural Products," the words "Salt, when imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions:"—and

By adding under the heading "Manufacturers and Products of Manufacturers,"— Bookbinders Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—"Drugs, Dye Stuffs, Oils and "Colors not elsewhere specified,"—the words, "Colors, and other articles, when imported "by room-paper makers and stainers, to be used in their trade only; viz."

9. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "Manufactures and "Products of Manufactures:"—"Fire Engines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal "Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories—not to include "Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—" Gold and Silver Leaf,"— "Emery Paper and Emery Cloth,"—" Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—" Platers' Leaf," all which articles will be thereafter included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of fifteen per centum *ad valorem* under Schedule B.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "Natural Products," the following articles, viz. :--Coal and Coke, --Flour, Wheat and Rye, --Grain of all kinds, --Grease, and Grease Scraps, --Hay, --Hops, ---Indian Corn, --Indian Meal, ---Roots, ---Shrubs, Trees-- and Vegetables, culinary, ---all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.

11. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section :---

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which an ad valorem Duty of Customs is imposed, "imported into Canada by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods on ship-board "at the last place of their shipment to Canada; and the value of such goods for duty, "if imported from the United States by land or inland navigation, shall be the actual "value of such goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into "Canada, and whence they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to Canada; "and such value shall be ascertained by adding to the value of such goods at the place of "growth, production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether by land or "water, and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of "growth, production or manufacture, to the vessel in which the shipment thereof is made "to Canada, or to the place where the goods are purchased in the United States, and "whence they are directly conveyed to Canada as aforesaid, --- and including also the value " of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind in which such goods are con-"tained, and all export duties on such goods, and all costs and charges incurred in "placing such goods on shipboard, or in the vessel, cars, or carriage, in which they are "conveyed to Canada."

12. Resolved, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act, and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent. of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 Vict., c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the tollowing in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31 :---

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, "except Cigars and common *Canada* Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, 15 cents."

"7. On Common Canada Twist, otherwise called Tabac blanc en torquette, being the "unpressed leaf rolled and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of Canada, for every pound or less quantity than a pound, 10 cents.

"8. On Cigars for every pound, or less quantity than a pound, 30 cents."

14. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley, and the Question being proposed, That the Report be now re-committed to the Committee of Ways and Means, with a view to make the following amendments :--

In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 7, [insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries;"—in line 22, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or." In the same Resolution, line 5, strike out "Coal and Coke—per ton 50 cents"—and in line 12, strike out "Wheat per bushel 4 cents."—In the same, line 24, after the word "Gin" insert the words "including Old Tom "—and in line 28, strike out the words "Old Tom Gin."

In Resolution 5, line 7, insert the word "Green" before the word "Fruits"—and strike out the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and in line 8, after the word "Roots," insert the word "Plants."

In Resolution 10, line 3, strike out the words "Coal and Coke,"—and in line 4 strike out the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and after the words "Indian Meal" insert the word "Plants,"—and after the word "Roots" insert the words "Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or manufacturing purposes."

In Resolution 11, lines 4 and 5, strike out the words "on shipboard at the last place of their shipment to Canada,"—and insert the words "at the place at which they are purchased,"—in lines 12 and 13, strike out the words "to the vessel in which the shipment is made to Canada, or,"—and in line 13 strike out the words "in the United States,"—and strike out all the words after "incurred" in line 16 to the end of line 18, and insert instead the words "prior to their purchase."

In Resolution 13, line 10, strike out "10" and insert "7," and after the word "cents" in line 11, add the words "subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council;"

Mr. Macdonald, (Glengarry.) moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Bodwell, that the words "and that it be an Instruction to the Committee to restore Flour and Meal to the free list," be added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

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

Wednesday, 27th April, 1870.

On motion of Mr. Burpee, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

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

Wednesday, 27th April, 1870.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :---

Of the Very Reverend Edmond Langevin, Vicar General of the Diocese of St. Germain de Rimouski, and others, of the Province of Quebec; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Sea Ports of the Dominion.

The Honorable Sir Alexander T. Galt, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec* and *New* Brunswick Railway Company, and have agreed to report the same, with several amendments.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, seconded by the Honorable Sir Alexander T. Galt,

Ordered, That the Bill to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company be read a second time this day, when the Order for Private Bills is called.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hutchison, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Anglin,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the names of all persons (including Paymasters) now employed on the survey of the Intercolonial Railway, in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, and the salaries paid to each.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, particulars of account rendered by, and paid to the Sheriff of Northumberland, of \$600, charged in the Public Accounts, up to the 30th June, 1869.

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

On motion of Mr. Stephenson, seconded by Mr. Bowell,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return of all sums paid to Messrs. *Hunter, Rose, &* Co., late Parliamentary Printers, for printing Departmental Reports for the several Departments since the 1st July, 1867; together with the items of work in detail, for which said sums have been paid.

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

On motion of Mr. *McDonald (Lunenburg)*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House—A Return of the Petitions or any correspondence in possession of the Government, referring to the appoint ment of a Harbor Master for the Port of *Halifax*.

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

On motion of Mr. Bolton, seconded by Mr. Caldwell,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return of all sums collected by Customs Officers, or by their Deputies, for Bonds, Entries, Certificates, Blanks, or for any other charges made in their respective Offices since the 1st July, 1867; and a Statement of what fees (if any) such officers are entitled to receive in connection with their duties.

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

On motion of Mr. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Burpee,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all Petitions and Correspondence referring to the removal of the Office of the General Post Office Inspector, from the City of Fredericton to the City of St. John, N, B. Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Brousseau, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

*Resolved*, That this House doth concur in the Eighth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. Masson (Soulanges), seconded by Mr. Renaud,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement shewing all sums paid for the hiring of carriages, by any persons in the several Public Departments, or by any other persons in connection with the Public Service; the names of those who employed such carriages, and the purposes for which they employed them,—since the Federal Union of the Provinces of the Dominion.

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

On motion of Mr. Pâquet, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement shewing the number of Proclamations, Notices, Regulations, Calls for Tenders and other official documents, inserted by order of the Government, or of its officers, employés, or Commissioners, in the course of the last three fiscal years: 1, in the Journal de Sorel; 2, in L'Echo duRichelieu; 3, in the Sorel Advertiser, which Journals are published in the Town of Sorel, District of Richelieu, and Province of Quebec; also a statement of the amounts paid or to be paid for such insertions or publication.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,-A statement shewing the amount in detail collected, and by whom paid, to the Government Agent for the Seigniory of Sorel, since the date of the appointment of James Armstrong, Esq., Q.C., as such Agent for the Seigniory of Sorel; the amount remitted to the Government upon the said collections by the said Agent, and the date of each of such remittances; the amount allowed and paid or retained by the said Agent as his per centage out of the total amount collected; the number of suits instituted since the appointment of the said Agent in the name of Sir John A. Macdonald, Minister of Justice, by the said Agent acting as one of the Advocates or Attorneys in the said suits, for the recovery of rentes due in the Seigniory of Sorel, and the amount of each of suits; the amount in detail charged to the Government by the Advocates and Attorneys of the said Seigniory as their fees and disbursements in suits brought by them, and the amount so paid by the Government; the amount charged, allowed, and paid by the Government to the said James Armstrong, Esquire, for rent of the office occupied by him as Agent for the said Seigniory; the amount charged, allowed, and paid as office expenses, as well for stationery as for assistance or persons employed in the said office, or any other outlay charged by the said James Armstrong in relation to the said office and the said duty as Agent and Advocate for the said Seigniory; the amount in detail, incurred, charged, allowed, or paid to the said James Armstrong, Esq., or to any other person for advertisements, notices, proclamations, orders, and rules of Court published in the Newspapers, Journal de Sorel, L'Echo du Richelieu, and the Sorel Advertiser, since the appointment of the said James Armstron's as Agent and Advocate of the said Seigniory of *Sorel*, in relation to the said Seigniory; the number of and the amounts claimed in each action, as well as in all cases pending before the Circuit and Superior Courts in the name of Sir John A. Macdonald, Minister of Justice, against the censitaires of the said Seigniory, and a detailed statement of the amounts of the disbursements up to the present date by the Government in the said pending cases; the amount that the said Agent and Advocate of the said Seigniory of Sorel has now in hand belong-

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ing to the Government; such statement also to shew (in respect of the amount allowed to the said *James Armstrong*, Esquire, for his per centage on the collections made by him as Agent without suit) the amount charged by the said *James Armstrong* upon the collection made by him in cases in which he was engaged as one of the Advocates or Attorneys in addition to his fee as such, charged and drawn by him from the Defence.

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

#### On motion of Mr. Masson (Soulanges), seconded by Mr. Pinsonneault,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House—A detailed statement of all sums paid to the Grand Trunk Railway Company; also, to the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway Company, for special Cars and special Trains; shewing the amount paid for such and for what service.

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

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

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of *Halifax*," without any Amendment.

# On motion of Mr. Jones (Leeds and Grenville), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Wood,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House—A detailed Statement, shewing the amount of money received by *Alfred Brunell*, and other Officers of the Public Service, on account of seizures made in connection with the Department of Inland Revenue, since the 1st of January, 1866, up to the present time.

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

On motion of Mr. Savary, seconded by Mr. McDonald (Lunenburg),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all further correspondence and official documents and reports in possession of the Government on the subject of a uniform currency between the different Commercial Nations; including a copy of the Report of the Royal Commissioners on International Currency referred to in the Dispatch of His Grace the Duke of *Buckingham* and *Chandos* to His Excellency Viscount Monck, under date of 26th October, 1868.

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

The Honorable Sir Alexander T. Galt, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix No. 4.)

#### Half-past Seven O'clock P.M.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Casault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Amendment be now taken into consideration.

The Amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That Mr. Savary have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Section 142 of the Insolvent Act of 1869.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, yesterday, proposed to be be made to the Question, That the Report (of the Committee of Ways and Means) be now re-committed to the Committee of Ways and Means, with a view to make the following Amendments :---

In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 7, insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries,"— in line 22, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or." In the same Resolution, line 5, strike out "Coal and Coke—per ton 50 cents,"—and in line 12 strike out "Wheat per bushel 4 cents."—In the same, line **24**, after the word "Gin" insert the words "including Old Tom,"—and in line 28, strike out the words "Old Tom Gin."

In Resolution 5, line 7, insert the word "Green" before the word "Fruits,"—and strike out the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and in line 8, after the word "Roots" insert the word "Plants."

In Resolution 10, line 3, strike out the words "Coal and Coke,"—and in line 4 strike out the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and after the words "Indian Meal" insert the word "Plants,"—and after the word "Roots" insert the words "Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or manufacturing purposes."

In Resolution 11, lines 4 and 5, strike out the words "on shipboard at the last place of their shipment to *Canada*,"—and insert the words "at the place at which they are purchased,"—in lines 12 and 13 strike out the words "to the vessel in which the shipment is made to *Canada*, or,"—and in line 13 strike out the words "in the *United States*,"—and strike out all the words after "incurred" in line 16 to the end of line 18, and insert instead the words "prior to their purchase."

In Resolution 13, line 10, strike out "10" and insert "7," and after the word "cents" in line 11, add the words "subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council,"

And which Amendment was, That the words "and that it be an instruction to "the Committee to restore Flour and Meal to the free list," be added at the end thereof;

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed: The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

# Thursday, 28th April, 1870.

And the Question being put on the Amendment: the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

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Anglin, Béchard, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bourassa, Bowman. Brousseau, Burpee, Caldwell, Carmichael, Caron, Cartwright, Casault, Cheval, Cimon, Connell, Costigan,	Dorion, Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier,	Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McCarthy, McConkey, ,McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Renfrcw), McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonics, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria, O.) Oliver, Paquet, Pelletier,	Ross (Wellington,C.R). Ryan (Montreal West) Rymal, Savary, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (H'dim'nd), Tremblay,
Coupal,	Magill,	Pozer,	v
	Ne	ays :	

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Crawford (Brockville),	Lacerte,	Robitaille,
Archibald,	Currier,	Langevin,	Ross ( Champlain ),
Ault,	Dobbie,	Lapum,	Ross (Dundas),
Beaty,	Drew,	Lawson,	Ross (Prince Edward)
Beaubien,	Dunkin,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Victoria, N. S.),
Bellerose,	Ferguson,	Macdonald Sir J. A.,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Bertrand,	Fortin, -		Scriver,
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Lunenb'rg	
Bowell,	Gibbs,	McDonald (Middlesex	)Simpson,
Bown,	Grant,	McCallum,	Sproat,
Brown.	Gray,	McKeagney,	Stephenson,
Burton,	Grover,	McMillan,	Sylvain,
Cameron (Huron),	Harrison,	Merritt,	Tilley,
Cameron (Peel),	Heath,	Morris,	Tupper,
Campbell,	Hincks Sir Francis,	Morrison (Niagara),	Walsh,
Carling,	Holmes,	Munroe,	Webb,
Cartier Sir George E.	Howe,	O'Connor,	White,
Cayley,	Huot,	Perry,	Whitehead,
Chamberlin,	Hurdon,	Pope,	Willson, and
Chauveau,	Jackson,	Ray,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
Colby,	Keeler,	Read,	

So it passed in the Négative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now recommitted to

the Committee of Ways and Means, with a view to make the following Amendments: In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 7, insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries; "—in line 22, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or." In the same resolution, line 5, strike

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The Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, and the Previous Question being put, That this Question be now put, the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Anglin, Béchard, Benoit, Bodwell, Bolton, Bowman, Burpee, Caldwell, Carmichael, Cartwright, Casault, Cheval, Cimon, Connell, Costigan,	Dufresne, Forbes, Fortier, Galt, Sir Alexander, T Gaudet, Geoffrion, Godin, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kempt, Macdonald(Glengarry MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill,	McDougall (Renfrew), V.McDougall (Three Rivers), McMonies, Metcalfe, Mills, Morison (Victoria 0.) Paquet, Pelletier,	Savary, Scatcherd, Snider, Stirton, Thompson (Hald'm'd),
		Redford,	
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#### Nays :

Archambeault,	. Crawford (Broc	kville),Lacerte,	Read,
Archibald,	Currier,	Langevin,	Robitaille,
Ault,	Dobbie,	Langlois,	Ross (Champlain),
Beaty,	Drew,	Lapum,	Ross (Dundas),
Beaubien,	Dunkin,	Lawson,	Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Bellerose,	Ferguson,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Victoria N.S.),

Bertrand,	Fortin,	Macdonald, Sir John	Ryan (King's N.B.),
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	A. (Kingston),	
Bowell,	Gendron,	McDonald (Lunenburg	
Bown, *	Gibbs,	McDonald (Middlesex	
Brousseau,	Grant,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Brown,	Gray,	McCallum,	
Burton,	Grover,		Sylvain,
Cameron (Huron),	Harrison,	Merritt,	Tilley,
Cameron (Peel),	Heath,	Morris,	Tupper,
Campbell,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Morrison (Niagara),	
Carling,	Holmes,	Munroe,	Webb,
Caron,	Howe,	O'Connor,	White,
Cartier, Sir George	E., Huot,	Oliver,	Whitehead,
Cayley,	Hurdon,	Perry,	Willson, and
Chamberlin,	Irvine,	Pope,	Wright (Ottawa
Chauveau,	Jackson,	Ray,	County)88.
Colby,	Keeler,	•	• /

So it passed in the Negative.

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Four of the Clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 28th April, 1870.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :---

By Mr. Robitaille,—The Petition of Pacifique Dorion and others of the Township of Matapedia, County of Bonaventure.

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

Of John Campbell, J.P., and others, of Nouvelle and Shoolbred; and of the Municipalities of *Ristigouche* and *Matapedia*, the County of *Bonaventure*; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of the *Montreal* Board of Trade; praying that no law may be passed confirming the imposition of -duties on Bread-stuffs, Coal, and Salt, imported into *Canada*.

Of the New City Gas Company of *Montreal*; praying that no law may be passed confirming the imposition of a duty on Coal, imported into *Canada*.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

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

Report of a Committee of the Senate appointed on the subject of *Rupert's Land*, *Red River*, and the *North-West* Territory, with map (5,000 Copies in the usual proportion in each language);

Return and Supplementary Return to Address,—Correspondence respecting the appointment of Judges for the County of Gaspé and the County of Bonaventure, since 1st July, 1868, &c.;

Return to Address,—Account in detail of the amount loaned by the late Province of Upper Canada in connection with the Oakville Harbor and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, &c.; Return to Address,—Statement shewing the defalcations in the Financial Department of the Government so far as brought to light. Also copies of any regulations during the past year for the auditing of the accounts. (Sessional Papers only);

Return to Address, -- Detailed statement of the Salary and Expenses of the Inspector of Drill Sheds at Toronto, with the date of his appointment, his instructions and other papers, &c. (For distribution only);

Return to Address,—Instructions to Surveyors sent to North-West, and Statement shewing the number of men employed, and the Salaries to be paid, &c., &c., (with 3 maps). The Committee recommend that the following be not printed, viz :—

Return to Address,—Statement of the amount paid annually by way of Indemnity under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act for the benefit of the Township of Whitworth, Parish of St. Antoine, County Temiscouata;

Return to Address, — Observations and remarks of the Chief Justice of New Brunswick and the Bar of that Province on the proposed Bill to constitute a Court of Appeal;

Return to Address,—Unsettled claims against the Government of *Canada* for Barracks, repairs, &c., for Imperial Troops, from 1st January, 1861, to the present time;

Return to Address,—Sums paid by the Government of Canada for Barracks, repairs, &c., for the Imperial Troops, from January, 1861, to December, 1869, and charged as Militia Expenditure or otherwise;

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., relating to the refund to Messrs. Gooderham and Worts of Toronto, of certain Excise Duties :

Return to Address,—List of the Cadets who have passed through the several Military Schools of the Dominion, &c. ;

Return to Address,-Statement of all lands sold in the Saugeen Indian Peninsula, from 1856 to 1861, &c., &c.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House he Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read. (*Appendix*, No. 2.)

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General—Report of Donald A. Smith, Esquire, in relation to the affairs of the North-West Territories. (Sessional Papers, No. 12.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the H $\delta$ use, That a Message had been brought from the Senate, by their Clerk, as followeth :---

The Senate have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Bill intituled : "An Act to continue and make perpetual certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Province "of *New Brunswick*, relative to the Police Force in the Parish of *Portland*, in the City "and County of *Saint John*," without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dunkin,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate intituled: "An Act to make provision for "discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following Certificate :--

#### Ottawa, 28th April, 1870.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election dated the Second day of April instant, issued by His Excellency the Governor General and addressed to the Neturning Officer for the Electoral District of the County of Frontenac, in the Province of Ontario, (William Ferguson, Esquire, Sheriff of the County of Frontenac, appointed Returning Officer for the said Electoral District), for the Election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the County of Frontenac in the House of Commons of Canada, in the present Parliament, in the room and stead of Thomas Kirkpatrick, Esquire, who, since his election as the Representative of the said Electoral District, departed this life; George Airey Kirkpatrick, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, dated the Twenty-seventh day of the month of April instant, which is now lodged of Record in my office.

#### EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

#### Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

#### To William B. Lindsay,, Esq.,

Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada, Ottawa.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Question which was, on Tuesday last, proposed, That the Report (of the Committee of Ways and Means) be now recommitted to the Committee of Ways and Means, with a view to make the following amendments :---

In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 7, insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries;"—in line 22, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or."—In the same Resolution line 5 strike out "Coal and Coke—per ton 50 cents"—and in line 12 strike out "Wheat per bushel 4 cents."

-In the same, line 24, after the word "Gin" insert the words "including Old Tom"and in line 28 strike out the words "Old Tom Gin."

In Resolution 5, line 7, insert the word "Green" before the word "Fruits"—and strike out the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and in line 8, after the word "Roots" insert the word "Plants."

In Resolution 10, line 3, strike out the words "Coal and Coke," and in line 4, strike out the words "Grease and Grease Scraps,"—and after the words "Indian Meal" insert the word "Plants,"—and after the word "Roots" insert the words "Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or manufacturing purposes."

In Resolution 11, lines 4 and 5, strike out the words "on shipboard at the last place of their shipment to *Canada*,"—and insert the words "at the place at which they are purchased,"—in lines 12 and 13, strike out the words "to the vessel in which the shipment is made to *Canada*, or,"—and in line 13, strike out the words "in the *United States*,"—and strike out all the words after "incurred" in line 16 to the end of line 18, and insert instead the words "prior to their purchase."

In Resolution 13, line 10, strike out "10" and insert "7," and after the word "cents" in line 11, add the words "subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council."

And the Question being again proposed,

The Honorable Sir George  $\dot{E}$ . Cartier moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, That the words "In the same Resolution, line "5, strike out 'Coal and Coke—per ton, 50 cents;' and in line 12, strike out 'Wheat "(more bushel 4 cents ' line 3 strike out the words 'Coal and Coke and '" he left out.

"'--per bushel, 4 cents ;' line 3, strike out the words 'Coal and Coke and,'" be left out. The Honorable Mr. Holton moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment,

seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, That the words "Coal and Coke—per ton 50 cents" be left out; 33 so that the effect of the original motion do remain to instruct the Committee to restore Coal and Coke to the free list;

And The House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning;

#### Friday, 29th April, 1870.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:— Yeas.

#### Messieurs Anglin, Fortier. McCarthu. Ross (Wellington, C.R.), Béchard. Galt, Sir Alexander T., McConkey, Ryan (Montreal West) Benoit. Gaudet. McDougall (Lanark), Rymal, Bodwell, Geoffrion, McDougall (Three Scatcherd. Bolton. Gendron. Snider. Rivers). Bowman. Godin. McMonies. Stirton. Caldwell. Holton. Metcalfe. Thompson (Hald'm'd), Carmichael. Hutchison. Mills. Thompson (Ontario). Morison (Victoria O.), Tremblay, Caron. Joly, Cartwright. Kempt. Oliver. Wallace Casault, Kierzkowski. Paquet. Wells. Wood. Cheval. Macdonald(Glengarry)Pelletier, Workman, Connell, MacFarlane, Pickard, Mackenzie. Wright (York, Ontario, Coupal, Pinsonneault, W.R.), and Dorion. Magill. Pozer. Dufresne, Masson (Soulanges). Redford, Young.-62. Naus :

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Archambeault,	Crawford (Brockville)	),Lacerte,	Kobitaille,
Archibald,	Currier,	Langevin,	Ross (Champlain),
Ault,	Daoust,	Lapum,	Ross (Dundas),
Beaty,	Dobbie,	Lawson,	Ross (Prince Édward),
Beaubien,	Drew,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Bellerose,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Cornwall	) Ryan (King's, $N.B.$ ),
Bertrand;	Ferguson,	McDonald(Lun'nburg)	
Blanchet,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesex)	
Bowell,	Gaucher,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Bown,	Gibbs,		Simpson,
Brousseau,	Grant,	McKsagney,	Sproat,
Brown,	Gray,	McMillan,	Stephenson,
Burton,	Grover,	Merritt,	Sylvain,
Comeron (Huron),	Harrison,	Morris,	Tilley,
Campbell,	Heath,		Tupper,
Carling,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Munroe,	Walsh,
Cartier, Sir George E.,	Holmes,	O'Connor,	Webb,
Cayley,	Howe,	Perry,	White,
Chamberlin,	Huot,	Pope,	Whitehead,
Ch <b>a</b> uveau,	Hurdon,	Pouliot,	Willson, and
Cimon,	Jackson,	Ray,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty).
Colby,	Jones (L'ds&Gr'nville)		<u>    90.                                </u>
Costigan,	Keeler,	Renaud,	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question on the amendment being again proposed;

Mr. Casault moved, in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), That the words "In the some Resolution, line 5, strike out Coal and Coke per ton 50 "cents," be left out, and that instruction be given to the Committee to substitute a duty of ten per cent. ad valorem to the duty of 50 cents per ton, which it is proposed to be put on Coal and Coke;

Mr. Speaker declared That the said motion was not in order.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the Original Question; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

In Resolution 4, after the words "British Possessions" in line 7, insert the words "or imported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries;"—in line 22, before the words "less strength" insert the words "greater or." In the same, line 24, after the word "Gin" insert the words "including Old Tom"—and in line 28, strike out the words "Old "Tom Gin."

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In Resolution 13, line 10, strike out "10" and insert "7," and after the word "cents" in line 11, add the words "subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council;"

The House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

### (IN THE COMMITTEE).

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., cap. 44, and the tariff of Duties and Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on animals, viz:-Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep: which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum ad valorem, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz :---

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Salt ; except Salt imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions, or im-		
ported for the use of the Sea and Gulf Fisheries, which shall be free of duty	s. 0	5

$\operatorname{Hops}$	Per l	b. <b>\$</b> 0	5	
Vinegar and Acetic Acid	Per Gallo	n 0	10	
Rice	Per l	b. 0	1	
Wheat	Per bush	əl 0	4	
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats,				
Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other				
Grain except Wheat	Per bush	əl 0	3	
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye	Per barrel of lb	s. 0	25	
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal				
of any other grain except Wheat and Rye	Per barr	o le	15	
Spirits and Strong Waters, viz :				
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Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, viz :---

Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, including Old

Tom, Tafia, Whiskey, and unenumerated articles of

like kind ..... Per gallon \$0 80 Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, viz :---

Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Scheidam Schnapps, Bitters,	
and unenumerated articles of like kind Per gallon	\$1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks,,	$1 \ 20$
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks	
or bottles; thirty of such flasks or bottles not con-	
taining more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle	0 4
Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters	$1 \ 20$

Spirits and Strong Waters imported into *Canada*, mixed with any ingredient or ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines, Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed "Spirits or Strong Waters" and subject to a duty as such.

Fruits preserved in Brandy or other Spirits..... Per gallon \$1 20

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "goods paying ten per cent ad valorem," viz.---

Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

Green Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Vegetables including potatoes and other roots, Plants, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by striking "Iron Wire" out of the List of "goods paying five per centum ad valorem."

Tobacco and Snuff, 121 per centum ad valorem, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *ad valorem*, and a specific duty of *ten* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon).

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the words "Salt," under the head "Natural Products," the words "Salt, when imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions:"---and---

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By adding under the heading "Manufactures and Products of Manufactures,"— Bookbinders Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and—

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—"Drugs, Dye Stuffs, Oils and "Colors not elsewhere specified,"—the words, "Colors, and other articles, when imported "by room-paper makers and stainers, to be used in their trade only; viz."

9. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "Manufactures and "Products of Manufactures:"—"Fire Engines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal "Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories—not to include "Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—"Gold and Silver Leaf,"— "Emery Paper and Emery Cloth,"—"Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—" Platers' Leaf," all which articles will be thereafter included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of fifteen per centum ad valorem under Schedule B.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "Natural Products," the following articles, viz. —Coal and Coke, —Flour, Wheat and Rye, —Grain of all kinds, — Hay, —Hops, —Indian Corn, —Indian Meal, —Plants, —Roots, —Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or Manufacturing purposes, —Shrubs, —Trees — and Vegetables, culinary, —all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.

11. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section :---

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which an *ad valorem* Duty of Customs is imposed, "imported into *Canada* by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods at the place "at which they are purchased; and the value of such goods for duty, if imported from "the *United States* by land or inland navigation, shall be the actual value of such "goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into *Canada*, and "whence they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to *Canada*; and such "value shall be ascertained by adding to the value of such goods at the place of growth, "production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether by land or water, " and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of growth, " production or manufacture, to the place where the goods are purchased and whence " they are directly conveyed to *Canada* as aforesaid,—and including also the value " of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind in which such goods are con-" to their purchase."

12. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act, and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent. of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 Vict., c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the tollowing in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31 :---

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, "except Cigars and common *Canada* Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, 15 cents."

"7. On Common Canada Twist, otherwise called Tabac blanc en torquette, being the "unpressed leaf rolled and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of Canada, for every pound or less quantity than a pound, 7 cents. "8. On Cigars for every pound, or less quantity than a pound, 30 cents, subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council."

14. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the Committee had amended the Resolutions.

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

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to allow a drawback of the Duties of Customs paid on Iron and Manufactures of Iron used in the building of Composite Ships and Vessels in *Canada*, and on Sheet Tin or Tin Plates used in packages for articles exported from *Canada*, subject to Regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal Section 6 of the Act passed in the thirtyfirst year of Her Majesty's reign, Chapter 44, intituled: "An Act to amend an Act of "the present Session, intituled, 'An Act imposing Duties of Customs, with the Tariff of "'Duties payable under it,'" and instead thereof to make the following provisions :—

Any or all of the following articles, that is to say :----

Animals of all kinds, Green Fruit, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegetables, including Potatoes and other roots, Plants, Trees and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat, and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oat Meal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain, Butter, Cheese, Fish (salted or smoked), Lard, Tallow, Meats (fresh, salted, or smoked), may be imported into *Canada* free of duty, or at a less rate of Duty than is provided by the said Act as amended by any Act of the present Session, upon proclamation of the Governor in Council, which may be imported into the United States of America free of Duty, or at a rate of Duty not exceeding that payable on the same under such Proclamation, when imported into *Canada*.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient to add the articles hereinafter mentioned to those contained in Schedule D, to the said Act, that is to say :---

Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegetables, including Potatoes and other Roots, Plants, Trees, and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain; so that any of the said articles, when the growth and produce of any of the British North American Provinces, may be imported free of duty; Provided that the Governor in Council may, by proclamation, at any time, declare that on and after a day to be therein named, all the articles in Schedule D shall be charged with the same duties when imported from British North American Provinces, as when imported from any other country.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that any Molasses imported into Canada may be removed in bond without payment of the duty of Customs thereon into a licensed distillery, and there used in the manufacture of spirits of any kind, subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council under the Act respecting Inland Revenue, 31 Vict., Chap. 8; and that when so used the bonds given in that behalf shall be cancelled; and if the spirits manufactured from such molasses, are exported under the provisions of the said Act, no duty shall be payable thereon; but if such spirits are entered for 'consumption in *Canada*, then the duty of excise on the spirits manufactured from such molasses shall be sixty-five cents per gallon; and the Governor in Council may, by regulations, fix the quantity, or the mode of determining the quantity of spirits, which shall be held to be equivalent to any assigned weight of molasses.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council, under the said Act, any Licensed Distiller who imports and receives into his distillery, and uses in the manufacture of spirits therein any foreign grain on which Duty of Customs has been paid, and exports spirits thereafter made in such distillery, shall, on due proof of such use and export, be entitled to a drawback not exceeding one cent and a half of a cent per gallon of the strength of proof, on a quantity of the spirits so exported not exceeding three gallons and a half for each bushel of dutypaid grain so consumed as aforesaid.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Section 31 of the said Act, by adding to the 9th subsection hereof the following Proviso :---

"Provided always, that the undermentioned article, when manufactured in Bond, shall, when entered for consumption in *Canada*, be subject to the following Duties of  $\mathbf{Excise}$ , and to no other, that is to say :---

Vinegar, per gallon, three cents.

Methylated Spirits, being composed of Alcohol mixed with Wood Naptha in such proportions, and subject to such regulations as may from time to time be made by the Treasury Board, for every gallon of the strength of proof, and so in proportion for every greater or less strength, and for every less quantity than a gallon, twelve cents.

7. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the Governor may grant yearly coasting licenses to British vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada above Montreal, and may direct that a fee of fifty cents shall be payable for each such license, and that the Master, or person in charge of any vessel navigating the said waters, and not having a coasting license, shall, on entering any Port in the Dominion with such vessel, pay a fee of fifty cents, if such vessel is not over fifty tons burthen, and of one dollar, if she is of more than fifty tons burthen, to the Collector on each entry, and a like fee of fifty cents, or one dollar (according to the burthen of the vessel), on each clearance of such vessel at any such Port: Provided that the Governor in Council may reduce or re-adjust such fees, but may not increase them: And provided also, that vessels merely passing through any of the Canadian Canals, without breaking bulk, shall not be liable to such fees.

**Resolutions** to be reported.

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself in the said Committee.

And then The House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Two of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 29th April, 1870.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :----

Of the Municipality of the Township of Matapedia, County of Bonaventure; praying that the Main Post Road leading from the Matapedia Junction to Cross Point, which is

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rendered impassable at certain seasons of the year by the inundation of the River, may be improved.

Mr. *Brousseau*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

The Committee beg leave to submit as their Twelfth Report, the Report of their Sub-Committee, as follows :----

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, to whom was referred Return to Address of the House of Commons for **a** Return of the Tenders for Departmental Printing; and also the Return respecting Confidential Printing, beg leave to Report :---

That in examining the Return of the Tenders for Departmental Printing, the Sub-Committee find on page 17, the following statement of the Queen's Printer :—" Basis of "Calculation.—The actual Composition and Presswork of the Public Departments in "1866 taken from the Public Accounts and the Queen's Printer's Books, and established "by careful proportion." Thus it will be seen that in calculating the several Tenders, the Queen's Printer only took into consideration the two items of Composition and Presswork, leaving out altogether the several other items of faintlining, folding, folding and stitching, and covering, and reporting as the lowest Tenderer the party whose prices for Composition and Presswork were the lowest, though the prices for many of the other items were higher than several other Tenderers.

The Queen's Printer states, that though his books show the Composition and Presswork, they do not show the other items above mentioned, consequently he could not take them into his calculations,—and he further states that had be been able to do so, the result might probably have been different.

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In regard to the Return respecting Confidential Printing, the Sub-Committee are surprised to find that the binding for the Departments has not been submitted to public Tender as provided for in the 6th Clause of Chapter 7, 32 and 33 *Victoria*, 1869, which provides "That the Printing, Binding, &c., shall be done and furnished under Contracts "to be entered into after such public notice or advertisement for Tenders, &c., and the "lowest Tenders received from parties of whose skill, resources, &c., the Governor in "Council shall be satisfied, shall be accepted," except as provided in the 7th Clause.

Had Tenders been asked the Committee have reason to believe the work would have been contracted for at much lower rates than those agreed upon.

The Sub-Committee also find by the above Return that Printing to a considerable amount has been done by different parties at prices largely in excess of the contract rates, some of this work being headed "Confidential." There is no certificate attached to these accounts, of their being correct or even of their having been examined, but merely the receipt of the parties obtaining the money.

There is also no Orders in Council authorizing the work as provided in the 7th Section which reads thus—"The Governor may, from time to time, by Orders in Council, authorize "for reasons to be stated in such Orders in Council, cause printing and binding for the "Public Service to be done without tender; and such Orders in Council and the expendi-"ture under them shall be laid before Parliament at its then next Session."

The Sub-Committee would draw attention to the fact, that the law has been infringed by paying for Printing, as Confidential, at high prices when no Order in Council had issued authorizing the same, and would respectfully urge the absolute necessity of all accounts for Departmental and Confidential Printing being examined and certified as correct before payment.

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

The Senate communicate to this House a Statement laid on the Table of that House by the Clerk of the Senate, shewing the sums paid to each Senator as Indemnity and Mileage for the last Session of the present Parliament. (Sessional Papers No. 72.)

And also, the Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "respecting the Department of Finance," without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to vest in Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of *Upper Canada*;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the Auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Ferries," with several Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Ferries," and the same were read, as follow:—

Page 2, line 30—After "Peace" insert "or with intention to lessen the tolls or "revenues of any ferry for the county, city, or district in which either terminus of the "ferry may be situate."

Page 2, line 42-Leave out "or" and after "law" insert "or Order in Council."

Page 2, line 45-Leave out "or" and after "law" insert "or Order in Council."

Page 3, line 10—After "Whenever" insert "reasonable grounds are shown to" and leave out from "Revenue" to "be" in line 11.

Page 3, line 20—After "matters" insert "Provided always that nothing in this Act "contained shall affect any suit as to ferry licenses pending in any court of law or equity "at the time of the passing of this Act."

Ordered, That the said Amendments be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend and extend the Act to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House; and the Resolution adopted by this House, on Tuesday last, on the subject of duty on vessels, imposed under the authority of the Act 32 & 33 Vict. cap. 40, was referred to the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Hutchison* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment. Ordered. That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved. That the Bill do pass.

Ordered. That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate. intituled : "An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels ;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Gibbs reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered. That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

Page 2, line 11.—After "exceeding" insert "four." " 2, " 21.—After "exceeding" insert "four."

- 2, " 24.—After "of" insert "ten." "
- 2, " 28.—After "exceeding" insert "ten days." ,,

 2, ", 20.—After "exceeding" insert "four."
 2, ", 30.—After "exceeding" insert "four."
 2, ", 36.—After "exceeding" insert "four."
 2, ", 39.—After "exceeding" insert "two." ,,

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2, " 42.—After "exceeding" insert "four." ••

2, " 47.---After "exceeding" insert "four." ,,

3, " ,,

5.—After "exceeding" insert "four." 51.—After "exceeding" insert "one hundred." 3, " ••

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend 'An Act respecting the security to be given by "'Officers of Canada,"' and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: and Mr. Bodwell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*. That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend an Act for the better preservation of the peace in the " vicinity of Public Works;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Harrison reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered. That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions, which were read, as followeth :---

1. Resolved. That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., cap. 44, and the tariff of Duties and Customs contained in the Schedules annexed to the said Act.

2. Resolved. That it is expedient to repeal so much of Schedule A, annexed to the said Act, as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on animals, viz :- Horses, Horned Cattle, Swine, and Sheep: which will become subject to a Custom Duty of ten per centum ad valorem, as hereinafter mentioned.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much of the said Schedule A as imposes any specific Duty of Customs on Cigars, or Spirits and Strong Waters, and to substitute for such duties the specific duties mentioned in the next following Resolution.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to impose on the several Articles hereinafter mentioned the specific and *ad valorem* Duties of Customs set opposite to each respectively, viz :---

Cigars	Per lb.	\$0 4	5
Coal and Coke	"ton	0 50	0
Salt; except Salt imported from the United			
Kingdom or any British Possessions, or im-			
ported for the use of the Sea and Gulf			
Fisheries, which shall be free of duty Per bu	shel of 56 lbs.	0 8	5
Hops	Per lb.	\$0 [	5
Vinegar and Acetic Acid	Per Gallon	$0 \ 10$	)
Rice	Per lb.	0 ]	L
Wheat $\ldots$	Per bushel	04	ŀ
Peas and Beans, and Barley, Rye, Oats,			
Indian Corn, Buck Wheat, and all other			
Grain except Wheat	Per bushel	0 3	3
Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye Per ba	rrel of lbs.	0.25	5
Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and flour or meal			
of any other grain except Wheat and Rye	Per barrel	0 15	5

Spirits and Strong Waters, viz .:---

Spirits and Strong Waters, not having been sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer, for every gallon of the strength of proof by such Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof, and for every greater or less quantity than a gallon, viz :---

Brandy, Geneva, Alcohol, Rum, Gin, including Old

Tom, Tafia, Whiskey, and unenumerated articles of like kind ..... Per gallon \$0 80

Other Spirits, being sweetened or mixed, so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained as aforesaid, viz :---

Rum, Shrub, Cordials, Scheidam Schnapps, Bitters,

and unenumerated articles of like kind	Per gallon	\$1 20
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, not in flasks		$1 \ 20$
Cologne Water and Perfumed Spirits, when in flasks		

or bottles; thirty of such flasks or bottles not con-

taining more than one gallon, for each flask or bottle..... 0 4

Unenumerated Spirits and Strong Waters..... 1 20

Spirits and Strong Waters imported into Canada, mixed with any ingredient or ingredients, and although thereby coming under the denomination of Proprietory Medicines, Tinctures, Essences, Extracts, or any other denomination, shall be nevertheless deemed "Spirits or Strong Waters" and subject to a duty as such.

Fruits preserved in Brandy or other Spirits..... Per gallon \$1 20

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, by adding the following articles to the list of "goods paying ten per cent ad valorem," viz.:---

Animals of all kinds, except such as shall be imported for the improvement of Stock, which shall be admitted free of duty, under regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

Green Fruits of all kinds, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds not classed as cereals, Vegetables including potatoes and other roots, Plants, Trees, and Shrubs.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by striking "Iron Wire" out of the List of "goods paying five per centum ad valorem."

7. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule B, by repealing so much thereof as imposes any Duty of Customs on Tobacco, or on Wines, or on Packages, and substituting the following in lieu thereof :---

Tobacco and Snuff, 121 per centum ad valorem, and 20 cents per pound.

Wines of all kinds, including Ginger, Orange, Lemon, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Elder, and Currant Wines, 25 per centum *cd valorem*, and a specific duty of *trn* cents per gallon (5 quart and 10 pint bottles to be held to contain a gallon).

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend Schedule C, annexed to the said Act (being the list of Free Goods), by substituting for the words "Salt," under the head "Natural Products," the words "Salt, when imported from the United Kingdom or any British Possessions:"—and—

By adding under the heading "Manufactures and Products of Manufactures,"— Bookbinders Mill-Boards and Binder's Cloth,—Iron Wire, and Brass in Stripes,—and Iron in Blooms, and Billets (not puddled),—and—

By striking out of the said Schedule under heading—" Drugs, Dye Stuffs, Oils and "Colors not elsewhere specified,"—the words, "Colors, and other articles, when imported "by room-paper makers and stainers, to be used in their trade only; viz."

9. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the said Schedule under the heading "Manufactures and "Products of Manufactures:"—"Fire Engines,—Steam—when imported by Municipal "Corporations of Cities, Towns and Villages, for the use of such Municipalities,"—and "Machinery when used in the original construction of Mills or Factories—not to include "Steam Engines, Boilers, Water Wheels or Turbines,"—"Gold and Silver Leaf,"— "Emery Paper and Emery Cloth,"—"Sand Paper and Sand Cloth,"—" Platers' Leaf," all which articles will be thereafter included among unenumerated goods under the said Act, and be charged with a Duty of Customs of fifteen per centum *ad valorem* under Schedule B.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient further to amend the said Schedule C, annexed to the said Act, by striking out of the same, under the heading "Natural Products," the following articles, viz. —Coal and Coke, —Flour, Wheat and Rye, —Grain of all kinds, — Hay, —Hops, —Indian Corn, —Indian Meal, —Plants, —Roots, —Seeds for Agricultural, Horticultural, or Manufacturing purposes, —Shrubs, —Trees— and Vegetables, culinary, —all of which articles will become subject to the duties specially mentioned in the preceding Resolutions.

11. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to repeal Section Eight of the said Act (respecting packages), and to substitute for it the following Section :---

"8. The value for duty of goods, on which an *ad valorem* Duty of Customs is imposed, "imported into *Canada* by sea, shall be the actual value of such goods at the place "at which they are purchased; and the value of such goods for duty, if imported from "the *United States* by land or inland navigation, shall be the actual value of such "goods at the place at which they are purchased for importation into *Canada*, and "whence they are directly conveyed, without change of package, to *Canada*; and such "yalue shall be ascertained by adding to the value of such goods at the place of growth, "production, or manufacture, the cost of transportation, whether by land or water, " and of shipment and transhipment, with all expenses included, from the place of growth, "production or manufacture, to the place where the goods are purchased and whence "they are directly conveyed to *Canada* as aforesaid,—and including also the value "of any box, case, sack, package, or covering of any kind in which such goods are con-"tained, and all export duties on such goods, and all costs and charges incurred prior "to their purchase."

12. Resolved, That it is expedient to increase all the Duties of Customs imposed by the said Act, as amended by the preceding Resolutions, by five per cent., that is to say, by adding to the amount of the duty which would be payable on any such articles under the said Act, and the preceding Resolutions, five per cent. of such amount, such increase and addition being made as well to any *ad valorem* duty as to any specific duty payable on such articles.

13. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, 31 Vict., c. 8, by repealing sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of Section 31 (imposing Duties of Excise on Manufactured Tobacco), and substituting the tollowing in their place as sub-sections, six, seven, and eight of the said Section 31 :---

"6. On Cavendish Tobacco, and Snuff, and on Manufactured Tobacco of all kinds, "except Cigars and common *Canada* Twist, on every pound or less quantity than a pound, 15 cents."

"7. On Common Canada Twist, otherwise called Tabac blanc en torquette, being the "unpressed leaf rolled and twisted, and made wholly from raw Tobacco, the growth of Canada, for every pound or less quantity than a pound, 7 cents.

"8. On Cigars for every pound, or less quantity than a pound, 30 cents, subject to an abatement or allowance for moisture in calculating the weight for duty, to be fixed from time to time by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council."

14. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the foregoing Resolutions and the alterations thereby made in the Duties of Customs and Excise on the articles therein mentioned, shall take effect upon and after the eighth day of April instant.

And the 1st Resolution being read a second time, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Ross (Prince Edward) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Brown, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said "Resolutions be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions "to amend the same by adding the words 'Inland Waters' after the words 'use of the' "in the eighth line of the 4th Resolution," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :—

# Yea**s** :

Anglin,	Galt, Sir Alexander I	McDougall (Three	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Béchard,	Godin,	Rivers),	Ross (Wellington, C.R.)
Bodwell,	Holton,	McGreevy,	Ryan (Montreal West)
Bolton,	Hutchison,	McMonies,	Rymal,
Bowman,	Joly,	Metcalfe,	Snider,
Brown,	Jones (L'ds & Grenvill	e) Mills,	Stirton,
Carmichael,	Kempt,	Morison (Victoria 0.)	), Thompson (Ontario),
Cartwright,	Kierzkowski,	Pâquet,	Wells,
Cheval,	MacFarlane,	Pelletier,	White,
Connell,	Mackenzie,	Pozer,	Wood,
Dorion,	McConkey,	Redford,	Workman, and
Forbes,	McDougall (Renfrew)	, Ross (Prince Edward)	,Young48,
Fortier,		,	

Archambeault,	Chamberlin,	Hurdon,	Pope,
Archibald,	Chauveau,	Irvine.	Pouliot,
Ault.	Cimon,	Keeler.	Read,
Beaty,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Renaud,
Beaubien,	Currier,	Langevin,	Ross (Champlain),
Bellerose,	Dobbie,	Langlois,	Scatcherd,
Benoit,	Drew,	Lawson,	Shanly,
Bertrand,	Dufresne,	Le Vesconte,	Simard,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Macdonald Cornwall	Stephenson,
Bowell,	Ferguson,	McDonald (Lunenb'rg	)Sylvain,
Bown,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesex)	,Thompson (Haldim'nd)
Brousseau,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Tilley,
Burton,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Tremblay,
Caldwell,	Gendron,	McCallum,	Tupper,
Cameron (Huron),	Grant,	McKeagney,	Wallace,
Cameron (Peel),	Gray,	McMillan,	Walsh,
Campbell,	Grover,	Merritt,	Webb,
Carling,	Harrison,	Morris,	Whitehead,
Caron,	Heath,	O'Connor,	Willson, and
Cartier, Sir George E	., Hincks, Sir Francis,	Oliver,	Wright (Ott'wa C'nty)
Casault,	Howe,	Perry,	
Cayley,	Huot,		2

# Messieurs

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. McConkey moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Kempt, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolutions "be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to strike out "the proposed duty upon Salt," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

#### Y eas:

Anglin,	Forbes,	McDougall (Three	Ryan (Montreal West)
Béchard,	Fortier,	Rivers),	Rymal,
Bodwell,	Galt. Sir Alexander I	'. McGreevy,	Scatcherd,
Bolton,	Godin,	McMonies,	Snider,
Bourassa,	Holton,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Bowman,	Hutchison,	Mills,	Thompson (Ontario),
Brown,	Joly,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	,Wells,
Carmichael,	Jones (L'ds & Grenv'e)		White,
Cartwright,	Kempt,	Pelletier,	Wood,
Casault,	Kierzkowski,	Pozer,	Workman,
Cheval,	MacFarlane,	Redford,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Connell,	Mackenzie,	Ross (Prince Edward)	
Coupal,	McConkey,	Ross (Wellington, C.R.	) Young. <u>52</u> .
Dorion,	McDougall (Renfrew)		• · · ·

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Archambeault,	Cimon,	Irvinc,	Read,
Archibald,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Renaud,
Ault,	Dobbie,	Langevin,	Ross (Champlain),
Beaty,	Drew,	Langlois,	Ross ( Dunda <b>s</b> ),
Beaubien,	Dufresne,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Bellerose,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Cornwall	
Benoit,	Ferguson,	McDonald(Lunenb,rg	Simard,
Bertrand,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesex	Stevenson,
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Sylvain,
Bowell,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Thompson (Haldim'nd)
Brown,	Gendron,	McCallum,	Tilley,
Burpee,	Grant,	McKeagney,	Tremblay,
Burton,	Gray	McMillan,	Tupper,
Cameron (Huron),	Grover,	Merritt,	Wallace,
Campbell,	Harrison,	Morris,	Walsh,
Carling,	Heath,	Munroe,	Webb,
Caron,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	O'Connor,	Whitehead,
Cartier, Sir George E.	, Holmes,	Oliver,	Willson, and
Cayley,	Howe,	Perry,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Chamberlin,	Huot,	Pope,	-82.
Chauveau,	Hurdon,	Pouliot,	•

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Dorion* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "the said Resolutions be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the "purpose of restoring Flour, Meal, Wheat, Coal and Coke, to the free list," inserted instead thereof;

And The House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Saturday morning;

#### Saturday, 30th April, 1870.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas:

Anglin,	Forbes.	Masson (Terrebonne), Redford,
Béchard,	Fortier,	McConkey, $Ross(Wlington, C.R.),$
Benoit,	Gaudet,	McDougall (Lanark), Ryan (Montreal West)
Bodwell	Gendron,	McDougall, (Renfrew)Rymal,
Bolton,	Godin,	McDougall (Three Scatcherd,
Bowman,	Holton,	Rivers), Snider,
Brousseau,	Hutchison,	McGreevy, Stirton,
Burpee,	Irvine,	McMonies, Thompson (Ontario),
Carmichael,	Joly,	Metcalfe, Tremblay,
Caron,	Kempt,	Mills, Wallace,
Casault,	Kierzkowski,	Morison (Victoria 0.), Wells,

Cheval,	Langlois,	Pouliot,	Wood
Connell,	MacFarlane,		Workman,
Coupal,	Mackenzie,		Wright (York, Ontario,
Dorion,	Magill,		W. R.), and
Dufresne.	Masson (Soulanges),	Pozer,	Young.—62.

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Archambeault,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Renaud,
Archibald,	Crawford (Brockville		Robitaille,
Ault.	Currier,	Lawson,	Ross (Champlain)
Beaty,	Dobbie.	Le Vesconte.	Ross (Dundas),
Beaubien,	Dunkin,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	,Ross (Prince Edward),
Bellerose,	Ferguson,		)Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Bertrand,	Fortin,	McDonald (Middlesex	Ryan (King's, N.R.),
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	McCallum,	
Bowell,	Grant,	McKeagney,	Simard,
Bown,	Gray,	McMillan,	Stephenson,
Brown, ·	Grover,	Merritt,	Sylvain,
Burton,	Harrison,	Morris,	Tilley,
Cameron (Huron),	Heath,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tupper,
Campbell,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Munroe,	Walsh,
Carling,	Holmes,	O'Connor,	Webb,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Howe,	Oliver,	White,
Cayley,	Huot,	Perry,	Whitehead,
Chamberlin,	Hurdon,	Pope,	Willson and
Chauveau,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville		Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
Cimon,	Keeler,	Read,	
Colby,	·		

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Thompson (Haldimand) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bodwell, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the "said Resolutions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with "instructions to strike out the proposed increased duty upon Rice," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas:

Anglin,	Gaudet,	McMonies,	Ryan (Montreal West)
Béchard,	Godin,	Metcalfe,	Rymal,
Bodwell,	Holton,	Mills,	Scatcherd,
Bolton,	Hutchison,	Morison (Victoria O.)	,Snider,
Bowman,	Joly,	Munroe,	Stirton,
Brown,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	)Oliver,	Thompson (Haldim'nd)
Burpee,	Kempt,	Pâquet,	Thompson (Ontario),
Carmichael,	Kierzkowski,	Pelletier,	Tremblay,
Caron,	MacFarlane,	Pinsonneault,	Wallace,

Cameron (Huron),

Campbell, Carling,

Casault.

Cayley,

Chamberlin.

Grover,

Carling, Heath, Cartier Sir George E., Hincks, Sir Francis,

Holmes,

Howe,

Huot,

So it passed in the Negative.

Harrison,

# 30th April.

Cheval, Connell, Coupal, Dorion, Dufresne, Forbe <b>s</b> , Fortier,	Mackenzie, Magill, Masson (Soulanges), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Renfrew) McGreevy,	Pouliot, Pozer, Redford, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edw'd), Ross (Victoria, N.S.), Ross (Wellington C.R.	Wright (York Ontario W.R.), and
	N	ays:	
	$\mathbf{M}$ er	ssieurs	
Archambeault,	()hauveau,	Hurdon,	O'Connor,
Archibald,	Cimon,	Jackson,	Perry,
Ault,	Colby,	Keeler,	Pope,
Beaty,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Read,
Beaubien,	Crawford (Brockville	)Langevin,	Renaud,
Bellerose,	Dobbie,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Benoit,	Dunkin,	Lawson,	Ross (Champlain),
Bertrand,	Ferguson,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	,Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Blanchet,	Fortin,	McDonald (Lunenb'g),	, Shanly,
Bowell,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex	)Simard,
Bown,	Gendr <b>o</b> n,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Brousseau,	Grant,	McDougall (Lanark),	Sylvain,
Burton,	Gray,	McDougall (Three	Tilley,

Rivers),

McKeagney,

Morrison (Niagara),

Mc Millan.

Merritt,

Morris.

Tupper,

Walsh

Webb.

Willson, and

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Wright (Ottawa C'nty),

Committee in the said Resolutions; Mr. Casault moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McGreevy, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the "said Resolutions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instruc-"tions to amend the same by striking out the words 'per ton 50 cents,'" in the 4th Resolution, and inserting the words "seven and a half per cent. ad valorum, provided "such duty shall not exceed in any case 50 cents per ton," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution ;

Mr. Casault moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McGreevy, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the "said Resolutions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instruc-"tions to provide that Coal and Coke imported from *Great Britain* shall be free from "duty," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

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# 30th April:

Yeas :				
	Mes	sieurs		
Anglin, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Bertrand, Blanchet, Brousseau, Caron, Casault, Chauvea∞,	Cheval, Coupal, Currier, Dorion, Dufresne, Fortier, Gaudet, Gendron, Godin, Hutchison,	Joly, Kierzkowski, Lacerte, Langlois, MacFarlane, Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McGreevy,	Pâquet, Pelletier, Pinsonneault <sup>5</sup> Pozer, Redford, Ross (Champlain), Ryan (Montreal West) Scatcherd, and Tremblay.—38.	
	Na	iys :		
	Мевя	sieurs		
Archambec <b>rul</b> t,	Fergu <b>son</b> ,		Ross (Prince Edw'd),	
Archibald,	Forbe <b>s</b> ,		Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	
Ault,	Fortin,		Ross (Wellington, C.R)	
Beaty,	Gaucher,	McDougall (Renfrew)	,Shanly,	
Beaubi <b>en</b> ,	Gray,	McKeagney,	Simard,	
Bodwell,	Grover,	McMillan,	Snider,	
Bolton,	Harrison,	McMonies,	Stephen <b>son</b> ,	
Bowell,	Heath,	Merrits,	Stirton,	
Bowman,	Hincks Sir Francis,	Metcalfe,	Sylvain,	
Bown,	Holmes,	Mills,	Thompson(Hald'm'nd),	
Brown,	Holton,	Morris,	Thompson (Ontario),	
Burpee,	Howe,	Morison (Victoria, O.),	Tilley,	
Campbell,	Huot,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tupper,	
Carling,	Hurdon,	Munroe,	Wallace,	
Cartier Sir George E.,		O'Connor,	Walsh,	
Cayley,	Keeler,	Oliver,	Webb,	
Chamberlin,	Kempt,	Perry,	Wells,	
Cimon,	Langevin,	Pope,	White,	
Colby,	Lawson,	Pouliot,	Whitehead,	
Connell,	Macdonald (Cornwall)	Ray.	Willson	
Costiga <b>n</b> ,	McDonald(Lunenburg McDonald (Middlesex)	Read,	Wood, Wright (York, Ontario,	
Dobbie,	Mackenzie,	Robitaille,	W.R.), and	
Dunkin,	Magill,	Ross (Dundas),	Young95.	
So it passed in the Negative				

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Bolton moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Wallace, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolu-"tions be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to "place 'Indian Corn,' when intended for other uses than that of distilling, on the free "list," inserted instead thereof;

		Yeas:	
		Messieurs	
Anglin.	Dorion,	McConkey,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)
Béchard,	Dufreene,	McDouyall (Lanark),	Ryan (Montreal West)

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# 30th April.

Bodwell,	Forbes,	McDougall (Rent'w),	Scatcherd,
Bolton,	Fortier,	McDougall (Three	Snider,
Bowman,	Gaudet,	Rivers),	Stirton,
Brousseau,	Godin,	Metcalfe,	Thompson (H'ldim'nd)
Burpee,	Holton,	Mills,	Thompson (Ontario),
Carmichael,	Hutchison,	Pâquet,	Tremblay,
Caron,	Kompt,	Pelletier,	Wallace,
Cheval,	Kierzkowski,	Pozer,	Wood,
Connell,	MacFarlane,	Ray,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Coupal,	Mackenzie,	Redford,	W.R.), and
Currier,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	Young.—50.

#### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Cimon,	Lacerte,	Read,
Archibald.	Costigan,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Ault,	Crawford (Brockville)		Robitaille,
Beaty,	Dobbie,	Lawson,	Ross (Champlain),
Beaubien,	Dunkin,	McDonald(Middlesex)	
Bellerose,	Ferguson,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Ross (Prince Edward),
Benoit,	Fortin		Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Bertrand,	Gaucher,	McGreevy,	Shanly,
Blanchet,	Gendron,	McKeagney,	Simard,
Bowell,	Grant,	Merritt,	Stephenson,
Bown,	Gray,	Morris,	Sylvain,
Brown,	Harrison,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tilley,
Campbell,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Munroe,	Tupper,
Carling,	Howe,	O'Connor,	Walsh,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Huot,	Oliver,	Webb,
Casault,	Hurdon,	Perry,	White,
Cayley,	Jackson,	Pope,	Whitehead, and
Chamberlin,	Keeler,	Pouliot,	Willson-73.
Chauveau,			

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. McConkey moved, in amendment, secon led by Mr. Young, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolutions "be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to provide "for the exemption of packages and charges, from the proposed duty," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas :

Angli <b>n</b> ,	Godin,	McDougall (Three	Ross (Victoria, N. S.),
Ault,	Grant,	Rivers),	Ross (Wellington,C.R).
Béchard,	Holton,	McGreevy,	Ryan (Montreal West)
Bodwell,	Hurdon,	Metcalfe,	Snider,
Bolton,	Hutchi <b>son</b> ,	Mills,	Stirton,
Bolton,	Hutchison,	Muus,	Burton,

Bowell,	Joly,	Morison (Victoria C	).), Thompson (H'dim'nd),
Bowman,	Kempt,	Munroe,	Thompson (Ontario),
Carmichael,	Kierzkowski,	Oliver,	Wallace,
Cheval,	MacFarlans,	Pâquet,	Wells,
Coupal,	Mackenzie,	Pelletier,	White,
Currier,	Magill,	Pozer,	Wood,
Dorion,	McCallum,	Ray,	Wright (York, Ontario)
Forbes,	McConkey,	Redford,	and
Fortier,	McDougall (Lana	rk), Ross (Dundas),	Young.—56.
	McDougall (Renf	rew),Ross (Prince Edwa	rd),

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Cimon,	Jackson,	Read,
Archibald,	Colby,	Keeler,	Renaud,
Beaty,	Costigan,	Lacerte,	Robitaille,
Beaubien,	Crawford (Brockville	),Langevin,	Ross (Champlain),
Bellerose,	Dobbie,	Langlois,	Ryan (King's, N. B.),
Benoit,	Dufresne,	Lawson,	Scatcherd,
Bertrand,	Dunkin,	McDonald (Middlesex	)Shanly,
Blanchet,	Ferguson,	Masson (Soulanges),	Simard,
Bown,	Fortin,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Stephenson,
Brousseau,	Gåucher,	McKeagney,	Sylvain,
Campbell,	Gaudet,	Merritt,	Tilley,
Caron,	Gendron,	Morris,	Tremblay,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Gray,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tupper,
Casault,	Hincks Sir Francis,	O'Connor,	Walsh,
Cayley,	Holmes,	Perry,	Webb and
Chamberlin,	Howe,	Pope,	Willson67.
Chauveau,	Huot,	Pouliot,	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Oliver moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Kierzkowski, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolutions be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instruc-"tions to amend the same by striking out the words '15 cents' in sub-section 6 of "section 13, and inserting '14 cents;' and also by striking out of sub-section 8, in section "13, the words '30 cents,' and inserting '25 cents,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 2nd to the 12th Resolution inclusive, being read a second time, and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolutions; The House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 13th Resolution, being read a second time, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Godin moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Pelletier, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "the said Resolution be "now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the "same by adding the words, 'That it is also expedient to provide that leaf Tobacco of ê

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"" Canadian growth may be sold by the producer free of duty,' at the end thereof;" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

### Yeas :

# Messieurs

Béchard,	Fortier,	Langlois,	Ross (Wellington C.R.),
Benoit,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ryan (Montreal West)
Bertrand,	Gaudet,	McDougall (Three	Rymal,
Brousseau,	Gendron,	Rivers),	Scatcherd,
Caron,	Godin,	Mills,	Stephenson,
Cayley,	Holton,	Påquet,	Sylvain,
Cheval,	Hurdon,	Pelletier,	Thompson (Ontario),
Cimon,	Hutchison,	Pouliot,	Tremblay,
Coupal,	Joly.	Pozer,	Webb, and
Dorion,	Kierzkowski,	Red ford,	Wright (Ottawa C'nt <b>y</b> ).
Dufreene,	Lacerte,	Ross (Champlain),	42.

#### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault.	Crawford (Brockville)	,McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),
Archibald,	Dobbie,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Ault,	Dunkin,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Beaty,	Ferguson,	McGreevy,	Shanly,
Beaubien,	Forbes,	McKeagney,	Simard,
Bellerose,	Fortin,	Merritt,	Snide <b>r</b> ,
Blanchet,	Gray,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Bowell,	Grover,	Morris,	Thompson (Haldim'd),
Bowman,	Harrison,	Morison (Victoria O.),	Tilley,
Bown,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Morrison (Niagara),	Tupper,
Brown,	Howe,	Munroe,	Walsh,
Campbell,	Jackson,	O'Connor,	Wells,
Carling,	Keeler,	Oliver,	White,
Carmichael,	Kempt,	Perry,	Whitehead,
Cartier, Sir George E		Pope,	Willson
Casault,		Ray,	Wood,
Chamberlin,	McDonald (Middlesex	)Read,	Wright (York, Ontarie,
Chauveau,	Machenzie,	Renaud,	<i>W.R.</i> ), and
Colby,	Magill,	Robitaille,	Young77.
Costigan,	McCallum,		

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution : It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The 14th Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported from the Committee of Ways and Meens, several Resolutions, which were read, as followeth:----

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to allow a drawback of the Duties of Customs paid on Iron and Manufactures of Iron used in the building of Composite Ships and Vessels in Canada, and on Sheet Tin or Tin Plates used in packages for articles exported from Canada, subject to Regulations to be made by the Treasury Board, and approved by the Governor in Council.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal Section 6 of the Act passed in the thirtyfirst year of Her Majesty's reign, Chapter 44, intituled: "An Act to amend an Act of "the present Session, intituled, 'An Act imposing Duties of Customs, with the Tariff of "'Duties payable under it," and instead thereof to make the following provisions :—

Any or all of the following articles, that is to say :---

Animals of all kinds, Green Fruit, Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegetables, including Potatoes and other roots, Plants, Trees and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat, and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oat Meal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain, Butter, Cheese, Fish (salted or smoked), Lard, Tallow, Meats (fresh, salted, or smoked), may be imported into *Canada* free of duty, or at a less rate of Duty than is provided by the said Act as amended by any Act of the present Session, upon proclamation of the Governor in Council, which may be imported into the United States of America free of Duty, or at a rate of Duty not exceeding that payable on the same under such Proclamation, when imported into *Canada*.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to add the articles hereinafter mentioned to those contained in Schedule D, to the said Act, that is to say :---

Hay, Straw, Bran, Seeds of all kinds, Vegetables, including Potatoes and other Roots, Plants, Trees, and Shrubs, Coal and Coke, Salt, Hops, Wheat, Peas and Beans, Barley, Rye, Oats, Indian Corn, Buckwheat and all other Grain, Flour of Wheat and Flour of Rye, Indian Meal and Oatmeal, and Flour or Meal of any other Grain; so that any of the said articles, when the growth and produce of any of the British North American Provinces, may be imported free of duty; Provided that the Governor in Council may, by proclamation, at any time, declare that on and after a day to be therein named, all the articles in Schedule D shall be charged with the same duties when imported from British North American Provinces, as when imported from any other country.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that any Molasses imported into Canada may be removed in bond without payment of the duty of Customs thereon into a licensed distillery, and there used in the manufacture of spirits of any kind, subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council under the Act respecting Inland Revenue, 31 Vict., Chap. 8; and that when so used the bonds given in that behalf shall be cancelled; and if the spirits manufactured from such molasses, are exported under the provisions of the said Act, no duty shall be payable thereon; but if such spirits are entered for consumption in Canada, then the duty of excise on the spirits manufactured from such molasses shall be sixty-five cents per gallon; and the Governor in Council may, by regulations, fix the quantity, or the mode of determining the quantity of spirits, which shall be held to be equivalent to any assigned weight of molasses.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that subject to Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council, under the said Act, any Licensed Distiller who imports and receives into his distillery, and uses in the manufacture of spirits therein any foreign grain on which Duty of Customs has been paid, and exports spirits thereafter made in such distillery, shall, on due proof of such use and export, be entitled to a drawback not exceeding one cent and a half of a cent per gallon of the strength of proof, on a quantity of the spirits so exported not exceeding three gallons and a half for each bushel of dutypaid grain so consumed as aforesaid.

 $\tilde{0}$ . Resolved, That it is expedient to amend Section 31 of the said Act, by adding to the 9th subsection hereof the following Proviso:—

"Provided always, that the undermentioned article, when manufactured in Bond, shall, when entered for consumption in *Canada*, be subject to the following Duties of **Excise**, and to no other, that is to say :--

Vinegar, per gallon, three cents.

Methylated Spirits, being composed of Alcohol mixed with Wood Naptha in such proportions, and subject to such regulations as may from time to time be made by the Treasury Board, for every gallon of the strength of proof, and so in proportion for every greater or less strength, and for every less quantity than a gallon, twelve cents.

7. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the Governor may grant yearly coasting licenses to British vessels navigating the Inland Waters of *Canada* above *Montreal*, and may direct that a fee of fifty cents shall be payable for each such license, and that the Master, or person in charge of any vessel navigating the said waters, and not having a coasting license, shall, on entering any Port in the Dominion with such vessel, pay a fee of fifty cents, if such vessel is not over fifty tons burthen, and of one dollar, if she is of more than fifty tons burthen, to the Collector on each entry, and a like fee of fifty cents, or one dollar (according to the burthen of the vessel), on each clearance of such vessel at any such Port : Provided that the Governor in Council may reduce or re-adjust such fees, but may not increase them : And provided also, that vessels merely passing through any of the Canadian Canals, without breaking bulk, shall not be liable to such fees.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts respecting Customs and Inland Revenue; and to make certain provisions respecting vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada above Montreal.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein in certain cases.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Three of the Clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

# Monday, 2nd May, 1870.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :--

Of *Pacifique Dorion* and others, of the Township of *Matapedia*, County of *Bonaventure*; praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners at the different Sea Ports of the Dominion. The Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

Your Committee have had under their consideration, Returns, of the amount of Indemnity and Mileage paid to the Members of both Houses for the Session of 1869, and have adopted the following Resolution, in relation thereto :---

Resolved, That as it appears there are great irregularities in the payment of Mileage, in some cases amounting to a difference of over one hundred miles with Members residing in the same place, the attention of both Houses be drawn to this fact, with a view to the correction of distances, so that the actual distance necessarily travelled shall be paid and no more.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Tilley, seconded by the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald,

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate communicating to their Honors a copy of the Seventh Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Irvine*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of *Hochelaga*, informed the House, That *Michael Cayley*, Esquire, a Member of the 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 till To-morrow, at 11 o'clock A.M.

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 27th April, 1870, for a Return of the names of all persons (including paymasters) now employed on the Survey of the Intercolonial Railway, in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, and the salaries paid to each. (Sessional Papers, No. 13.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1870; for copies of all Minutes in Council, and Departmental Orders, and of all correspondence between the Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of *Quebec* and *Ontario* respectively, relating to the rate of interest allowed since the 4th May, 1859, on the capital of Seigniors and the capital of compensation to the Townships in *Lower Canada*; also on the compensation to *Upper Canada* arising out of the Seignorial Legislation, called the *Upper Canada* Building Fund. (Sessional Papers, No. 73.)

Return to Address of the House of Commons, dated 14th March, 1870; for a detailed statement of all costs and charges connected with the repairs, alterations, and maintenance of *Rideau Hall* and *Spencerwood*, since the 30th June, 1868, up to the present time, including all expenses of heating and lighting the buildings, and all expenses connected with gardening, and every item of expense, in any way, either directly or indirectly, connected with the said buildings; giving the charges connected with each Department separately. (Sessional Papers, No. 19.)

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting the Canada Central "Railway Company," without any amendment.

George Airey Kirkpatrick, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the County of Frontenac, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House. Ordered, That the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Victoria, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.

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

The Honorable Mr. Howe, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Very Reverend J. B. Thibault, Vicar General, in relation to the Affairs of the North-West Territories. (Sessional Papers, No. 12)

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,— Report of the Postmaster General for the year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 3.)

On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions providing for a system of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service and for the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and of the House of Commons.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

## Tuesday, 3rd May, 1870.

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

By Mr. Robitaille,—The Petition of James Hacquoil and others, of Paspebiac; and the Petition of Cimon Cyr and others, of the Township of Hope, both of the County of Bonaventure.

By Mr. Ryan (Montreal),—The Petition of William Workman, Mayor, and Andrew Robertson, on behalf of Merchants and Citizens of Montreal assembled in public Meeting. By Mr. Beaty,—The Petition of the Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto.

A Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to make provision for discipline on "board of Canadian Government Vessels," was, according to Order, read the third time. *Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by his Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Mombers of the House being uncovered, and is, as followeth :---

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## JOHN YOUNG,

The Governor General recommends to the consideration of the House of Commons the subject matter of certain Resolutions in relation to a Superannuation system for the Officers of the Civil Service and of the Parliament of *Canada*.

## GOVERNMENT HOUSE, 2nd May, 1870.

1. That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service. it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of sixty years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary -during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years when an annual allowance of thirty-five fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years; if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years' service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order in Council to be made in the case; and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Orderin Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made from the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards, and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty-five years of service.

4. That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

5. That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on, any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing therein contained shall be understood as impairing or affecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body, to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted to him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months' pay for every two years' service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V, c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body and mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act., S. 7.

8. That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of *sixty* years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. That it is expedient to provide, that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the Seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments; and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation, determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions providing for a system of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service and for the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons.

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service, it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who, from age or infirmity, cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person, having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of sixty years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary—during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say :—If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten-fiftieths of such average salary; and if for eleven years, and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof; and, in like manner, a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years, when an annual allowance of thirty-five fiftieths may be granted; but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty five years; —if, the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years' service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order in Council to be made in the case; and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that, towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made from the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards; and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty-five years of service.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of *one-twentieth* for every year less than ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within three years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed twenty per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than ten per cent.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing therein contained shall be understood as impairing or effecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received, without his own fault, in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months' pay for every two years' service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

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9. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the seat of Government, as to the outside service of the said Departments. and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation. determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which, they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to vest in Her Majesty, for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. Gray reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment. Ordered. That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Keeler reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to explain and amend the "Act respecting the Collection and management of the Revenue, the Auditing of Public "Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House again in Committee on the Bill respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered. That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then The House adjourned till To morrow.

## Wednesday, 4th May, 1870.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :---By Mr. *Beaty*,--The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :----

Of A. M. Foster and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for amendments to the Tariff, with a view to the protection of Manufactures and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by the Honorable Mr, Holton,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence with the Imperial Government, relative to the *Red River* Territory, by Telegraph or otherwise, since the prorogation of Parliament in 1869, or with any other parties in *Canada* or the Territories in question.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Archibald, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Campbell, Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return shewing, so far as the same can at present be ascertained, the number of Bridges, above the size of culverts, required to be constructed on the Intercolonial Railway, the localities were the same are to be built—and the estimated cost; such return to show the estimated cost, if the spans are constructed of Timber, and the estimated cost if constructed in Iron. Also a copy of so much of the contracts for the construction of the Road, as contains the provisions, if any, for enabling the Commissioners to substitute Iron for Wood in the construction of Bridges in case it may seem to them desirable to do so.

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

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dorion,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Imperial Authorities or the United States Government, on the subject of Commercial Reciprocal relations with the United States, since the 1st day of January, 1869; with copies of all Orders in Council, reports or other documents relating to such subject, not hitherto laid before Parliament; and also any correspondence concerning proposed reciprocal trade relations between the United States and Prince Edward Island, or other British Colonies.

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

On motion of Mr. Bellerose, seconded by Mr. Masson, (Terrebonne), Ordered, That the Bill respecting Interest as amended, be reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Masson (Soulanges), seconded by Mr. Renaud,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A detailed statement of all allowances, petty disbursements, pay of charwomen, contingent expenses, carriage hire, &c., &c., paid to one *P. St. Hill*, house keeper, shewing item by item the number, the price, and the name of everything included in such petty disbursements, contingent expenses, allowances, &c., &c. ; the number and the names of the charwomen, their wages and the sums paid to each of them, and for each daý, &c., since the Union of the Provinces of the Dominion. Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Tupper*, seconded by Mr. *Bellerose*, *Ordered*, That the Bill respecting Interest be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the  $Q^{n}$  estion which was, on Monday, the 4th day of April last, proposed, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report on the extent and condition of the Hop Growing and Salt Interests of *Canada*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Patent Act of 1869;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act intituled : "An Act respecting the construction of the Intercolonial Railway."

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill further securing the Independence of Parliament;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Law of Usury in the Province of *Nova Scotia*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Weights and Measures;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Ac<sup>t</sup> further securing the Independence of Parliament;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill for the better protection of navigable Streams and Rivers;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to enable Railway Bridge and Tunnel Companies to settle their differences with other Companies by Arbitration;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the weighing of grain ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend section 142 of the Insolvent Act of 1869;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Currier, seconded by Mr. Wright (Ottawa County),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A Return of the names, origin, creed, position and pay of the employés of the Dominion Government.

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

On motion of Mr. Brousseau, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Ninth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. Brousseau, seconded by Mr. Stephenson,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Tenth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to extend the operation of the "Act of the Legislature of the late Province of *Canada*, 19 and 20 *Victoria*, Chapter 141, "concerning the Synod of the Church of *England* in *Canada* to the Province of *Nova Scotia*," without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company," without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders (Mr. *Drew*); and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Scatcherd* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act imposing duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Magill* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the Debate upon the Question, which was, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March last, proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all minutes of Council, Reports of Government Engineers, and correspondence generally, relating to the enlargement or improvement of the St. Lawrence and Welland Canals, since 1st July, 1867.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, two Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Messages were read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and are, as follow :---

John Young.

The Governor General transmits Supplementary Estimates of the sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending **3**0th 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, 4th April, 1870.

(Sessional Papers No. 52.)

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits Supplementary Estimates of the sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1871; and, in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Ottawa, 4th April, 1870.

(Sessional Papers, No.•52.

Ordered, That the said Messages, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

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

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General recommends to the consideration of the House of Commons the subject matter of the following Resolutions, in relation to 'the establishment and provision for the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 4th May, 1870.

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to prepare for the transfer of Ruper's Land and North-Western Territory to the Government of Canada, at the time appointed by the Queen for such admission; and that it is expedient also to provide for the Organization of part of the said Territories into a Province, and for the establishment of a Government therefor, and to make provision for a Civil Government of such remaining part of the said Territories not included within the limits of such Province.

2. Resolved, That on, from, and after the day upon which the Queen, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, under the authority of the 146th Section of the *British North America* Act, 1867, shall, by Order in Council in that behalf, admit *Rupert's Land* and the *North-Western* Territory into the Union or Dominion of *Canada*, there shall be formed, out of the same, a Province which shall be one of the Provinces of the Dominion of *Canada*, and which shall be called the Province of *Manitoba*. 3. *Resolved*, That, inasmuch as the Province is not in debt, the said Province shall be entitled to be paid and to receive from the Government of *Canada*, by half-yearly payments in advance, interest at the rate of five per centum per annum on the sum of Four hundred and seventy-two thousand and ninety dollars.

4. Resolved, That the sum of Thirty thousand dollars shall be paid yearly by Canada to the Province for the support of its Government and Legislature, and an annual grant, in aid of the said Province, shall be made, equal to eighty cents per head of the population, estimated at seventeen thousand souls; and such grant of eighty cents per head shall be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by the census that shall be taken thereof, in the year One thousand eight hundred and eightyone, and by each subsequent decennial census until its population amounts to four hundred thousand souls, at which amount such grant shall remain thereafter, and such sum shall be in full settlement of all future demands on *Canada*, and shall be paid halfyearly, in advance, to the said Province.

5. Resolved, That Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services, viz. :--

1. Salary of Lieutenant-Governor.

- 2. Salary and allowances of the Judges of the Superior and District or County Courts.
- 3. Charges in respect of the Department of the Customs.
- 4. Postal Department.
- 5. Protection of Fisheries.
- 6. Militia.
- 7. Geological Survey.
- 8. The Penitentiary.
- 9. And such further charges as may be incident to, and connected with, the the services, which, by the *British North America* Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are, or may be, allowed to the other Province.

6. Resolved, That the Customs' Duties, now by law chargeable in Rupert's Land, shall be continued without increase for the period of three years from and after the passing of this Act.

7. Resolved, That all ungranted or waste lands in the Province shall be, from and after the date of the said transfer, vested in the Crown, and administered by the Government of *Canada* for the purposes of the Dominion, subject to and except and so far as the same may be affected by the stipulations contained in the agreement for the surrender of *Rupert's Land* by the *Hudson's Bay* Company to Her Majesty.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient towards the extinguishment of the Indian title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands to the extent of One million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, and that under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall select such lots or tracts in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families, residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to *Canada*, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement and otherwise as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.

9. Resolved, That, for the quieting of titles, and assuring to the settlers in the Province the peaceable possession of the lands now held by them, if is expedient to provide as follows :---

1. That all grants of land in freehold made by the *Hudson's Bay* Company, prior to the transfer to *Canada*, shall, if required by the owner, be confirmed by grant from the Crown.

2. That all grants of estates less than freehold in land made by the Hudson's Bay

Company prior to the transfer to *Canada*, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

3. That all titles by occupancy with the sanction, and under the licence and authority of the *Hudson's Bay* Company, prior to the transfer to *Canada*, of land in that part of the Province in which the Indian title has been exfinguished, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

4. That all persons in peaceable possession of tracts of land at the time of the said transfer, in those parts of the Province in which the Indian title has not been extinguished, shall have the right of pre-emption of the same on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Governor in Council.

5. That the Lieutenant Governor be authorized, under regulations to be made from time to time by the Governor General in Council, to make all such provisions for ascertaining and adjusting, on fair and equitable terms, the rights of common, and the rights of cutting hay held and enjoyed by the settlers in the Province, and for the commutation of the same by grants of land from the Crown.

10. *Resolved*, The Governor General in Council shall from time to time settle and appoint the mode and form of grants of land from the Crown, and and any Order in Council for that purpose when published in the *Canada Gazette*, shall have the same force and effect as if it were a portion of the Act to be passed in this behalf.

11. Resolved, Nothing in the Act shall in any way prejudice or effect the rights or properties of the Hudson's Bay Company, as contained in the conditions under which that Company surrendered Rupert's Land to Her Majesty.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the Debate upon the Question which was, on Wednesday, the 16th day of April last; proposed, That it be

Resolved, That by the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1869, it is provided that a sum of money, bearing the same proportion "to that which, under the provisions of the said Act, will be paid yearly to the Seigniors in Lower Canada, as the populations of the Townships shall, by the census of 1861, be found to bear to that of the Seigniories, shall be payable yearly out of the Provincial Funds to the credit of the Lower Canada Municipal Loan Fund, but for the benefit of the Township only," which said sum amounts to \$756,710. That by the same Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the

That by the same Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the yearly sum coming to any such townships, or to the said town (of Sherbrooke), at the rate of 75 per cent. of such capital in discharge of the whole."

That in the debt of the late Province of *Canada*, as set forth in the Public Accounts 1869, part 3, p. 2, in the item "Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships (Capital)," the said compensation to the Townships is charged against the late Province at 100 per cent \$756, 710, instead of at 75 per cent: \$567,532.50, at which latter sum, according to sec. 5 sub sect. 2, of 22 *Vict.* c. 15, the Governor in Council is authorised to direct its payment and therefore at which sum only it should be charged against the late Province.

And the Question being again proposed :---The House resumed the said Debate And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Half-past Seven o Cock, P.M.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Currency.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions in relation to the establishment and provision for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, of this day, in

relation to the establishment and provision of the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*, together with the Resolutions accompanying the same, be referred to the said Committee.

A Bill to vest in Her Majesty for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada, was, according to Order, read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported from the Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions providing for a system of Superannuation for Officers of the Civil Service, and for the permanent Officers and Servants of the Senate and House of Commons, several Resolutions which were read, as follow :---

1. Resolved. That for the better ensuring efficiency and economy in the Civil Service. it is expedient to provide for the retirement therefrom, on equitable terms, of persons who from age or infirmity cannot properly perform the duties assigned to them; and that, with this view, it is expedient to provide, that, subject to the conditions mentioned in the following Resolutions, the Governor in Council may grant to any person having served in an established capacity in the Civil Service for ten years or upwards, and having attained the age of sixty years, or being incapacitated by bodily infirmity from properly performing his duties, a superannuation allowance calculated on his average yearly salary -during the then last three years, and not exceeding the following rates, that is to say: If he has served for ten years, but less than eleven years, an annual allowance of ten fiftieths of such average salary, and if for eleven years and under twelve years, an annual allowance of eleven-fiftieths thereof, and in like manner a further addition of one-fiftieth of such average salary for each additional year of service up to thirty-five years when an annual allowance of thirty-five fiftieths may be granted, but no addition shall be made for any service beyond thirty-five years; if the service has not been continuous, the period or periods during which such service has been interrupted, shall not be counted, and the Order in Council made in this case shall be laid before Parliament at its then or then next Session.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council may, in the case of any person who entered the Civil Service after the age of *forty* years, as being possessed of some peculiar professional or other qualifications or attainments required for the office to which he was appointed, and not ordinarily to be acquired in the public service, add to the actual number of years' service of such person, such further number not exceeding ten, as may be considered equitable for reasons stated in the Order in Council to be made in the case; and such additional number of years shall be taken as part of the term of service on which the superannuation allowance of such person shall be computed; the Order in Council in any such case being laid before Parliament, at its then or then next Session.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that towards making good the said superannuation allowances, an abatement shall be made from the salary of each person in the Civil Service, to whom these Resolutions apply, at the rate of *four* per cent. per annum on such salary, if it be six hundred dollars or upwards, and *two and a half* per cent. per annum thereon, if it be less than six hundred dollars; and that the sum so deducted shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, but such abatement shall be made only during the first thirty-five years of service.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the full superannuation allowance aforesaid shall only be granted to persons who have been subject to the said abatement during ten years or upwards; the superannuation allowance of any person who has paid it for a less period being subject to a diminution of one twentieth for every year less than

ten during which he has not paid it, except that in the case of any person retiring within *three* years after the passing of the Act, such diminution shall not exceed *twenty* per cent. of the allowance which might otherwise be granted to him, with power to the Governor in Council to reduce it to any amount not less than *ten* per cent.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that retirement shall be compulsory on any person to whom the superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be offered, and that such offer shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the person to whom it is made; nor shall any person be considered as having any absolute right to such allowance, but it shall be granted only in consideration of good and faithful service during the time upon which it is calculated, and that nothing therein contained shall be understood as impairing or affecting the right of the Governor to dismiss or remove any person from the Civil Service.

6. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is constrained from any infirmity of mind or body, to quit the Civil Service before the period at which a superannuation might be granted to him, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each year of his service, and that if any such person is so constrained to quit the service before such period, by reason of severe bodily injury received without his own fault in the discharge of his public duty, the Governor in Council may allow him a gratuity not exceeding three months' pay for every two years' service, or a superannuation allowance not exceeding one fifth of his average salary during the then last three years. See Imp. Act 22 V., c. 26, s. s. 5 and 6.

7. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that if any person to whom the foregoing Resolutions apply, is removed from office in consequence of the abolition thereof in order to the improvement of the organization of the Department to which he belongs, or otherwise to provide efficiency or economy in the Civil Service, the Governor in Council may grant him such gratuity or superannuation allowance, as will fairly compensate him for his loss of office, not exceeding such as he would have been entitled to if he had retired in consequence of permanent infirmity of body and mind, after adding *ten* years to his actual term of service. See Imp. Act., S. 7.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that any person receiving a superannuation allowance, and being under the age of sixty years, and not disabled by bodily or mental infirmity, shall be liable to be called upon to fill, in any part of Canada, any public office or situation for which his previous services render him eligible, and not lower in rank or emolument than that from which he retired; and that, if he refuse or neglect so to do, he shall forfeit his said allowance. See Imp. Act, S. 11.

9. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the foregoing Resolutions shall apply to all Departments mentioned in the Civil Service Act, and as well to persons employed at the Seat of Government as to the outside service of the said Departments; and to the permanent officers and servants of the Senate and House of Commons; and that, in any case of doubt, the Governor in Council may, by general or special regulation, determine to what persons the provisions to be founded on these Resolutions do or do not apply, and the conditions on which, and the manner in which they shall apply in any case or class of cases.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide, that the said allowances and gratuities shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

And the 1st and 2nd Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The 3rd Resolution being read a second time; and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. Joly moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Godin, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "the said Resolution be "now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend it by "striking out the word 'four," in the third line, and inserting the word 'two; and by "striking out all the words between the word 'salary,' in the fourth line, and the word " 'and,' in the fifth line," inserted instead thereof. And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:----

Yeas :					
Messieurs					
Béchard, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Brousseau, Carmichael, Cayley, Chamberlin, Cheval, Currier,	Mes Grant, Gray, Hagar, Holmes, Holton, Huot, Hurdon, Joly, Kempt, Kierzkowski,	Macdonald (Glengarry) McDonald (Lunenburg) MacFarlane,	)Ross (Victoria, N.S,), Ross(Wellington, C.R.) Rymal, Savary,		
Daoust,	Lacerte,	Pouliot,	Wright (Ottawa		
Forbes, Fortier,	Langlois, Le Vesconte,	Pozer,	County)49.		
	Ye	as :			
	${f Mes}$	sieurs			
Archibald, Ault, Beaubien, Bellerose, Bodwell, Bowell, Bown, Brown, Brown, Brown, Burpee, Burton, Caldwell, Cameron (Huron), Canbell, Carling, Caron, Cartier, Sir George E. Chauveau, Connell, Costigan,	Dobbie, Drew, Dufresne, Dunkin, Fortin, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Heath, Hincks, Sir Francis, Howe, Hutchison, Jones (L'ds & Gr'nville Keeler, ,Langevin, Lawson, Macdonald, Sir J. A., (Kingston),	Masson' (Terrebonne), McCallum, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McKillan, McKeillan, Merritt, Mills, Morris, Morrison (Victoria, O.), Munroe, O'Connor, Pinsonneault, Read,	Ryan (Montreal West) Scatcherd, Scriver, Shanly, Snider, Stephenson, Thompson (II'ldim'nd) Tilley, Tupper, Wallace,		
Coupal,	McDonald (Middlesex		20000g1 00.		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution : It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : "An Act respecting Ferries."

The Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And a Debate arising there upon,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Gray, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tupper, Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay various members of the Civil Service the increases, which would leave accrued under the old Civil Service Act for the year 1867-8, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the current expenditure of the Dominion Police for the remainder of the year, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for Printing, Ruling, Paper, &c., in connection with Legislation, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Thursday morning;

#### Thursday, 5th May, 1870.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to pay expenses of Photographs and Report on the Eclipse of the Sun, in connection with the Geological Survey and Observations, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to reimburse the Government of New Brunswick for payment made by them to the Prince Edward Island Steam Navigation Company for services, from 1st July, 1867, to end of season 1867, (lapsed vote) for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to cover an over-expenditure for Drill instruction for 1868-9, paid out of the vote for 1869-70, that amount having been under-estimated in the vote of the previous year, the said over-expenditure being in consequence of the great increase to the Volunteer Force during that period, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet Expenditure incurred in repelling the threatened invasion by the Fenians, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Twenty-five minutes after One of the Clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

## Thursday, 5th May, 1870.

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

Of James Hacquoil, and others, of Paspebiac; and of Simon Cyr, and others, of the Township of Hope, both of the County of Bonaventure; severally praying for the establishment of Public Schools of Navigation and Seamanship, with Boards of Examiners, at the different Seaports of the Dominion.

Of William Workman, Mayor, and Andrew Robertson, Secretary, on behalf of the Merchants and Citizens of Montreal, assembled in public meeting; praying that no law may be passed confirming the imposition of duties on Bread-stuffs and Coal, imported into Canada.

Of the Consumers' Gas Company of *Toronto*; praying that no law may be passed confirming the imposition of a duty on Coal, imported into *Canada*.

On motion of Mr. Brousseau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Langevin,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Eleventh Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand one hundred and forty-six dollars and forty-one cents be granted to Her Majesty, to meet amount required to cover expenditure for Printing, Binding, and Distributing the Laws for the remainder of the year, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenditure on account of construction of Light Houses, River St. Lawrence, in advance of \$104,000 in the Estimates for 1870-71, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and sixteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the following purposes, viz. :--To meet balance of expenditure on *Point Lepreau* Fog Alarms, \$800.00; to reimburse expenditure in repairing damage to the Light Houses caused by the tidal wave and gale of 4th October last at *Quaco, Partridge Island*, Beacon Light, *St. John* Harbor, *Swallaw Tail Head* Harbor, *St. Andrews* and *Point Lapreau* \$2,666.00; Revote, Beacon Light, *St. John* River, \$600.00; Lantern and Apparatus, *Paspebiac* Light, \$400.00; Repairing damaged French Dioptric Light, freight to *Seal Island*, and erecting same, \$450.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty three dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses, in connection with the Fisheries; viz.:—For the protection of the Fisheries (Marine Police) in advance of the vote for 1870–71, \$20,000.00; to cover Expenditure required for Fishery Service

Ontario, \$1,891.00; to cover Expenditure required for Fishery Service, Nova Scotia, \$3,540.00; to cover Expenditure required for Fishery Service, New Brunswick, \$1,532.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the amount required for the current year (in connection with Cullers), for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay amount required to complete the Services (Custom's), for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to pay amount required, during the current year, to cover Expenditure on account of Money Order and Savings Bank Branches (Post Office) not specially included in Estimate, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand four hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Welland* Canal Loan Company, amount paid by them for rent on their lease of water power, the Government having resumed possession, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand six hundred and eighty-three dollars and seventy-eight cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to derray the following expenses, viz.: Award and costs in the case of Peter Stewart against Nova Scotia Railway, \$2,486.78; award and costs in the case of Mrs. E. A. Jones against Nova Scotia Railway, \$3,597.00; gratuity to Ellen and Catherine McCarron, relatives of an Engine Driver killed on Nova Scotia Railway, \$600.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to Eastern Extension Railway, maintenance and repairs from date of purchase of line to the close of the fiscal year, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Honorable Mr.  $\tilde{G}ray$  also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the Act "to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain Ports in the "Provinces of the Dominion," without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled "An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Govern-"ment Vessels," without any amendment.

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Miscellaneous Statistics of Canada for the year 1868. Part 1 (Municipal Returns, Ontario). (Sessional Papers, No. 4.)

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts respecting Customs and Inland Revenue; and to make certain provisions respecting vessels navigating the Inland waters of *Canada* above *Montreal*;

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *John A*. *Macdonald*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. Dorion moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words 38

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"in view of the large increase in the ordinary expenditure of the Dominion, it is expedient "before imposing new and increased taxation on the necessaries of life, to enquire into "the causes of such increased expenditure, in order to ascertain the extent to which the "adoption of a stringent measure of retrenchment would meet any anticipated deficiency, "and avert the necessity of additional taxation," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

## Y eas:

## Messieurs.

Béchard,	Galt, Sir Alexander T.	,McCarthy,	Ross (Wington, C.R.),
Bodwell,	Gaudet,		Ryan (Montreal West)
Bolton,	Godin,	McDougall (Lanark),	Rymal,
Bourassa,	Hagar,	McDougall (Renfrew),	
Bowman,	Holton,		Snider,
Burpee,	Hutchison,		Stirton,
Caldwell,	Joly,	Mills,	Thompson (Ontario),
Cartwright,	Kempt,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	
Cheval,	Kierzkowski,	Paquet,	Workman,
Connell,	Macdonald(Glengarry)	)Pelletier,	Wallace,
Coupal,		Pickard,	Wells,
Dorion,		Pinsonneault,	Wright (York, Ontario)
Dufresne,	Magill,	Pozer,	and
Fortier,	Masson (Soulanges),	Redford,	Young55.

### Nays :

## Messieurs

Archambeault, Ault, Beaubien,	Crawford (Brockville), Currier, Daoust,	, Keeler, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte,	Perry, Pope, Pouliot,
Bellerose, Benoit.	Dobbie, Drew,	Langevin, Langlois,	Ray, Read,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Lawson,	Renaud,
Bowell, Bown,	Ferguson, Fortin,	Le Vesconte, Macdonald, Sir J. A.	Robitaille, Ross (Dundas).
Brousseau,	Gaucher,	(Kingston),	Ross (Prince Edw'd),
Brown, Burton,	Gendron, Gibbs,	McDonald (Middlesex)	
Cameron (Huron), Cameron (Peel),	Gray, Grover,	Masson (Terrebonne), McCallum,	
Campbell,	Harrison,	McDougall (Three	Stephenson,
Carling, Cartier Sir George E.	Heath, , Hincks, Sir Francis,	Rivers), McMillan,	Tilley, Wal <b>s</b> h.
Casault,	Howe,	Merritt,	Webb,
Cayley, Chamberlin,	Huot, Hurdon,	Morris, Morrison (Niagara),	White, Whitehead,
Chauveau,		Munroe,	Willson and
Cimon, Colby, Costigan,	Jackson, Jones (L'd: & Grenville)	O'Connor, Oliver,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty) 86.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time ;

Mr. Workman moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Casault, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "it is not in the "public interest to impose taxes on the articles of coal, coke, flour and wheat, inasmuch "as said taxation will press with peculiar and exceptional severity on certain sections of "the Dominion," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

## Yeas :

## Messieurs

Béchard.	Fortier.	Masson (Soulanges),	Pozer,
Benoit,	Galt, Sir Alexander T.	Masson (Terrebonne),	Redford,
Bodwell,	Gaudet,	McCarthy,	Ross(Wellington C.R.),
Bolton,	Gendron,	McConkey,	Ryan (Montreal West),
Bourassa,	Godin,	McDougall (Lanark),	Rymal,
Bowman,	Hagar,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Scatcherd,
Brousseau,		McDougall (Three	Snider,
Burpee,	Hutchison,	Rivers),	Stirton,
Caldwell,	Irvine,	Mc Monies,	Thompson (Ontario),
Cartwright,	Joly,	Metcalfc,	Tremblay,
Casault,	Kempt,	Mills,	Wallace,
Cheval,	Kierzkowski.	Morison (Victoria 0.),	,Wells,
Connell,	Langlois,	Pâquet,	Wood,
Coupal, ·	Macdonald (Glengarry)	)Pelletier,	Workman,
Currier,	MacFarlane,	Pickard,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Dorion,	Mackenzie,	Pinsonneault,	W. R.) and
Dufresne,	Magill,	Pouliot,	Young.—66

## Nays :

#### Messieurs

Arshambeault,	Daoust,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Ault,	Dobbie,	Lawson,	Robitaille,
Beaubien,	Drew,	Le Vesconte,	Ross (Dundas),
Bellerose,	Dunkin,	Macdonald Sir J. A.,	Ross (Prince Edward),
Blanchet,	Ferguson,	(Kingston),	Ross (Victoria, N. S.),
Bowell,	Fortin,	McDonald(Lunenburg	)Scriver,
Bown,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex)	
Burton,	Gibbs,	McCallum,	Simard,
Cameron, (Huron)	Gray,	McKeagney,	Stephenson,
Cameron (Peel)	Grover,	McMillan,	Tilley,
Campbell,	Harrison,	Merritt,	Walsh,
Carling,	Heath,	Morris.	Webb,
	E., Hincks, Sir Francis	Morrison (Niagara),	White,
Cayley,	Howe,	Munroe,	Whitehead,
Chamberlin,	Huot,	O'Connor,	Willson
	Hurdon,	Oliver,	and
Chauveau, Cimon	Jackson,	Perry,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
conton,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville		<u>-75.</u>
Colby,	Keeler,	Ray,	
Costigan,		Read,	, ,
Orawford (Brockville	;),Lacerie,	Trouc,	

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass ; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, yesterday, proposed, That the Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*, be now read a second time.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting certain Works on the River Ottawa;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill 'for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and ordered to be read the third time To-morrow.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-one thousand two hundred and thirty-two dollars and fifty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, for Unprovided Items (*Vide* Part 2, page 60) in the Public Accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1869, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning;

#### Friday, 6th May, 1870.

2. *Recolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay for preparation of Maps for Railway Committee, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of additional Stationery, House of Commons, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Excavations at Port Dalhousie, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses at *Bathurst* Harbor, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of two Steam Dredges, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred and twenty-three dollars and ninety-two cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Timber for

cribwork on water front, and to raise new Wharf (in connection with Penitentiary, *Kingston*), \$913.92; to defray expenses of Penal Prison and Warden's House (do), \$1,500.00; to defray expenses of Steam Boiler for heating water, and Steam Cooking Range (do), \$2,110.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expense of Artillery, Guns, &c., for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for Rent of Trinity House, *Quebec*, and expenses connected with reorganization of the Department and construction of Light at *Saguenay*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Protection of *Bird Island* Lighthouse, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for Examination and Classification of Masters and Mates (Mercantile Marine), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for additions to the Outside Service of the Excise Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of Increase in ordinary Mail Service, \$6,000.00; To meet expenditure on account of Money Order Branch, \$4,000.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

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

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

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

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns at its next sitting, it do stand adjourned till Saturday at 3 o'clock P.M.; and that Government Orders have precedence.

And then The House, having continued to sit till five minutes after One of the Clock, on Friday Morning, adjourned till this day.

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Your Committee have carefully examined the List of Expiring Laws prepared by the Law Clerk, and have arrived at the conclusion that it is desirable to continue in force the Act, intituled : "An Act to encourage the establishment of and regulate Savings' Banks "in this Province."

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Gray have leave to bring in a Bill to continue for a limited time the Act therein mentioned.

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks* moved, seconded by the Honorable Sir *George E*. Cartier, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Joly, moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Godin, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Commit-"the of the Whole House, with an instruction to add the following words at the end of "the third clause—'And shall not be compulsory on any person whose life is now insured, "'as long as his life continues to be insured; but such person, from whose salary the "'said abatement is not made, shall not be entitled to any share of the Superannuation "'Fund,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

#### Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Béchard,	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Rymal,
Bodwell,	Holmes,	Morison, (Victoria, O.	)Savary,
Bolton,	Holton,	Morrison (Niagara),	Scriver,
Bourassa,	Hurdon,		Shanly,
Burpee,	Hutchison,	Pâquet,	Stirton
Casault,	Joly,	Pelletier,	Thompson (Ontario),
Cayley,		Perry,	Tremblay,
Cimon,	Lacerte,	Pickard,	Wallace,
Connell,	Le Vesconte,	Pope,	Wells,
Daoust,	Macdonald (Glengarry		White,
Forbes,		Pozer,	Whitehead,
Fortier,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Ray,	Workman, and
Gaudet,	McCarthy,	Ross (Prince Edward)	Wright (Ott'wa C'nty),
Godin,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	
Grover,		Ross (Wellington, $C.R$ ,)	

#### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archibald,	Costigan,	Killam,	Redford,
Ault,	Dobbie,	Kirkpatrick,	Renaud,
Beaty,	Drew,	Langevin,	Robitaille,
Beaubien,	Dufresne,	Langlois,	Ross (Champlain),
Bellerose,	Dunkin,	Lawson,	Ross (Dundas),
Blanchet,	Fortin,		$\langle Ryan (King's N.B.), \rangle$
Bowell,	Galt, Sir Alexander,	T.McDonald (Middlese:	v)Ryan (Montreal West)
Boroman,	Gaucher,	Mackenzie,	Simard,

Bown,	Gendron,	Masson (Soulanges),	Snider.
Brousseau,	Gibbs,	McConkey,	Stephenson,
Campbell,	Gray,	McDougall (Three	Tilley,
Carling,	Harrison,	Rivers),	Walsh.
Caron,	Hincks, Sir Francis,		Willson,
Cartier, Sir Georg	ge E., Howe,	Mills,	Wood.
Cartwright.	Huot,	Morris,	Wright (York Ontario
Chamberlin,	Irvine,	Munroe,	W.R.) and
Chauveau,	Jackson,	O'Connor,	Young69.
Cheval.	Keeler,	Read,	5

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time; Mr. Godin moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted "to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions so to amend the same as to provide—

1. That the Superannuation Fund shall be a special fund, created and maintained by the contributions of the Public Officers only, and without any connection with the Public Revenues.

2. That the Fund shall be administered by the Finance Department of the Dominion.

3. That no Public Officer shall be entitled to any Superannuation allowance, unless he has contributed to the said fund for at least five years.

4. That the Superannuation allowances to be hereinafter paid in virtue of this Act shall be so paid out of such fund only, upon a scale to be calculated upon the system of life insurance, and so as to provide that the amount of the allowances to be paid shall not exhaust the said fund.

5. That the widow of any person to whom this Act applies, and who may die while employed in the Civil Service, or while receiving Superannuation allowance, shall be entitled during her lifetime, or until she marries again, to an annual allowance equal to one half the allowance received by her husband, or to which he would be entitled at the time of his decease if he had been then superannuated.

6. That the orphan children of such person shall be collectively entitled to receive from the said fund, until they attain the age of eighteen years, the same allowance as the widow, their mother received, or would be entitled to receive, under this Act; inserted instead thereof;

And Objection being taken, That the said motion was out of order, inasmuch as by Section 54 of the Imperial Act 30 Vict., Chap. 3, it is enacted, that "It shall not be lawful for the House of Commons to adopt or pass any Vote, Resolution, Address, or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the Public Revenue, or of any tax or impost, to any purpose, that has not been first recommended to that House by Message of the Governor General in the Session in which such Vote, Resolution, Address, or Bill is proposed:" and that the subject matter of the said motion had not been recommended by such Message."

Mr. Speaker said "This amendment proposes a substantial change from the proposal recommended in the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, of the 2nd May, instant. It involves a public charge different from that which has been so recommended to the House, and though I have some doubt on the question, I shall decide that the Amendment is out of order."

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a third time;

The Honorable Mr. *Holton* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Godin*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recom-"mitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction so to amend the same "as to provide that the officers of this House shall not be subject to its operation," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

## Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Burpee,	Holton,	Mills,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Cayley,	Hurdon,	Morison (Victoria O.),	Ross (Wellington, C.R.),
Cimon,			Rymal,
Connell,	Joly,		Savary,
Coupal,	Kempt,	Paquet,	Stirton,
Currier,	Kierzkowski,	Pelletier,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Dorion,	Le Vesconte,	Perry,	Thompson (Ontario),
Forbes,	Macdonald(Glengarry)	Pope,	Tremblay,
Fortier,	MacFarlane,	Pouliot,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
Galt, Sir Alexander T.	,Mackenzie,	Pozer,	and
	McDougall (Lanark),		Young.—49.
Grover,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Ross (Dundas),	-
Hagar,	McMonies,	Ross (Prince Edward),	,

### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Dobbie,	Langlois,	Kobitaille,
Ault,	Drew,	Lawson,	Ross (Champlain),
Beaty,	Dufresne,		)Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Beaubien,	Dunkin,		,Ryan (Montreal West)
Bellerose,		Masson (Soulanges),	Scatcherd.
Benoit.	Fortin,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Scriver.
Blanchet,	Gaucher,	McCarthy,	
Bolton,	Gaudet,	McConkey,	Simard,
Bowell,	Gendron,	McDougall (Three	
Bowman,	Gibbs,	Rivers),	Stephenson,
Brousseau,	Gray,	McKeagney,	Tilley,
Cameron (Huron),	Harrison,	McMillan,	Wallace
Cameron (Peel),	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Merritt,	Walsh,
Campbell,		Metcalfe,	White,
Caron,	Huot,	Morris,	Whitehead,
Cartier, Sir George E.	, Jackson,	Munroe,	Willson,
Ĉasault,	Keeler,	O'Connor,	Wood,
Chamberlin,	Killam,	Pinsonneault,	Workman and
Chauveau,	Kirkpatrick,	Read,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Costigan,	Lacerte,	Redford,	W.R.)-81,
Crawford (Brockville	e),Langevin,	Renaud,	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time; Mr. Godin moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Mills, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the "Whole House, with an instruction to amend the same, so as to provide that the pensions "secured by this Bill shall be paid exclusively out of the fund created by the abatements "from the salaries of the public officers provided by this Bill, without any contribution "from the Consolidated Funds of the Dominion," inserted instead thereof;

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And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

## Y eas:

## Messieurs

Bodwell,	Godin,	Mills,	Stephenson,
Bourassa,	Hagar,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	,Stirton,
Bowell,	Holton,	Oliver,	Thompson (Hald'm'd),
Bowman,	Hurdon,	Pâquet,	Thompson (Ontario),
Burpee,	Hutchison,	Pelletier,	Tremblay,
Cameron (Huron),	Kempt,	Pozer,	Whitehead,
Cayley,	Lawson,	Redford,	Willson,
Cheval,	MacFarlane,	Ross (Dundas),	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Cimon,	Mackenzie,		Wright, (York, Ontario,
Coupal,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ross Wellington, C.R.)	, W. O.)
Dorion,	McConkey,	Rymal,	and
Fortier,	McDoutgall (Lanark),	Savary,	Young49.
Gaucher,	Metcalfe,	Snider,	

## Nays :

## Messieurs

Archibald.	Drew.	Killam,	Perry,
Ault.	Dufresne,	Kirkpatrick,	Pinsonneault,
Beaty,	Dunkin,	Lacerte,	Pope,
Beaubien,	Ferguson,	Langevin,	Pouliot,
Bellerose,	Forbes,	Langlois,	Ray,
Benoit,	Fortin,	Le Vesconte,	Read,
Blanchet,	Galt, Sir Alexander T.	,Macdonald(Glengarry	)Renaud,
Bolton,	Gaudet,	McDonald(Lunenb,rg)	,Robitaille,
Brousseau,	Gendron,	McDonald (Middlesex)	),Ross (Champlain),
Burion,	Gibbs,		Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Cameron (Peel),	Gray,		Ryan (Montreal West),
Campbell,	Grover,	McDougall (Renfrew)	,Scatcherd
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Harrison,	McDougall (Three	Scriver,
	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Rivers	Shanly,
Chamberlin,	Howe,	McKeagney,	Simard,
Chauveau,	IIuot,	McMillan,	Tilley,
Connell,	Irvine,	Merritt,	Wallace,
Costigan,	Jackson,	Morris,	Walsh,
Crawford (Brockville)	, Joly,	Morrison (Niagara),	Webb,
Currier,	Keeler,	Munroe,	White and
Dobbie,	Kierzkowski,	O'Connor,	Workman.—83.

## So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time; Mr. Costigan moved, in emendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Benoit, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

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		Yeas :	
		Messieurs	
Benoit, Fowell, Eurpee, Cayley, Cheval, Connell, Costigan, Coupal,	Forbes, Gaudet, Godin, Hagar, Holton, Hutchison, Joly, Kierzkowski,	MacFarlane, McCarthy, McDougall (Lanar, McDougall (Renfre Mills, Oliver, Pâquet, Pelletier,	Redford, Ross (Dundas), k), Ross (Prince Edw'd), nw),Ross (Wellington, C.R) Rymal, Stirton, Tremblay, Wood, and Weight(Ottage Cipty)
Currier, Dorion,	Le Ve <b>s</b> conte, Macdonald (Gleng	Pouliot, arry)Pozer, Nays :	Wright (Ottawa C'nty), —39.
Messieurs			

Archibald,	Dunkin,	Langlois,	Renaud,
Ault,	Ferguson,	Lawson,	Robitaille,
Beaty,	Fortin,	McDonald (Lunenbu'g)	)Ross (Champlain),
Beaubien,	Galt, Sir Alexander T	,McDonald (Middlesex	Ross (Victoria, N. S.),
Bellerose,	Gaucher,	Mackenzie,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Blanchet,	Gendron,	Masson (Soulanges),	Ryan (Montreal West)
Bodwell,	Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Bolton,	Gray,	McConkey,	Scriver,
Bourassa,	Grover,	McDougall (Three	Shanly,
Bowman,	Harrison,	Rivers),	Simard,
Brousseau,	Hincks Sir Francis,	McKeagney,	Snider,
Cameron (Huron),	Howe,	McMillan,	Stephenson,
Cameron (Peel),	Huot,	Merritt,	Thompson (Ontario),
Campbell,	Hurdon,	Morris,	Tilley,
Caron,	Irvine,	Morrison (Niagara),	Walsh,
Cartier Sir George E.		Munroe,	Webb,
Casault,	Keeler,	O'Connor,	White,
Chamberlin,	Kempt,	Perry,	Willson
Chauveau,	Killam,	Pinsonneault,	Workman,
Crawford (Brockville)		Pope,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Dobbie.	Lacerte,	Ray,	W.R.), and
Drew,	Langevin,	Read,	Young87.
Dufresne,	<b>·</b> ·		-

So it passed in the Negative,

Then the Main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill intituled : "An Act to continue in force the pro-" visions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Pouple," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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And also, the Senate have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act to remedy the incon-"venience which would arise from the expiration of the Acts and parts of Acts herein "mentioned before the passing of the Act of this Session to continue the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Senate, to the Bill initialed: "An Act to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating "to La Banque du Peuple;" and the same were read, as follow:—

Page 1, line 10.—Leave out from "by" to "an" in line 11, and insert "two several "Acts passed in the Session held in the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, "intituled respectively: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws, and to repeal "certain Acts relating to the Crime of Forgery, and"".

Page 1, line 15.—Leave out from "passed" to "of" in line 16, and insert " in the Session held in the nineteenth and twentieth years."

Page 1, line 22.—After "Peuple" insert "and by this Act."

Page 1, line penult.--Leave out from "stead" to the end of the Bill, and insert clauses A, B and C.

## CLAUSE A.

"The notice required by section twenty-one of the Act first above mentioned shall "be given, in the manner therein provided, for a period of two months, instead of one "month."

### CLAUSE B.

"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."

#### CLAUSE C.

"Before commencing operations under this Act, it shall be the duty of the Principal "Partners of the soid La Banque du Peuple to submit at the annual meeting, or at a "special meeting of the Shareholders, called by public notice, and held at the office of the "said Bank at the City of Montreal, the desirability of continuing the business of the "Bank under the terms and conditions attached to this Act; and a vote of a majority in "amount of the Shareholders present at such meeting favorable to the continuation of "the business, shall be a sufficient authority to the Principal Partners to continue the "said business under this Act."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

• Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Tilley, seconded by the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to remedy the incon-"venience which would arise from the expiration of the Acts and parts of Acts herein "mentioned before the passing of the Act of this Session to continue the same," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency. And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is, as followeth :---

## JOHN YOUNG.

No. 94. 19th April, 1870. The Governor General communicates to the House of Commons, the accompanying copy of a Despatch received by him from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the protection of the Fisheries.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 6th May, 1870.

Copy, Canada, No. 94.

### DOWNING-STREET, 19th April, 1870.

SIR,—With reference to previous correspondence, with respect to the protection of the Canadian Fisheries, I have the honor to inform you, that the Board of Admiralty have been requested to send to the Canadian Waters, a force sufficient to protect Canadian Fishermen and to maintain Order.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

H. T. HOLLAND, For EARL GRANVILLE.

Governor General, The Right Honorable Sir John Young, Bart., G.C.B., G.C.M.G.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting certain Works on the River Ottawa, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Harrison reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :----

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay various Members of the Civil Service the increases which would have accrued under the old Civil Service Act, for the year 1867-8, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the current expenditure of the Dominion Police for the remainder of the year, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty for Printing, Ruling, Paper, etc., in connection with Legislation, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay expenses of Photographs and Report on the Eclipse of the Sun, in connection with the Geological Survey and Observations, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to reimburse the Government of New Brunswick, for payment made by them to the Prince Edward Island Steam Navigation Company for services, from 1st July, 1867, ' to end of season, 1867 (lapsed vote), for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to cover an over-expenditure for Drill Instruction for 1868-9, paid out of the vote for 1869-70, that amount having been under-estimated in the vote of the previous year, the said over expenditure being in consequence of the great increase to the Volunteer Force during that period, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenditure incurred in repelling the threatened invasion by the Fenians, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:---

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand one hundred and forty-six dollars and forty-one cents be granted to Her Majesty, to meet amount required to cover expenditure for Printing, Binding and distributing the Laws for the remainder of the year, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenditure on account of construction of Light-Houses, River St. Lawrence, in advance of \$104,000 in the Estimates for 1870-71, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and sixteen dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for the following purposes, viz :--To meet balance of expenditure on *Point Lepreau* Fog Alarm, \$800.00; to reimburse expenditure in repairing damage to Light-Houses caused by the tidal wave and gale of 4th of October last, at *Quaco, Partridge Island*, Beacon Light, *St. John* Harbor, *Swallow Tail Head* Harbor, *St. Andrew's* and *Point Lepreau*, \$2,666.00; Revote Beacon Light, *St. John* River \$600.00; Lantern and Apparatus, *Paspeliac* Light, \$400.00; repairing damaged French Dioptric Light, freight to *Seal Island*, and erecting same, \$450.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand nine hundred and sixtythree dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses in connection with the Fisheries, viz. :--For the protection of the Fisheries (Marine Police) in advance of the vote 1870-71, \$20,000.00; to cover expenditure required for Fishery Service, Ontario, \$1,891.00; to cover expenditure required for Fishery Service, Nova Scotia, \$3,540.00; to cover expenditure required for Fishery Service, New Brunswick, \$1,532.00, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for the amount required for the current year (in connection with Cullers) for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the amount required to complete the Services (Customs) for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay amount required during the current year to cover expenditure on account of Money Order and Savings Bank Branches (Post Office) not specially included in Estimates, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand four hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of *Welland* Canal Loan Company, amount paid by them for rent on their lease of water power, the Government having resumed possession, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand six hundred and eighty-three dollars and seventy-eight cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following expenses, viz. :- Award and costs in the case of Peter Stewart against Nova Scotia Railway, \$2,486.78,

award and costs in the case of Mrs. E. A. Jones against Nova Scotia Railway, \$3,597.00; gratuity to Ellen and Catherine McCarron, relatives of an engine driver killed on Nova Scotia Railway, \$600.00; for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to Eastern Extension Railway, maintenance and repairs from date of purchase of line to the close of the fiscal year, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Blanchet* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :---

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifty one thousand two hundred and thirtytwo dollars and fifty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty, for unprovided items (Vide part 2, page 60, in the Public Accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1869), for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to pay for preparation of maps for Railway Committee, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of additional Stationery, House of Commons, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of excavations at *Port Dalhousie*, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses at *Bathurst* Harbor, for the year ending 30th March, 1871.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet expenses of two steam dredges, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred and twenty-three dollars and ninety two cents be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of timber for cribwork on water front, and to raise new wharf (in connection with Penitentiary, Kingston), \$913.92; to defray expenses of Penal Prison and Warden's House (do), \$1,500.00; to defray expenses of steam boiler for heating water and steam cooking range (do), \$2,110.00; for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expenses of Artillery, Guns, etc., for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for rent of Trinity House, Quebec, and expenses connected with re-organization of the Department and construction of Light at Saguenay, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of protection of *Bird Island* Lighthouse, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for examination and classification of Masters and Mates (Mercantile Marine), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for additions to the outside service of the Excise Department, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expense of increase in ordinary Mail Service, \$6,000.00; to meet expenditure on account of Money Order Branch, \$4,000.00; for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read, for the third reading of the Bill respecting Interest;

Mr. Bellerose moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ross (Champlain), and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time; Mr. Oliver moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Bodwell, That

Mr. Oliver moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Bodwell, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day three months," added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

Yeas :

Messieurs				
Bodwell,	Holmes,	Merritt,	Snider,	
Bolton,	Holton,	Metcalfe,	Stephenson,	
Bowman,	Jackson,	Mills,	Stirton,	
Bown,	Kempt,	Morrison (Niagara),	Thompson (Ontario),	
Carling,	Killam,	Munroe,	Webb,	
Connell,	Kirkpatrick,	O'Connor,	Wells,	
Crawford (Brockville)	,Lawson,	Oliver,	White,	
Currier,	McDonald(Middlesex)	Perry,	Whitehead,	
Dobbie,	MacFarlans,	Pope,	Willson,	
Drew,	Mackenzie,	Redford,	Wood,	
Gibbs,	McConkey,	Ross (Wellington C.R.)	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),	
Gray,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ryan (Montreal West)	Wright (York Ontario	
Grover,	McDougall (Renfrew),	Shanly,	W.R.), and	
Hagar,		Simard,	Young 56.	
Harrison,	Rivers),	*	-	
Naus				

#### Nays: Mariana

Messieurs				
Archambeault,	Chauveau,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Pouliot,	
Archibald,	Cheval,	Howe,	Pozer,	
Ault,	Costigan,	Huot,	Renaud,	
Beaubien,	Daoust,	Hurdon,	Robitaille,	
Béchard,	Dufresne,	Hutchison,	Ross (Champlain),	
Bellerose,	Ferguson,	Keeler,	Ross (Dundas),	
Benoit,	Forbes,	Lacerte,	Ross (Prince Edward),	
Blanchet,	Fortier,	Langevin,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),	
Bourassa,	Fortin,	Macdonald (Gengarry	)Rymal,	
Bowell,	Gaucher,	Masson (Soulanges),	Scriver,	
Campbell,	Gaudet,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Tilley,	
Caron,	Gendron,	McMillan,	Tremblay.	
Cartier, Sir George	E.,Godin,	Morris,	Wallace, and	
Casault,	Heath,	Pinsonneault,	Walsh56.	

And the votes being equally divided; Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day three months.

1. That it is expedient to enact that the rate of Interest upon all contracts and agreements written or verbal, expressed or implied for the payment of the money, shall be six per cent. per annum, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties or provided by law.

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2. That in all contracts hereafter made, whether written or verbal, it shall be lawful for the parties to stipulate or agree that eight per cent. per annum, or any less sum or rate of interest, shall be taken and paid on money loaned, or in any manner due and owing from any person or corporation to any other person or corporation.

3. That if any person or corporation shall contract for or receive a greater rate of interest, directly or indirectly, than eight per cent. per annum, upon any contract, written or verbal, such person or corporation shall forfeit the whole of the interest so received and shall be entitled only to recover the principal sum due to such person or corporation.

4. That every person who, for any loan or forbearance of any money, goods, or things, shall pay or deliver any greater sum, or rate of interest, or value than is above allowed to be received or taken, may recover at any time within one year after such payment or delivery, by action at law against the person or corporation that shall have taken or received the same, the whole amount of interest, or sum, or delivery in the nature of interest, so paid or made on the contract or agreement.

5. That any person proceeded against for any contravention of the above Resolutions may be compelled to answer on oath any complaint that may be exhibited against him in any Court for the recovery of any sum of money or rate of interest, goods, or things, taken, accepted, or received in violation of the foregoing provisions, or any of them.

6. That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with these Resolutions be repealed;

And the Question being again proposed; and a further Debate arising thereupon; The Honorable Mr. *Wood* moved, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, and the Question being put, That the House do proceed to the next Order of the Day; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

#### Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Hagar,	McKeagney,	Simard.
Archibald,	Harrison,	Merritt	Snider,
Béchard,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Metcalfe,	Stephenson,
Bodwell,	Hutchison,	Mills,	Stirton,
Bolton,	Jackson,	Morison (Victoria O.),	
Bowman,	Kempt,	Morrison (Niagara),	Thompson (Ontario),
Bown,	Killam,	Munroe,	Tremblay,
Cameron (Huron),	Kirkpatrick,	O'Connor,	Webb,
Campbell,	Lawson,	Oliver,	Wells,
Carling,	Le Vesconte,	Pickard,	White,
Chamberlin,	Macdonald (Glengarry	)Pope,	Whitehead,
Connell,		Ray,	Willson,
Currier,		Redford,	Wood,
Dobbie,	Magill,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),	Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
Drew,	McConkey,		), Wright (York, Ontario,
Forbes,	McDougall (Lanark),		
Gibbs,	McDougall (Rent'w),		Young69.
-Gray,	McDougall (Three		
	Riners )		

## Nays :

#### Messieurs

Ault,	Daoust,	Huot,	Pozer,	
Beaubien,	Dufresne,	Hurdon,	Read,	<u>,</u>

Bellerose,	Dunkin,	Keeler,	Renaud.
Benoit,	Ferguson,	Lacerte,	Robitaille,
Blanchet,	Fortier,	Langevin,	Ross (Champlain),
Bourassa,	Fortin,	Masson (Soulange	s), Ross (Dundas),
Bowell,	Gaucher,	Masson (Terrebon	ne), Ross (Prince Edward),
Brousseau,	Gaudet,	McCarthy,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Caron,	Gendron,	McMillan,	Rymal,
Cartier, Sir George	, ,	Morris,	Scriver,
Casault,	Grover,	· Perry,	Shanly,
Chauveau,	Heath,	Pinsonneault,	Tilley, and
Cheval,	Howe,	Pouliot,	Walsh53.
Costigan,			

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Order of the Day being read, for resuming the further consideration of the Question which was, on Wednesday the 13th day of April last, proposed, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Anglin, the Honorable Mr. Archibald, the Honorable Mr. Smith, Mr. Savary, Mr. Bolton, Mr. Colby, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), the Honorable Mr. Dorion, Mr. Scatcherd, Mr. Drew, Mr. Ferguson, the Honorable Mr. Irvine, and the Mover, be appointed to enquire into and report to this House the facts respecting the Land Improvement Fund of Upper Canada;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to limit the rate of Interest;

Mr. Ross (Dundas), moved, seconded by Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And Objection being taken by Mr. *Mackenzie*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Lambton*, That the Bill should have originated in Committee of the Whole inasmuch as it relates to Trade;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows :---

I still entertain the view I expressed some time ago, in defining the term "Trade" as used in Rule 41.

I then defined the word as follows :

I hold that the term "Trade" does not, in its general and popular sense, apply to Insurance. Trade means buying and selling, importing and exporting goods to market. Banking, Railways, Navigation, and Telegraphs all assist Trade and are its auxiliaries, but are not branches of Trade in the popular sense; yet, certainly, the first: "Banking," is more intimately connected with Trade than Insurance.

I do not find that Bills relating to these subjects must necessarily be first considered in Committee of the Whole; sometimes it may have been done, but the practice is not uniform, and I see no rule which requires it."

I have to consider that this is an Objection restraining this House it its powers, and the rule under which the Objection is taken ought not to be carried by any implication one step farther than its words clearly indicate. Therefore, I think I am right in a strict definition of the rule in holding that it does not apply to Interest on money. I find that one of my predecessors, Mr. Speaker *Wallbridge*, gave a decision in precisely the same spirit. I have further to say that so far as the hasty search I have been able to make can permit, I understand that from the year 1851 there has been no Bill introduced into the House by Resolutions in Committee on the subject of Interest, until this present Session, so that we have no practice of our own in that direction. I see that in England the Bill for regulating the rate of Interest in 1839, and which virtually abolished the Usury Laws and made money free, was introduced on motion without going into Committee in the first instance. So that, in accordance with the spirit in which I formerly defined 40 the term "Trade," and in accordance with the precedent which I have mentioned, I hold that the Honorable Member can proceed with his Bill.

And a further Objection being taken by Mr. *Mills*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Bothwell*, "That a Bill respecting Interest, being the same Question, having already been brought before the House, and postponed till this day three months," cannot again be proposed at the present time;

Mr. Speaker decided, That substantially the present Question is the same, and cannot be put.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 66 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled : "An Act respecting Railways :"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to facilitate the incorporation of Institutions of Landed Credit (Credit Foncier);

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to make provisions for the registration of Marks or Brands used in marking Timber;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House; and the Resolution, adopted by this House, on Monday the 25th day of April last, providing for the registration of Marks or Brands used for marking Timber, was referred to the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act respecting the Marking " of Timber."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr, *Keeler*, the Honorable Mr. *Abbott*, the Honorable Mr. *Irvine*, Mr. *Bolton*, Mr. *Morrison (Niagara)*, Mr. *Savary*, the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, and Mr. *Harrison*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act of "1864;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House; and the Resolutions, adopted by this House, on Friday, the 1st day of April last, relating to the inspection of Raw Hides and Leather, were referred to the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee,

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Hutchison* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto. *Ordered*, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend Section 142 of the Insolvent Act of 1869.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow, at Three o'Clock, P.M.

## Saturday, 7th May 1870.

The Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Final Report of the Civil Service Commissioners. *(Sessional Papers, No. 64.)* 

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1867,- For a Return of all moneys expended on the Public Piers and Wharves of the Dominion from 1st July, 1867, with the names of the parties expending the same, and the name of the Wharf or Pier upon which such expenditure took place. (Sessional Papers, No. 74.)

On motion of the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, seconded by the Honorable Mr-Tilley,

Resolved, That Government Orders have precedence on every day during the remainder of the Session.

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

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

### JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons, Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Dominion, for the year ending 30th June, 1870; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these estimates to the House of Commons. (Sessional Papers, No. 52.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 7th May, 1870.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Estimates accompanying the ame, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 11.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Vict.*, Chap. 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDonald* (*Muddlesex*) reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House in Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions in relation to the establishment and provision for the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*.

The Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of the said Resolutions, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the said Committee.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to prepare for the transfer of Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory to the Government of Canada, at the time appointed by the Queen for such admission; and that it is expedient also to provide for the Organization of part of the said Territories into a Province, and for the establishment of a Government therefor, and to make provision for a Civil Government of such remaining part of the said Territories not included within the limits of such Province.

2. Resolved, That on, from, and after the day upon which the Queen, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, under the authority of the 146th Section of the *Viritish North America* Act, 1867, shall, by Order in Council in that behalf, admit *Rupert's Land* and the North-Western Territory into the Union or Dominion of Canada, there shall be formed, out of the same, a Province which shall be one of the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, and which shall be called the Province of Manitoba.

3. Resolved, That, inasmuch as the Province is not in debt, the said Province shall be entitled to be paid and to receive from the Government of *Canada*, by half-yearly payments in advance, interest at the rate of five per centum per annum on the sum of Four hundred and seventy-two thousand and ninety dollars.

4. Resolved, That the sum of Thirty thousand dollars shall be paid yearly by Canada to the Province for the support of its Government and Legislature, and an annual grant, in aid of the said Province, shall be made, equal to eighty cents per head of the population, estimated at seventeen thousand souls; and such grant of eighty cents per head shall be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by the census that shall be taken thereof, in the year One thousand eight hundred and eightyone, and by each subsequent decennial census until its population amounts to four hundred thousand souls, at which amount such grant shall remain thereafter, and such sum shall be in full settlement of all future demands on *Canada*, and shall be paid halfyearly, in advance, to the said Province.

5. Resolved, That Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services, viz. :--

- 1. Salary of Lieutenant-Governor.
- 2. Salary and allowances of the Judges of the Superior and District or County Courts.
- 3. Charges in respect of the Department of the Customs.
- 4. Postal Department.
- 5. Protection of Fisheries.
- 6. Militia.
- 7. Geological Survey.
- 8. The Penitentiary.
- 9. And such further charges as may be incident to, and connected with, the the services, which, by the *British North America* Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are, or may be, allowed to the other Province.

6. Resolved, That the Customs' Duties, now by law chargeable in Rupert's Land, shall be continued without increase for the period of three years from and after the passing of this Act, and the proceeds of such duties shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

1. Such provisions of the Custom Laws of *Canada* (other than such as prescribe the rate of duties payable) as may be from time to time declared by the Governor General in Council, to apply to the Province of *Manitoba*, shall be applicable thereto, and in force therein accordingly.

2. Such provisions of the Laws of *Canada* respecting the Inland Revenue, including those fixing the amount of duties, as may be from time to time declared by the Governor General in Council, applicable to the said Province, shall apply thereto, and be in force therein accordingly.

7. Resolved, That all ungranted or waste lands in the Province shall be, from and after the date of the said transfer, vested in the Crown, and administered by the Government of *Canada* for the purposes of the Dominion, subject to and except and so far as the same may be affected by the conditions and stipulations contained in the agreement for the surrender of *Rupert's Land* by the *Hudson's Bay* Company to Her Majesty.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient towards the extinguishment of the Indian title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands to the extent of One million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, and that under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall select such lots or tracts in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families, residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to *Canada*, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement and otherwise as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.

9. Resolved, That, for the quieting of titles, and assuring to the settlers in the Province the peaceable possession of the lands now held by them, it is expedient to provide as follows :---

1. That all grants of land in freehold made by the *Hudson's Bay* Company, up to the eighth day of March, 1869, shall, if required by the owner, be confirmed by grant from the Crown.

2. That all grants of estates less than freehold in land made by the *Hudson's Bay* Company up to the eighth day of March aforesaid, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

3. That all titles by occupancy with the sanction, and under the licence and authority of the *Hudson's Bay* Company, up to the eighth day of March aforesaid, of land in that part of the Province in which the Indian title has been extinguished, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

4. That all persons in peaceable possession of tracts of land at the time of the transfer to *Canada*, in those parts of the Province in which the Indian title has not been extinguished, shall have the right of pre-emption of the same on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Governor in Council.

5. That the Lieutenant Governor be authorized, under regulations to be made from time to time by the Governor General in Council, to make all such provisions for ascertaining and adjusting, on fair and equitable terms, the rights of common, and the rights of cutting hay held and enjoyed by the settlers in the Province, and for the commutation of the same by grants of land from the Crown.

10. Resolved, That the Governor General in Council shall from time to time settle and appoint the mode and form of grants of land from the Crown, and and any Order in Council for that purpose when published in the *Canada Gazette*, shall have the same force and effect as if it were a portion of the Act to be passed in this behalf.

11. Resolved, Nothing in the said Act shall in any way prejudice or effect the rights or properties of the Hudson's Bay Company, as contained in the conditions under which that Company surrendered Ruper's Land to Her Majesty.

Resolutions to be reported.

The Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDonald* (*Middlesex*) reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday next.

And then The House adjourned till Monday next.

# Monday, 9th May, 1870.

Mr. Keeler reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869, and other References, That the Committee had carefully examined the several Bills which had been referred to them, and had agreed to combine the provisions of the same into one Bill, and to report the Bill from the Senate, initialed: "An Act "respecting Official Assignces appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864," with several amendments.

The Honorable Mr. Morris, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 28th March, 1870,—For a statement shewing the number of seizures, from the 1st July 1867 to 1st July 1869, for violation of the Inland Revenue Laws; the name of the owner of the property seized, the amount realized from each seizure, and the reward given for each seizure, and to whom given. (Sessional Papers No. 75.)

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# 9th May,

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 27th April, 1870,—For a detailed statement shewing the amount of money received by *Alfred Brunel*, and other officers of the Public Service, on account of Seizures made in connection with the Department of Inland Revenue, since the 1st January, 1866, up to the present time. (Sessional Papers, No. 75.)

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return (in part) to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 25th April, 1870,—For a return shewing—1stly, the amount which has accrued in each year from the sale of Clergy Reserves in Upper Canada, since the passing of the Act 18th Victoria,, Chap. 2; 2ndly, a statement of the amount paid annually to each municipality in Upper Canada during that period; and 3rdly, the amount now due to each of them respectively under the authority thereof. (Sessional Papers, No. 76.)

Mr. *McDonald* (*Middlesex*) reported, from the Committee to consider certain Resolutions in relation to the establishment and provision for the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to prepare for the transfer of Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory to the Government of Canada, at the time appointed by the Queen for such admission; and that it is expedient also to provide for the Organization of part of the said Territories into a Province, and for the establishment of a Government therefor, and to make provision for the Civil Government of such remaining part of the said Territories not included within the limits of such Province.

2. Resolved, That on, from, and after the day upon which the Queen, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, under the authority of the 146th Section of the British North America Act, 1867, shall, by Order in Council in that behalf, admit Rupert's Land and the North-West Territory into the Union or Dominion of Canada, there shall be formed, out of the same, a Province which shall be one of the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, and which shall be called the Province of Manitoba.

3. *Resolved*, That, inasmuch as the Province is not in debt, the said Province shall be entitled to be paid and to receive from the Government of *Canada*, by half-yearly payments in advance, interest at the rate of five per centum per annum on the sum of Four hundred and seventy-two thousand and ninety dollars.

4. Resolved, That the sum of Thirty thousand dollars shall be paid yearly by Canada to the Province for the support of its Government and Legislature, and an annual grant, in aid of the said Province, shall be made, equal to Eighty cents per head of the Popula tion, estimated at seventeen thousand souls; and such grant of Eighty cents per head shall be augmented in proportion to the increase of population, as may be shewn by the census that shall be taken thereof, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and by each subsequent decennial census until its population amounts to four hundred thousand souls, at which amount such grant shall remain thereafter, and such sum shall be in full settlement of all future demands on *Canada*, and shall be paid half-yearly, in advance, to the said Province.

5. Resolved, That Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following services, viz :---

- 1. Salary of Lieutenant Governor.
- 2. Salary and allowances of the Judges of the Superior and District or County Courts.
- 3. Charges in respect of the Department of the Customs.
- 4. Postal Department.

- 5, Protection of Fisheries.
- 6. Militia.

7. Geological Survey.

- 8. The Penitentiary.
- 9. And such further charges as may be incident to, and connected with, the services, which, by the *British North America* Act, 1867, appertain to the General Government, and as are, or may be allowed to the other Province.

6. Resolved, That the Custom's duties now by law chargeable in Rupert's Land, shall be continued without increase for the period of three years from and after the passing of this Act, and the proceeds of such duties shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

1. Such provisions of the Custom Laws of *Canada* (other than such as prescribe the rate of duties payable) as may be from time to time declared by the Governor General in Council, to apply to the Province of *Manitoba*, shall be applicable thereto, and in force therein accordingly.

2. Such provisions of the Laws of *Canada* respecting the Inland Revenue, including those fixing the amount of duties, as may be from time to time declared by the Governor General in Council, applicable to the said Province, shall apply thereto, and be in force therein accordingly.

7. Resolved, That all ungranted or waste lands in the Province shall be, from and after the date of the said transfer, vested in the Crown, and administered by the Government of *Canada* for the purpose of the Dominion, subject to and except and so far as the same may be effected by the conditions and stipulations contained in the agreement for the surrender of *Rupert's Land* by the *Hudson's* Bay Company to Her Majesty.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient towards the extinguishment of the Indian title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands to the extent of one million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, and that under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall select such lots or tracts in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families, residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to *Canada*, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement and otherwise as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.

9. *Resolved*, That, for the quieting of titles, and assuring to the settlers in the Province the peaceable possession of the lands now held by them, it is expedient to provide as follows:—

1. That all grants of lands in freehold made by the *Hudson's* Bay Company up to the eight day of March, in the year 1869, shall, if required by the owner, be confirmed by grant from the Crown.

2. That all grants of estates less than freehold in land made by the *Hudson's* Bay Company up to the eighth day of March aforesaid, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

3. That all titles by occupancy, with the sanction, and under the licence and authority of the *Hudson's* Bay Company, up to the eighth day of March aforesaid, of land in that part of the Province in which the Indian title has been extinguished, shall, if required by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

4. That all persons in peaceable possession of tracts of land at the time of the transfer to *Canada* in those parts of the Province in which the Indian title has not been extinguished, shall have the right of pre-emption of the same on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Governor in Council.

5. That the Lieutenant-Governor be authorised, under regulations to be made from time to time by the Governor General in Council, to make all such provisions for asertaining and adjusting, on fair and equitable terms, the rights of Common, and rights of cutting Hay held and enjoyed by the settlers in the Province, and for the commutation of the same by grants of land from the Crown.

10. Resolved, That the Governor General in Council shall from time to time settle and appoint the mode and form of Grants of Land from the Crown, and any Order in Council for that purpose when published in the *Canada Gazette*, shall have the same force and effect as if it were a portion of the Act to be passed in this behalf.

11. Resolved, Nothing in the said Act shall in any way prejudice or effect the rights or properties of the Hudson's Bay Company, as contained in the conditions under which that Company surrendered Rupert's Land to Her Majesty.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Victoria, chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the government of the Province of Manitoba.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of *Manitoba*.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE).

The Resolutions referred to the Committee were proposed to form part of the Bill as Clauses 22 to 30.

Clauses 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, agreed to.

Clause 27 proposed as follows :---

27. And whereas it is expedient towards the extinguishment of the Indian title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands to the extent of One million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, it is hereby enacted, that under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall select such lots or tracts in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families, residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to *Canada*, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to the settlement and otherwise, as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.

Mr. Ferguson moved, That the said Clause do not form part of the Bill; on which the Committee divided :---Yeas 37, Nays 67,-- So it passed in the Negative.

Clause 27 was then agreed to.

The remaining Clauses were agreed to.

Bill as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDonald* (*Middlesex*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto,

Ordered, That the amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to remedy the inconvenience which would arise from the expiration "of the Acts and parts of Acts herein mentioned before the passing of the Act of this "Session to continue the same;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for this day.

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix, No. 2.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made in Committee 41

of the Whole House to the Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Victoria, chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba, and the same were read.

The Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, and the Question being proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. McDougall (Lanark) moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with a view to sub-"stitute the following Clauses for the provisions of the said Bill :

1. The said Rupert's Land and North-Western Territory shall henceforth be styled and known as the North-West Territories.

2. There shall be an Officer, styled the Lieutenant Governor, appointed for the *North-West* Territories, by the Governor General in Council by Instrument under the Great Seal; who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Governor General, and shall receive a salary of \$ *per annum.* 

3. Before assuming the duties of his Office, he shall make and subscribe before the Governor General, or some person authorised by him, Oaths of Allegiance and Office similar to those taken by the Governor General.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Act, and to such instructions, conditions, and restrictions as the Governor General may from time to time by any Order or Orders in Council prescribe, it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor to make provision for the administration of justice in the North-West Territories, and generally to make, ordain, and establish all such Laws, Institutions, and Ordinances, as may be necessary for the Peace, Order, and Government of Her Majesty's subjects therein ; provided that all such Orders in Council, and all Laws and Ordinances so to be made as aforesaid, shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as conveniently may be, after the making and enactment thereof respectively.

5. The Lieutenant Governor shall administer the Government under instruction. from time to time given him by Order in Council.

6. The Governor may, with the advice of the Privy Council, constitute and appoint by Warrant under his Sign Manual, a Council of not exceeding fifteen nor less than seven persons, to aid the Lieutenant Governor in the administration of affairs, with such powers as may be from time to time conferred upon them by Order in Council.

7. All the laws in force in *Rupert's Land* and the *North-Western* Territory at the time of their admission into the Union shall, so far as they are consistent with "The *British North America* Act of 1867," with the terms and conditions of such admission approved of by the Queen, under the 146th Section thereof—and with this Act,—remain in force until altered by the Parliament of *Canada*, or by the Lieutenant Governor under the authority of this Act.

8. All public officers and functionaries holding office in *Rupert's Land* and the *North-Western* Territory, at the time of their admission into the Union, excepting the public officer or functionary at the head of the administration of affairs, shall continue to be public officers and functionaries of the *North-West* Territories, with the same duties and powers as before, until otherwise ordered by the Lieutenant Governor, under the authority of this Act.

9. And whereas it is expedient to provide for the immediate organization of a local House of Assembly in the District of Assimiboia, within the said Territories, for the better control and management of the local affairs of the people of the said District, it is hereby declared and enacted that all that portion of the said North-West Territories, comprised in a certain grant to Lord Selkirk in 18 , bounded as follows, to wit:

Beginning on the Western shore of the Lake *Winnipeg*, at a point in  $52^{\circ}$  and 30 minutes North Latitude, and thence running due West to the Lake *Winnipigashish*, otherwise called *Little Winnipeg*, thence in a Southerly direction through the said Lake, so as to strike its Western Shore, in Latitude  $52^{\circ}$ , then due West to the place where the

parallel of  $52^{\circ}$  North Latitude intersects the Western Branch of *Red River*, otherwise called the *Assinaboine* River; then due South from that point of intersection to the forty-ninth parallel or boundary between the Territories of Her Majesty and the *United States of America*, thence along the said parallel or boundary to the *Lake of the Woods*, thence through the middle of the said Lake to the main stream of the waters flowing therefrom to the mouth of the *Winnipeg* River, and thence in a Northerly direction through the middle of the Lake *Winnipeg* to the place of beginning, shall be called and known as the District of *Assinaboia*, and the people residing within the said District shall

be entitled to representation in a local House of Assembly as hereinafter provided. 10. The Lieutenant Governor shall, within months after he has assumed office, divide the said District into twenty-four Electoral Divisions, containing as nearly as may be equality of population, each of which shall be represented by one Member in the House of Assembly.

11. Every male person, above the age of twenty-one years, who has resided within the said District for at least months previous to the election, and who is a naturalborn or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, shall be entitled to vote in the electoral division in which he resides at the time of the election, provided he shall have resided therein for one month next before the election.

12. No person shall be eligible to be elected a Member of the House of Assembly who is under the age of 21 years, or who is not a British subject by birth or naturalization, or who is unable to read and write intelligibly the English or French language, or who has been convicted of any felony, or against whom any prosecution for felony is pending at the time of the election.

13. The Lieutenant Governor shall appoint a day, which shall be within one month from the making of the said Electoral Divisions, for the holding of the Election, and it shall be the same day for all the Electoral Divisions, and he shall appoint the Returning Officer, and shall make such other provisions for the proper and orderly holding of the elections as to him shall seem meet.

14. The Members elected as aforesaid shall constitute a House of Assembly for the District of *Assinaboia*, for the period of two years from the date of the election, and may elect one of their number to be their Chairman or Speaker. Ten members shall be a quorum.

15. The Lieutenant Governor shall summon and call together the House of Assembly for the despatch of business at least once in each year, and may prorogue or dissolve the same as to him shall seem meet.

16. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Assembly, to make laws for the purposes, and relating to the subjects following, that is to say:

- 1. The rules of procedure and regulations for the conduct of business in the House of Assembly, and the trial of controverted elections.
- 2. The establishment and maintenance of public schools.
- 3. The laying out and improvement of roads, the construction of bridges, and regulation of ferries.
- 4. The granting of licenses to auctioneers and pedlars, and to the keepers of taverns, saloons, and places of public entertainment, and prescribing the conditions on which spirituous liquors may be sold within the district.
- 5. The laying of taxes upon the residents and non-residents of the district, in respect of their property therein, provided that the same be assessed equally upon all persons and classes in proportion to the value of their property.
- 6. The management and sale of school lands, and such other lands, as may from time to time be placed under the control of the Lieutenant Governor and House of Assembly.
- 7. The incorporation of Companies for carrying on business of any kind within the districts,

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8. The imposition of punishment by fine, penalty, or imprisonment for enforcing any law of Assinaboia, made in pursuance of the powers hereby granted.

9. And generally for all purposes of a municipal, local, or private nature of which the Lieutenant Governor shall signify his approval.

17. It shall be lawful for any Member of the Executive Council, who is also head of a Department, to sit in the House of Assembly and speak on any question, in the same manner as any other Member, but he shall not be entitled to vote thereon, unless elected for one of the Electoral Divisions.

18. The power of assenting to and reserving Bills, and disallowing Acts, passed by the House of Assembly, shall be exercisable in the same way, and under the same conditions by the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor General as in the case of Bills and Acts passed by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Onturio*.

19. The survey, management, and disposition of lands in the North-West Territories, and in the said District (except school lands and such other lands as may be placed under the control of the Lieutenant Governor and House of Assembly) shall be under the direction and at the expense of the Government of the Dominion.

20. In every Township surveyed in the North West Territories, there shall be reserved for the support of Public Schools, sections twenty, forty, and sixty; but if, under the agreement with the Hudson Bay Company, any section or part of a section so reserved shall be allotted to the said Company, the next section or corresponding part of the section, shall be reserved in lieu thereof.

21. Any person above the age of 21 years, who is a natural-born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who has taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty, before the proper local authority, and filed with the said officer a declaration of his intention to become a naturalized subject of Her Majesty on the expiry of the term of residence which may be prescribed for that purpose, by any law in force in the North-West Territories, shall be entitled to enter one quarter section or a less quantity of unappropriated public lands upon which such person may have filed a pre-emption claim, and which, at the time of such filing, shall be subject to pre-emption by the laws then in force. The said land to be in one parcel according to the legal sub-divisions of the public lands and after the same shall have been surveyed.

22. The person applying to enter land under this Act as aforesaid, shall, upon application to the proper officer, make affidavit before such officer, that he is of the age of twenty-one years, that he is a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, or that he has taken the oath of allegiance and filed the declaration mentioned in the previous section; that his application to enter the land is made for his own exclusive use and benefit, and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, and upon filing the said affidavit with the proper officer, and, on payment of five dollars, he shall be entitled to enter the quantity of land applied for and hold possession thereof.

23. If, at the expiration of three years from the date of such entry, or at any time within two years after such expiration of three years, the person making such entry, or, if he be dead, his widow, or, in case of her death, his heirs or devisee, shall prove by two credible witnesses, that he, or, in case of his death before the expiration of the said three years, his widow resided upon or cultivated the same for three years continuously from the date of the entry aforesaid, and that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to Her Majesty, he shall, if at that time a subject of Her Majesty, or, if he be dead, his widow, heirs, or devisee, shall be entitled to a Patent from the Crown for the land so entered as aforesaid," inserted instead thereof.

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. Oliver, That all the words after "view" to the end thereof, be left out, and the words "to the adoption in the Bill of a temporary or territorial form of Government, "with a Legislative Assembly chosen by the popular voice, and a representation in the "Dominion Parliament, thus combining a due regard for the rights of the people, and "the promotion of an economical administration of local affairs, and also securing a "legitimate mode of obtaining a knowledge of the popular will regarding the form of a "provincial constitution and the boundaries of the proposed Province, and thus avoiding "the risk of imposing on the inhabitants of the Territory a form of government to which "they might entertain serious objections," inserted instead thereof.

. And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock on Tuesday morning;

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And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

## Yeas :

Messieurs					
Ault,	Holton,	Mills,	Snider,		
Bodwell,	Macdonald (Glengarry	)Morison (Victoria O.)	,Stirton,		
Bolton,	MacFarlane,	´Munroe, `	Wallace,		
Bowell,	Mackenzie,	Oliver,	Wells,		
Bowman,	Magill,	Redford,	White,		
Brown,	McConkey,	Ross (Prince Edward)			
Connell,	McDougall (Lanark),	Koss (Wellington, C.R.	) Wright (York, Ontarie,		
Drew,	McMonies,	Rymal,	<i>W.R.</i> ), and		
Hag <b>a</b> r,	Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,	Young35.		

# Nays :

#### Messieurs

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Archambeault,	Coupal,	Huot,	Morrison (Niagara),
Archibald,	Crawford (Brockville	),Hurdon,	O'Connor,
Beaty,	Currier,	Irvine,	Pelletier,
Beaubien,	Dobbie,	Jackson,	Perry,
Béchard,	Dorion,	Joly,	Pinsonnealt,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	)Pope,
Benoit,	Dunkin,	Keeler,	Pouliot,
Blanchet,	Ferguson,	Kierzkowski,	Pozer,
Bourassa,	Forbes	Killam,	Read,
Bown	Fortier,	Kirkpatrick,	Renaud,
Brousseau,	Fortin,	Lacerte,	Robitaille,
Burton,	Gaucher,	Langevin,*	Ross (Dundas),
Cameron (Peel),	Gaudet,	Langlois,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Campbell,	Geoffrion,	Lawson,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Carling,	Gendron,	McDonald (Lunenb'rg	)Savary,
Caron,	Gibbs,	McDonald (Middlesex)	
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Godin,	Masson (Soulanges),	Shanly,
Cartwright,	Grant,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Casault,	Gray,	McDougall (Three	Tilley,
Cayley,	Grover,	Rivers),	Tremblay,
Chamberlin,	Heath,	McKeagney,	Walsh,
Chauveau,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McMillan,	Willson and
Cheval,	Holmes,	Merritt,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Cimon,	Howe,	Morris,	<u> </u>
Costigan,			

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the Original Question ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :--

# Yeas :

### Messieurs

Bolton,	Mackenzie,	Metcalfe,	Wells, and
Connell,	McDougall (Lanark),	Rymal,	White. —11.
Macdonald (Glengarry	)McMonies,	Wallace,	

## Nays:

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Commentand (Brochmille	),Jones (L'ds & Grenville	Pinsonneault
Archibald.	Currier,	Keeler.	Pope,
Ault.	Dobbie,	Kierzkowski.	Pouliot,
Beaty,	Dorion,	Killam,	Pozer,
Beaubien,	Dorton, Drew,	Kirkpatrick,	Read,
Béchard.	Diew, Dufresne,	Lacerte,	Redford,
Bellerose,	Dujresne, Dunkin,	Langevin,	Renaud.
Benoit,	,	Langlois,	Robitaille.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ferguson,	Lawson,	Ross (Dundas),
Blanchet,	Forbes,		)Ross (Prince Edward),
Bodwell,	Fortier,	McDonald (Middleson	)Ross (Victoria, N.S.),
Bourassa,	Fortin,	MacFarlane,	Ross (Wellington, C.R.)
Bowell,	Gaucher,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Bowman,	Gaudet,	Magill,	Ryan (King's, N. B.),
Bown,	Geoffrion,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Brousseau,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Brown,	Gibbs,	McConkey,	Scriver,
Burton,	Godin,	McDougall (Three	Shanly,
Cameron (Peel),	Grant,	Rivers),	Snider,
Campbell,	Gray	McKeagney,	Stephenson,
Carling,	Grover,	McMillan,	Stirton,
Caron,	Hagar,	Merritt,	Thompson(Haldim'nd)
Cartier, Sir George E.	, Heath,	Mills,	Tilley,
Cartwright,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Morris,	Tremblay,
Casault,	Holmes,	Morison (Victoria O.)	,Walsh,
Cayley,	Holton,	Morrison (Niagara), *	·Whitehead,
Chamberlin,	Howe,	Munroe,	Willson
Chauveau,	Huot,	O'Connor,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Cheval,	Hurdon,	Oliver,	Wright (York, Ontario,
Cimon,	Irvine,	Pelletier,	<i>W</i> . <i>R</i> .), and
Costigan,	Jackson,	Perry,	Young120.
Coupal,	Joly,	•	•

So it passed in the Negative.

And the question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. Ferguson moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Scatcherd, that all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out and the words "Bill be re-committed to a "Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of amending the same, by leaving out "all the words after the word "say" in line 9, clause 1, and inserting in lieu thereof, "the words "beginning at a point where the meridian of 96 degrees West Longitude "from Greenwich intersects the parallel of 52 degrees North Latitude,—thence due "West along said parallel of 52 degrees North Latitude to the intersection of the "meridian of 100 West Longitude. Then due South from that point of intersection to the "49th parallel or boundary between the territories of Her Majesty and the United States " of America, thence along the said parallel or boundary to the Lake of the Woods,—

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"there through the middle of the said Lake to the main stream of the waters flowing "therefrom to the mouth of the *Winnipeg* River. And thence in a northerly direction "through the said Lake *Winnipey* to the place of beginning," inserted instead thereof.

Mr. Cartwright moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), That all the words after "same" to the end thereof be left out, and the words "by adding the following words at the end of Clause 1" "Provided "always, that it shall be lawful for the Parliament of Canada to enlarge and make such "further and other additions to the boundaries of the said Province of Manitoba as may "appear expedient from time to time," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

### Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Ault,	Grover,	McMonies,	Ross(Wington, C.R.),
Bodwell,	Hagar,	Merritt,	Rymal,
Bowell,	Holmes,	Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,
Bowman,	Jackson,	Mills,	Snider,
Brown,	Jones (L'ds & Grenv'e)	,Morison (Victoria, O.)	,Stirton,
Cartwright,	Kirkpatrick,	Munroe,	Wallace,
Connell,	Lawson,	Oliver,	Wells,
Currier,	Macdonald(Glengarry	Perry,	White,
Dobbie,	MacFarlane,	Pope,	Whitehead,
Drew,	Mackenzie,	Redford,	Willson,
Ferguson,	Magill,	Ross (Dundas),	Wright (York, Ontario,
Forbes,	McConkey,	Ross (Prince Edw'd),	W.R.), and
Gibbs,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Victoria, NS.),	Young.—52.
Grant,	÷ 、 //	· · ·	

## Nays :

# Messieurs

Archambeault,	Costigan,	Howe,	Morrison (Niagara),
Beaty,	Coupal,	Hurdon,	O'Connor.
Beaubien,	Crawford (Brockville,		Pelletier,
Béchard.	Dorion.	Keeler,	Pinsonneault,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Kierzkowski,	Pouliot,
Benoit,	Dunkin,	Killam,	Pozer,
Blanchet,	Fortier.	Lacerte,	Read,
Bourassa,	Fortin,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Bown,	Gaucher.	Langlois.	Robitaille,
Brousseau,	Gaudet,	McĎonald (Lunenberg	)Ryan (King's N.B.),
Campbell,	Geoffrion,	McDonald (Middlesex	Savary,
Carling,	Gendron.	Masson (Soulanges),	Scriver,
Cartier, Sir George E.	,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Shanly,
Casault,	Gray,	McDougall (Three	Stephensor,
Cayley,	Heath,	Rivers),	Tilley,
Chamberlin,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McKeagney,	Tremblay, and
Chauveau,	Holton,	McMillan,	Wright (Ott'wa C'nty)
Cheval,	Huot,	Morris,	72.
Cimon,	,	•	

So it passed in the Negative.

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And the Question on the Amendment being again propsoed,

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment thereunto, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McDougall (Lanark), That all the words after the word "amending" to the end thereof, be left out, and the words "the 1st Clause," by leaving out the words "ninety-six," in line 10, and inserting the words "One hundred and two;" and by leaving out all the words after the word "the" in line 14, and inserting the following instead thereof: "Lake of "the Woods, thence Easterly along the international boundary line to the Western "boundary of the Province of Ontario, thence due North to the parallel of fifty-two "degrees North Latitude, thence due West along said parallel of fifty-two degrees North "Latitude to its intersection with the before mentioned meridian of One hundred and "two degrees West Longitude, thence due South along said meridian of One hundred " and two degrees West Longitude to the place of beginning" inserted instead thereof.

### Yeas :

## Messieurs

Ault,	Gibbs,	Merritt,	Rymal,
Bodwell		Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,
Bowell,			Snider,
Bowman,		Morison (Victoria 0.)	Stirton,
Brown,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville)	Munroe,	Wallace,
Cartwright,	Macdonald (Glengarry)	Oliver,	Wells,
Connell,		Perry,	White,
Currier,		Redford,	Whitehead,
Dobbie,			Willson,
Drew,			Wright (York, Ont <b>ari</b> o,)
Ferguson,	McDougall (Lanark),		
Forbes,	McMonies,	Ross (Wellington, $C.R$ ).	Young.—47.

## Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Cimon,	Hurdon,	Morris,
Beaty,	Costigan,	Jackson,	Morrison (Niagara),
Beaubien,	Coupal,	Joly.	O'Connor,
Béchard,	Crawford (Brockville	),Keeler,	Pelletier,
Bellerose,	Dorion,	Kierzkowski,	Pinsonneault,
Benoit,	Dufresne,	Killam,	Pope,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Kirkpatrick,	Pouliot,
Bourassa,	Fortier,	Lacerte,	Pozer,
Bown,		Langevin,	Read,
Brousseau,	Gaucher,	Langlois,	Renaud,
Campbell,	Gaudet,	Lawson,	Robitaille,
Carling,	Geoffrion,	McDonald (Lunenb'g),	Ryan (King's N.B.),
Caron,	Gendron,	McDonald (Middlesex	Scriver,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Godin,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Casault,	Gray,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Stephenson,
Cayley,	Hincks, Sir Francis,		Tilley,
Chamberlin,	Holton,	Rivers),	Tremblay, and
Chauveau,	Howe,	McKeagney,	Walsh74.
Cheval,	Huot,	McMillan,	•

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the Original Question; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

# Yeas :

## Messieurs

Ault,	2	Grant,	Metcalfe,	Scatcherd.
Bodwell,		Grover,	Mills,	Snider.
Bowell,		Hagar,	Morison (Victoria 0.),	Stirton.
Bowman.		Jones (L'ds & Gr'nville)	Munroe,	Wallace,
Brown,			Oliver,	Walsh,
Cartwright.		Macdonald (Glengarry)	Perry,	Wells,
Connell,		MacFarlane,		White,
Currier,		Mackenzie,	Ross (Dundas),	Whitehead,
Dobbie,		Magill,	Ross (Prince Edw'd),	Willson,
Drew,		McConkey,	Ross (Victoria, N.S.)	Wright (York Ontario),
Ferguson,		McDougall (Lanark),		
Forbes,		McMonies,	Rymal,	Young 49.
Gibbs,		Merritt,		

Nays :

### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Cheval,	Hurdon,	Morris,
Archibald,	Cimon,	Jackson,	Morrison (Niagara),
Beaty,	Costigan,	Joly,	O'Connor,
Beaubien,	Coupal,	Keeler,	Pelletier,
Béchard,	Crawford (Brockville),	, Kierzkowski,	Pinsonneault,
Bellerose,	Dorion,	Killam,	Pope,
Benoit,	Dufresne,	Kirk patrick,	Pouliot,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Lacerte,	Pozer,
Bourassa,	Fortier,	Langevin,	Read,
Bown,	Fortin,	Langlois,	Renaud,
Brousseau,	Gaucher,	McDonald(Lunenburg)	)Robitaille,
Campbell,	Gaudet,	McDonald (Middlesex)	Ryan, (King's, N.B.),
Carling,	Geoffrion,	Masson (Soulanges),	Savary,
Caron,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne)	
Cartier, Sir George E	,Godin,	McDougall (Three	Shanly,
Casault,	Gray,	Rivers),	Stephenson,
Cayley,	Hincks Sir Francis,	McKeagney,	Tilley, and
Chamberlin,	Howe,	McMillan,	Tremblay.—73.
Chauveau,	Huot,		

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time ;

Mr. Mills moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Geoffrion, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be recommitted to a "Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of amending the 5th Clause by adding "the words 'nor shall any one be eligible who is now disqualified by law from sitting or "'voting in the House of Commons by reason of any office of profit or emolument, held "' under the Crown;' and also by adding the following as Section A: 'If any one so "' disqualified does nevertheless sit and vote he shall be subject to the penalties imposed

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"' upon persons elected from any other Province sitting or voting in the House of "Commons;'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

# Yeas :

# Messieurs

Ault,	Grover,	Metcalfe,	Ross (Wellington, C.R.),
Bodwell,	Hagar,	Mills,	Scatcherd,
Bowell,	Holton,	Morison (Victoria	O.)Snider,
Bowman,	Jones (L'de & Grenville	)Munroe,	Stirton,
Brown,	Kierzkowski,	Oliver,	Wallace,
Connell,	Killam,	Pelletier,	Wells,
Dobbie,	Macdonald (Glengarry	)Perry,	White,
Dorion,	MacFarlane,	Pozer,	Whitehead,
Drew,	Mackenzie,	Redford,	Wright (York Ontarie,
Ferguson,	McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	W.R.) and
Geoffrion,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Prince Edwa	rd), Young45.
Godin,	McMonies,		

# Nays :

# Messieurs

Archambeault,	Cimon,	Howe,	Morris.
Beaty,	Costigan,	Huot,	Morrison (Niagara),
Beaubien,	Coupal,	Hurdon,	O'Connor,
Béchard,	Crawford (Brockville)	Joly,	Pinsonneault,
Bellerose,	Currier,	Keeler,	Pope,
Benoit,	Dufresne,	Kirkpatrick,	Pouliot,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Lacerte,	Read,
Bourassa,	Forbes,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Bown,	Fortier,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Brousseau,	Fortin,	Lawson,	Ryan (King's N.B.),
Campbell,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex	
Carting,	Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	Scriver,
Caron,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Shanly,
Cartier Sir George E.,	Gibbs,	McDougall (Three	Stevenson,
Casault,	Grant,	Rivers),	Tilley,
Cayley,	Gray,	McKeagney,	Tremblay,
Chamberlin,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McMillan,	Walsh, and
Chauveau,	Holmes,	Merritt,	Willson72.
Cheval,	·		

So it passed in the Negative.

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And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. Ferguson moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Drew, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be recommitted to a "Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of striking out clause 27," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put in the amendment ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

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# Yeas :

## Messieurs

Bodwell,Holmes,Morison (WBowell,Jones (L'ds&Gr'nville) Munroe,Bowman,Macdonald (Glengarry) Oliver,Brown,MacGonald (Glengarry) Oliver,Brown,MacFarlane,Perry,Connell,Connell,Mackenzie,Redford,Currier,Magill,Dobbie,McConkey,Prew,McDougal (Lanark),Ress (VictorFerguson,McMonies,Scatcherd,	ce Édward), Wright (York, Ontario, oria, N. S.), W.R.)
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## Nays :

## Messieurs

Archambeault, Beaty, Beaubien, Béchard, Bellerose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Campbell, Carling, Caron, Caron, Carser, Sir George E Casault, Cavley.	Godin,	Keeler, Kierzkowski, Killam, Kirkpatrick, Lacerte, Langevin, Langlois, Lawson, McDonald (Middlesex Masson (Soulanges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three	Ryan (King's, N.B.), Savary, Scriver,
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers),	Savary,

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McDougall (Lanark), That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of amending "the same" by striking out Clause 27, and inserting the following instead thereof:

27. Any person above the age of 21 years, who is a natural-born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who has taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty, before the proper local authority, and filed with the said officer a declaration of his intention to become a naturalized subject of Her Majesty on the expiry of the term of residence which may be prescribed for that purpose, by any law in force in the North-West Territories, shall be entitled to enter one quarter section or a less quantity of unappropriated public lands upon which such person may have filed a pre-emption claim, and which, at the time of such filing, shall be subject to pre-emption by the laws then in force. The

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said land to be in one parcel according to the legal sub-divisions of the public lands and after the same shall have been surveyed.

1. The person applying to enter land under this Act as aforesaid, shall, upon application to the proper officer, make affidavit before such officer, that he is of the age of twenty-one years, that he is a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, or that he has taken the oath of allegiance and filed the declaration mentioned in the previous section; that his application to enter the land is made for his own exclusive use and benefit, and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, and upon filing the said affidavit with the proper officer, and, on payment of five dollars, he shall be entitled to enter the quantity of land applied for and hold possession thereof.

2. If, at the expiration of three years from the date of such entry, or at any time within two years after such expiration of three years, the person making such entry, or, if he be dead, his widow, or, in case of her death, his heirs or devisee, shall prove by two credible witnesses, that he, or, in case of his death before the expiration of the said three years, his widow resided upon or cultivated the same for three years continuously from the date of the entry aforesaid, and that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to Her Majesty, he shall, if at that time a subject of Her Majesty, or, if he be dead, his widow, heirs, or devisee, shall be entitled to a Patent from the Crown for the land so entered as aforesaid," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

### Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Ault,	Hagar,	Mills,	Stirton
Bodwell,	Jones & (L'ds Grenville)	Morison, (Victoria, O.)	) Wallace,
Bowell,	Macdonald(Glengarry)	Munroe,	Wells,
Bowman,	MacFarlane,	Oliver,	White,
Brown,	Mackenzie,	Perry,	Whitehead,
Connell,	Magill,	Redford.	Willson,
Dobbie,	McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	Wright (York, Ontario,
Drew,		Ross (Prince Edward)	
Ferguson,	McMonies,	Scatcherd,	Young38.
Grover,	Metcalfe,	Snider,	0

### Nays :

#### Messieurs

Archambeault,	Costigan,	Howe,	Merritt.
Beaty,	Coupal,	Huot,	Morris,
Beaubien,	Crawford (Brockville),		Morrison (Niagara),
Béchard,	Dorion,	Jackson,	O'Connor,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Joly,	Pelletier,
Benoit, +	Dunkin,	Keeler,	Pinsonneault,
Blanchet,	Forbes,	Kierzkowski,	Pope,
Bourassa,	Fortier,	Killam,	Pouliot,
Brousseau, .	Fortin,	Lacerte,	Pozer,
Campbell,	Gaucher,	Langevin,	Read,
Carling,	Gaudet,	Langlois,	Renaud,
Caron,	Geoffrion,	Lawson,	Kobitaille,
Cartier, Sir George	E.,Gendron,	McDenald(Middlesex	),Ryan (King's N.B.),

Casault,	Gibbs,	Masson (Soulanges),	
Cayley,	Godin.	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Chamberlin,	Gray,	McDougall (Three	Stephenson,
Chauveau,	Hincks, Sir Francis	Rivers),	Tilley, and Walsh74.
Cheval,	Holmes,	McKeagney,	
Cimon,	Holton,	McMillan,	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed. That the amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. Drew moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of adding the following words at the end of Clause 17: 'except the first Parliament, which shall continue for two years from the date of the return of the writ, unless sooner dissolved by the Lieutenant Governor,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :---

# Yeas :

## Messieurs

Ault,	Grover,	Morrison (Victoria, O.)	,Scriver,
Bodwell,	Hagar,	Munroe,	Snider,
Bowell,	Lawson,	Oliver,	Stirton,
Bowman,	Macdonald(Glengarry)	Perry,	Wallace,
Brown,	Mackenzie,		Wells,
Connell,	McConkey,	Redford,	White,
Crawford (Brockville	),McDougall ( Lanark ),	Ross (Dundas),	Whitehead,
Currier,	McMonies,	Ross (Prince Edw'd)	,Wright (York, Ontario)
Dobbie,	Merritt,	Rymal,	W.R.), and
Drew,	Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,	Young41.
Ferguson,	Mills,		

# Nays : Messieurs

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Archambeault,	Cimon.	Holton,	Morris,
Beaty,	Costigan,	Howe,	Morrison (Niagara),
Beaubien,	Coupal,	Huot,	O'Connor,
Béchard.	Dorion,	Hurdon,	Pelletier,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Joly,	Pinsonneault,
Benoit.	Dunkin,	Keeler,	Pouliot,
Blanchet,	Forbes,	Kierzkowski.	Pozer,
Bourassa,	Fortier,	Lacerte,	Read,
Brousseau,	Fortin,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Campbell,	Gaucher,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Carling,	Gaudet,	McDonald (Middlesex	)Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Caron,	Geoffrion,	Masson (Soulanges),	Savary,
Cartier, Sir George .		Masson (Terrebonne),	Tilley,
Casault,	Gibbs,	McDougall (Three	Walsh,
Cayley,	Godin,	Rivers),	Willson, and
Chauvean,	Ĝray,	McKeagney,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty)
Cheval,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McMillan,	66.

And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be new read a second time;

And a Debate a ising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Mackenzie, Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

And then The House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Three of the Clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

# Tuesday, 10th May, 1870.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :----

By Mr. Cariwright,—The Petition of Levi Varney and others, Members of the Society of Friends.

The Honorable Mr. Morris, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address, to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 27th April, 1870,—For the particulars of the Account rendered by, and paid to the Sheriff of Northumberland, of \$600, charged in the Public Accounts up to 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 79.)

The Honorable Mr. Dunkin, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix, No. 5.)

The Honorable Mr. Dunkin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Minister of Agriculture, for the Calendar year, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 80.)

The Honorable Mr. Dunkin also presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated, 3rd March, 1870,—For Copies of all Correspondence with the Imperial Government, relative to the admission or exclusion of American Fishing Vessels from the waters of the Dominion, and all Orders in Council on the Subject. (Sessional Papers, No. 81.)

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate, upon the Question, which was yesterday proposed, That the Amendments made in Committee of the Whole House to the Bill to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Victoria, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba, be now read a second time.

And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time ;

Mr. Ferguson moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Drew, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of amending sub-section 3 of section 16, by striking out all the words after "same" in the said sub-section," inserted instead thereof;

Mr. Bodwell moved, in amendment thereunto, seconded by Mr. Mills, that all the words after "purpose" to the end thereof, be left out, and the words "of striking out sub-"section 3 and inserting the following: 'and a bond fide resident within the Electoral "'Division at the date of the writ of Election for the same and has been a bond fide "'resident for one month next before the said date," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:----

## Yeas :

### Messieurs.

Ault,	Macdonald (Glengarry	)Oliver,	Snider,
Bodwell,	Mackenzie,	Perry,	Stirton,
Bolton,	Magill,	Redford,	Thompson (Ontario),
Bowman,	McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	Wallace,
Brown,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Prince Edward)	Wells,
Connell,	McMonies,	Ross Wellington, C.R.)	
Currier,	Metcalfe,	Rymal,	Wright (Yek, Ontario,
Dobbie,	Mills,	Scatcherd	W.R.), and
Holton,	Morison (Victoria O.),	Scriver,	Young35.

# Nays :

## Messieurs.

Archambeault,	Chauveau,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Merritt,
Archibald,	Cheval,	Holmes,	Morris,
Beaty,	Cimon,	Houve,	Morrison (Niagara),
Beaubien.	Costigan,	Huot,	O'Connor,
Béchard,	Coupal,	Hurdon,	Pelletier,
Bellerose.	Crawford (Brockville)	Jackson,	Pinsonneault,
Benoit.	Daoust,	Jones (L'ds & Grenv'lle	Pope,
Blanchet,	Dorion,	Keeler,	Pouliot,
Bourassa,	Drew,	Killam,	Pozer,
Bowell,	Dufresne,	Kirkpatrick,	Ray,
Brousseau,	Dunkin,	Lacerte,	Read,
Burton,	Ferguson,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Cameron (Peel)	Forbes,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Campbell,	Fortier,	Lawson,	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Carling,	Fortin,	McDonald (Lunenbu'g)	Savary,
Caron,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex)	Shanly,
Cartier Sir George E.	, Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	Stephenson,
Cartwright,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Tilley,
Casarilt,	Gibbs,	McDougall (Three	Tremblay,
Cayley,	Godin,	Rivers),	Walsh, and
Chamberlin,	Gray,	McKeagney,	Willson.—83.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the Original Question; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

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# Yeas :

# Messieurs.

Ault,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville	Morison (Victoria, O.)	Snider,
Bodwell,	Macdonald (Glengarry	Munroe,	Stirton,
Bolton,	McDonald (Lunenburg		Thompson (Ontario),
Bowell,	Mackenzie,	Perry,	Wallace
Bowman,	Magill,	Redford,	Wells,
Brown,	McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	White,
Connell,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Prince Édw'd),	
Dobbie,	McMonies,		Wright, (York, Ontario,
Drew,	Merritt,	Rymal,	$W$ . $\dot{R}$ .) and
Ferguson,	Metcalfe,	Scriver,	Young41.
Holmes,	Mills,		v

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Archambeault,	Chamberlin,	Gray,	McKeagney,
Archibald,	Chauveau,	Hincks Sir Francis,	Morris,
Beaty,	Cheval,	Holton,	Morrison (Niagara),
Beaubien,	Cimon,	Howe,	O'Connor,
Béchard,	Costigan,	Huot,	Pelletier,
Bellerose,	Coupal,	Hurdon,	Pinsonneault,
Benoit,	Crawford (Brockville)		Pope,
Blanchet,	Daoust,	Keeler,	Pouliot,
Bourassa,	Dorion,	Killam,	Pozer,
Brousseau,	Dutresne,	Kirkpatrick,	Ray,
Burton,	Dunkin,	Lacerte,	Read,
Cameron (Peel),	Forbes,	Langevin,	Renaud,
Campbell,	Fortier,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Carling,	Fortin,	Lawson,	Ryan (King's, NB.)
Caron,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Middlesex)	
Cartier, Sir George E	.,Gaudet,	Masson (Soulanges),	Shanly,
Carturight,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Stephenson,
Casault,	Gibbs,	McDougall (Three	Tilley,
Cayley,	Godin,	Rivers),	Tremblay,
		•	Walsh76.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *McDougall (Lanark)* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Mackenzie*, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of "amending the same by inserting the following: 'But no person who has been convicted, "'or is then under arrest for the commission of any felony, shall be eligible to be elected "'as a Member of the said Legislative Assembly," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time;

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. McDougall (Lanark), That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of "striking out the 27th Section, and inserting the following: 'Whereas it is expedient to

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"' appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands for the benefit of the families of the half "' breed residents, it is hereby enacted that the children of such half breed residents in "' the Province shall be entitled to receive a grant of not more than 200 acres each, on " ' attaining the age of 18 years, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement " ' and otherwise, as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine,'" inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :---

## Yeas :

## Messieurs

Ault,		Grover,	Morison (Victoria 0.),	Snider,
Bodwell,		Macdonald (Gengarry)		Stirton,
Bolton.				Thompson (Ontario),
Bowell.		Mackenzie,	Perry,	Wallace,
Bowman,			Redford,	Wells,
Brown,		McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	White,
Connell,		McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Prince Edw'd),	Wright (York, Ontario,
Dobbie.			Ross (Wellington, C.R.)	
Drew,	•	Metcalfe,	Scatcherd,	Young37.
Ferguson,		Mills,		·

# Nays :

Messieurs					
Archambeault,	Costigan,	Holton,	Morris,		
Archibald.	Coupal,	Howe,	Morrison (Niagara),		
Beaty,	Crawford (Brockville)	),Huot,	O'Connor,		
Beaubien,	Currier,	Hurdon,	Pelletier,		
Béchard,	Deoust,	Jackson,	Pinsonneault,		
Bellerose.	Dorion,	Keeler,	Pouliot,		
Benoit,	Dufresne,	Kirkpatrick,	Pozer,		
Blanchet,	Dunkin,	Lacerte,	Ray,		
Bourassa,	Forbes,	Langevin,	Read,		
Bown,	Fortier,	Langlois,	Renaud,		
Brousseau,	Fortin,	Lawson,	Robitaille,		
Burton,	Gaucher,	Le Vesconte,	Ryan (King's N.B.),		
Cameron (Peel),	Gaudet,	McDonald (Middlesex)	)Savary,		
Campbell,	Gendron,	Masson (Soulanyes),	Scriver,		
Carling,	Gibbs,	Masson (Terrebonne),	Shanly,		
Caron,	Godin,	McDougall (Three	Stephenson,		
Cartier, Sir George E.	, Gray	Rivers),	Tilley,		
Casault,	Heath,	McGreevy,	Tremblay,		
Cayley,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	McKeagney,	Walsh, and		
Cheval,	Holmes,	Merritt,	Willson.—80.		
Cimon,		۱.			

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the amendments be now read a second time :

Mr. Oliver moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bodwell, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "Eill be recommitted to a "Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of striking cut that part of the Bill

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"which refers to and provides for Education in the Province of *Manitoba*," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

# Yeas :

# Messieurs

Ault,	Ferguson,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	Stirton,
Bodwell,	Jones (L'ds & Grenville		Thompson (Ontario),
Bolton, <sup>*</sup>	Kirkpatrick,	Redford,	Wallace,
Bowell,	Macdonald(Glengarry	)Ross (Dundas),	Wells,
Bowman,		Ross (Prince Édward)	
Brown,	McConkey,		Wright (York, Ontario,
Connell,	McDouyall (Lanark),	Ross (Wellington, C.R.)	W.R.) and
Dobbie,	Metcalfe,	Rymal,	Young 34.
Drew,	Mills,	Snider,	U

# Nays :

#### Messieurs

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Archambeault,	Costigan,	Holton,	O'Connor,
Archibald,	Coupal,	Howe,	Pelletier,
Beaubien,	Crawford (Brockville)		Perry,
Béchard,	Daoust,	Keeler,	Pinsonneault,
Bellerose,	Dorion,	Lacerte,	Pope,
Benoit,	Dufresne,		Pouliot,
Blanchet,	Dunkin,		Pozer,
Bourassa,	Fortier,	Lawson,	Ray,
Bown,	Fortin,		Renaud,
Brousseau,	Gaucher,	McDonald (Lunenb,rg)	Robitaille,
Burton,	Gaudet,	McDonald (Middlesex),	Ryan (King's, N. B.),
Cameron (Peel),		Masson (Soulanges),	
Campbell,	Gendron,	Masson (Terrebonne),	
Carling,	Gibbs,		Scriver,
Caron,	Godin,		Shanly,
Cartier, Sir George E.	Grant,		Stephenson,
Casault,	Gray,		Tilley,
Cayley,			Tremblay,
Chauveau,		Morris,	Walsh, and
Cheval,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Morrison (Niagara),	Willson81.
Cimon,	Holmes,		

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the amendments be now read a second time.

The amendments were accordingly read a second time and agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Tilley,

Ordered, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by adding at the end of Clause 17, the following as Sub-Section 4 :---Who being of the full age of 21 years, and not subject to any legal

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incapacity, and a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, was at any time, within twelve months prior to the passing of this Act, and (though in the *interim* temporarily absent) is at the time of such Election, a *bonâ fide* householder, residing within the Electoral Division, at the date of the writ of Election for the same. But this 4th Sub-Section shall apply only to the first Election to be held under this Act for Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly aforesaid.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Clause 17, Amended by adding at the end thereof, the following as Sub Section 4:—"Who being of the full age of 21 years and not subject to any legal "incapacity, and a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, was, at any time "within twelve months prior to the passing of this Act, and (though in the *interim* "temporarily absent) is at the time of such Election, a *bond fide* householder, resident "within the Electoral Division, at the date of the writ of Election for the same. But "this 4th Sub-Section shall apply only to the first Election to be held under this Act for "Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly aforesaid."

Bill as amended to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mills* reported, That the Committee had made a further amendment to the Bill.

Ordered. That the amendment be now taken into consideration.

The amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, on Thursday, the 21st day of April last, proposed to be made to the Question, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution. (2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million three hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the *North-West* Territories (Revote), for the year ending 30th June, 1871), and which Amendment was, That the words "Provided no portion of "the said sum or of the Dominion Funds, shall be expended in employing Troops, or the "Militia of the Dominion, for the purpose of regaining by force of arms the possession of "said Territory, nor until the peaceful possession of the same shall have been secured to "this Dominion according to, and under the terms of, the agreement entered into between "the Imperial authorities and the Government of *Canada*," be added at the end thereof;

The Honorable Mr. Dunkin moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Langevin, That all the words after "That" to the end thereof, be left out, and the words "the said Resolution be referred back to the Com-"mittee of Supply for re-consideration in connection with the Message of His Excellency "the Governor General, transmitting Supplementary Estimates for the year ending 30th "June, 1870, and with such Estimates presently under reference to said Committee," inserted instead thereof;

The Honorable Mr. *Holton*, Member for the Electoral District of the County of *Chateauguay*, raised the point of Order, That inasmuch as this was a Revote of an appropriation of last year, and the Committee of Supply had already before it a second message accompanying the Supplementary Estimates recommending a Revote in another form, one or other must be withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker decided as follows: "I do not agree with the Honorable Member for "*Chateauyuay* in his objection to the motion. The House can know nothing of what "goes on before the Committee of Supply until it reports. The Resolution which stands "for concurrence, and which is proposed to be referred back to that Committee may, or "may not in point of fact be intended for the same sum of money as that in the Supple-"mentary Estimates which have also been referred to the same Committee. If two "Resolutions are reported for two distinct sums, the House can then deal with the "Question by refusing to concur in one or other of them."

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

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Then the Main Question, so amended, being put,

Ordered, That the said Resolution be referred back to the Committee of Supply for re-consideration in connexion with the Message of His Excellency the Governor General transmitting Supplementary Estimates for the year ending 30th June, 1870, and with such Estimates, presently under reference to said Committee.

The House then again resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The following Resolution, referred back to the Committee for reconsideration, was read;

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One million three hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the North-West Territories (Revote), for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, the said Resolution was withdrawn.

Resolution proposed: 1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million four hundred and sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the *North-West* Territories, including expedition to *Red River* (Revote) (this vote to cover amounts already expended; and the unexpended balance on 30th June, to be applicable to service 1870-1.)

On motion of the Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, the word "Revote" was struck out; and after the words "this vote to," the words "be in lieu of that for same amount "granted on credit of unguaranteed loan, by Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, chapter 1, and hereby cancelled, and to" were inserted.

The Resolution, as amended, was then agreed to.

Resolution proposed : 2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for Secret Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

On motion of the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, the words "One hundred thousand "dollars," were struck out, and the words "Seventy-five thousand dollars" inserted instead thereof.

The Resolution, as amended, was then agreed to.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

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4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to repair damages to the works connected with the descent of Timber on the Madawaska and other Rivers in the Ottawa District, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

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

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

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

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

# Wednesday, 11th May, 1870.

Mr. Wright (Ottawa County), from the Select Committee on the Petition of *M. Mc* Bean and others, praying that the House will take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the River Ottawa 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, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :--

That the Statistics of the Trade of the Ottawa Valley show that the enlargement of the Canals and the improvement of certain portions of the river between the City of Ottawa and Lake St. Louis cannot be longer postponed without detriment to the very large interests involved.

That there are now engaged in the sawed lumber trade alone, at and below Ottawa, twenty steamers and two hundred barges, giving employment to two thousand two hundred men; and that the material to be moved the present season will not fall far short of three hundred millions of feet, board measure.

That the fixed capital embarked in the manufacturing and carrying of sawed lumber amounts to \$3,675,000, and the annual expenditure for wages and supplies to about \$2,812,425.

That owing to the insufficient capacity of the canals and insufficient depth of water at certain points in the river, great embarrassment is caused in the transport of lumber, and the cost of carrying it largely increased beyond what it would be were proper facilities for transport provided.

It is estimated that fully \$1 per 1,000 feet would be saved on the cost of carrying the lumber, were the canal and river improved to the full capacity of the latter, representing an annual saving to the country of \$300,000.

That unless improvements in the navigation are speedily made, a large portion of the sawed lumber of the Ottawa, destined for the market of the United States, will be diverted from the river, and to the great loss of this country, be forced to seek other channels of transport. In other words—the Committee cannot help being impressed with the conviction that, while the trade is rapidly increasing, the carrying capacity of the river, as measured by that of the existing canals, has been tested to its utmost.

The Committee is therefore of opinion, that the improvement of the Lower Ottawa should be at once undertaken, and that all works incident to such improvements should be designed with a view to the ultimate completion of a great inland navigation by way of the Ottawa waters and those of the French River to Lake Huron.

And the Committee begs leave to recommend that, in the re-construction of the locks of the Lower Ottawa not less than ten feet depth of water—measured by the draught of vessels to be floated through—should be provided for, and that in respect of width and length the locks should have dimensions amply sufficient to admit the passage of the largest class of vessels ever likely to be needed for the carrying trade between the Great Lakes and the Ocean.

In conclusion, the Committee would venture to foreshadow the immense advantages to the settlement and trade of the Ottawa Valley, which could not fail to result from improving the river, so as to admit of large vessels ascending from Quebec or Montreal to Ottawa, and to predict that, when that had been accomplished, the success and pride attending the first step in so grand a national work, would convince the people of the country generally, that the prosperity and stability of the Dominion would be assured by continuing the improvement of our great interior river, until the waters of Lake Huron had been reached.

Tables shewing the estimated number of logs taken out annually on the Ottawa and its tributaries, and the cost of procuring them, are appended hereto.

Estimate of men, teams, supplies, &c., &c., used in taking out and driving 1,000,000 saw logs :--

		\$	cts.		\$
	Teams, 100 days each150,000 days, at				
2,500	Men, 9 months 22,500 m'nths, at	22	00	•••	495,000
5,500	Barrels Pork	20	00		110,000
6,000	Barrels Flour	5	50		33,000
3,500	Bushel Beans and Peas	1	50		5,250
250,000	Bushel Oats	0	40		100,000
	Tons of Hay	12	00		24,000
25,000	Gallons of Syrup	0	50		12,500
50,000	Pounds of Tea	0	45	•••	22,500
	Pounds of Soap	0	06		7.50
	Pounds of Tobacco	0	30		12,000
	Grindstones	0	02		400
	Boxes of Axes	10	00		5,000
400	Cross-cut Saws	4	50	•••	1,800

		\$ cts. \$
	Sleighsat	
25,000	Lbs. Rope	0 15 3,750
10,000	Chains	1 5015,000
300	Boats	25 00 7,500
6,000	Pair Blankets	5 0030,000
100	Cookeries	20 00 2,000
2,500	Cant Dogs, &c	4 0010,000

		105,75	0 Loss and V	Vas	te $33\frac{1}{3}$ %	35,250
Cost delivering	16,500,00	0 lbs.	supplies as		0,7	
above			at	\$0	$01\frac{1}{2}$	247,500
Government Dut	ties on 1,0	00,000	logs	Ó	15	150,000
Boomage on	do	do		0	05	50,000

2,000 Men employed sawing 200,000,000 feet, 150 days per man, 300,000 days..... 1 15 ... 345,000 1,874,950 Freighting 200,000,000 feet, employs 200 barges, 20 steamers, manned by 2,200 men. The above does not include interest on amount invested in Limits, improvements on river, mill property, docks, &c., &c. Statement Logs taken out annually on Ottawa River and tributaries :--Hamilton Bros., Hawkesbury..... 175,000 Cameron and others, Thurso and Nation...... 60,000 do. do. McLaren, Thompson and others, Buckingham ...... 200,000 Merrill and Bangs, Buckingham Basin..... 12,000 South Nation ...... 10,000 do. do. do. do. *Templeton* Mills...... 34,000 G. B. Hall, Quebec ...... 150,000 H. Atkinson, Quebec ..... 80,000 L. Young, Ottawa ...... 100,000 J. R. Booth, Ottawa...... 150,000 Perley and Pattee, Ottawa ..... 150,000 E. B. Eddy, Hull ..... 150,000 A. H. Baldwin, Ottawa ..... 125,000 Wright and Batson, Hull ..... 100,000 Bronson and Weston, Ottawa ..... 150,000 A. Gilmour, Gatineau ...... 150,000 McLaughlin Bros., Arnprior ..... 140,000 John Usborne, Portage Du Fort..... 50,000 J. McLaren and Co., New Edinburgh ..... 50,000

Mr. Brousseau, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :---

The Committee having considered the following documents, recommend that they be printed, viz. :--

The Second Annual Report of the Directors of Penitentiaries of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1869.

Report of the Select Committee of the Senate appointed to enquire into grievances complained of by Land Owners in the Seigniory of Sorel.

Final Report of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Return to Address, Correspondence between the Government and the Iroquois Indians of *Two Mountains*, or other parties, relative to the sale or surrender of the Indian lands and to the difficulties existing with the said Indians.

Report of the Select Committee of the Senate appointed to enquire what steps have been taken towards establishing a uniform international decimal system of Measures, Weights and Coins, &c.

Statement of re-organization of the Public Departments and classification of Officers under the 15th section of "The Canada Civil Service Act 1868."

Return to Address, Names of all persons who have been appointed to Office, or who have been employed, or are now employed in connection with the *North-West* Territory, with the salaries, &c. (for distribution only.)  $\mathbf{344}$ 

The Committee also recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz. :---

Return to Address, Statement of all Costs and Charges connected with the repairs and maintenance of *Rideau* Hall and *Spencer* Wood since the 30th June, 1868, to the present time.

Return to Address, Names of parties employed in Excise Office, Montreal, date of appointment, salary or remuneration.

Return to Address, Moneys expended on Public Piers and Wharfs of the Dominion since 1st July, 1867, with the names, &c.

Return to Address, Names of persons employed in the *Montreal* Custom House as Clerks, Tidewaiters, &c., with their salaries, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., between Minister of Finance and the Treasurers of *Quebec* and *Ontario* respectively relating to rate of interest allowed since 4th May, 1859, on Capital of the Seigniors, &c., &c.

Return to Address, Orders in Council and Correspondence touching the property now leased by the Government to the *Cornwall* Manufacturing Company, or *Geo. Stephens*, Esq.

Return to Address, shewing the amounts appropriated and expended by the Dominion Government upon the great lines of communication connecting the Provinces of Quebec and New Brunswick by the Metapediac and Restigouche roads, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence, &c., relating to the appointment of a Postmaster for the Village of *Waterloo*, in the County of *Shefford*, in the place of A. L. Robinson, Esq., resigned.

Return to Address, Names of persons now employed in the *Montreal* Post Office as Clerks or Letter Carriers, the date of their appointment, and the salaries paid the same.

Return to Address, shewing the statement of account between Thos. Robinson and the Government in regard to the receipts and expenditure of the Dundas and Waterloo Road, &c.

Return to Address, Correspondence and Reports of the Engineer in charge of the Welland Canal since 30th June, 1867, &c., &c.

Return to Address, Copies of Accounts rendered to Government and placed before Dominion Arbitrators for work and materials on Parliament Buildings, &c.

Return to Address, Orders in Council, &c., authorizing any Printing or Binding to be done without tender, with a detailed statement of the expenditure incurred, &c.

The Honorable Mr. *Tilley*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Final Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix, No. 2.)

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address of His Excellency-the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 25th April, 1870,—For Copy of the Report of *H. W. Austin*, in relation to certain obstructions called "Eel Weirs," which exist in the River Richelieu between St. John's and Iberville. (Sessional Papers, No. 82.)

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting "Customs and Inland Revenue, and to make certain provisions respecting Vessels "navigating the Inland Waters of *Canada* above *Montreal*," without any amendment.

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Statement made by Insurance Companies, in compliance with the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 48, Sec. 14. (Sessional Papers, No. 32.)

The House resumed the consideration of the 3rd Resolution, which was, on Thursday, the 21st of April last, reported from the Committee of Supply; and the same was again read, as followeth :--- 3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. Blanchet reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding One million four hundred and sixty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for settlement of the North-West Territories, including Expedition to Red River. (This vote to be in lieu of that for same amount granted on credit of unguaranteed loan, by Act 32 and 33 Victoria, Chapter 1, and hereby cancelled, and to cover the amounts already expended; and the unexpended balance on 30th June to be applicable to service of 1870-71,) for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seventy five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to provide for Secret Service, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Miscellaneous Printing, for the year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to repair damages to the works connected with the descent of timber on the Madawaska and other Rivers in the Ottawa District, for the year ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE).

1. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the financial year ending 30th June, 1870 (including certain sums which may be partly expended in the financial year, ending 30th June, 1871), the sum of \$445,769.72 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

2. Resolved, That towards making good the sum of \$1,460,000 granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for the settlement of the North-West Territories, including the expedition to Red River,—a like sum be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty, for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871 (after deducting therefrom certain sums which may be partly expended in the financial year, ending 30th June, 1870, and have been included in the sums voted for that year), the sum of \$13,223,145.20 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Resolved, Nemine contradicenti, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. Gray reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the financial year ending 30th June, 1870 (including certain sums which may be partly expended in the financial year ending 30th June, 1871), the sum of \$445,769.72 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

2. Resolved, That towards making good the sum of \$1,460,000, granted to Her Majesty, for opening communication with, establishing Government in, and providing for the settlement of the North-West Territories, including the expedition to Red River, alike sum be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada. 3. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871 (after deducting therefrom certain sums which may be partly expended in the financial year ending 30th June, 1870, and have been included in the sums voted for that year), the sum of \$13,223,145.20 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks have leave to bring in a Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1870 and the 30th June, 1871.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to remedy the inconvenience which would arise from the "expirition of the Acts and parts of Acts herein mentioned before the passing of the Act "of this Session to continue the same," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Keeler* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to continue for a limited time the Act therein mentioned;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Mr. *Gray* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill from the Senate, initialed : "An Act to amend the Act respecting Fishing by Foreign Vessels;"

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to establish a Supreme Court for the Dominion of Canada;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled : "An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent "Act of 1864," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Keeler reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Amendments be now taken into consideration.

The Amendments were then read as follow :----

Page 1, line 25-After "passed" insert the following as Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

## CLAUSE 2.

"No partner in business of the Assignee. shall hereafter act as the Attorney or " Solicitor of the Insolvent, in any matter depending upon the said Act."

## CLAUSE 3.

"So much of Section 142, of the said Insolvent Act of 1869 as refers to the con-"struction of the words 'the Judge' and 'the Court,' in the Province of Nova Scotia. " is hereby repealed."

## CLAUSE 4.

"The words 'the Judge' when they occur in the said Act, shall, in the said Province, " signify the Judge of Probate; and the words 'the Court,' shall, in the said Province, " signify the Court of Probate for the County in which the case is pending, unless it is " otherwise expressed, or unless the contract plainly requires a different construction."

## CLAUSE 5.

"A revision or repeal may be had from the Order in Judgment of a Court of Probate " in Nova Scotia to a Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia in the same manner, " and under the same conditions, as are provided in reference to appeals from an Order or " decision of a Judge, in the eighty-third Section of the said Act of 1869."

## CLAUSE 6.

"So much of the said Acts as may be inconsistent with this Act, is hereby " repealed."

In the Preamble:

Page 1, line 6-After "appointments" insert "and also to amend the Insolvent Act " of 1869."

In the Title:

After "1864" insert "and to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the Debate upon the Question which

was, on Wednesday, the 6th day of April last, proposed, That it be resolved, That by the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1869, it is provided that a sum of money, bearing the same proportion "to that which, under the provisions of the said Act, will " be payable yearly to the Seigniors in Lower Canada, as the population of the Townships " shall, by the census of 1861, be found to bear to that of the Seigniories, shall be 348

"payable yearly out of the Provincial Funds to the credit of the Lower Canada "Municipal Loan Fund, but for the benefit of the Township only," which said sum amounts to \$756,710.

That by the same Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the "Governor in Council to direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the yearly "sum coming to any such Townships, or to the said town (of *Sherbrooke*), at the rate of "seventy-five per cent. of such capital in discharge of the whole."

That in the debt of the late Province of *Canada*, as set forth in the Public Accounts 1869, part 3, p. 2, in the item "Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships (Capital)," the said compensation to the Townships is charged against the late Province at 100 per cent \$756,710, instead of at 75 per cent, \$567,532.50, at which latter sum, according to sec. 5, sub-sec. 2, of 22 *Vict.* c. 15, the Governor in Council is authorized to direct its payment, and therefore at which sum only it should be charged against the late Province.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Monday the 4th day of April last, proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions on the subject of Interest;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Wednesday the 20th day of April last, proposed, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of \$20,000 to the late Sir Allan Napier MacNab for the purchase of certain lands in or near the City of Hamilton; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Monday the 25th day of April last, proposed, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions on the subject of the admission of *Rupert's Land* and *North-West* Territory into the Confederation;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Extradition of persons from the Dominion of *Canada*, charged with having committed crimes in the *United States* and other Foreign Countries;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to limit the Rate of Interest;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 10, relating to Postal Service; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered. That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Naturalization of certain Aliens;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn, The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, being Chapter 41 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of Chapter 37, 32 and 33 *Victoria*, intituled : "An Act respecting "Contagious Diseases affecting Animals;"

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill for granting to Her Majesty, certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1870, and the 30th June, 1871;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

Mr. Tremblay moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Pelletier, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "recommitted to a "Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend it in such a way that no "sum of money may be employed for a Military Expedition into the North-West Terri-"tories, the responsibility of such an Expedition resting solely upon the Government of "Great Britain," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

Yeas :

Messieurs

Béchard,	Coupal,	Geoffrion,	Pouliot,
Benoit.	Dufresne,	Killam,	Pozer, and
Bourassa, Cheval,	Gaudet,	Pelletier,	Tremblay.—13.

## Nays : Massieurs

	TIT OF	sicula	
Ault,	Forbes,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Victoria N.S.),
Beaty,	Fortin,	McDougall (Three	Ross (Wellington $C.R.$ ),
Bellerose,	Gaucher,	Rivers),	Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Bodwell,	Gendron,	McKeagney,	Rymal,
Bowell,	Gibbs,	McMillan,	Savary,
Brousseau,	Gray,	McMonies,	Scatcherd,
Burton,	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Scriver,
Campbell,	Hincks, Sir Francis,	Morris,	Shanly,
Carling,	Holton,	Morison (Victoria, O.)	)Snider,
Cartier, Sir George E.,	Howe,	Morrison (Niagara,)	Stephenson,
Casault,	Keeler,	Munroe,	Stirton,
Cayley,	Langevin,	O'Connor,	Tilley,
Chamberlin,	Lawsen,	Oliver,	Walsh,
Costigan,	Le Vesconte,	Pope,	White,
Dobbie,	McDonald (Lunenb'rg)	Ray,	Willson and
Drew,	McDonald (Middlesex)	Read,	Wright (Ottawa C'nty),
Dunkin, *	Mackenzie,	Robitaille,	- 69.
Ferguson,	McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	

# So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed. That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Mackenzie moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holton, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "amended "by adding the following words to the 35th Resolution, Schedule B.: 'Provided that "'no portion of such money shall be paid to any Member of Parliament, such payments "'being in violation of the spirit, if not the letter, of the Independence of Parliament "'Act, and calculated, in the opinion of this House, to detract from the independence "'of its Members," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

## Yeas :

#### Messieurs

Ault,	Geoffrion,	Morison (Victoria, O.,	)Scatcherd,
Béchard,	Hagar,	Munroe,	Scriver,
Bodwell,	Holton,	Oliver,	Snider,
Bowell,	Mackenzie,	Pelletier,	Stirton,
Cheval,	Masson (Soulanges),		Tremblay,
Coupal,	McConkey,	Ross (Dundas),	White, and
Currier,	McDougall (Lanark),	Ross (Victoria, NS.),	Willson 34.
Drew,	McMonies,	Ross (Wellington, C.R.)	
Forbes,	Metcalfe,	Rymal,	

## Nays :

### Messieurs

Beaty,	Dobbie,	Keeler,	Morris,
Bellerose,	Dufresne,	Killam,	Morrison (Niagara),
Brousseau,	Dunkin,	Langevin,	O'Connor,
Burton,	Fortin,	Lawson,	Pope,
Campbell,	Gaucher,	Le Vesconte,	Read,
Cartier, Sir George	E.,Gendron,	McDonald (Lunenb'g)	
Casault,	Gibbs,	McDonald (Midd'esex)	,Ryan (King's, N.B.),
Cayley,	Grant,	McDougall (Three (	Shanly,
Chamberlin,	Heath,	Rivers),	Stephenson,
Chauveau,	Hincks, Sir Francis,		Tilley, and
Costigan,	Howe,	McMillan,	Walsh43.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put, Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time. The Bill was accordingly read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the Marking of "Timber," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Senate to the Bill, intituled "An Act respecting the Marking of Timber," and the same was read as, followeth :---

Page 1, line 9.—After "Act" insert "and every person engaging in the business of "lumbering or getting out timber, and floating or rafting the same in the inland waters of "Canada, within the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, after the passing of this Act, shall, "(subject to a penalty of five dollars for failure or neglect so to do) within one month "after he shall engage therein."

On motion of Mr. Wright (Ottawa County), seconded by Mr. Currier, the amendment was amended by leaving out "five" and inserting "fifty."

The said Amendment, so amended, was then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendment, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the "Duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in relation to Summary Convictions and "Orders," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Senate have passed the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act "respecting the Collection and Management of the Revenue, the Auditing of Public "Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Duties of Justices of the "Peace out of Sessions in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders," and the same were read, as follow :----

Page 2, line 42-After "same" insert Clause A.

### CLAUSE A.

And whereas, in some of the Provinces of Canada, the terms or sittings of the General Sessions of the Peace or other Courts, to which, under section seventy-six of the said Act, Justices of the Peace are required to make returns of convictions had before them may not be held as often as once in every three months; and it is desirable that such returns should not be made less frequently; Therefore it is further enacted that the Returns required by the said seventy-sixth section of the Act hereinbefore cited shall be made by every Justice of the Peace quarterly, on or before the second Tuesday in each of the months of March, June, September, and December, in each year, to the Clerk of the Peace or other proper officer for receiving the same under the said Act notwithstanding the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County in which such conviction was had may not be held in the months or at the times aforesaid; and every such Return shall include all convictions and other matters mentioned in the said section seventy-six, and not included in some previous Return, and shall, by the Clerk of the Peace, or other proper officer receiving it, be fixed up and published, and a copy thereof shall be transmitted to the Minister of Finance in the manner required by the Eightieth and Eightyfirst sections of the said Act, and the provisions of the Seventy-eighth section of the said Act, and the penalties thereby imposed, and all the other provisions of the said Act shall hereafter apply to the Returns hereby required, and to any offence or neglect committed with respect to the making thereof, as if the periods hereby appointed for making the said returns had been mentioned in the said Act, instead of the periods thereby appointed for the same.

Page 2, line 45-Leave out "this" and insert "the said."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments, without any amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Senate to the Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the collection and management of the Revenue, the Auditing of Public Accounts, and the liability of Public Accountants, and the same was read, as follows :---

Page 1, line penult—After "shall" leave out to "page" in line ult. and insert 'hereafter be."

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

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendment, without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier, seconded by the Honorable Sir Francis Hincks,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till To-morrow, at half-past Two o'Clock P.M.

And then The House adjourned.

# Thursday, 12th May, 1870.

Half-past Two o'Clock P.M.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read:— Of *Levi Varney* and others, Members of the Society of Friends; praying for the abolition of whipping or flogging for crimes or breaches of Prison discipline.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter :---

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Ottawa, 11th May, 1870.

SIB,—I have the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber to prorogue the Session of the Dominion Legislature on Thursday, the 12th instant, at 4 o'Clock, P.M.

I have the honor to be Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

F. TURVILLE,

Governor's Secretary.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons, &c., &c., &c.

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

The Senate have agreed to the amendment made by this House, to the amendment made by the Senate, to the Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting the marking of Timber," without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have agreed to the amendments made by this House, to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent "Act of 1864," without any amendment.

And also, the Senate have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :-

Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Act imposing Duties on Promissory Notes "and Bills of Exchange."

Bill intituled : "An Act to vest in Her Majesty for the purposes therein mentioned, "the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of *Upper Canada.*"

Bill intituled : "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides "and Leather."

Bill intituled : "An Act respecting certain works on the Ottawa River."

Bill intituled : "An Act for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of "Canada, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain "cases."

Bill intituled: "An Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Victoria, Chapter "3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba."

Bill intituled: "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money "required to defray certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending "respectively, the 30th June, 1870 and the 30th June, 1871."

The Honorable Mr. Langevin, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 23rd April, 1869,—For Statement of amount of Revenue collected from Tax on Tobacco. (Sessional Papers, No. 84.)

• Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 13th April, 1870,—For copies of all Reports made by the Engineers of the Public Works Department, on their examination, so far as made last fall, of *Dawson's* proposed line of Canal or Water Communication through the *North-West* Territory. (Sessional Papers, No. 12.)

Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 4th April, 1870,—For a Statement giving the names of all persons who have been employed, either temporarily or otherwise in connection with the Public Service at *Ottawa*, including the House of Commons and Senate, since 1st January, 1868, up to the present time, giving the names of those employed in each Department separately, the date of each appointment and the amount of salary or allowance to be paid to each, together with the nature of the business to be transacted by each person so appointed. (Sessional Papers, No. 85.)

The Honorable Mr. *Howe*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Summary of the operations of the Geological Survey, since the date of the last Report of Sir *William E. Logan*, F.R.S. (Sessional Papers, No. 86.)

Ordered, That the said summary of the operations of the Geogolical Survey, be printed.

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

The Senate have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to continue for a limited time "the Act therein mentioned," without any amendment.

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General to acquaint this Honorable House, that it is the pleasure of His Excellency that the Members thereof do forthwith attend him in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency ; where 45 His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills :---

An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners.

An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Queen's Printer.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the extradition of certain offenders to the United States of America.

An Act to amend "An Act respecting Cruelty to Animals."

An Act to facilitate the signing of Militia Commissions.

An Act to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators to certain cases therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the Act relating to Lighthouses, Buoys and Beacons.

An Act to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Railway of *Canada* and the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company.

An Act to authorize the Town of *Belleville* to impose and collect Harbor Dues, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Detroit River Tunnel Company.

An Act further to amend the Acts respecting the Improvement and Management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.

An Act respecting the First Census.

An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the President, Directors and Company of the *Gore* Bank.

An Act to incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artists."

An Act to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 46, and to regulate the issue of Dominion Notes.

An Act respecting Banks and Banking.

An Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Ship Canal to connect the waters of Lake *Champlain* and the River Saint Lawrence.

An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to impose and collect Tolls or Harbor Dues at the mouth of *Beaver* River, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Montreal and Champlain Junction Railway Company.

An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships.

An Act for the better protection of the Clothing and Property of Seamen in Her Majesty's Navy.

An Act to revive the Charter of the Grand Junction Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Sun Insurance Company of *Montreal*."

An Act to remove certain restrictions with respect to the issue of Bank Notes in Nova Scotia.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Perjury.

An Act to amend "The Penitentiary Act of 1868."

An Act to incorporate the Ontario and Erie Ship Canal Company.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Merchant's Bank of Halifax.

An Act to amend the Law respecting the Department of Finance.

An Act to continue and make permanent certain Acts and parts of Acts of the Province of *New Brunswick*, relative to the Police Force in the Parish of *Partland*, in the City and County of *Saint John*.

An Act to empower the Police Court in the City of *Halifax* to sentence juvenile offenders to be detained in the *Halifax* Industrial School.

An Act to extend the operation of the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Canada, 19 and 20 Vict., Chapter 141, concerning the Synod of the Church of England in Canada, to the Province of Nova Scotia.

An Act to amend "An Act respecting the Security to be given by Officers of Canada."

An Act to amend an Act for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works.

An Act respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company.

An Act to make provision for discipline on board of Canadian Government Vessels.

An Act to amend and extend the Act to provide means for improving the Harbors and Channels at certain\_Ports in the Provinces of the Dominion.

An Act respecting Ferries.

An Act to continue in force the provisions of divers Acts relating to La Banque du Peuple.

An Act to amend the Acts respecting Customs and Inland Revenue; and to make certain provisions respecting Vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada above Montreal.

An Act to remedy the inconvenience which would arise from the expiration of the Acts and parts of Acts herein mentioned, before the passing of the Act of this Session to continue the same.

An Act for better ensuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*, by providing for the Superannuation of persons employed therein, in certain cases.

An Act respecting certain Works on the Ottawa River.

An Act to amend the Act imposing Duties on Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Inspection of Raw Hides and Leather.

An Act to vest in Her Majesty for the purposes therein mentioned, the property and powers now vested in the Trustees of the Bank of *Upper Canada*.

An Act respecting the Marking of Timber.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Fishing by Foreign Vessels.

An Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Victoria, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.

An Act to explain and amend the Act respecting the Collection and Management of the Revenue, the Auditing of Public Accounts, and the liablility of Public Accountants.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in relation to Summary Convictions and Orders.

An Act respecting Official Assignees appointed under the Insolvent Act of 1864, and to amend the Insolvent Act of 1869.

An Act to continue for a limited time the Act therein mentioned.

Then the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons addressed His Excellency the Governor General, as followeth :---

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

In the name of the Commons of *Canada*, I present a Bill, intituled: "An Act for "granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required to defray certain expenses of "the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively, the 30th June, 1870, and "the 30th June, 1871," to which I humbly request Your Excellency's assent.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal "subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

After which His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to deliver the following Speech to both Houses :---

# Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate-

# Gentlemen of the House of Commons-

I cannot close the present Session without acknowledging the attention and diligence with which you have applied yourselves to the despatch of public business, and especially to the important objects which I recommended to your consideration.

In the measures which you have adopted respecting Banks and Banking, and the issue of the Dominion Notes, I trust efficient guarantees will be found for the protection of the financial interests of the community.

The measure which you have passed for the Government of the new Province of *Manitoba*, and for the vast adjacent Territories, and the just and reasonable conditions which you have sanctioned in favor of their inhabitants, cannot fail to remove every trace of the misapprehensions which unhappily existed, and to plant in their stead feelings of confidence in your good will, and of hope of the numerous and increasing advantages to be derived from joining the Dominion.

The Military Expedition which it is necessary to send will gratify and give confidences to all loyal and well-disposed persons.

Her Majesty's troops go forth on an errand of peace, and will serve as an assurance to the inhabitants of the *Red River* Settlement, and the numerous Indian tribes that occupy the *North-West*, that they have a place in the regard and the counsels of *England*, and may rely upon the impartial protection of the British Sceptre.

#### Gentlemen of the House of Commons-

I thank you for the readiness with which you have granted the necessary supplies for the Public Service, and have observed with satisfaction the precautions you have taken to guard against any possible deficiency in the Revenue.

# Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen,-

The information which reached my Government from many quarters as to the designs of parties styled Fenians, armed and openly drilled in various parts of the neighboring States, rendered it incumbent on me to apply to Parliament to pass an Act to suspend the Habeas Corpus Act, as well as to call out an armed force for the defence of the Frontier.

The vigorous steps resorted to, and the laudable promptitude with which the active Militia responded to the call to arms, chilled the hopes of the invaders and averted the menaced outrage, so that I now entertain a sanguine hope that I shall not be placed under the necessity of exercising the powers so entrusted to me.

The provisions which you have made for the taking of the Decennial Census in 1871 will be so carried out as to ensure, if possible, the taking of a simultaneous census in all Her Majesty's possessions in British North America.

I sincerely hope that the preparations which have been matured for the protection of the Canadian Fisheries, will be effective.' Every care will be taken to combine the maintenance of the undisputed rights of our fishermen, with the regard due to the just claims of foreigners; and you will, I am persuaded, acknowledge with gratitude, the countenance and moral support which Her Majesty's Government has announced the intention of affording.

The general tone of your debates and the uniform expression of prevalent opinion indicate that the people of *Canada* are sensible of the advantages arising from their existing form of Government. I trust their contentment may be of long continuance, and take leave of you for the present with the earnest wish that the determination and efforts of the Country to preserve the blessings which it enjoys may be crowned with the protection and distinguished favor of Providence. Then the Honorable the Speaker of the Senate said :

# Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate,

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

It is His Excellency the Governor General's will and pleasure that this Parliament be prorogued until Tuesday, the Twenty-first day of June next, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Tuesday, the Twenty-first day of June next.

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# SELECT COMMITTEE

# ON THE

# MACNAB LAND PURCHASE

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# ORDER OF REFERENCE.

# House of Commons, Wednesday, 23rd February, 1870.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of :--

MR. RYMAL, MR. BLAKE, MR. MAGILL, MR. SCATCHERD, MR. BROWN, MR. MORRISON (Niagara), and MR. MERRITT

be appointed to enquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorized payment of the sum of \$20,000 to the late Sir Allan Napier McNab ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands, in or near the City of Hamilton, with power to send for persons and papers. Attest.

WM. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk of the Commons.

# REPORT.

# COMMITTEE ROOM, 24TH MARCH, 1870.

The Select Committee appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the unauthorised payment of the sum of twenty thousand dollars to the late Sir Allan Napier Macnab, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands in or near the City of Hamilton, beg leave to present the following report, which they have unanimously agreed to :--

In the summer of 1861, the Government of the late Province of Canada determined to purchase a sight for a Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Hamilton, for which purpose an appropriation had been made by Parliament, and the details of the purchase were left to the Attorney General for Upper Canada, now Sir John A. Macdonald.

The Attorney General entered into negotiations with Sir Allan Macnab, for the purchase of a part of the Dundurn property, and eventually agreed to make the purchase at the valuation of Mr. Isaac Buchanan, M.P.P., for Hamilton, and the Hon. J. H. Cameron, M.P.P., provided the valuation were satisfactory and the title good.

The Attorney General was aware that the title to Dundurn was encumbered, and that Mr. J. H. Cameron was the adviser of Sir Allan N. Macnab, and he told Sir Allan that it would be satisfactory if Sir Allan would procure an abstract of title and a surrender prepared by Mr. Cameron, and Mr. Cameron's certificate that the title was good.

Messrs. Buchanan and Cameron in October, 1861, made their certificate of valuation, which was as follows :---

"We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the property offered to the Government by Sir A. N. Macnab, in the City of Hamilton, as a site for the Deaf and Dumb institution, which, in our opinion does not contain a sufficient quantity of land, and is not so good a situation for the building as is to be found on the adjoining two acres, on which stands the stone building, formerly the register office of the county; but Sir Allan N. Macnab having consented to add this piece, making the offer up to about six acres, more or less, as now stated, and with the building aforesaid, we value the property at five thousand pounds cash, and consider it a most eligible situation, the view for the building aforesaid being almost unrivalled in Upper Canada.

(Signed,)

J. HILYARD CAMERON, ISAAC BUCHANAN."

HAMILTON,

11th October, 1861.

Shortly afterwards Sir Allan was about leaving the Province, and expecting that the transaction might be closed before his return he requested Mr. Cameron to prepare a surrender of the property, in order that the completion of the purchase might not be delayed by his absence. Accordingly, on 30th Qctober, 1861, Mr. Cameron prepared a surrender, which was signed and sealed by Sir Allan, and delivered to Mr. Cameron as an escrow on the terms manifested by a writing attached to the document in these words :---

"I, Sir Allan Napier Macnab, deliver this deed only as an *escrow*, to be delivered absolutely as my act and deed by my attorney, John Hillyard Cameron, whenever the arrangement for the purchase of the land mentioned therein is completed by the Government of Canada.

(Signed,)

ALLAN N. MACNAB."

At the same time, Mr. Cameron warned Sir Allan that the transaction could not be closed until the title was made out to the satisfaction of the law officers of the Crown.

Mr. Cameron, who was employed by and acting for Sir Allan only, and not at all for the Government, was never requested to investigate the title, and never procured any abstract, or gave any certificate of title; and heard no more of the matter till long after the payment in question.

On the 10th March, 1862, an Order in Council was passed in the words following:-

On a report from the Honorable the Attorney General, Upper Canada, dated 6th instant, stating that a fitting site for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Asylum for Upper Canada has been selected at Hamilton, the plot of ground being about six acres of the Dundurn property, belonging to Sir Allan N. Macnab. That he has procured the valuation of the property in question by the Honorable John Hillyard Cameron, M.P.P, and Isaac Buchanan, Esq., M.P.P., and recommends that the land be purchased from Sir Allan Macnab for the price mentioned in the valuation, namely, five thousand pounds, and that the same be paid out of the appropriation made for the erection of a Deaf and Dumb and Blind Asylum by Statutes 16 Vict., Cap. 155 and 156.

The Committee advise that the purchase be effected, and the amount charged against the appropriations referred to.

Certified.

(Signed,) WM. H. LEE. C.E.C.

About the 8th of May, 1862, some arrangements were made between Sir Allan and the Bank of Upper Canada, under which, Sir Allan gave a general power of Attorney to Mr. R. S. Cassels, agent of the Bank of Upper Canada, in the words following:

"I, Allan Napier MacNab, of Dundurn, Baronet, hereby appoint Richard S. Cassels of Quebec, Esquire, with power of substitution, my lawful Attorney, to receive from the Receiver General of this Province, or other person authorized to pay the same, all such sum or sums of money as are now due or may hereafter become due and payable to me by the Provincial Government, and to give a receipt or receipts for the same.

Witness my hand at Quebec, this 8th day of May, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

(Signed,)

ALLAN N. MACNAB."

Signed in presence of (Signed,) R. S. Cassels.

And it was agreed that the \$20,000 in question should be applied partly to the payment of a debt due by Sir Allan to the Bank of Upper Canada and partly in payment of a new advance to be made to him.

On the 20th May, 1862, the administration resigned, and from that day till the 24th of May, 1862, held office only till the appointment of their successors, who were on the latter day appointed.

About the 21st day of May, 1862, application was made to the Receiver General's Office by Mr. Cassels on behalf of the Bank of Upper Canada, for payment to him as the Attorney of Sir Allan of the \$20,000 in question, and thereupon Mr. Harrington, Deputy Receiver General, wrote Mr. Dickinson, Deputy Inspector General, the following letter:

MY DEAR DICKINSON,—An Order in Council, passed the 10th March, in favor of Sir Allan N. Macnab, for £5,000, which the Bank of Upper Canada advanced to him, and be lodged a power of Attorney with this office in favor of Cassels.

What has become of the warrant? The Bank want their money back and will not advance the "Baronet" any more.

Yours truly,

(Signed,) T. D. HARINGTON.

W. Dickinson, Esq.

21st May, 1862.

On the 22nd May, 1862, Mr. Dickinson recommended the issue of a warrant for the sum of \$20,000; his recommendation being in the words following :----

INPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, 22nd May, 1862.

Warrant recommended for \$20,000 in favor of Sir Allan N. Macnab, Baronet, being amount of purchase money for his property at Hamilton, for a Deaf and Dumb Asylum, under Act 16, Vict. Cap 156, as authorized by an Order in Council of 10th March last.

#### W. DICKINSON,

# Acting Deputy Inspector General.

Mr. Dickinson was the Departmental Officer charged with the responsibility of determining whether the warrant should issue, the action of the other officers being merely formal.

On this recommendation the warrant issued, and the \$20,000 was, on the 23rd day of May, 1862, paid to Mr. Cassels.

There never was any investigation by or on behalf of the Government as to the title, or any certificate or authority to Mr. Dickinson for recommending the issue of the warrant, and neither the Minister of Finance, nor the Attorney General, nor any other member of the administration was aware of the issue.

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There is a difference of opinion among the Ministers and officials as to whether the Order in Council in question should or should not have been followed by a second Order in Council, which should direct the issue of the warrant. It is quite clear, that before the issue of the warrant was recommended, there should have been an investigation of the title, a report on the title by the Attorney General; and, if not a second Order in Council, at any rate a certificate from the Minister in whose department the matter was (in this case the Attorney General's), that the warrant should issue. There is a printed form of such certificates of which the following is a copy :

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	Council, dated to be taken from
the appropriation for the same	Vict., Capand to be accounted for.

At the time at which the warrant was recommended, the Attorney General (then holding office only till his successor was appointed) could not properly have investigated and reported on the title if he had been asked to do so; but in fact he never was asked to do so.

At the time the money was paid, the Dundurn property was encumbered to the extent of nearly \$80,000. Shortly after the payment, some of the encumbrances were removed. There remained others upon which the property has been sold and re-sold, and "it is now lost to the Province. Its value will be found by the evidence taken before the Committee.

Appended to this Report are full notes of the evidence taken, and copies of the papers produced before the Committee.

The Committee are obliged to add that they have not been able to discover any justification of the conduct of Mr. Dickinson in recommending the issue of the warrant, and that they conceive that conduct to be highly reprehensible.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH RYMAL, Chairman.

# MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

Mr. LANGTON.

I was auditor of the Province at the time of the payment. At this time the course was, that an Order in Council should issue for the payment of the money. On such an Order as this produced, according to the practice, there should have been some certificate from some Department, showing the completion of the purchase before the money was paid. I think the Attorney General was the natural person to apply to for this certificate. I find nothing on record in my Department, or in that of the Receiver General, in the shape of a certificate, and I know of no certificate.

At this time, a very considerable laxity prevailed in the issue of warrants, not under the charge of any particular Department. There was a laxity in this issue.

I produce the Warrant issued by Mr. Parent, and a Power of Attorney in favor of R. S. Cassels. The latter is in the handwriting of Mr. Cameron. Mr. Cassels was at that time agent for the Bank of Upper Canada at Quebec.

I produce the application for the Warrant, issued by Mr. Harington, then Deputy Receiver General, addressed to Mr. Dickinson, who was then Deputy Inspector General. Mr. Harrington's application was on behalf of the Bank of Upper Canada. On that application, it was for Mr. Dickinson to act. Mr. Dickinson ought to have applied to the Attorney General to know whether everything was correct. But considering the general laxity, and the fact that the power was in Mr. Cameron's handwriting, and that the Bank of Upper Canada had the Power of Attorney, I am not surprised. Mr Dickinson appears to have recommended the Warrant, as appears by his endorsement.

The action of Mr. Harington was not on behalf of the Government; that of Mr. Parent was entirely ministerial, and on Mr. Dicikinson alone rested the responsibility of deciding whether a warrant should or should not issue.

If there were no particular Department charged with the verification of the facts, it was the duty of Mr. Dickinson to have verified them before recommending the Warrant.

At this time the Auditor had nothing to do with the verification of the facts anterior to the payment, save where the warrant issued on his application. In auditing the accounts, my course was to find, first, the Parliamentary authority; secondly, the authority of Council; thirdly, the fact of payment. Though I might have noticed that the order was conditional, and might have made enquiry on the subject, yet it would not follow from the course of business in my office that this should be done. I should assume that the Department, in whose charge the matter was, had verified any facts necessary to the issue of the warrant, and should take Dickinson's recommendation as proof of this.

Since 1864 I have to certify upon the issue of every warrant. I recommend the ssue, and Mr. Dickinson backs my recommendation.

#### Mr. HARINGTON.

I was Deputy Receiver General of the late Province, and now am Deputy Receiver General of Canada. The only paper I have, in addition to those produced, is the "Payment Book" containing the entry. By this it appears that the \$20,000 in question was paid on 23rd May, 1862, in a cheque for a larger amount, embracing several warrants in favor of R. S. Cassels, Bank of Upper Canada. Number of cheque, 4,545; amount \$112,867.40.

Referring to my letter produced, the facts are these:—R. S. Cassels came to my office, and asked whether I had a warrant in favor of Sir Allan for \$20,000. I said there was no such warrant in the office. Cassels then said that his brother Robert, who was then Cashier of the Bank of Upper Canada, at Toronto, had written him several times asking for this money, complaining that the Bank had advanced the money to Sir Allan, and could not get it. R. S. Cassels seemed annoyed and impatient about it. I first said you had better go to Mr. Dickinson, but afterwards said I would write a line to Mr. Dickinson, and wrote this accordingly. I got no answer to the note, but next day the warrant came down in its present state. The power now annexed to it had been lodged with me by R. S. Cassels, on, I think, the 21st. On receiving the warrant, I included this sum in the cheque for the total of R. S. Cassels's warrants, and gave the cheque. This is all I had to do with the matter. I never saw the Order in Council. I had nothing whatever to do with the consideration of anything prior to the issue of warrants. My duty was confined to the issue of cheques on proper warrants and Powers of Attorney.

#### Mr. DICKINSON.

I was Deputy Inspector General of the late Province, and am now Duputy Inspector General of Canada. The first intimation I had of this transaction was the transmission to me of the Order in Council of 10th March, 1862. As a rule, Orders in Council of this kind are transmitted at once. I keep them on a file and bind them at the end of the year. No entry is kept, or endorsement made on the orders, showing the date of receipt. The orders are numbered consecutively as received; and this one is numbered 14. I produce the book. The practice was after the receipt of the order to await an application from the person interested in the payment. I looked on the letter of Mr. Harington produced as such application, and I filed it with the recommendation for the warrant. There was no prior application, verbal or written. On receipt of the application, I made the written recommendation on the warrant. Upon this recommendation the warrant issued as of course.

As a rule I took the responsibilty of deciding whether the Order in Council justified the issue of a warrant. I did so in this case. In cases in which I hesitated I conferred with the Auditor, but I don't remember any such conference in this case. I looked upon the advance by the Bank to Sir Allan as being the payment for the purchase, and I concluded that the Bank was authorized to make the payment, and that the sale must have been completed. I don't remember having had any communication with anyone on this subject. I acted only on the Order and on the letter of Harington. There had been such a lapse of time between the date of the Order and the application, that I concluded that in the interval the title had been made out. I had no evidence that this was so. I don't remember making any inquiry of any one. Now that the difficulty has occurred, it strikes me that it would have been better to go to the Attorney General and ask whether all was right. I never had any communication with Sir Allan in the matter.

The Bank, being a Government Bank, acted in concert with the Government, and there is more confidence and latitude even now with respect to Banks than to private individuals. The idea I had was that the transaction had been completed, and that the Bank had thereon advanced the money on the assurance that the matter would be all right. But there was no representation to this effect made to me by any one. It was an inference I drew from the papers produced. If I had been made aware that the title had not been completed, I would have referred the matter to the Attorney General before issuing the warrant.

At the conclusion of Mr. Dickinson's statement he was informed that the Committee would be happy to learn from him at the next meeting anything further which might occur to his recollection in the meantime. Mr. Dickinson attended at the next meeting, and stated as follows :---

I brought the application in question before Mr. Galt, then Minister of Finance, on 22nd May, 1862. He remarked that I must be satisfied that it was all right before recommending the warrant, and I replied, that I had made enquiries, but had not the ' slightest doubt it was all correct. The course I should have pursued would 'have been ' to apply at the Attorney General's Office to ascertain whether there was any objection to the warrant being issued. I have no recollection of going to the Attorney General's Office. I feel satisfied that I made enquiries, but of whom I cannot recollect. It did not occur to me yesterday that I had applied to Mr. Galt. Mr. Galt did not direct the issue of the warrant. I cannot state in any way either the person or the department of which I enquired. I only remember having made the enquiry from the fact of my having answered Mr. Galt as above. I don't remember the answer of the person of whom I enquired. It was not the custom to take any written statement as to the completion of transactions.

# Hon. J. H. CAMERON.

In 1861, July or August, I was informed by Sir Allan MacNab that Government had decided on purchasing certain property in Hamilton for the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, at a valuation which had been placed on it by Mr. I. Buchanan and myself. I heard no more till October of the same year, when Sir Allan came to me and showed me a note from some Government official, saying that the purchase would be completed as soon as possible, and he urged that a deed should be prepared in order that it might be sent to the Attorney General's office. I told him that a description would be required. This he obtained; on that the produced deed was prepared in my office, and I so advised Sir Allan. He came to Toronto, and I then informed him that the title must be made right, and that I would not advise him to execute the deed absolutely, as something might occur to prevent the purchase going on. He was very urgent, as he was going away, and was anxious to get the purchase-money. I said, however, that it was not advisible to execute the deed absolutely, as the law officers would not be satisfied without the title being made out. He said there would be no difficulty about the title, and as he was going away somewhere and wanted the money, he asked me to take Powers of Attorney to receive the money, and apply it according to his direction. I prepared the powers, and the deed and powers were at once executed and the deed delivered as an *escrow* to me according to the memorandum thereto attached. I then, at his request, wrote him a letter, stating what had been done, as he said that on that he thought he would be able to get the money from the Bank of Upper Canada. The papers were put away. He was to give me further information ; and till last Autumn I heard no more of the matter.

I did not happen to hear of Mr. Rymal's notice last Session at the time, but hearing of it some time in the fall, I wrote Sir John Macdonald, stating I had  $\cdot$  the deed, and at his request I brought down the papers this Session.

My memory does not now serve me to connect the negotiations between Sir Allan and the Bank of Upper Canada, which were going on in the spring of 1862, with this money, though I daresay they had to do with it. I acted for Sir Allan and at his request in all I did—even in the valuation; though as to that Sir Allan told me, and afterward Sir John Macdonald, that the Government had agreed to accept the valuation we might make. The preparation of the Deed, &c., was all on behalf of Sir Allan, and the fees were charged to him. I never searched the title, nor was I ever asked to do so. I never took any steps to remove incumbrances, if any.

The deed has not yet been delivered by me. I have a right, under the memorandum, to deliver the deed if the money has been paid. I am not able to say how the title is, or whether anything would pass under the deed if now delivered. Parliament was sitting at the time this money was paid, and Sir Allan was at Quebec in discharge of his duties as Speaker.

# Mr. R. S. CASSELS.

I was manager at Quebec of the Bank of Upper Canada at the time of the payment. This was the Government Bank. The cashier was at Quebec, and made some arrangements with Sir Allan, who was very desirous of getting a sum of money at the time. Mr. Cameron drew up a document to carry out the arrangement. I then received a document, I think an Order in Council, having reference to this property, with instructions to get the money from Government; and I, at the same time, got a Power of Attorney from Sir Allan to receive the money. I deposited the power, and applied for the warrant at the Receiver General's Office. The transaction was carried out in the usual way. I had not (that I recollect) conversation with any one, save Mr. Harington, on this matter. I had not (that I recollect) any unusual difficulty in getting the warrant. I don't recollect any talk with Sir Allan or with Mr. Cameron on the subject. I was not asked for any evidence that the purchase had been completed. I had no evidence of the purchase being completed. The transfer of this money was part of a general arrangement between Sir Allan and the Bank, under which former advances were to be settled, and a further advance made.

#### Sir Alexander T. Galt.

The only recollection I have of the matter is the meeting of Council in which the order was made. The Government of the day had resigned before the payment was made. I did no business as Minister of Finance, holding office only till the appointment of my successor.

Mr. Dickinson came to me yesterday, and stated that he had an impression that he had spoken to me as to the payment of the warrant, and that I had told him if it was all right to pay it. I have no recollection of any such conversation, and do not think it likely that on that day I was attending to such business.

The only additional step to be taken before the issue of a warrant under this order in Council would be the obtaining of a certificate from the Law Officers of the Crown that the title had been made. I should certainly say that this certificate should have been

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obtained before the issue of the warrant. The officer who issues the warrant should see that the proper evidence is put before him prior to issuing the warrant.

I am not aware of any such practice as that a mere verbal enquiry should be made by the officer, and the verbal answer treated as satisfactory. The proper evidence would be a certificate, kept on file in some Department. After a resignation by administration, the political officers leave the duties of the Department to be discharged by the permanent heads.

# ROBERT CASSELS, Esq.,

I was cashier of the Bank of Upper Canada at the time in quéstion.

The only thing I know of in connection with the matter, is, that while the House was sitting, in 1862, Sir Allan handed me the Order in Council, which I handed to our Quebec manager, who got the money on it.

Sir Allan wanted a small advance of money which we made on the transfer of the Order; the balance was applied in liquidation of his existing debt to the Bank. I made no application to the Departments.

# Sir John A. Macdonald.

I was Attorney General at the time Government had settled that the Deaf and Dumb Asylum should be fixed at Hamilton. The settlement of the site was in my Department. Mr. Buchanan, M.P.P., for Hamilton was pressing to have the purchase of a site made. It was finally settled between M. Buchanan and myself that Sir Allan McNab's property should be purchased. I told Buchanan that the Government would be satisfied by a valuation by himself and Mr. J. H. Cameron, and that if the valuation was not too high (as there were other properties offered) Government would buy; and that then, if he would get Sir Allan to take his papers to Cameron's office, and would, after the valuation had been approved of, and the price settled by Government, send the title deeds and abstract of title, and Mr. Cameron's certificate that the title was good, the transaction could be completed without delay.

In October, 1861, the valuation was sent to me, and the Government agreed to give that price. The matter so stood till March, 1862, when Parliament met in Quebec, and Mr. Buchanan saw me about it. I told him that if the papers were completed and sent to me, I would at once see the purchase carried out. He said the Bank of Upper Canada, who were, as I understood, to receive the purchase money, had no assurance of any kind from Government that the purchase had been made. I said, that can be done easily, and at once procured the formal Order in Council. That Order, was, I have no doubt, communicated to some one for Sir Allan. This was the last I ever heard of the transaction till a date subsequent to 1867.

I had no cognizance of any application for the payment, or of the payment being made. The generality of purchases were made under the Public Works Department. On the purchases were made under the Public Works Department. On the purchase being agreed to by Government, by Order in Council, in the usual course, the papers were referred to the Attorney Géneral's Department, to see if the title was good, and on his report, an Order in Council would go for the issue of the Warrant.

All matters connected with the Asylums were in my Department. As, of course, the matter stood referred to me for my report on the title, on the passing of the Order in Council in question, I cannot speak so fully as to routine as Col. Bernard, but as I understand, on a report from my office, that the title was made, an Order in Council for the issue of a warrant for the price would be made. I am aware of no instance in which a verbal enquiry of my Department, as to the title, and a verbal reply has been deemed sufficient. Such a course could not possibly be deemed satisfactory. According to my construction of the Order in Council in question, it does not authorize the payment ; and for the payment there should have been a second Order in Council after my report.

The Government of the day, was defeated on the 20th of May, and resigned on that day, and from that day till the 24th, held office merely till our successors were appointed

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We could not have completed any transaction unless it were a matter of necessity in the meantime,—or unless it were a mere formal act. Taking this particular transaction in the state in which it was when we resigned, it could not properly have been completed by our Government. To complete it I should have had to make a report, for which I should have been responsible, but my responsibility ceased on my resignation. No deeds or titles were ever submitted to me, nor did I ever make any report on the title, nor can I give any information as to the state of the title. I don't remember instructing Mr. Cameron to act in this matter. I said no more than is already stated to Mr. Buchanan

# Col. H. BERNARD.

I was Chief Officer in the Attorney General's Department at the time in question. No question as to the title to this property was ever in the Department. No matter in what Department a transaction originated, the Attorney General's Department exclusively is charged with the duty of investigating and reporting on titles.

The proper course in this case would be for the Clerk of the Privy Council to communicate to me the Order in Council, and I should then proceed to investigate the title. If satisfied with the title, I should draw up a report for the Attorney General, to be laid before Council, stating that the title was correct, and leaving him to add his recommendation for payment of the money. When satisfied with the title, the practice was to have the deed to the Crown executed, so that the report showed the transaction as completed all but the payment of the money.

When the matter was in another than the Law Department, the practice was for the Attorney General's Department, after investigation, to write a letter advising the other Department, the head of which, on such advice, reported to the Council. There was no practice nor any instance of a verbal certificate or answer in a question of this kind. I am quite satisfied that there could have been no verbal or other assurance given to any one by me or my Department that this matter was all right. I don't remember any application being made; but if any were made, my answer must have been decidedly that the matter was not closed.

The Order in Council was never officially communicated to my office; but I borrowed a copy from the Provincial Secretary and entered it in my reference book. I never did anything on it, and I can give no information as to the title. There was no one of whom Mr. Dickinson could have enquired at this time but myself.

# Hon, ISAAC BUCHANAN.

The Attorney General told me that certain land had been agreed to be bought from Sir Allan for the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, and that he had appointed J. H. Cameron and myself to agree as to the price he should get for it. I got Mr. Blythe to make a sketch of the property, which sketch I produce. I also produce a letter from the Attorney General, dated 22nd August, 1861, and also another letter from him dated 4th September, 1861. These are all the papers I have on the subject. The part at first proposed by Sir Allan we did not agree to; it was too small, and did not command the best view, but we took an additional piece, and looking to the situation and the ornamental character of the grounds, &c., we said that \$20,000 00 was the very utmost we could say, and we thought he ought to have that much. It took all his frontage, save the gateway.

I told Sir John when I first heard of it that I was perfectly satisfied that the title would not likely be right, and would have to be put right. This I thought from the confused state of Sir Allan's titles. I think also that I made some enquiry at the Registry Office, but of course I had nothing to do with the title.

I was in Quebec at the time of the defeat of the Ministry in 1862. I heard then nothing of the payment for this land. I knew that Sir Allan was most anxious about it, most anxious to get the money for the Bank of Upper Canada. The difficulty, as I supposed, was that the title was not passed. He told me that he could make the title, but that there was something to be done in order to that. I had always stated to the Government that they must be very particular about the title, for I knew that it was not clear. I knew the pressure Sir Allan was under for the money. It was extreme. I think I did not hear till after his death that he had got the money.

The location of the Deaf and Dumb Institution at Hamilton, was not dependent on the completion of this purchase, and we felt no anxiety about it accordingly. I knew from Sir Allan that the Bank of Upper Canada was pressing him for money. I had no talk with any officer of the Bank about the matter. It was not till after Sir Allan's death that I heard of the payment. He died in August, 1862.

# Hon. E. B. WOOD.

I am a member of the Government of Ontario. I did not make any enquiry into the state of the title of the property purchased from Sir Allan. I knew that the Government had purchased or proposed to purchase the property for a Deaf and Dumb Asylum. In looking through the public accounts I came on the item of \$20,000 paid. In conversation with Mr. S. Mills, and Mr. Geo. Burton, I enquired whether or not there was any title to the Government. Mr. Mills at the time was preparing to purchase Dundurn, and I understood from both of them that there was no title, or none of record. I afterwards informed the Attorney General of Ontario of the fact that there was no title, or at any rate none of record. I understood from Mr. Mills that the property, at the time of the sale to Government, was mortgaged for more than it was -worth. No investigation into the title was made by my Government.

# Hon. SAMUEL MILLS.

I look at the plan of the property purchased from Sir Allan, I know the property well, and have known it for many years, residing (as I have done) in Hamilton, for a long time. I owned property adjoining Dundurn, and sold it for £300 an acre. The property opposite this was laid out in town lots, and was sold, 50 feet front, at from £50 to £200 a lot. The depression in real estate began in 1858; for two or three years after hardly any sales took place. My'opinion is, that the land in question was worth, at the time of the sale, at any rate, not more than \$10,000. I don't think any one could have been found to buy it at any higher price than \$10,000. I think the erection of the Asylum would tend to increase the value of the adjoining property.

If I had been the owner of the whole property, and had been asked to sell this piece out of it, I should have required a round sum for it; I can't say what I should have asked. We had high notions of the value of property then. The whole property, including the castle and a large quantity of land sold, some time since for about \$8,000 or \$9,000, but this is no criterion of the value. There has been a re-sale lately to some southern gentlemen for \$20,000, and they are turning the castle into a water cure. I suppose the buildings and improvements for the whole property cost originally \$100,000. I think Mr. Buchanan and Mr. J. H. Cameron were as good judges as the rest of us of the value of Hamilton property. We were all astray at that time.

#### Hon. Sir J. A. MACDONALD (Re-called).

I have not now the most distant recollection of the discussion in the House in 1863, in which it is reported that Mr. Brown charged my Government with having paid this money, and the deed not being obtained. I have no doubt that this was said across the House, if it is so reported, but I have no memory of it. I had quite forgotten any such statement, and was under the impression, until I heard that there was such a discussion, that I had learned of the payment first in 1867.

# Mr. W. DICKINSON, re-called a third time.

I produce my books of Orders in Council for various years. On 26th April, 1858, there was an Order in Council for the purchase of a property. This Order directs the

issue of a warrant for the cash part of the purchase-money. The warrant issued on 28th instant, under this Order. I have not yet looked over the other papers in connection with this matter.

# J. WHITE, Esq., M.P.

I look at the plan of the property bought by the Government from Sir Allan. I knew it well, and have known it for many years. The value of real estate in Hamilton at the time of this purchase was low. My opinion is that the value of this property, for the purpose of subdivision and sale, would not be more than one thousand dollars an acre. Valuing it for the public purpose for which it was intended, the improvements on it would increase its value to twice that amount, or two thousand dollars an acre, as a portion of the improvements might be used in connection with the intended institution. A valuation of twenty thousand dollars is excessive. I don't think the erection of the institution would increase the value of the rest of the property of Dundurn, but the contrary. I think that, having regard to this fact, the property was not worth more than ten thousand dollars at any time from 1858 to the present time. I was interested in property in the neighbourhood, and have no doubt of the correctness of this view.

# Mr. DICKINSON, re-called the fourth time.

I have searched the bound volumes of Orders in Council, kept in my office from 1857 to 1863. I have found no instance, except the present one, and that referred to in my last examination, of an Order in Council authorizing the purchase of property.

There is also an Order in Council, dated 3rd September, 1859, touching the Orillia Asylum, and a subsequent Report to Council. I produce the Order in Council as to Rockwood Asylum.

There are some late instances of lax practice in payments of purchase moneys. I produce an Order in Council of 10th February, 1869, for the purchase of Pomquet Island. I produce a letter requiring a transfer of the fund by the Halifax agent of the Finance Department to the agent of the Department of Marine and Fisheries there. The money was placed at this credit.

I produce Order in Council, 26th June, 1860, for the purchase of Chantry Island; a letter, 12th October, 1869, from the Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries, to Mr. Langton, for a warrant in favor of A. McNab for the price. Warrant was issued on this for cheque in favor of Mr. McNab on the same day.

I also produce Order in Council, dated 14th September, 1868, for the purchase of land from S. Y. Chesley, and certificate from the Department of Public Words as to the issue of the warrant.

I also produce the Order and papers in connection with the purchase of Rockwood Asylum.

Mr. LANGTON (re-called).

(The papers produced as to Chantry Island by Mr. Dickinson, were shown to Mr. Langton).

The warrant for a cheque in favor of Mr. McNab, issued on the responsibility of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. On their application, the warrant was issued, and they are responsible for the proper precautions being taken before payment of the cheque. The same observations apply to Pomquet Island.

#### Mr. DICKINSON.

Produced before the Committee, Order in Council on Report, 17th September, 1856, for the purchase of London Post Office; also, certificate from F. Lemieux, Commissioner of Public Works, dated 7th February, 1857.

Several cases are produced of purchases authorized by Orders in Council during 1852,

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1853, and 1854, and in each case the warrant for purchase money issued on a certificate in a printed form, signed by the Commissioner of Public Works for the time being.

# WM. SMITH, Esq.,

Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

There is no Order that I know of as to the investigation of the title to properties purchased through the Department. In the case of Chantry Island, I applied to the Department of Justice as to the title. I produce my letter to Mr. Bernard, dated 19th September, 1868. I produce his reply dated 12th October, 1868. I produce my answer dated 14th October, 1868. I produce another letter from myself to Mr. Bernard, 12th August, 1869. I produce a letter of Mr. Bernard's, 9th October, 1869. I produce my reply to Mr. Bernard, 14th October, 1869. I produce a letter of the same date from me to McNab. I produce a letter of 8th November, 1869, from Mr. Bernard, advising me of completion. There was not any but the one Order in Council made in this matter.

As to Pomquet Island, I produce letter 24th February, 1869, to Mr. Johnston, our agent. I produce letter to Mr. Henry, dated 8th March, 1869. Mr. Henry transacts the legal business of the Department in Nova Scotia.

On 10th July, 1869, I wrote Mr. Johnston a letter, of which I produce a copy. There has been no further advice in this matter save the receipt of the 15th July, 1869, signed by Mr. Oxley. The matter was placed in the hands of our Halifax agent, and the Deeds, &c., are in the Halifax vault. There was no communication in this case with the Department of Justice.

# CHARLES MAGILL, Esq., M.P.

I know the property well, and have known it for many years. I think it was worth, in the fall of 1861,  $\pounds 1,500$ . I would not have bought it at any such figure, but I think it would have been a very liberal appropriation for it. If I were the proprietor of Dundurn Castle, and were able to maintain myself there in regal style, I might not have been anxious to part with this property. Under such circumstances and with ample means to keep up such a position, I would not have sold the property, even for the price I have named.

#### Hon. J. H. CAMERON (re-called).

The reason I valued the property at the sum of \$20,000 was this:—Sir Allan thought there was six acres, worth \$5,000 an acre = \$30,000. J. Buchanan said \$4,000 an acre = \$24,000. I had owned within the city limits about 120 acres, and on the occasion of this valuation I went up to Hamilton in order to make a more careful enquiry, and to consider the matter, and I valued the property at \$20,000, thus:—

Improvements	. <b>\$</b> 4,800	00
Six Acres	15,200	00
	\$20,000	00

I was informed that property near this had been sold by the foot at a price equal to over 44,000 an acre. Also the Crystal Palace property, not nearly so eligible, had been sold at 22,000 00 an acre, and I therefore proposed 20,000 00, to which Mr. Buchanan came down, and we agreed on this sum.

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# Warrant for \$20,000 to Sir A. N. McNab.

By His Excellency the Right Honorable Charles Stanley, Viscount Monck, Baron Monck of Ballytrammon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General of British North America, &c., &c.

To the Honorable the Receiver General of the Province of Canada.

No. 1566. You are hereby authorised and required, out of such moneys as are in \$20,000 00. or shall come to your hands, for defraying the expenses of the Civil Govern-Hospitals and ment of the Province of Canada, to pay, or cause to be paid, unto Sir Charities. Allan N. McNab, Bart., or to his assigns, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, being amount of the purchase money for his property at Hamilton, for a Deaf and Dumb Asylum, under Act 16 Vict., Cap. 156, and as authorised by Order in Council of 10th March, 1862.

Entered. W. Dickinson. By Command, Wm. H. Lee. Allan N. McNab, or his assigns, shall be to you a sufficient warrant and discharge.

Quebec, this 23rd day of May, 1862.

(Signed),

E. PARENT, Deputy Covernor

Deputy Governor.

Receipt by Mr. Cassels.

Received this 23rd day of May, 1862, from the Honorable the Receiver General, the above mentioned sum, for which I have given duplicate receipts.

(Signed,)

R. S. CASSELS,

Attorney.

Letters from Hon. J. A. Macdonald to I. Buchanan, Esg., M.P.P.

QUEBEC, August 22nd, 1861.

#### Private and Confidential.

MY DEAR BUCHANAN, — I will do what I can to push the Deaf and Dumb business, I am very desirous to help Sir Allan by giving him a fair price for his land, but the Government will not make a *job* of it, and pay him more than a fair price. He must, of course, give a good title before getting his money.

In haste,

Yours faithfully. JOHN A. MACDONALD.

# Isaac Buchanan, Esq., M.P.P., Hamilton.

QUEBEC, September 4th, 1861.

Private.

My DEAR BUCHANAN,—\* \* \* \* No news here. Sir Allan paid us a visit, and went up to-day. I asked you by letter, which he took with him, to value those four acres conjointly with Hillyard Cameron. I thought it would not do for *your own sake* to leave it to you alone. You might be attacked by your constitutents for improperly lowering the value of property in Hamilton, and by the Press and in Parliament for putting it too high to favor Sir Allan, You and Cameron will, I doubt not, treat the matter in a fair and liberal spirit.

Yours always,

JOHN A. MACDONALD.

I. Buchanan, Esq., M.P.P.

REFORT of Mr. Bernard as to purchase of the Cartwright property at Kingston for the purposes of the Rockwood Asylum.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

OTTAWA, January 19th, 1869.

The undersigned has the honor to report, that under an Order in Council of the 9th October last, the sum of six thousand dollars, together with interest, was placed at the disposal of the Minister of Justice for payment of the portion of the Cartwright Property at Kingston, acquired for the Rockwood Asylum, the same to be paid upon the completion of the requisite Deeds to the Crown of the property in question.

The undersigned having obtained the requisite deeds, and caused them to be registered, recommends the issue of a warrant in favour of Mrs. Harriet Cartwright, of the City of Kingston, for the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and interest thereon, from the 15th day of February, 1867, and the issue of a Warrant to the Reverend Conway Edward Cartwright, for the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000), together with interest from the 15th day of February, 1867, the same sums respectively being in payment of the portions of the purchase money to the several parties.

(Signed,)

H. Bernard, D. M. J.

I concur in the above Report, (Signed.) JOHN A. MACDONALD.

The O. C., of 9th October, 1868, provides that of the amount voted last Session, \$6,000, to be paid for this purpose, but no such expenditure was contemplated when the estimates were prepared, and if this money is now paid the appropriation for maintenance will be exceeded.

There is also another difficulty. The date of the purchase is stated to be 15th February, 1867. Is then this purchase money to be charged against the late Province? If it is, the want of provision in the Estimates will not be felt.

(Signed,)

JOHN LANGTON, Auditor.

I certify that a Warrant may issue in favor of Cartwrights, for \$6,000 purchase money of lands at Rockwood, as per O. C.

(Signed,) JOHN LANGTON,

Auditor.

Letter from Registrar of Wentworth to Chairman of Committee.

HAMILTON, 5th March, 1870.

Sin,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 2nd inst., desiring me to procure, for the information of the Committee on the subject of the payment to the late Sir Allan MacNab, for the land in Hamilton, bought for a Deaf and Dumb Asylum, a Registrar's abstract of the title to the premises, and such other information (including Judgments) as will throw light on the state of the title on the 23rd May, 1862, and on it state at this time, with an abstract of any Chancery proceedings taken in respect of the property, and in reply I have the honor now to enclose :----

1st. A Registrar's Abstract of Dundurn, including the 5 acres in question.

2nd. A Certificate of Judgments registered against are the lands of the late Sir Allan MacNab, and which remained in force up to the 23rd May, 1862, and subsequently.

3rd. A Sheriff's Certificate of the date of his receipt of fi fa thereon.

4th. Short Abstracts of the Proceedings in Chancery.

5th, Decree in that suit.

I should mention, in explanation, that the 5 acres formed a portion of the 8 acres, 16 perches, comprised in Mr. McKenzie's mortgage.

I send as requested a note of the charges.

Yours obediently, GEO. H. BURTON.

Joseph Rymal, Esq., M. P. Chairman of Committee re Dandurn, Ottawa.

# Sheriff's Certificate.

# SHERIFF'S OFFICE, HAMILTON.

I certify that on the Twelfth day of August, A.D. 1861, I received a writ of fi. fa.lands against Sir Allan Napier McNab, at the suit of William Proudfoot, James Lukin Robinson, and James Henderson, issued out of the Court of Queen's Bench, and that I also received another writ of fi. fa. lands, on the Twenty-seventh day of August, A.D. 1861, against Sir Allan Napier McNab, at the suit of William Proudfoot, James Lukin Robinson, and James Henderson, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas.

Dated this Fifth day of March, A.D. 1870.

E. C. THOMAS, Sheriff.

Per W. MILNE, Under Sheriff

Sheriffs' Fees \$1 00.

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#### MESSRS. BURTON AND BRUCE.

# Judg**me**nt Search re Sir **A**llan N. McNab.

1. Judgment in the Court of Common Pleas, at the suit of William Proudfoot, James L. Robinson, and James Henderson, Plaintiffs, versus Sir Allan N. McNah. Defendant. Damages £1,006 13s. 0d.; Costs £6 4s. 4d. Entered on the 23rd day of November, A.D. 1859, and registered on the day following as number 3,846. Attorney for Plaintiff, C. Robinson.

2. Judgment in the Court of Common Pleas at the suit of William Proudfoot, James L. Robinson and James Henderson, Plaintiffs, versus Sir Allan N. MacNab, Defendant. Damages  $\pounds 4,000$  08. 0d.; Costs  $\pounds 4$  118. 6d., and entered on the 30th January, A. D. 1861, and registered on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1861, number 4,561. Attorneys Robinson and McBride.

I certify that the foregoing are correct extracts from the Instruments above referred to, and I further certify that excepting the foregoing, no Judgment against Sir Allan Napier MacNab, wherein one William Proudfoot, one James Lukin Robinson, and one James Henderson, appear as Plaintiffs, has been registered in the books of this Office.

D. GEO. GREER,

Deputy Registrar.

Registry Office, Hamilton, March 4th, A. D. 1870. Fees, 80 cents.

# FOURTH REPORT

#### OF THE

# SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, OTTAWA, 6th April, 1870.

Your Committee have had under their consideration the Return shewing the transactions between the Government and the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, 1867, 1868, and 1869, referred to them by your Honorable House, and beg leave to report their proceedings in reference thereto.—

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. HINCKS, Chairman.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Railway Committee Room, Ottawa, 6th April, 1870.

Committee met.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Anglin, Hon. Mr. Holton, Hon. Mr. Langevin, Hon. Mr. Tilley, Hon. Mr. Wood, Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Casault, Mr. Crawford (Leeds), Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Keeler, Mr. Lapum, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Magill, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Ryan (Kings), Mr Young.

Mr. Langton was in attendance.

On motion of Mr. Young, the Committee proceeded to the consideration of Return to an Address of the House, referred to the Committee, shewing the transactions between the Government and the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, 1867, 1868, and 1869. The Committee deliberated, and

Mr. Langton was instructed to lay before the Committee any correspondence had in relation to the sale of Dominion Stock.

The Committee deliberated on other matters referred to them, and

Adjourned until Monday next, at 10 o'clock a.m.

Committee met.

Monday, 11th April, 1870.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Anglin. Hon. Mr. Holton, Hon. Mr. Langevin, Hon. Mr. Tilley, Hon. Mr. Wood, Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Casault, Mr. Crawford (Leeds), Mr. Gibbs. Mr. Keeler, Mr. Lapum,

Mr. Lawson, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Ryan (Kings), Mr. Walsh, Mr. Young.

Mr. Langton was in attendance.

The Committee proceeded to the further consideration of Return shewing the transactions between the Government and the Bank of Montreal during the years 1866, 1867, 1868. and 1869.

Mr. Langton laid before the Committee the following correspondence, which was read by the Chairman;

# MONTREAL, 12th February, 1868.

[Copy.]

DEAR SIR.-Referring to the various interviews that have taken place between us on the subject of Dominion Stock, I now beg to say, that if the Bank disposes of the balance of the issue at par, I am willing to allow the same remuneration as charged by the fiscal agents in London, for similar operations, with a bonus of one per cent. in stock for the additional trouble and risk attending such agency, and the inscription and disposal of the stock in small sums throughout the country. It is understood that this will include any amount the Bank itself may be disposed to subscribe, but not any inscription by the Court of Chancery, or by either of the Provinces, with regard to which the Government will itself deal.

If this proposition meets your view, I shall be glad to hear from you at as early a day as it may be in your power to communicate with me.

The Government hope that the Bank can agree to this proposal, as it is very desirable that a public announcement should be made that the full amount of the domestic loan, offered for tender, has been taken up in the country

> Yours truly, (Signed,) JOHN ROSE,

> > Minister of Finance.

F. H. King, Esq., General Manager,

Bank of Montreal, Montreal.

# BANK OF MONTREAL, MONTREAL, 14th February, 1868,

Honorable John Rose,

Minister of Finance, Ottawa.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to acknowlege the receipt of your letter of the 12th inst., upon the subject of Dominion Stock, and an authorised by the Directors to accept the proposal of the Government, as therein stated.

The Directors, being desirous to meet your wishes with regard to the announcement that the whole of the domestic loan offered in the country has been taken up, have agreed that the bank will subscribe for the balance not already tendered for at par, which I understood to be one million of dollars, and a receipt for that sum will be forwarded to the Honorable Receiver General.

The Directors desire me to state their apprehension that a good deal of delay and difficulty will be experienced in placing this large amount of the stock in the country, without the Bank submitting to a loss upon the transaction, and they trust that the Government will not place any further amount of Dominion Stock upon the market until the Bank has succeeded in disposing of its present purchase.

It will also occur to you, that our difficulty in placing the Dominion Stock will be greater for some time to come, owing to the state of political affairs in Nova Scotia, and the necessity for selling Government six per cent. debentures, issued to cover the purchase of American silver for exportation, under our recent arrangement.

I have the honor to be, dear Sir,

Your obedient servant,

E. H. KING, General Manager.

(Copy.)

# OTTAWA, 17th February, 1868.

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowlege the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst., informing me that you were authorised by the Directors to accept the proposals of the Government as stated in my letter of the 12th inst., on the subject of the Dominion Stock, and I have to thank you for the manner in which the Bank has met the proposals of the Government in this matter. I am fully sensible of the considerations to which you advert, touching the future disposal of the Stock by the Bank, and I trust there will be no occasion to place any further amount upon the market until the present issue has all been distributed.

Yours very faithfully,

(Signed,) JOHN ROSE,

Minister of Finance.

E. H. King, Esq.,

Bank of Montreal, Montreal.

The Committee deliberated, and Honorable Mr. Holton put the following question to Mr. Langton.—

Whether there is any special account between the Government and the Bank of Montreal, not shewn in the return before the Committee? Ans.—There is a special account with the Bank of Montreal equivalent to the capital of the Great Western Railway Company.

Mr. Langton was instructed to produce, at the next meeting of the Committee, all correspondence relative to the special account connected with the Great Western Bonds, and also all papers shewing the position of the other special account in connection with the Intercolonial Railway Loan.

The Committee deliberated, and adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Tuesday, 12th April, 1870.

Committee met.

#### PRESENT :

The Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Anglin,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,
Hon. Mr. Holton,
Hon. Mr. Langevin,
Hon. Mr. Tilley,
Hon. Mr. Wood,
Mr. Carmichael,
Mr. Casault,
Mr. Crawford (Leeds),
Mr. Gibbs,
Mr. Keeler,

K.C.M.G., Chairman. Mr. Lapum, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Ryan (Kings), Mr. Walsh, Mr. Young.

Mr. Langton was in attendance.

The Committee proceeded to the further consideration of Return shewing transactions between the Government and the Bank of Montreal for the years 1866, 1867, 1868 and 1969.

Mr. Langton laid before the Committee the following correspondence in obedience to the instructions of the Committee,

Which was read by the Chairman ;

# BANK OF MONTREAL,

MONTREAL, 1st February, 1870.

(Copy,)

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks,

Minister of Finance, Ottawa.

SIR,—I am directed to inform you that the Bank will not stand upon the literal interpretation of the agreement of the 9th November, 1865, by which the Government engages not to withdraw its account from the Bank without six months notice, and that such notice shall not be given while the Bank is under advances to the Government.

Although the loan negociated in August last may extend over a considerable period, the Bank releases the Government from this restriction, and will, if desired, accept of the six months notice of the Government's intention to withdraw or modify the existing arrangements for the current account of the Honorable the Receiver General, and for the maintenance of a fixed balance at the credit of said account.

The Bank at the same time desires to remove at once any restraint that has heretofore existed as to the deposits of public monies which may be placed elsewhere at pleasure of the Government.

I have, &c., (Signed,) R. B. Angus, General Manager.

# (Copy 2.)

#### OTTAWA, February 8th, 1870.

S1R,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, arquainting me that the Bank of Montreal will not stand upon what it conceives to be the literal interpretation of the agreement of the 8th November, 1865, under which the

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Government engaged not to withdraw its account from the Bank without six months notice, and further engaged that such notice should not be given while the Bank was under advances to the Government, and further, removing any restraint that has existed as to the deposit of public monies in other Banks at the pleasure of the Governor General.

It is satisfactory to me to be in a position to state in case of any enquires during the approaching Session of Parliament, that the Government is not fettered by any engagements to the Bank of Montreal other than those from which it can relieve itself at its own pleasure.

> I have, &c., (Signed,) F. HINCKS, Minister of Finance.

R. B. Angus, Esq., General Manager, Bank of Montreal, Montreal.

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#### OTTAWA, 14th February, 1870.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose to you a copy of an approved Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, dated this day, and in conformity therewith. I have to notify the Bank of Montreal that the Government desire to terminate, at the end of six months, the present arrangement for the issue and redemption of Provincial Notes, and likewise the arrangement of the 9th November, 1865, under which the Government is bound to maintain a balance of from \$400,000 to \$500,000 in deposit at the Bank of Montreal.

The Bank has already relieved the Government from that part of the agreement of the 9th November, 1865, which prevented them from depositing with other chartered Banks.

I have, & ., (Signed,) F. HINCKS, Minister of Finance.

R. B. Angus, Esq.,

General Manager, Bank of Montreal, Montreal.

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# MONTREAL, 16th February, 1870.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 14th instant, notifying the Bank of the Government's desire to terminate at the end of six months, the present arrangement, for the issue and redemption of Provincial and Dominion Notes, and likewise the arrangement of the 9th November, 1865, for maintaining a certain balance at credit of current account.

In accordance with the provisions of the agreement of 29th August, 1866, it is, of course understood that the Bank will be at liberty to resume its power to issue its own notes at the close of the six months period above indicated, unless arrangements to the contrary be made with Government meantime.

> I have, &c., (Signed,) R. B. ANGUS, General Manager.

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#### FINANCE DEPARTMENT,

# OTTAWA, 19th February, 1870.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, in which you state that it is of course understood that, in accordance with the provisions of the agreement of the 29th August, 1866, the Bank of Montreal will be at liberty to resume its power to issue its own notes at the close of the six months period indicated in my letter of the 14th instant, unless arrangements to the contrary be made with the Government meantime.

Your interpretation of the agreement of the 29th August, 1866, does not accord with mine. I am of opinion that unless the Bank of Montreal give notice to the Government of their intention to resume their issue at the end of the period of six months, that the present arrangement under which they issue Dominion Notes must remain in force.

The Government has no power to give notice to the Bank that it must resume its issue, though it has the power of terminating the agreement under which it pays a commission of one per cent to the Bank, as Agent of the issue and redemption of Dominion Notes.

While I have thought it right to communicate to you an opinion which I consider is the proper interpretation of the agreement of 1866, I may observe that I do not apprehend any practical difficulty in the matter.

I presume that soon after Mr. King's return to Canada, the Bank of Montreal will decide whether it is their intention to resume the issue of their own notes. It would not be reasonable that the Government should be kept in uncertainty until the period for which notice has been given, as to whether the Bank of Montreal would resume its issue or not.

> I have, &c., (Signed,) F. HINCKS.

Minister of Finance.

R. B. Angus, Esq.,

General Manager, Bank of Montreal, Montreal.

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## BANK OF MONTREAL,

MONTREAL, 23rd February, 1870.

# The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, Minister of Finance,

Ottawa.

SIE,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, and in reply, I beg to inform you that the question as to whether the Bank will resume the issue of its own Notes, or continue to issue Dominion Notes, will be considered on the arrival of our President, Mr. King, who is now on his return voyage to Canada, and no time will be lost after that in communicating with you on the subject.

I trust this delay will not cause you any inconvenience.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Yonr obedient Servant,

(Signed,) R. B. ANGUS,

General Manager.

The Committee deliberated. Mr. Langton read the following statement : The International Bailway Investment Account stood thus,	June 30th,	1869
India Bonds         Bank of Montreal         Provincial Debentures purchased         Exchequer Bills	234,000	00 00
	\$9,490,743	37

Since that date the \$2,000,000 invested with the Bank of Montreal has been transferred to another account, and of the \$234,000 Provincial Debentures \$74,946 67 have been transferred to the Sinking Fund. The Exchequer Bills have also been reduced to \$2,468,991 55. The account therefore stood, March 31st :---

India Bonds Provincial Debentures	159,053	33
Exchequer Bills	2,468,991 \$3,309,378	

A new account has been opened, called "Bank of Montreal Intercolonial Railway Construction Account," consisting of the following items :---

Deposit with the Bank transferred Accrued interest thereon Advance on Great Western Bond	31,549	95
	\$4,799,784	
The whole Intercolonial Railway Account stood thus, Marc		
. Investment Account	\$3,309,378	<b>20</b>
Bank of Montreal Investment Account	4.799.784	65
Expenditure on Road		
Amount of Loan		

The \$2,000,000 originally invested with the Bank of Montreal was at 3 per cent., the present account is at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., while we allow the Bank 4 per cent. on the advance on the Great Western Bonds.

Bank of Montreal Investment Account Other investment	
Investments Expended on Road	<b>5,640,171 3</b> 0 1,624,170 48
	\$7,264,341 78
Balance of guaranteed loan not invested or not expended on the Road	35,658 22
	\$7,300,000 00

(Copy.)

# OTTAWA, 5th August, 1869.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to the conversations we have had on the subject of the balances at the credit of the Government with the Bank of Montreal, on which the Government desired to obtain interest, and to the difficulty under which the Bank labored in meeting its wishes, owing to the large amount of unemployed money at its disposal, and to the existing arrangements as to the uncertain dates of withdrawal. I have communicated with my colleagues, and now submit a memorandum of the arrangements which the Government is prepared to make.

You will perceive that we propose to embrace in this place the payments on account of the Intercolonial Railway, from the balances we have in hand, and on account of which loan it is our object to provide some return.

While the Government anticipate that these payments will extend over a considerable period, yet they cannot guarantee that they will do so; but the amount must be considered at the disposal of the Government for the purpose of the work, whenever required, and you will understand that these payments may involve the considerable one at an early day, on account of the purchase of the Eastern Extension Railway. Should the Government decide to acquire that work, with respect to the rate of interest to be allowed which we have more recently discussed, the Government would have been glad if the Bank could have seen its way to make it 4 per cent, but they have given consideration to the point you mentioned—that the payments on Government account may considerably exceed the amount of matured Great Western Railway Bonds, and thus leave the Bank in advance to that extent at a low rate of interest. Having due regard to this possibility, and believing it desirable to make provision at a certain fixed rate for having the entire amount of the bonds available as a cash balance for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway, they think the rate of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on the whole to be fair, and acquiesce in it accordingly.

You will perceive that the first proposal contemplates the transference from current account of a sum beyond what is now held in special deposit. I should be glad if you would inform me whether you acquiesce in this, or still desire to limit the transfer to the sum held in special deposit?

If the arrangement now proposed is carried out, the Government would not contemplate using the credit for £500,000 referred to in a previous correspondence.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours truly, (Signed,) JOHN ROSE, Minister of Finance.

lst. The Bank to renew the amount now at special deposit, and to receive such further amount as may be agreed on by transfer from the ordinary account. The Bank, in addition, to place to the credit of the Government the amount of the Great Western Railway Company's Bonds at par.

These Bonds are to be handed over to the Bank, and the Bank may either purchase them at par, with the guarantee of the Government for their payment at maturity, or may regard the amount as an advance made to the Government for the term of these bonds, the Bank continuing to hold the Bonds of Canada now in its possession as a guarantee for the payment at maturity of the Great Western Railway Bonds in either case; it being understood that if the Bank elects to make an advance, the rate of interest on such advance shall not exceed 4 per cent. per annum.

2nd. These sums to be placed to a special account, to be called Intercolonial Railway Construction Account, and to be drawn on solely for the purpose of Railway according to the progress of the works, the amounts at the credit of the account to bear  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. interest until the entire sum is exhausted.

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3rd. The Bank to make arrangements for the payment of such money as may be required at the points on the line of the Colonial Railway which may be indicated by the Commissioners; the Bank having the use, free of charge, of the building at Chatham, recently leased by the Government, and the Government not to be subject to any other charge than the actual cost to the Bank of making such payments.

Ottawa, 5th August 1869.

(Copy.)

# MONTREAL, 9th August, 1869.

The Honorable John Rose, Minister of Finance.

DEAR SIR.—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, accompanied by a memo. of the arrangement which the Government is prepared to make for the purpose of providing for the expenditure upon the construction of the Intercolonial Railway out of the following sources:

1st. From the special deposits now held by this Bank.

2nd. From the sale at par with the guarantee of the Government of the Bonds of the Great Western Railway Company, bearing interest at 4 per cent. per annum to the extent, as I understand, of about £500,000 sterling, or a loan of an equal amount for the term of these bonds by the Bank to the Government, at a rate of interest not exceeding 4 per cent. per annum, the Bank continuing, in either case, to hold the Bonds of Canada, now in its possession, until the maturity of the Great Western Railway Bonds.

**3rd.** From a further special deposit derived from the current balances at the credit of the Receiver General.

I am prepared, upon the part of the Bank, to meet the wishes of the Government, so far as the first and second sources from which the amount is to be derived, and in the meantime make a loan upon the Great Western Railway Bonds at par for the term they have to run. I do not see at present that the Bank could make an absolute purchase of these Bonds at par, but I should be glad to retain the option with regard to the third source from which this sum is to be derived. I regret that it is not possible for the Bank to meet the wishes of the Government. The Bank has been embarrassed for some months past with about four or five millions of dollars of gold, absolutely idle, and for a good portion of which the Bank has been paying interest to the Government on special deposits. There is no safe and profitable employment for this large surplus in Canada, combined with the certainty of prompt realization in case of need; and I may mention that the Bank has at this moment under consideration the propriety of making a con siderable reduction in the rate of interest upon short advances covered by Railway Receipts and Bills of Lading, with a view of finding temporary employment for its funds. I trust, therefore, it will be satisfactory to the Government to carry out the proposed arrangements, subject to the above exception.

The balance at the credit of this proposed account will bear interest at the rate of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. per annum.

I am, dear Sir, Yours truly, (Signed,) E. H. KING.

OTTAWA, 11th August, 1869.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 9th inst., I beg to say that, though I regret that you are not prepared to accept a transfer of a further amount from the present large current balances now in deposit with the bank, the Government, after due consideration, is propared to assent to the modified terms suggested by you in that letter, with this qualification, that we wish to have the option of maintaining and receiving interest on the balances proposed to be placed to the credit of the Intercolonial Railway Fund: in other words, to deposit, from time to time to its credit from our current balances, amounts equal to the expenditure, on account of that fund, if the state of those working balances will permit.

As you cannot acquiesce in my proposal to transfer a further amount from the current balances to the credit of the special account, I beg you will be good enough to remit on the most favourable terms in your power, and at as early a day as may be, the sum of £100,000 sterling to Messrs. Baring, Bros. & Co., for account of the Government, advising me in due course of details.

> I am, dear Sir, yours truly, (Signed,)

JOHN ROSE,

Minister of Finance.

E. H. King, Esq., Manager, Bank of Montreal,

Montreal.

The following questions were put to the Chairman:

By the Honorable Mr. HOLTON:

Question 1.—Were the Government led to give notice of the terminations of arrangements with the Bank of Montreal, in consequence of dissatisfaction with the manner in which the Public Accounts had been conducted by that institution?

Answer.--No. I consider that the Bank of Montreal worked the Government account in a highly satisfactory manner; but at a time when the Government had to borrow a considerable sum from the Bank, stipulations were made, which I consider disadvantageous to the Government, and which under existing circumstances, there was no longer any necessity for submitting to. The Government was required to keep a balance of from \$400,000 to \$500,000 at its credit, without interest, and was not permitted to deposit with other banks, even when the Bank of Montreal was unable to pay interest on Government deposits. I was likewise of opinion, that the plan of compensating the Bank for its trouble in the redempton and issue of Dominion Notes, by a commission, was a disadvantageous one for the Government. I may further observe that I was of opinion, that in buying or selling exchange, there should be a competition, but this only required the action of the Government, as there was no agreement on the subject.

Question 2.- Then the Government as at present constituted, regards the arrangements made by the late Government of Canada, in November, 1865, when Sir. A. T. Galt was Minister of Finance, and in August, 1866, when Honorable W. Howland was Minister of Finance, as prejudicial to the public interest, and have therefore sought to terminate them?

Answer.—I do not admit that the foregoing is a fair inference from my answer to the previous question. The commission of 1 % allowed to the Bank, was under the authority of an Act of Parliament; of course, my opinion is that experience has proved that the Act might be amended with advantage. The other arrangements were probably the best that could have been made at the time.

Question 3.—If advantageous to terminate the arrangements now, would it not have been equally advantageous to terminate them a year ago, or even earlier, when the finances of the country were relieved by the proceeds of the Intercolonial Railway Loan ?

Answer.--- I should probably have recommended an earlier termination of the agreement, but I presume my predecessor did not deem it expedient to seek any other mode of investing money temporarily in this country, and did not, therefore, experience any inconvenience from the agreement. I know that he was very unwilling after the experience of the past, to place public money at interest, fearing it would encourage the banks to lock it up.

The Committee deliberated, and

On motion of Houorable Mr. Holton, it was

Ordered, That the Chairman do report to the House the proceedings of the Committee, and the evidence adduced respecting the Return, shewing the transactions between the Government and the Bank of Montreal, during the years 1866, 1867, 1868, and 1869, as required by an Address of the House of Commons, dated 3rd March, 1870, and referred to the Committee. Appendix (No. 2.)

## FIFTH REPORT

#### OF THE

# SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, beg leave to make their FIFTH REPORT.

Your Committee have had under consideration the Statement in the Public Accounts for 1868-9, shewing the debt of the Province of Canada, on 30th June, 1869.

The item therein "Upper Canada Building Fund, \$1,472,391.41," has especially engaged their attention, and they beg to Report, for the information of Your Honorable' House, their proceedings in reference thereto.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted,

F. HINCKS, Chairman.

OTTAWA, 14th April, 1870.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

HOUSE OF COMMONS, COMMITTEE ROOM,

OTTAWA, 30th March, 1870.

Committee met.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.B., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Anglin,	Mr. Lawson,
Hon. Mr. Beaubien,	Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),
Hon. Mr. Holton,	Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Mr. Howe,	Mr. McConkey,
Hon. Mr. Langevin,	Mr. Magill,
Hon. Mr. Tilley,	Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),
Hon. Mr. Wood,	Mr. Morrison (Niagara),
Mr. Brousseau,	Mr. Pope,
Mr. Carmichael,	Mr. Robitaille,
Mr. Casault,	Mr. Ross (Prince Edward),
Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Lapum,	Mr. Young.

The Committee deliberated on matters in relation to the Debt of the late Province of Canada.

Mr. Wood moved, seconded by Mr. Ross, That by the Municipal Loan Fund Act of 1859 it is provided, "that a sum of money bearing the same proportion to that which "under the provisions of the said Act will be payable yearly to the Seigniors in Lower "Canada as the populations of the Townships shall, by the census of 1861, be found to bear "to that of the Seigniories, shall be payable yearly out of Provincial Funds to the credit "of the Lower Canada Municipal Loan Fund, but for the benefit of the Townships only," which said sum amounts to \$756,710.

That by the said Act it is provided and enacted that "It shall be lawful for the "Governor in Council to direct the Receiver General to pay the capital of the "yearly sum coming to any such Township or to the said Town [of Sherbrooke], at the "rate of seventy-five per cent. of such capital in discharge of the whole."

That in the debt of the late Province of Canada in the item "Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships (capital)," the said compensation to the Townships is charged against the late Province at 100 per cent., \$756,710, instead of at 75 per cent., \$567,532.50, at which later sum, according to section 5, sub-section 21 of 22 Vic., Cap. 15, the Governor in Council is authorised to direct its payment; and, therefore, at which sum only, it should be charged against the late Province.

The said motion being put,

The Honorable Mr. Holton moved in amendment, That the Committee deem it inexpedient to express an opinion on the legal point involved in the said motion.

On which the Committee divided : and the names being called for, were taken down as follow :---

YEAS.—Hon. Mr. Anglin, Hon. Mr. Beaubien, Hon. Mr. Holton, Hon. Mr. Howe, Hon. Mr. Langevin, Hon. Mr. Tilley, Mr. Brousseau, Mr. Casault, Mr. Keeler, Mr. Lapum, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Mr. Robitaille and Mr. Walsh.—15.

NAVS.—Hon. Mr. Wood, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Magill, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward) and Mr. Young.—6.

Which was carried.

The Committee further deliberated, and adjourned.

Tuesday, 12th April, 1870.

Committee met.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.B., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Anglin, Mr. Lapum, Hon. Sir A. T. Galt, Mr. Lawson, . Hon. Mr. Holton, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Hon. Mr. Howe, Mr. Mackenzie, Hon. Mr. Langevin, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Hon. Mr. Tilley, Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Hon. Mr. Wood, Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Casault, Mr. Ryan (Kings), Mr. Walsh, and Mr. Crawford (Leeds), Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Young. Mr. Keeler,

The Committee, after disposing of Return shewing transactions between the Government and Bank of Montreal, referred to them;

Honorable Mr. Wood moved to Resolve, That it is the opinion of this Committee, the \$600,000 set apart for Upper Canada purposes, (and now forming part of the Upper Canada Appendix (No. 2.)

Building Fund), by the Seigniorial Acts of 1854 and 1855, should be treated in all respects in the same way in respect of rate of interest allowed, and rests in its calculation as was and is done in respect of the equivalent and correlative sum included in the capital of the Seigniorial Fund created by the same Acts, or as was, or is done in respect of any portion of the said Fund.

The Committee deliberated on the said motion, and it was Ordered, To stand over until the next meeting of the Committee. Adjourned until Thursday next, at Ten o'clock A.M,

Committee met.

Thursday, 14th April, 1870.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Honorable Si	r Francis Hincks, K.C.B., Chairman.
Hon. Mr. Holton,	Mr. Keeler,
Hon. Mr. Langevin,	Mr. Lapum,
Hon. Mr. Tilley,	Mr. Lawson,
Hon. Mr. Wood,	Mr. Mackenzie,
Mr. Brousseau,	Mr. Robitaille,
Mr. Casault,	Mr, Ross (Prince Edward),
Mr. Gibbs,	Mr. Young.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of other matters, and of Honorable Mr. Wood's motion.

Mr. Casault moved in amendment, That this Committee should express no opinion on any items of the debt of the Province of Canada, in which the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec have an adverse interest.

On which the Committee divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

YEAS:-Honorable Mr. Langevin, Honorable Mr. Tilley, Messieurs Brousseau, Casault, Keeler and Robitaille.-6.

NAYS :--Honorable Mr. Holton, Honorable Mr. Wood, Messieurs Gibbs, Lapum, Mackenzie, Ross (Prince Edward), and Young,-7.

So the Motion of amendment was lost.

The Original Motion being then put, the Committee divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :---

YEAS :--Honorable Mr. Holton, Honorable Mr. Wood, Me ssieurs Gibbs, Mackenzic, Ross (Prince Edward), and Young.--6.

NAYS.—Honorable Mr. Langevin, Honorable Mr. Tilley, Messieurs. Casault, Keeler, and Robitaille.—5.

So the Main Motion was carried, and it was

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, the \$600,000 set apart for Upper Canada purposes (and now forming part of the Upper Canada Building Fund), by the Seigniorial Acts of 1854 and 1855, should be treated, in all respects, in the same way in respect of rate of interest allowed, and rests in its calculation as was, and is done in respect of the equivalent and correlative sum included in the Capital of the Seigniorial Fund, created by the same Acts, or as was, or is done in respect of any portion of the said Fund.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report to the House, the proceedings of the Committee in relation to the Debt of the late Province of Canada.

# SIXTH REPORT

#### OF THE

# SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

RAILWAY COMMITTEE ROOM,

Thursday, 27th April, 1870.

The Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, beg leave to make their SIXTH REPORT.

Your Committee have had their attention called to an apparent discrepancy in the Revenue from Excise, as shewn in No. 5, of the Public Accounts, referred to them, and in Statement No. 20, of Report of Department of Inland Revenue; and they report their proceedings on the subject for the information of Your Honorable House.

They have also had under their consideration, the indebtedness due to the Government, on account of the sale of various roads and harbors, and have passed certain resolutions, calling the attention of the Government to the necessity of securing immediate payment of the same, which they report herewith.

All which is respectfully submitted.

F. HINCKS, Chairman.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Wednesday, 20th April, 1870.

Committee met.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT :

Hon. Mr. Anglin, Hon. Mr. Holton, Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Casault, Mr. Dufresne, Mr. Gibbs in the Chair, pro tem. Mr. Keeler, Mr. Lawson, \*-1 1 Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Ryan (Kings), Mr. Walsh, Mr. Young. The Committee proceeded to the consideration of a discrepancy in Receipts from Excise, as shewn in No. 5, of the Public Accounts for 1868–9, and Statement No. 20, of the Report of the Department of Inland Revenue, for the same period.

The Committee deliberated, and

Ordered, That the Clerk do address a letter to the Minister of Inland Revenue, soliciting an explanation in reference thereto.

MONDAY, 25th April, 1870.

Committee met.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

The Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman,

Hon. Mr. Anglin, Hon. Mr. Beaubien, Hon. Mr. Holton, Hon. Mr. Tilley, Hon. Mr. Wood, Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Casault, Mr. Dufresne, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Keeler, Mr. Lapum, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. McConkey, Mr. Magill, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Ryan, Mr. Walsh.

Mr. Langton was in attendance.

The Clerk also laid before the Committee the following Letter and Statement from the Honorable the Minister of Inland Revenue, which was read by the Chairman, as follows :---

OTTAWA, 23rd April, 1870.

SIE,—In compliance with the resolution of the Committee on Public Accounts of date, Wednesday, 20th April, I beg to hand you a Memorandum, which I have caused to be prepared, explanatory of the apparent difference between the sum stated in No. 20, of the Inland Revenue Returns, 1868–9, as having been collected during that year, and the amount stated in No. 5 of the Public Accounts, 1868–9, as the nett revenue received from duties of Excise during the same period.

I have the honor to be,

Your Obedient Servant,

ALEX. MORRIS,

Minister of Inland Revenue.

Thaddeus Patrick, Esq.,

Clerk of the Committee on Public Accounts.

Appendix (No. 2.)

MEMORANDUM respecting the apparent difference between the sum stated Inland Revenue Returns, 1868-9, as having been collected during th amount stated in No. 5 of the Public Accounts 1868-9, as the nett r from duties of Excise during the same period.	at year, and	the
The amount stated in the Inland Revenue Returns, No. 20, is		34
1st. The item in No. 20 Inland Revenue for "Bill Stamps (nett pro- ceeds") is to be deducted from the total of that statement. The Receipts from Bill Stamps not being included in No. 5 Public		
Accounts, but in No. 3, page 14		17
Thus reducing the total to		17
The sum to be added is		00

\$2,713,902 17

4,032 23

The sum thus arrived at is still \$4,032 23 in excess of the sum stated in the Public Accounts, and in order to ascertain how this difference has arisen, a careful examination of the accounts has been made, and it has been ascertained that the difference is exactly accounted for, 1st, by their having been included in the Public Accounts statement, 1868-9, duties collected on Petroleum, manufactured during the last month of 1867-8, and included in the Inland Revenue Returns for that year; 2nd, By items of drawbacks, included under that head, in No. 5 Public Accounts, upon malt used with sugar, under Order in Council, 12th March, 1868. These items being Cash Credits, do not appear as deductions from quantities in the Inland Revenue Returns, because as above stated, no cash account was kept in the Department during that or the preceding years. 3rd, The remaining balance is accounted for by some minor entries made under a misconception as to the facts respecting removals in bond in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, before the Excise service was organized in those Provinces, and which have been rectified in both Departments during the current year. The result of working out the details of the matters above mentioned, is that the sum of \$4,032 23 is to be deducted from the total of the Inland Revenue Returns above arrived at .....

A. BRUNEL,

#### Assistant Commissioner and Inspector.

INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT, April 23rd, 1870.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Holton, the Clerk laid before the Committee a Return to the House, shewing an account in detail of the amount originally advanced, by way of loan by the late Province of Upper Canada, in connection with the Oakville Harbor, and of the amount further advanced in the same connection, &c., &c.

The Committee deliberated, and

Mr. Mackenzie moved, That in the opinion of this Committee, the Government ought to take immediate steps for the collection of the amount due to the Dominion on Oakville Harbour, amounting to \$11,673 29.

The said motion being put, Mr. Walsh moved in amendment (in lieu thereof), That the Government ought to take immediate steps for the collection of amounts due to the Dominion on Harbours.

On which the Committee divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :---

YEAS :-- Mesieurs Beaubien, Casault, Keeler, and Walsh.-4.

NAYS :--Messieurs Anglin, Carmichael, Dufresne, Gibbs, Holton, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, McConkey, Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), Robitaille, Ross (Prince Edward), Ryan (Kings), Tilley and Wood.--17.

So it was lost, and the Main Motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr; Mackenzie,

Ordered, That a Statement of the amounts owing to the Dominion by any person or Corporation on account of any Harbor, Road, or other Public Work, be submitted to the Committee at its next meeting.

WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1870,

Committee met.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman,	Mr. Keeler,
Hon. Mr. Anglin,	Mr. Lapum,
Hon. Mr. Beaubien,	Mr. Lawson,
Hon. Mr. Holton,	Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),
Hon. Mr. Langevin.	Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Mr. Tilley,	Mr. McConkey,
Hon. Mr. Wood,	Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),
Mr. Carmichael,	Mr. Ross (Prince Edward),
Mr. Casault,	Mr. Ryan (Kings),
Mr. Dufresne,	Mr. Walsh, and
Mr. Gibbs,	Mr. Young.

Mr. Langton was in attendance.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the indebtedness to the Government for certain roads.

Mr. Langton read to the Committee a Statement of indebtedness to the Dominion as directed to be furnished by order of the Committee at its last sitting.

The Committee deliberated.

On motion<sup>®</sup>of the Honorable Mr. Wood, it was

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee, immediate steps should be taken to collect the arrears of interest due for the Kingston and Napanee Road, On motion of the Honorable Mr. Wood, it was

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee, immediate steps should be taken for the collection of arrears of rent due by the Lessees of the Dundas and Waterloo Road.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Wood, it was

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee, immediate steps should be taken to collect the amount due and in arrear from the County of Middlesex, or the County of Elgin, or both, for the purchase of roads, &c.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, it was

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Committee, the Government should take immediate steps to close up the Hamilton and Brantford Road accounts, by realizing the amount due from purchaser, or by re-sale, as may be deemed most advantageous to the Dominion.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, it was

*Resolved*, That the amounts due on the West Gwilliambury Road, by the purchaser, should be immediately collected by the Government.

On motion of Honorable Mr. Wood, it was

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee the amount due from the Counties of Lincoln, Welland, and Haldimand, for the Queenston and Grimsby Road should be collected.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report to the House the proceedings of the Committee in reference to the apparent discrepancy in amount of receipts from Inland Revenue, as shewn in the Public Accounts, and as shewn in Statement No. 20, of Report of Inland Revenue Department during the same period.

Ordered, That the Chairman do also report the proceedings of the Committee had in relation to Return laid before the House, shewing indebtedness of Oakville Harbor, and Resolutions respecting indebtedness to the Government for certain Roads sold,

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# EIGHTH REPORT

#### OF THE

# SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Your Committee have had under their consideration the mode of preparing the Public Accounts, and have taken evidence with a view of obtaining suggestions for an improved system. They are of opinion that it is desirable that the principal statement of the affairs of the Dominion should be so constructed, as to shew clearly the amount of ordinary revenue for the year—the receipts from extraordinary sources—the ordinary and extraordinary expenditure of the year—and the increase or diminution of the public debt, resulting from the financial movement of the year.

Your Committee have the honor to report their proceedings with the evidence taken on this subject.

The whole, nevertheless, respectfully submitted.

F. HINCKS, Chairman.

Committee Room, 9th May, 1870.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Friday, 29th April, 1870.

Committee met.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Honorable Sir Francis	Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.
Hon. Mr. Anglin,	Mr. Lapum,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,	Mr. Lawson,
Hon. Mr. Holton,	Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry).
Hon. Mr. Tilley,	Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Mr. Wood,	Mr. McConkey,
Mr. Casault,	Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),
Mr. Dufresne.	Mr. Robitaille,
Mr. Gibbs,	Mr. Ross (Prince Edward),
Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Ryan (Kings).
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The Committee took into consideration the present mode of preparing the Public Accounts, with the view of considering whether any, and what improvement may be made in the system.

After deliberation thereon,

The Chairman submitted to the Committee the following questions, which were agreed to.

Would you state your objections, if any, to such a change in the system of keeping the Public Accounts, as would effect a complete separation from the Consolidated Fund Account of the various items which are embraced under what are termed Open or Special Accounts, and under which separate statements of each of such accounts should be rendered in the Public Accounts, with a balance sheet of such accounts, the balance to the debit or credit to be shown as a balance to debit or credit of the Government with its Bankers ?

Would you also state whether you do not think it would be desirable to close all accounts but the Annual Consolidated Fund Account, to state in detail the exact amount of debt at the commencement of the last financial year, and then to make an annual statement, shewing the increase or decrease of debt in the current fiscal year, which would appear either as a receipt or payment on account of debt during the year ?

Would you also state whether you do not think it practicable to close all the accounts constituting what are termed "Assets" in the Statement of Affairs, preserving merely a record of the cost of the various works?

In fine, will you give the Committee your opinion as to the best mode of simplifying the mode of framing the Public Accounts of the Dominion?

Will you also state whether you think that there is any necessity for keeping a regular set of books in the Department of the Receiver General, or anything more than a statement of cash received and disbursed?

Ordered, That a copy of the said questions be sent to Messrs. Langton, Dickinson, and Godard, of the Finance Department; Mr. Bramley, of the Receiver General's Department; and Mr. C. S. Ross, Secretary of the Intercolonial Railway Board, requesting their replies for the information of the Committee at its next meeting.

Adjourned until Monday next, at Half-past Ten o'clock, A.M.

MONDAY, 2nd May, 1870.

Committee met.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.

Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),

Mr. Morrison (Niagara),

- Mr. Pope,
- Mr. Robitaille,
- Mr. Ryan (Kings),
- Mr. Walsh.

The Clerk laid before the Committee the following replies to the questions sent by their order at the last meeting.

**REPLY OF JOHN LANGTON, ESQ.**, Auditor:

Hon. Mr. Beaubien,

Mr. Dufresne, Mr. Keeler,

Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mackenzie,

Hon. Mr. Tilley, Hon. Mr. Wood,

(1.) There is some ambiguity about the definition of Consolidated Fund, which affects the answer to be given to this question. The strictly legal meaning of the expression, or rather of Consolidated Revenue Fund, as it is called in Acts of Parliament,

appears to embrace capital as well as the ordinary revenues and expenditure of the year. Besides the interest on the debt, the expenses of collecting the Revenue, the Civil List and other annual charges, all loans contracted are made charges on the Consolidated Revenue Fund. In this acceptation of the term, Consolidated Fund is only another name for the Dominion of Canada. All liabilities of the Dominion are debts of Consolidated Fund, and consequently the cash which we have received by incurring such debts, and the property or other assets which we have acquired by the expenditure of that cash, are assets of Consolidated Fund. In this view of the question, the Statement of Affairs, or rather the Balance Sheet as it should now be called, since the Dr. and Cr. sides have been reversed, is the statement or Balance Sheet of Consolidated Fund the item now called Consolidated Fund being the balance of that account.

But in Canada, ever since the Union, the words Consolidated Fund have been taken in a more restricted signification, meaning the account in which the ordinary annual receipts and payments are entered, to the exclusion of everything which relates to capital, or of advances made to any persons, or the repayment of those advances. This is the acceptation in which Consolidated Fund now appears in the Balance Sheet, which is nearly analagous to what is called the Revenue Account in Railroad accounts, and Profit and Loss in a merchant's books.

It appears, therefore, to me that the complete separation of the open accounts from Consolidated Fund, as spoken of in the question, is already fully effected. The Balance Sheet, as now given in the Public Accounts, is the Balance Sheet spoken of in the the question of the amounts at the debit or credit of the several open accounts with the Government, the statement being balanced by the balance of Consolidated Fund itself, the details of which are given in Statement 2. I do not, however, exactly comprehend how these balances should be balances at the debit or credit of Government with its Bankers, as stated in the question, as the Bankers know nothing of these open accounts, but only deal with the Government as a whole. The Banking accounts are only one class of these open accounts, but which, having a specific character of their own, are kept in a separate compartment of the Balance Sheet.

There is only one other part of the question upon which I have any remark to make, viz: that proposing that separate statements shall be rendered in the Public Accounts of each such open account. I shall speak more particularly as to this in answer to question 4.

(2.) This question appears to divide itself into two propositions :--

1st. Would it be desirable to close all accounts except the annual Consolidated Fund account? Of course it cannot be intended actually to close all other accounts. If we owe or are owed on a particular account, we must necessarily keep it open in the books. I am not sure that I quite understand the nature of the question; but it appears to me that it must either mean, that no statement of such accounts is to be given in the Public Accounts, or that such accounts are to be considered and stated as branches of Consolidated Fund.

Up to 1859, the principal statement in the Public Accounts was that of the Receipts and Payments of Consolidated Fund, generally numbered 2, the balance being carried forward from year to year. As there were always new entries in the Consolidated Fund account, which did not affect the receipts and expenditure of the year, these items were introduced at the top of the account, in rectification of the balance brought forward from the previous year. In 1856, these items were more numerous than usual, and the statement of Consolidated Fund was divided into two, No. 2 bringing forward the balance, and completing the account by shewing the total receipts and expenditure of the year, and the balance at the end of it; whilst No. 3 gave the detail of the receipts and expenditure under the usual heads of the several services. Up to 1857 the receipts and expenditure of Consolidated Fund were almost all that was systematically laid before Parliament. The transactions in some of the Special Funds were indeed to be found scattered through the volume in various subsidiary statements, as was also the expenditure upon Public Works chargeable to capital; and there was no attempt to give a complete statement of all the cash transactions, and there were many receipts and payments which appeared nowhere in the accounts, and could only be inferred from the changes in the Balance Sheet. In 1858, I prepared a Statement for the Committee on Public Accounts, shewing the entire receipts and expenditure of 1858 on all accounts, balanced by the changes in the Cash and Banking accounts; and the importance of shewing, in one account, the entire transactions of the year, may be seen by a comparison of my statement with that previously given for Consolidated Fund alone.

The entire receipts from all sources were The receipts of Consolidated Fund alone were	\$10,582,595 37 5,352,794 33
Balance not set forth	<b>\$5</b> ,229,801 04
The entire expenditure	\$12,683,066 39 5,692,942 08
Balance not shewn	\$6,990,124 31

The apparent deficiency in the year, judging from Consolidated Fund alone, would have appeared to be only \$340,147.75, whereas the excess of expenditure over receipts, excluding new loans and redemptions, was \$4,806,932.62, which, though not properly belonging to Consolidated Fund, was a real over expenditure, which had to be met.

The accounts of 1858 were brought out upon the new system, which has been continued ever since; Statement 2, as before, shewed the movement in Consolidated Fund alone; but Statement 3 shewed the entire Receipts and Expenditure, balanced by the cash. In this latter Statement the receipts and expenditure of Consolidated Fund were given separately, and this has always been done in succeeding years, excepting in the first year of Confederation, when so much uncertainty existed as to what was strictly chargeable there under the important head of subsidies, and the Trust Funds of Ontario and Quebec, that no distinction was made in Statement 3. But in Statement 2 what appeared to belong to Consolidated Fund was shewn, and the whole of the accounts of that year have been since revised in the appendix to the Report of the Board of Audit

It appears to me, therefore, that there is a complete distinction in the accounts as now published between the transactions affecting Consolidated Fund, and those which relate to the open accounts, and though the miscellaneous transactions are not now as heavy as they were in 1857, I think it would be a grave mistake to revert to the practice before 1858.

In connection with this subject it may be as well to shew how the accounts are rendered in England and the United States. In neither case is there anything anolagous to our Balance Sheet or Statement of Affairs, but in both a Statement is given of the entire Receipts and Expenditure of the year, balanced by the cash, and similar to our Statement 3, and with considerable difference in the manner of rendering it. In the United States the account is in considerable detail, and it makes no distinction between ordinary and extraordinary services-between annual receipts In England, the and charges, and loans and redemptions, or advances and repayments. account gives a mere abstract of the moneys paid into or out of the Exchequer, which by no means corresponds with the actual receipts and expenditure as finally adjusted; but it does distinguish between ordinary and extraordinary services. It must, however, be remarked that Consolidated Fund in England has a very different signification from what the analogous term has always borne in Canada. All receipts, whether ordinary or extraordinary, go into the Consolidated Fund ; but only such expenditure as is payable under general Acts, to the exclusion of everything which is specially voted by Parliament in \*-2

the supplies, and the balance of Consolidated Fund, is the amount available to meet those votes. This will be seen by the following analysis of the Cash Account (1) and the Consolidated Fund Account (8) of the year ending March 31, 1867 (Vol. XXXIX.)

If, however, it should not be proposed to exclude the transactions in the open accounts from the general statement, but to take the enlarged view of what constitutes Consolidated Fund, and to consider the debt and other capital accounts as only branches of it, the balance-sheet, as I said before, would become the balance-sheet of Consolidated Fund. But this would not obviate the necessity of still retaining such accounts in the books; and, consequently, in the balance-sheet, which should be a transcript of the books; and in the statement of the entire cash transactions of the year, a distinction should still be drawn between ordinary annual receipts and payments, and those which affect the capital accounts.

On the second branch of this question, which relates to the method of stating the Public Debt, I have given my views in the answer to Question 4.

(3) It is quite practicable to close many of the accounts constituting what are termed assets; but certainly the whole of them cannot be closed. The Sinking Funds and investments, the debts due to us by the Provinces and others, and the cash and banking accounts, must necessarily remain open in our books, and in the balance-sheet. The Public Works, which have been looked upon as a capital expenditure, if any future expenditure of the kind is to be charged to Consolidated Fund, might certainly be written off; but if, as stated in the question, a record is to be kept of the cost of the various works, and if any future expenditure is to be added to that cost, the most proper place in which to preserve that record would appear to be the balance-sheet. Of course, the Department of Public Works might, and it does keep a record of every thing which has been spent in Public Works, whether it has been treated by the Finance Department as a charge against Consolidated Fund, or against a separate account in ledger; but if any such record is kept as a matter of account in the Finance Department, it should appear in the balance-sheet. If all future expenditure on the Intercolonial Railroad, for instance, is to be charged annually directly to Consolidated Fund, there can be no objection to charge the past expenditure there also, and so expunge the account from our books; but if the expenditure is not to be so charged, there is no escape from our having to keep the account open in the Ledger and the Balance Sheet.

That the whole of that section of the Balance Sheet requires complete revision there can be no doubt. A great deal of the expenditure which has been charged against the capital accounts should more properly have been considered as repairs, which should have been borne by the income of the year; and there are contained in the list many obsolete items and works which have been sold or abandoned, and which represent no real assets. I have repeatedly called the attention of successive Ministers of Finance to this subject, and as long ago as 1858, the Committee on Public Accounts reported to the same effect. But nothing has ever been done. It becomes the more necessary to deal with the question now, as similar works in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick are not included, and the whole of this section of the Balance Sheet is in many instances unmeaning, and in others delusive. I submit a memorandum upon the subject which I prepared for the present Minister of Finance, who considered that it would probably be taken up by the Committee on Public Accounts.

(4.) I do not think there is much room for improvement in the general framework of the Public Accounts, though no doubt a change for the better may be made in the method of shewing some of the details. The accounts should commence with a General Balance Sheet or Statement of Affairs, eliminating from it all useless accounts. It should be followed by a statement of Consolidated Fund, shewing how it has been affected, not only by the receipts and expenditure of the year, but by any change in the open accounts which has been made otherwise than through cash; for there is no way in which an account in the ledger can be opened, closed, or in any way altered, excepting by a transfer from one open account to another, or through cash, or through Consolidated Fund, which is equivalent to the Profit and Loss account in a merchant's books. Then should follow a statement of the entire receipts and expenditure in abstract, distinguishing what is ordinary and applicable to Consolidated Fund, from what relates to the accounts which are treated as capital accounts in the Balance Sheet. This is our present Statement 3, which I hold to be correct in principle, though there may be some typographical improvements in the way of stating it. All the rest of the volume would consist of subsidiary statements. Every item in the Balance Sheet, in which there has been any change during the year, and every item in Statement 3, should have a reference to the page at which the subsidiary statement is to be found, which shews the details of the transactions. This is now done in most cases in Statement 3, but it should be done in all cases, even if the details consist of only a single item, and there should be similar references from the Balance Sheet. Thus in the Balance Sheet, I would give the Public Debt in one item, or at most in two or three, as Debentures payable in London, Debentures payable in Canada, Savings Banks, &c.; but in the subsidiary statement, I would shew for each class of security, the balance of the end of the year, carrying out the several balances, and adding them up to the total of that section of the debt as shewn in the Balance Sheet.

Statement 12 is now such a subsidiary statement of the details of expenditure shewn in abstract in Statement 3; but as there are in some services corresponding receipts, which are not shewn there, and as the whole is already added up in Statement 3, I do not see much use in treating Statement 12 as a consecutive statement, carrying forward the total from one service to another. I would rather make it a succession of separate subsidiary statements, each complete in itself. The balance from the previous year (if any) with receipts and expenditure, and the balance carried down, might thus be shewn.

There is another class of accounts, where the details of the receipts and expenditure appear in different parts of the volume, viz., the principal revenues and the cost of collecting them; and from the form in which those details have to appear, it is probably desirable that they should continue to be separately given; but I am inclined to think that in the statements shewing the total revenue collected at a particular port, or from a particular work, the cost of collection should also be shewn, with a reference to the page where the details of that cost will be found.

I think it is also worthy of consideration, whether duties or tolls refunded should not be treated as a deduction from the revenue, rather than as a part of the cost of management and collection.

Some other changes in form suggest themselves to me, and it is quite possible that particular items, or classes of items, might be given in a more intelligible manner. Such amendments are more likely to strike persons examining the accounts, who are not as familiar with the transactions as those who prepare them necessarily are, and I shall be glad to receive any suggestions upon the subject. But taken as a whole, I do not see much room for improvement in the general framework of the Public Accounts as now rendered.

(5) I think it quite unnecessary to keep books with all the detail that is now done in the Receiver General's office, but I should hardly admit that a mere statement of cash would be sufficient. There are certain classes of accounts which more particularly belong to the Receiver General's Department. He has special charge of Debentures and Stock, he has investments and other securities in his hands, and Dominion Notes for distribution, and he must keep an account with the several Banks in which our cash is deposited, and with the financial agents. A regular set of books seems thus indispensable, but the work could be very much simplified, as he need take no account of the service on account of which a warrant has issued, or a deposit has been made.

A question has frequently been raised, though it is not embraced in the question before me, whether it would not be possible under the circumstances to dispense with the Receiver General's as a separate Department, and I wish to make this remark upon the subject. There is certain specific work to be done in the Department, which must be done somewhere, and even if the office were made a branch of the Finance Department, there must be a Chief Clerk, with a staff under him, nearly if not quite as large as that now forming the Receiver General's staff. But in such important subjects as the charge of the Public Debt, and the issue of warrants, it is a great advantage that there should be two Departments, quite independent of each other, which must concur in any payment.

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#### MEMORANDUM UPON THE REVISION OF THE STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS.

It would be very desirable to have a thorough examination of the Statement of Affairs, with a view to excluding from it many obsolete and quite useless accounts. I have frequently reported upon this subject to successive Ministers of Finance, and to the Committee on Public Accounts, but I never could obtain any authority to make any change, except by writing off a few obsolete accounts to the extent of about \$24,000, just before Confederation. In consequence of Confederation, we have got rid of a good number of items, but there is great room for a further revision.

The most notable items are the interest accounts of the Grand Trunk and Northern Railroads. These should, I think, be written off at once, but the capital of the advance should remain on record in our Statement of Affairs.

The remaining items, which should be revised, are almost all under the head Public Works. By agreement with Ontario and Quebec, the value of Road and other securities for works disposed of by the Province are to be taken as a deduction from the debt, and to this extent, the items should remain in our books, if we retain them, and are responsible for the collection of them, but I think that Ontario would be willing to assume them at the valuation at which they are taken in reduction of the debt, in which case they might be charged against Ontario, and disappear altogether from our books. There can be no use in retaining anything there as a nominal asset which is agreed to be valueless. In my memorandum upon the Province Debt I give these items with their presumed value, and I need only here mention the items as they stand which require revision.

The Public Works may be classed under several different heads, and I give the items under each as they stand in our books, June 30, 1868.

(1.) Important works, mostly productive, which may remain as they stand.—It is to be observed that a practice has existed of charging against the capital account what would more properly have gone against income, as being not new work but renewals, and these items are consequently larger than they ought really to be, but it is questionable whether there would be any use now in revising them.

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St. Lawrence Canal	7,431,208 04
Welland Canal	
Lake St. Peter	1,164,235 08
Chambly Canal and River Richelieu (?)	
Burlington Bay Canal (?)	
St. Peter's Canal	21,519 72
Nova Scotia Railways	6,520,990 32
E. & A. Railway, New Brunswick	4,650,903 35
Government Buildings, Ottawa	
Intercolonial Railway	
	\$30,774,875 53
(2). Items which may require some revision.	
	\$ ets.
Ottawa Works	1,236,318 91
Harbor and Light Houses	2,658,748 59
Miscellaneous Works	1,405,247 42
	\$5,300,314 92

The Ottawa Works consist of Slides, which, as being on the frontier between Ontario and Quebec must remain Dominion Works, and might be included in the former class, and the Works at the Chat Canal. It is doubtful how far the expenditure on a work abandoned for the present, and which, if resumed, would not be worth now what it cost, can properly be retained in the Capital Account. Harbors and Lighthouses.—These might also be included in the first class but for two reasons: some of the Harbors have been abandoned to local authorities, and the Harbors and Lighthouses in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have not been kept as a capital account. This item, therefore, very inadequately represents the cost or the present value of the Harbors and Lighthouses of the Dominion, and I should feel inclined to write it off altogether, and for the future to consider any such expenditure a charge on Consolidated Fund.

Miscellaneous Works.—This item contains some things which might be included in the first class, such as the Grenville and Carillon Canal and St. Anne's Lock, but much of it is miscellaneous expenditure, which never had a claim to be considered capital, and would not now be so considered. Moreover, it contains the expenditure on the St. Maurice and Saguenay Slides. The Ottawa Slides must necessarily remain Dominion property, but we have no direct interest in the Slides in the interior of Lower Canada. They should be naturally under the control of the Province which owns the lumber which comes down them, and we have now to collect our Slide Dues through their officers. In 1867-8, the gross income was only \$9,007.22, whilst the cost to us of maintenance was \$17,208.42. I think that the Slides ought to be abandoned to Quebec, and the cost of them, if nothing else, should be taken out of this item. The Piers below Quebec should also be deducted, but I am not sure, without examination, whether they are included in this item or in Harbors.

(3.) Items which require revision, and should only remain in our Statement of Affairs at what they are assented to by Ontario and Quebec, as a deduction from the debt, or should be abandoned to the Provinces, and charged against them at the value at which they are taken in the settlement of this debt.

Oakville Harbor	\$9,071	<b>78</b>
Roads and Bridges, Upper Canada	532,001	<b>20</b>
" " Lower Canada	1,163,829	34
Norton and Opahagui Bridge, New Brunswick	15,595	25
\$1	,720,497	57

The first two items are gone into in detail in my Memorandum on the Province Debt The Roads and Bridges, Lower Canada.—This item contains a great deal of expenditure for local roads in the early days, when this was the custom, and was a parallel account to the Roads and Bridges Upper Canada. Some of these were afterwards formally abandoned, and most of the rest have been practically abandoned. There remains the cost of the military roads connecting Canada with the Maritime Provinces, which were properly general and not local expenditure; but it is questionable whether

so charged for the last two or three years. The last item is expenditure on a bridge in New Brunswick, connected in some way with the Railway. If it is really Railway expenditure it should be added to that item; if not, it should be struck out with the Roads and Bridges in Ontario and Quebec.\* There is this further reason for striking out all the Roads and Bridges, except those which are deducted from the debt as securities for money, that analagous expenditure in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick has not been treated as capital.

expenditure on Roads should be considered capital expenditure, and in fact it has not been

\* This item has since been struck out, having been inserted from a misconception of the facts; and the expenditure, since Confederation, has been charged to New Brunswick.

(L) Items which should be struck out.

Tay Navigation Co	7,764 05 -	(Report of Committee on Public Accounts, 1866-7)
Grantham Academy	1 752 53	
Grand River Navigation Co	3.302 23	(Worthless).
Desjardins Canal	\$120,263 93	a second s

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Improvement of Trent	558,506 20	(See remarks) (a)
Provincial Penitentiary	136,831 02	(See remarks) $(b)$
Custom Houses, U.C. & L.C	133,787 08)	
Post Offices, do. do	88,744 41 >	(See remarks) (c)
Miscellaneous Buildings, do	151,795 15)	2
Dominion Steamers	111,760 00	(See remarks) $(d)$
		(See remarks) (d)

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(a) The Trent works are purely of local interest. The lower part, the Trent proper, has been for years abandoned to a Committee of lumberers who keep up the slides, but the dams, &c., are getting out of repair, and there will be constant pressure for new work. The upper part is still kept up by Government. In 1867-8 the gross revenue was \$91, and the cost of maintenance \$4,542 18. The whole work should be abandoned, and Ontario should assume it.

(b) The amount set down against Penitentiary is the cost of the work at the Union in 1842. All subsequent expenditure has been charged to Consolidated Fund.

(c) I very much question keeping the cost of ordinary buildings as a capital account. Much of what this item stands at was really repairs. We have been much more particular of late years, but the whole account should be struck out, especially as there is nothing analagous in the Maritime Provinces.

(d) This account first came into our books as an advance to Mr. Baby on his steamers.—The steamers were subsequently abandoned to us for the advance, and one has since been lost, and the insurance credited to the account. I very much question whether such perishable things as steamers should be considered a capital account.

(5) The remaining two items are railway stores, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Some of the stores are used for repairs, and are then charged against maintenance, and others for original construction. As one cannot tell to which account the stores will be applied when they are originally purchased, we have made a capital account of this, and and if care is taken that maintenance is charged its full share, I think the plan unobjectionable.

> JOHN LANGTON, Auditor.

Answers of WM. Dickinson, Esq.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, OTTAWA, 30th April, 1870.

In reply to the questions submitted by the Committee on Public Accounts, I beg to state that I am decidedly of opinion that it would be advisable to keep the Consolidated Fund Account completely apart from what are termed Open or Special Accounts; the former Account to exhibit the ordinary Annual Revenue and Expenditure, and, consequently, the excess or deficiency for the year, and also that separate statements of all Open or Special Accounts should be rendered in the Public Accounts; but although it may be advisable to simplify the Statement of Affairs in which the balances of such accounts appear, I am not prepared to say whether it would be an improvement to make a balance-sheet of such accounts separate from the annual Statement of Affairs.

I do not clearly perceive the object of closing all accounts but the Annual Consolidated Account; but it would, in my opinion, be desirable to prepare an annual Statement of the Public Debt, showing the increase or decrease during the current fiscal year; and having reference thereto, submit herewith Statements Nos. 1, 2, and 3, classified as suggested by the Minister of Finance (but subject to revision), No. 1 being an abstract of the Assets and Liabilities of the Dominion up to 30th June, 1869. [See Public Accounts Statement, No. 1].

No. 2 shews the particular items as classified in No. 1, and is proposed to be substituted in place of the usual annual Balance Sheet, being more simple, concise, and intelligible. No. 3 is similar to No. 1, but in a still more condensed form. Of course the actual net Debt of the Dominion, pending the settlement of various suspense and other doubtful accounts, cannot be precisely given, yet the Assets and Liabilities, as thus presented, give the *total* Liabilities, and a tolerably correct Estimate of the Assets can be arrived at.

On reference to statement No. 2 above referred to, it will be noticed that the total amount of Public Works is stated, and it does not appear at all necessary that the various works should be annually enumerated in the Public Accounts, except for the first year, as a record to which reference could be made when required, but subsequently a statement merely showing the expenditure on each particular work during the fiscal year would be only necessary.

At does not appear that there is a necessity for keeping a regular set of books in the Receiver General's Department to conform with those of the Finance Department, but at the same time there are many important accounts to be kept in the former Department, such as the Cash and Debenture Accounts, and those of the Bankers, London Agents, &c. &c. On reference to Appendix to the Journals of 1854-5, Vol. 13, No. 10, it will be found that much evidence was taken by the Committee on Public Accounts and embodied in their second report, in relation to the mode of book-keeping in the Receiver-General's Department.

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	No. 1.—ABSTRACT STATEMENT of Asse	ts and Liabili	ties o	No. 1.—ABSTRACT STATEMENT of Assets and Liabilities of the Dominion of Canada on 30th June, 1869.	869.
No.	Assets.	Amount.	No.	Liabilities.	Amount.
≓ ≈ ≈≠ ⊾∞⊱∞ø 17	*Public Works, whether productive or not, including Loans to Railways not likely to pay. Securities held for Sinking Fund, and for any other special object. Debts due by Provinces Debts due by solvent Companies, and likely to be reali- zed, such as Great Western Railway Reserve held specially to meet Bank Notes and Deposits Supense Accounts (including U.C. Bank). Balances due by Banks in England. Consolidated Fund	<ul> <li>\$ cta.</li> <li>69,162,751 57</li> <li>69,162,751 57</li> <li>12,569,818 12</li> <li>12,569,818 12</li> <li>14,651,757 74</li> <li>2,768,234 70</li> <li>1,538,900 00</li> </ul>		Aggregate Amount of all Debentures, &c., whether payable in England or Canada, for which Interest is paid, and whether to Trust Funds or other purposes. Exchequer Bonds	<ul> <li>ets.</li> <li>93,134,523</li> <li>577,157</li> <li>5,277,157</li> <li>5,2387,650</li> <li>2,387,650</li> <li>2,387,650</li> <li>2,387,650</li> <li>685,348</li> <li>24,685,348</li> <li>212,096</li> <li>58</li> <li>\$112,361,998</li> <li>39</li> </ul>
* Th Revenue.	This Account might be sub-divided in order to distinguis aue.	h what is " produc	tive" :	* This Account might be sub-divided in order to distinguish what is "productive" and what is "unproductive" to be established by capitalizing the Annual estue.	ting the Annu

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Assets.	Amount.	Total.
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Public Works, see Public Accounts Statement, No. 1	-	
Grand Trunk Railway Company, Debenture Account	15,142,633 34	
	10,457,458 01	
Northern Railway Company, Debenture Account "Interest Account	2,311,666 67 1,433,760 23	
Montreal Harbor Company	12,950 00	
Grand Trunk Railway Company, Special Account	7,302 18	No. 1.
Sinking Fund, Consolidated Canadian Loan	1,952,795 58	69,162,751 57
" Intercolonial Railway Loan	36,500 00	
Investments, New Brunswick Savings Banks "for Consolidated Fund	83,706 66	
" Intercolonial Railway Loan	991,472 51 9.490,743 37	
" Sterling Debentures	14,600 00	No, 2.
Province of Canada Dahanture Account	10 400 700 00	12,569,818 12
Province of Canada, Debenture Account " New Brunswick, Debenture Account		
" Ontario, "		
" Quebec, "	1,671,860 72	No. 3.
		14,651,757 74 No. 4.
Great Western Railway Settlement Account		2,768,234 70
Receiver-General's Issue Account, Canada	611,600 00	
" New Brunswick Neva Scotia	81,000 00 240,400 00	
Specie Reserve Account, Canada	854,400 00	
Wew Brunswick	39,000 00	
" "Nova Scotia	72,600 00	No. 5.
European and North American Railway Suspense Account	39,962 37	1,899,000 00
Cash Suspense Account	40.875 82	(
Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co. Baring Brothers & Co.	17,498 25	
Dominion Suspense Account	32,788 34 92 00	
Bank of Montreal Suspense Account, Provincial Notes	46,000 00	
Nova Scotia "		
"Railways, Suspense Account Bank of Unner Canada	58,793 94	
Bank of Upper Canada New Coinage, Cash Account	27,739 05	No. 6.
		1,538,804 39
Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co., Dividend Account	2,412 72 143 52	
Baring Brothers & Co. " Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co.	1,115,702 44	No. 7.
		1,118,258 68
Post Office Money Order Account		
Bank of Montreal Silver Debenture Account	72,443 47 681 68	
Services, 1869, 1870	47,651,39	
Special Deposit for Secret Service	10,208 54	
Cash Account	2,966,930 73	No. 8. 3,106,805 56
		No. 9.
Consolidated Fund		5,546,567 63
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of the Dominion of Canada on the 30th of June, 1869.

Liabilities.	Amount.	Total.
Debentures payable in London, Public Accounts Statement, No. 20 "Canada, "No. 19 Widows' Pensions and uncommuted Stipends, Upper Canada "Lower Canada Upper Canada Grammar School Fund "Building Fund Lower Canada Superior Education Fund Indian Fund Compensation to Seigniors Seigniorial Indemnity to Townships	$\begin{array}{c} \$ & {\rm cts}, \\ 75,847,175 & 94 \\ 6,950,496 & 12 \\ 41,432 & 35 \\ 4,549 & 25 \\ 1,645,644 & 47 \\ 312,769 & 04 \\ 1,472,391 & 41 \\ 412,314 & 25 \\ 2,577,940 & 50 \\ 3,113,100 & 02 \\ 756,710 & 00 \\ \end{array}$	\$ cts No. 1. 93,134,523 35
Exchequer Bond, bearing 5 per cent. interest Provincial Notes of Canada ""Nova Scotia	4,830,000 00 407,157 21	No. 2. 6,575,410 05 No. 2. 5,237,157 21
Savings' Banks, Post Office Department '' Nova Scotia '' New Brunswick	856,814 26 658,734 93 872,100 83	No. 4.
Copyright duty	333 27 20,504 15 653,708 18 359,347 37 3,651,455 27	2,387,650 02 No. 5.
Unpaid Warrants of former years Unpaid Dividends Baring Brothers & Co.	3,618 40 77,110 63 49,080 91	4,685,348 24 No. 6.
Indian Fund Suspense Account Savings' Banks, Nova Scotia, Suspense Account Province of New Brunswick, " " Nova Scotia, " " " " " " " " " " " " " Militia " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	$\begin{array}{c} 10,577 \ 18\\ 64,468 \ 70\\ 23,342 \ 39\\ 52,560 \ 36\\ 60,585 \ 91\\ 111 \ 12\\ 451 \ 53\\ 2 \ 39\end{array}$	129,809 <b>94</b> No. 7.
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Assets.	Amount.	Liabilities.	Amount.
Public Works Sinking Fund and other Investments Great Western Railway Settlement Account Reserve to meet Bank Notes and Deposits Cash and Balances due by Banks Consolidated Fund	\$ cta. \$ cta. 69,163,751 57 5,994,408 07 5,994,408 07 5,994,408 07 1,326,704 81 1,326,704 81 1,326,704 81 1,326,704 81 1,326,704 81 5,544,567 63	Debentures and other Liabilities Bank Notes redeemable in Canada Sarings Banks Ontario and Quebec Special Accounts (including Municipali- ties Fund, U.C.)	\$ cts. 82.978,972 73 5,237,157 21 2,387,650 00 189,141 12
	\$90,792,921 08		\$90,792,921 08

#### Answers of Thomas BRAMLEY, Esq.

The undersigned, in regard to the questions he has had the honor to be put to him by the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, begs respectfully to state that inasmuch as the preparation thereof forms no part of his duty, even in the slightest degree, he will, under such circumstances, doubtless, have the Committee's sanction to proceed at once to the concluding question, viz. : as to the necessity for keeping a regular set of Books in the Department of the Receiver General, or anything more than a statement of cash received and disbursed.

In reference thereto, the undersigned has the honor te report that he cannot say, in his opinion, it is absolutely necessary that the accounts of the Dominion should be kept in that Department as they now are, viz: somewhat in the form and manner as that adopted by the Department of the Honorable the Minister of Finance—neither, on the other hand, can he say that a statement of cash received and disbursed would be, in any way, sufficient or satisfactory, with a due regard to the correct keeping of the accounts.

Both Departments work from the same materials, independently of each other, the Revenue and General Cash receipts come into the Receiver General's hands, as a rule, with the service to which they relate, appearing upon the face of each, and it would really seem as simple to carry such receipts to the credit of the services : say Customs, Excise, Revenue from Public Works, Stamps, &c., &c., as to adopt any other mode of noting or entering the same. The services in respect of payments out by the Receiver General are in like manner sufficiently indicated upon the warrants authorizing the same, so as to enable their being placed to the proper debits. True it is there is no communication between the Receiver General's Department and the various accounting parties throughout the Dominion. No accounts are rendered to enable that Department to check or judges in any way, of the accuracy of the cash received and payments made; but, by the admirable system of entry warrants, both Departments are officially informed of any changes and other entries arising from the examination of the Sub-Accountants, Statements, and thus rendering uniformity of entries in the two Departments.

The accounts of the English Financial Agents, viz: Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co., and Baring Brothers & Co., involve the necessity of the Bookkeeper being acquainted with the General Accounts of the Dominion—the debits and credits of those accounts have to be placed, and the accuracy of such receipts and charges has to be determined by the Bookkeeper, and such acquaintance he would lose in course of time, were the entries to be limited to a bare record of receipts and payments.

The Receiver General, in keeping the accounts of the different branches of Public Debt, necessarily has numerous accounts of the various Debentures standing to the credit of the respective Acts authorizing the issue thereof, he has also other accounts relating to such debt, as also many others; and on the whole, therefore, and for the reasons respectfully advanced, the undersigned thinks that no improvement would be effected by dispensing with a regular set of books, seeing more especially that a few other accounts, added to those essentially necessary, cannot in his estimation, render them the less valuable as a record of the Government accounts.

> T. W. C. BRAMLEY, Bookkeeper.

Receiver General's Department, May 2nd, 1870,

Answers of N. Goddard, Esq.

I see no objection to a complete separation from the Consolidated Fund Accounts of the various items which are embraced under what are termed open or special accounts, and under which separate statements of each such account would be rendered in the Public Accounts with a balance sheet of such accounts. But I do not see how the balance to debit or credit of the Government with the bankers in connection with these open accounts could be shewn. I think it would be desirable to close all accounts at the end of each year that would admit of it, but of necessity there are certain accounts, such as Glynn, Mills & Co., and Baring, Bros. & Co. dividend accounts. Unpaid dividends, &c., that cannot be closed, as the balance of these accounts must be carried forward from year to year. I also think it would be advisable when stating the amount of Public Debt, to have a subsidiary statement furnished in detail giving the increase or decrease of debt in the current fiscal year, which would appear either as a receipt or payment on account of debt during the year.

I do not think it is practicable to close all the accounts constituting what are termed assets in the Statement of Affairs, unless certain accounts such as Grand Trunk Railway interest account and Northern Railway interest account, &c., are passed off to Consolidated Fund.

The Public Works might be shewn in the balance sheet, in one amount, and a subsidiary statement furnished shewing the payments and receipts on each work during the fiscal year.

In my opinion I do not consider any new mode would simplify the method of furnishing the Public Accounts, other than the adoption of the foregoing suggestions.

I do think there is a necessity of keeping a regular set of books in the Receiver General's Department, but do not consider they are required to be kept, with accounts similar to those kept in the Finance Department, as many of them are not made use of.

NORRIS GODARD,

Dominion Bookkeeper, and Chief Clerk,

Finance Department.

Answers of C. S. Ross, Esq.

#### OTTAWA, 30th April, 1870.

SIB,—With reference to the series of questions, in your letter of yesterday's date, and to which replies are called for by 10 o'clock a.m., on the 2nd proximo, I may be allowed to remark, that the question of the best mode of compiling and arranging the Public Accounts, is one involving much matter for consideration—requiring both a knowledge of all details of the present system, and the reasons for adopting it, which I have not had an opportunity of acquiring. There is neither time to make enquiry, nor to collate data on which an intelligent system can be based Since the Public Accounts to 30th June last were printed, I have not had leisure to look into them, except in a very cursory manner, and thus, at the moment, I can hardly judge what changes in the system would be judicious. The brief observations to be made, must, therefore, be such, as perhaps a further examination would lead me to modify.

In arranging the Public Accounts for Parliament, I think the primary objects should be, first, perfect accuracy, and then an arrangement such as to give the clearest and most concise view of the results as to Revenue and Expenditure-and the increase or dimi-To this end, I think there should be a General nution of the debt of the Dominion. Statement or Balance Sheet at the end of the fiscal year, showing only the results, and only the leading items—(with the figures of previous year's balance in an inner column for All classification and details should be left for subsidiary facility of comparison.) supplementary statements. To carry out this idea, the "General Ledger" of the Dominion should only embrace the larger accounts-such as funded debt, unfunded debt, (such as Provincial notes, Savings Banks deposits, &c., &c.), trust funds in one general accountbalances to agents-interest due, but not called for-and other liabilities, if any. There would also be Consolidated Fund, Public Works, miscellaneous debts due to Government, &c., &c., &c.

A separate supplementary ledger or account current book, could be kept to show details of each of these large heads of Account, from which the detailed statements could be prepared as suggested (and such statements should show balance at the beginning and the end of each fiscal year, so that, at a glance, it could be seen whether the item was increased or diminished, in all cases where there was a balance Dr. or Cr.)

With regard to assets which may not, perhaps, be readily available, there is an advantage in having them periodically brought under review, even if the items were charged to Consolidated Fund—written off to profit and loss, as it were. For this reason, I think all public works, whether productive or not, should be annually shown in a detailed statement, so that they may not be overlooked or neglected.

And with respect to having special or open accounts kept wholly separate from the Consolidated Fund, I think it is desirable to have them kept separate. But I see no advantage to accrue from an arrangement by which each of these accounts would be made to stand as a Dr. or Cr. balance of Government with its bankers. It may not be contemplated to have special bank accounts for the several funds at Cr. for the position of Government, quoad each of such accounts may be shown quite as clearly by one bank account as with twenty.

As to the point of a separate set of books for the Receiver General's Department, I am of opinion that there should be only one set of books, properly so called, for the Dominion transactions, and kept in the Finance Department. The duties of the Receiver General's Department have come to be, in the main, recording the cash receipts and disbursements of Government, and keeping the accounts and correspondence with the London agents and banks. A cash book (or rather two—one for each alternate day), will show all the transactions with sufficient clearness, and being balanced daily, could be handed daily to the Dominion book-keeper, to let him journalize entries of the previous day. An ordinary account current book, for accounts with Banks and London agents, written up daily, would serve every purpose of an "Individual Ledger."

I am of opinion that every person who receives Government money, should be obliged, under the most stringent regulations, to make deposit of the amount, however small, in a bank; or, if that be not practicable, then to remit by Post Office order, or by post, in a way that deposit can be made, the exact amount of what he receives without deduction. It is most important that the credit side of the bank account should show exactly *all* the revenue collected, and correspond exactly with the Dominion Ledger in the item of revenue collected. The Bank account would thus become a convenient check upon the account for revenue collected. Even in cases where collectors deduct small amounts of commission, their receipts for such commission could be sent as so such money, and the deposit system carried out, through the bank getting checques for receipts, which would go as an item of expenditure.

And, in connection with this, it would follow that there should be first a General Statement of Revenue under the general heads of Customs, Excise, Stamps, &c., &c., each of these heads being again treated in detailed statement, showing collections of Customs at each port, &c. Of course, all of these particulars appear in the Public Accounts as now given, and it is only how best to classify and arrange the statements that is the point for discussion and improvement.

I do not know whether the matter of the debt of the late Province of Canada, and of the proportions falling respectively to Ontario and Quebec, has yet been determined; but in view of the near approach of the end of the fiscal year, it is important that, if possible, the question should be settled. And if it be considered necessary to close accounts for nominal assets or debts, this also should be decided and acted upon before 30th June, so that accounts for new fiscal year may be begun properly.

I see nothing to prevent all outside Public Officers closing their returns to 30th June, and in all cases having them transmitted to Ottawa by end of July at latest. The accounts for the year could then be balanced at Ottawa, before end of August, leaving ample time to prepare and print *all* accounts and statements for Parliament.

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I trust the Committee will make allowance for the hurried and imperfect manner in which I have been obliged to make these hasty observations.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. S. Ross.

The Hon. The Chairman,

Committee of Public Accounts, House of Commons.

Ordered, That the said replies be printed for the use of the Committee.

Saturday, 7th May, 1870.

Committee met.

#### PRESENT :

The Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman,

Hon. Mr. Béaubien,	Mr. Lawson,
Hon. Sir A. T. Galt,	Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),
Hon. Mr. Holton,	Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Mr. Tilley,	Mr. Ross (Prince Edward),
Mr. Dufresne,	Mr. Ryan (Kings),
Mr. Gibbs,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Young.

The Committee deliberated on the replies submitted at a previous meeting to their questions, in relation to an improved method of furnishing the Public Accounts to Parliament.

The Honorable Mr. Holton moved, That in the opinion of this Committee it is desirable that the principal Statement of the Affairs of the Dominion'should be so constructed as to shew clearly the amount of ordinary revenue for the year, the receipts from extraordinary sources, the ordinary and extraordinary expenditure of the year, and the increase or diminution of the Public Debt resulting from the financial movement of the year.

The Honorable Sir A. T. Galt moved, in amendment, That the Committee recommend that in preparing the Public Accounts, care be taken to separate from the ordinary receipts and expenditure all items that appear to be of an unusual character.

And the question being put on the amendment; the Committee divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

YEAS.—Messieurs Beaubien, Galt, Sir A. T., and Mackenzie.—3.

NAYS.—Messieurs Holton, Tilley, Dufresne, Gibbs, Keeler, Lawson, Macdonald (of Glengarry), Ross (of Prince Edward), Ryan (of Kings), Walsh and Young.—11.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Motion being put; the Committee divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :----

YEAS.—Messieurs Holton, Tilley, Dufresne, Gibbs, Keeler, Lawson, Macdonald (of Glengarry), Mackenzie, Ross (of Prince Edward), Ryan (of Kings), Walsh and Young. -12.

NAYS.-Messieurs Beaubien and Galt, Sir A. T.-2.

So it passed in the Affirmative, and

Resolved according.

Monday, 9th May, 1870.

Committee met.

#### PRESENT :

The Hon. Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Beaubien, Hon. Mr. Holton, -Hon. Mr. Tilley, Mr. Brousseau, Mr. Dufresne, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Keeler, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. McConkey, Mr. Masson (Terrebonne), Mr. Ross (Prince Edward), Mr. Young.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Holton,

Ordered, That the proceedings of the Committee and the evidence adduced respecting improvements in the mode of preparing the Public Accounts, be reported to the House.

# NINTH REPORT

#### OF THE

# SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

The Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, beg leave to make their FINAL REPORT.

Your Committee have completed their investigation of the Public Accounts of 1868 and 1869; and, in addition to the matters included in their previous Reports in relation thereto, they beg to submit the following for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

They are of opinion, that, in future, the printing of the Reports of the Geological Survey should be done either under the contract for the Departmental or Parliamentary printing.

It appears, from a memorandum furnished to them by the Auditor, in explanation of the charge made for the distribution of the Statutes, that Mr. Desbarats received for this service the sum of \$1,437.28, being about \$537 in excess of the actual disbursements. Your Committee are of opinion that Mr. Desbarats was not entitled to charge more than the actual payments made, and that any payment in excess ought to be refunded.

It appears, by the accounts, that several of the macadamized roads and other local works sold by the Government of the late Province of Canada to Municipalities or private companies are largely in arrear, on account of interest and instalments on the principal of the purchase money. Your Committee would recommend that immediate steps be taken by the Government for the collection of these amounts due under this head on account of the Kingston and Napanee road, Dundas and Waterloo road, Hamilton and Brantford road, roads in Middlesex and Elgin, West Gwillimbury road, Queenston and Grimsby road, and Oakville Harbor.

An item appears on page 144, part 1, of Public Accounts—" paid \$200 to Colonel A. Sproat, for two horses accidentally killed at cavalry drill." Your Committee concur in the opinion expressed by the Minister of Militia, in his letter of the 14th September, 1868 (appended to this Report), that the Militia Department was not liable for the loss of these horses, and regret that that view was not adhered to.

Your Committee also perceive on page 91, part 1, an item paid to H. Cummins, \$1,400.00 for loss on his contract for supplying the Penitentiary with bread, in consequence of a rise in the price of flour. In reference to this payment, they feel it their duty to express their conviction that all contracts entered into with the Government, and every department of the Public Service, should be strictly adhered to.

Your Committee report herewith their proceedings on the foregoing subjects.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

F. HINCKS,

Chairman.

OTTAWA, 11th May, 1870.

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#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

#### COMMITTEE ROOM,

#### Wednesday, 6th April, 1870.

Thursday, 21st April, 1870.

Committee met.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Anglin,	Mr. Keeler,
Hon. Mr. Holton,	Mr. Lapum,
Hon. Mr. Langevin,	Mr. Lawson,
Hon. Mr. Tilley,	Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Mr. Wood,	Mr. Magill,
Mr. Carmichael,	Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),
Mr. Casault,	Mr. Robitaille,
Mr. Crawford (Leeds),	Mr. Ross (Prince Edward),
Mr. Gibbs,	Mr. Ryan (Kings).

Mr. Masson (of Terrebonne) called attention to an item in the Public Accounts of payment made to H. Cummins, \$1,400.00, for loss sustained on his contract for bread furnished to Penitentiary at Kingston.

Ordered, That Mr. Langton be requested to furnish information in relation to said payment.

Ordered, That Mr. Langton be requested also to furnish all correspondence in relation to the payment of \$200 to A. Sproat, for two horses killed at drill.

Committee met.

PRESENT :

The Honorable Sir Francis Hincks, K.C.M.G., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Anglin,	Mr. Lawson,
Hon. Mr. Holton,	Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry),
Hon. Mr. Langevin,	Mr. Mackenzie,
Hon. Mr. Tilley,	Mr. Masson (Terrebonne),
Mr. Carmichael,	Mr. Pope,
Mr. Casault,	Mr. Robitaille,
Mr. Dufresne,	Mr. Ross (Prince Edward),
Mr. Gibbs,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Young.

Mr. Langton was in attendance, and laid before the Committee the following documents in relation to the item of \$200 paid Colonel A. Sproat, for two horses accidentally killed at cavalry drill :---

Letter, dated Southampton, 18th August, 1868, from A. Sproat (Lieut-Col.) to Lieut-Col. Taylor, D.A.A.G., London.

Ditto, dated Walkertown, July 25th, 1868, from John Chambers, to Colonel Sproat, Southampton.

Ditto, dated Walkertown, July 27th, 1868, from John Hunter, Captain commanding No. 5 Company, to Lieut.-Gol. Sproat, Southampton.

Ditto, dated Inverness, July 21st, 1868, from John Morton, Captain commanding No. 6 Company, 32nd Battalion, to Lieut.-Col. Sproat, commanding 32nd Battalion, Southampton. Copy of a letter, dated Ottawa, August 28th, 1868, from George Futvoye, Deputy Minister of Militia and Defence, to Lieut-Col. Taylor, A.A.G.M., London.

'Letter, dated Head Quarters 32nd Battalion, Southampton, September, 1868, from A. Sproat, Lieut.-Col., to Lieut.-Col. Taylor, D.A.A.G., London.

Letter, dated Militia Brigade Office, London, Ontario, 10th September, 1868, from John B. Taylor, Lieut.-Col. D.A.A.G., to the Department of Militia and Defence, Ottawa.

Letter, dated Ottawa, September 14th, 1868, from Department of Militia and Defence to Lieut.-Col. Taylor, A.A.G.M., London, as follows :---

#### DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE,

#### OTTAWA, September 14th, 1868.

SIR,—With further reference to your application relative to two horses, which died from the effects of the hot weather when used to convey the volunteers from Walkertown to Invermay to their annual drill at Southampton, and subsequent correspondence thereon, I am directed, by the Honorable the Minister of Militia and Defence, to state that it appears, by Paymaster Ley's account for July last, that Companies 5 and 6 of the 32nd Battalion received the usual allowance for transport to the Head Quarters of the Battalion, at Southampton, the former receiving \$53.00, and the latter \$34.80. The mode of transport is a matter in which the Government cannot interfere, and the loss of the horses must remain a matter to be settled between the contracting parties, of which the Militia Department was not one.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed,)

GEO. FUTVOYE, Department of Militia and Defence.

Lieut.-Col. Taylor, A.A.G.M., London.

Letter, dated Ottawa, House of Commons, 3rd June, 1869, from A. Sproat to Sir George E. Cartier, Bart., Minister of Militia and Defence.

Letter, dated Ottawa, House of Commons, 8th June, 1869, from A. Sproat, Lieut.-Col. 32nd Battalion, to the Hon. the Minister of Militia and Defence, Ottawa.

Memorandum, dated Ottawa, Department of Militia and Defence, 18th June, 1869, of Robert Berry, Chief Clerk Accountant.

Letter, marked private, dated Ottawa, House of Commons, 16th June, 1869, from A. Sproat to Sir Geo. E. Cartier.

Receipt from Lieut-Col. Sproat for payment of \$200 by the Militia Department for loss of two horses, dated Ottawa, 19th June, 1869, and

Copy of a letter, dated 19th June, 1869, from George Futvoye, Deputy Minister of Militia and Defence, to Lieut. Col. Sproat, M.P.

The Committee deliberated on the above correspondence, and on motion of Mr. Mackenzie, it was

Resolved, That the Committee concur in the opinion expressed by the Minister of Militia, in his letter of September 14th, 1868, that the Department was not liable for the loss of the horses, and regret that their view was not adhered to.

Mr. Langton also laid before the Committee correspondence, contracts, and estimate of loss in relation to claim of H. Cummins for compensation for loss under his contract ... for bread.

The Committee deliberated, and,

On motion of Mr. Dufresne, it was

Resolved, That the Committee is of opinion that all contracts entered into with the Government, and any Public Department, should be strictly adhered to.

#### Monday, 25th April, 1870.

The Clerk laid before the Committee a return of indebtedness of Oakville Harbor, made last Session.

The Committee deliberated, and

Mr. Mackenzie moved, that, in the opinion of this Committee, the Government ought to take immediate steps for the collection of the amount due to the Dominion on the Oakville Harbor, amounting to \$11,673.29.

Mr. Walsh moved, in amendment, to strike out all after the word "collection" and insert "of all amounts due to the Dominion on Harbors."

On which the Committee divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows :---

YEAS.—Messieurs Beaubien, Casault, Keeler, and Walsh.—4.

NAVS.—Messieurs Anglin, Holton, Tilley, Wood, Dufresne, Gibbs, Lapum, Lawson, Macdonald (Glengarry), Mackenzie, McConkey, Magill, Masson (Terrebonne), Robitaille, Ross (Prince Edward), and Ryan (Kings).—17.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Main Motion being then put and carried, it was resolved accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, the foregoing proceedings were ordered to be reported to the House.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie,

Ordered, That the Auditor be requested to lay before the Committee, at its next meeting, a statement of the amounts owing to the Dominion by any person or corporation on account of any harbor, road, or other public work.

#### Wednesday, 27th April, 1870.

Mr. Langton laid before the Committee, statement of indebtedness to Dominion, as directed by the Committee at its last meeting.

The Committee deliberated.

On Motion of Hon. Mr. Wood, it was

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Committee, immediate stops should be taken to collect the arrears of interest due for the Kingston and Napanee road.

On Motion of Hon. Mr. Wood, it was

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Committee, immediate steps should be taken for the collection of arrears of rent due by the Lessees of the Dundas and Waterloo road.

On Motion of the Hon. Mr. Wood, it was

*Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this Committee, immediate steps should be taken to collect the amount due and in arrear, from the County of Middlesex or County of Elgin, or both, for the purchase of roads, &c.

On Motion of Mr. Mackenzie, it was

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Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee, the Government should take immediate steps to close up the Hamilton and Brantford road accounts by realizing the amount due from purchaser, or by re-sale, as may be deemed most advantageous to the Dominion.

On Motion of Mr. Mackenzie, it was

*Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this Committee, the Government should take immediate steps for the collection of the amounts due on the West Gwilliambury road from the purchaser.

On Motion of Hon. Mr. Wood, itwas

*Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this Committee, the amount due from the Counties of Lincoln, Welland, and Haldimand, for the Queenston and Grimsby road should be collected.

Monday, 9th May, 1870.

Mr. Langton, by request, laid before the Committee the following account and memorandum :---

OTTAWA, November, 1869.

The Government of Canada to Geo. E. Desbarats.

17,500 copies of the Statutes 32 & 33 Vict. 1869, English version, containing 559 pages, of which 25 are small pica catalogue work, 2 small pica rule and figure work, 13 bourgeois catalogue work, and 519 small pica body and minion notes :---

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1,336 thousand ems of composition, @ 50 cts.*	668	00
4,900 token of press-work, @ 50 cts	2,450	00
26,797 quires superfine royal, @ 25 cts.	6,699	25
383 do do for guards, @ 25 cts	95	75
Folding, verifying, gathering, sewing, cutting, and glueing, at per vol. 7 cts.	1,225	00
Binding 17,419 copies, half-sheep, cloth sides, @ 25 cts	4,354	75
Binding 11 copies, half-calf, @ \$1 00	11	00
Binding 70 copies, half-calf, @ \$1 75	122	50
4,316 copies of the above Statutes, French version, containing 579 pages,		
1,381 thousand ems composition, @ 50 cts.*	690	50
1,314 press-work, @ 50 cts.	657	00
6,845 quires superfine royal, @ 25 cts.	1,711	25
941 do do for guards, @ 25 cts	23	63
Folding, gathering, verifying, sewing, cutting, and glueing, @ 7 cts.*	301	12
Binding 4,285 copies, half-sheep, cloth sides, @ 25 cts	1,071	25
Binding 6 copies, half-calf, @ \$1 00	6	
Binding 25 copies, full-calf, @ \$1 75	<b>43</b>	$\overline{25}$

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#### Received on account, \$10,000.00.

Items marked thus \*, corrected as follows :—For 668.00, reduced to 644.00; for 690.50, reduced to 666.50; for 301.12, increased to 302.12. Total for 20,130.75, reduced to 20,083.75.

#### MEMORANDUM.

#### Distributing Laws.

	- Ø	CT3:
Wrapping and tying and addresses, 5,629 copies, @ 5 cts.	281	45
Labels	119	55
Printing circulars, and envelopes and stationery	•13	64

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151 packing cases, @ \$1.50 cts	. 226	50
Packing above, @ \$1.00	. 151	00
Cartage to railway station	. 28	75
Freight to Toronto	. 86	<b>24</b>
Express charges to sundry places, Ontario and Quebec		32
" " Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	. 241	83
Transcribing, correcting, and collating Distribution Lists		00
Queen's Printer, superintendence, correspondence, &c.	. 50	00
,	\$1,437	28
Post Office Department, postage connected with the distribution of the Laws		
Printing and binding	20 <b>,083</b>	75
	\$22,146	41

The Committee deliberated, and

Mr. Rose, of the firm of Hunter, Rose and Co., was called in and examined."

[By Mr. Mackenzie.]

Ques. 1.—Did you perform the services of printing, binding, and distributing the Laws of the Session of 1869 for Mr. Desbarats? Ans.—Yes : all, excepting that portion of the distribution relating to Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

Ques. 2.—How many copies of the Statutes were printed in all? Ans.—17,800 in English, and 4,416 in French.

Ques. 3.—What was the cost of printing them? Ans.—The composition and presswork amounted to \$2,275.67; binding 22,216 copies, including fine binding 215 copies, amount to \$2,665.35. Mr. Desbarats supplied materials for binding 22,000 copies, the actual value of which, I estimate, would amount to \$1,320.00.

Ques. 4.—What is the value of the paper supplied by Mr. Desbarats? Ans.—I estimate the value at \$4.00 per ream (the quality is the same as that supplied to Parliament under present contract at \$2.95, under late contract it was about \$3.20), amounting to \$6,648.00.

Ques. 5.—What charges did you make for packing and distributing Statutes? State your replies in items. Ans.-

	\$	cts.	
Wrapping paper for posting 6,100 copies	70	29	
Despatching, furnishing, and packing 104 cases in Ontario to Clerks of the			
Peace and County Clerks, containing 7,896 volumes	130	00	
Carting to Station and Post Office at Ottawa	19	00	
Freight on 8,200 copies to Toronto, in sheets	86	<b>24</b>	
Express charges in Ontario	188	<b>32</b>	
Printing labels	27	56	
Printing circulars for Ontario, including envelopes and postage	5	00	

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Ques. 6.—What is the total amount of your account, including the presumed value of the paper and other materials supplied by Mr. Desbarats? Ans.—The total amount, including the charges for wrapping, posting, printing labels, making cases, and freight paid, as I stated in my last answer, is \$13,429.38.

Ques. 7.—What was the number of thousand ems of composition ? Ans.—The quantity of English, 1,209; French, 1,296; total, both languages, 2,505 thousand.

Ques. 8.—State the number of token of press-work? Ans.—For both editions, 6,336.

[By Hon. Mr. Tilley.]

Ques. 9.-What did you charge per thousand ems for composition? Ans.-28 cts.

Ques. 10.—What price per token for press-work ? Ans.—25 cts.

Ques. 11.—What price per volume for binding, when you furnished all the materials? Ans.—Full-calf copies, \$1.15 per vol.; half-calf copies, 90 cts.; extra finished copies for Registrars, \$1.50 per vol.

And then he withdrew.

John Langton, Esq., Auditor, examined. [By Hon. Mr. Tilley].

Ques. 12.—Are the prices charged by the Queen's Printer in this account for composition, press-work, and binding the same as has been allowed him for the same description of work for the last five years? Ans.—Yes; I believe so.

Attest,

T. PATRICK,

Clerk of Committee.

### NINTH REPORT

#### OF THE

### JOINT COMMITTEE OF BOTH HOUSES ON PRINTING.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, beg leave to submit as their Ninth Report :---

The First and Second Reports of their Sub-Committee appointed to audit the Printing Accounts; together with the Report of the Clerk of the Committee on the Printing Services of the past year; and the Printing Account Annual Balance Sheet; all of which they respectfully recommend to the consideration of both Houses.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. D. BROUSSEAU,

Chairman.

Committee Room, 22nd April, 1870.

#### COMMITTEE ROOM,

30th March, 1870.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, and to whom was referred the Clerk's Report on the Services of the past year, beg leave to submit the following as their First Report :---

'That they commenced their duties by comparing the fyles of work performed during the past year with the accounts, as rendered in detail and find them in strict accordance with contract.

They also examined the Balance Sheet with accounts paid, and have certified and signed the same as "Audited and found correct."

The Audit labors of the Sub-Committee have been much facilitated by the order and method which prevails through the whole system of keeping the Printing Accounts. Every document bears on its endorse a detailed statement of its cost and measurements; the account rendered at the end of the year recapitulates the same in detail, with reference to the vouchers under their proper number for verification; while the Ledger Account shews the state of each Contractor's account, and the value of the work performed.

Under the same management, and with like order and method, the Joint Distribution Room has fully answered the purposes for which it was established, and fulfilled the anticipations of the Committee as to "Efficiency and Economy."

The Sub-Committee have examined the several Contracts entered into for Printing Services and find them in accordance with the Tenders as accepted last Session.

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The Sub-Committee would again respectfully draw attention to the recommendation contained in the Third Report of the Joint Committee on Printing, of the 25th August, 1865, viz.: "that in future no document should be presented to, or received by, either "House unless in a perfect shape," if this recommendation be not adhered to, the printing and issue of the Sessional Papers must be subjected to great delays.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. D. BROUSSEAU, Chairman.
J. SIMPSON. Chairman, Senate.
M. BOWELL, M.P.
E. M. McDONALD, M.P.
JOHN LOCKE, Senator.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

1st April, 1870.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament appointed to Audit the Printing Accounts, and to whom was referred the Clerk's Report on the services of the past year, beg leave to submit, as their Second Report:

The following Memorandum, a Copy of which they recommend be transmitted to the Honorable the Minister of Finance :---

Memorandum.—The Act, 31 Vict., Cap. 27, intituled, "An Act respecting the "Internal Economy of the House of Commons, and for other purposes;" provides for the payment of the Printing Services of Parliament, as follows :—

Clause 6. "The sums voted by Parliament for the Printing of Parliament, shall be "paid over to and held by the Minister of Finance for Printing Services, and for these "Services an Account shall be opened in one of the Banks of *Canada*, and in such name as "the Senate and House of Commons may direct; and such sums as may be deemed "necessary shall be paid over and transferred to the name of the person so selected, as the "work progresses, to be accounted for in the Printing Account Annual Balance Sheet."

In accordance with the above-recited 6th Clause, the Joint Committee on Printing last Session, in their Third Report, recommended that such Account be opened in the name of the Clerk of the Committee, which Report was adopted by the Senate on the 3rd May, 1869, and by the House of Commons on the 10th day of the same month.

On the 21st July last, the Clerk of the Committee was furnished by Mr. Langton, as Secretary of the Treasury Board, with the following Minute :---

"Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, the 19th "July, 1869:---

"On a Memorandum, dated 19th July, 1869, from the Honorable the Chairman of "the Treasury Board, stating that the Board have had their attention drawn to the "inconvenience attending the practice of issuing accountable Warrants, which still "prevails to a limited extent in reference to the payments in certain branches of the Public "Service: That the Board are of opinion that payments in this form should be discon-"tinued in every case where it is practicable, and that wherever payments of any con-"siderable sums have to be made, the Warrants should issue in favor of the party to "whom the money is actually due.

"That this Minute should apply to payments to be made on account of Parliamentary "Printing: to payments through the Commissioners for the Intercolonial Railway; and "to those by the several Departments."

The Sub-Committee are of opinion that the above Minute cannot **a**pply to the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing, inasmuch as it is contrary to the Act abovementioned, and the Committee therefore trust that the portion thereof relating to Parliamentary Printing will be rescinded. Appendix (No. 3.)

The Sub-Committee would further draw the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Finance to the fact, that of the three Departments in Parliament, viz. —The Senate, the House of Commons, and the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, the latter is the only one subjected to the Order in Council, while the two former are exempt,—the Contingencies of the House of Commons being paid by the Accountant from sums of money placed to his credit from time to time, as necessary, by the Commissioners, which is considered a sufficient check :—the Accountant of the Senate, without any such check, has moneys placed to his credit by the Government, from time to time, as necessary, amounting, in the eighteen months from July, 1867, to January, 1869, according to the Account Current published in the Journals, to \$212,575.96, in sums varying from \$4,000 to \$30,000, while the whole yearly expenditure for the Printing services of Parliament rarely exceeds the latter sum.

The Sub-Committee have no objection that the expenditure connected with the Service under its control should be subjected to all necessary checks, but it does object to this Service being subject to checks not required by law, and not imposed on other Departments.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. D. BROUSSEAU, Chairman. J. SIMPSON, Chairman, Senate. M. BOWELL, M.P. JOHN LOCKE, Senator. E. M. McDONALD, M.P.

#### REPORT OF THE CLURK.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg leave to submit the Printing Account Annual Balance Sheet, which shews the cost of the printing services of Parliament for the fiscal year terminating on the 30th June, 1869., to have been  $$29,015.\frac{16}{100}$ .

The several accounts in detail on which this Balance Sheet is based are ready for the inspection of the Committee, as well as the vouchers verifying the same, consisting of a complete fyle of the work performed, numbered from 1 to 1086.

The printing services have been fairly performed during the past year, but owing to to the destruction of the Queen's Printer's establishment, much extra work, in the interest of the public service, has been thrown upon the Parliamentary Contractors, causing great delay in the printing of the Journals and Sessional Papers, but the whole of the back work in the hands of the late Contractors for the printing is now finished and ready for the Binder, with the exception of the volume which contains the Report of the Bureau of Agriculture.

The contracts for the several services connected with the Printing of Parliament have been duly executed by the several parties whose tenders were accepted last Session, and they are now ready for the examination and approval of the Committee.

In July last I was furnished by the Secretary of the Treasury Board with a Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, to the following effect :---

<sup>\*</sup> On a Memorandum, dated 19th July, 1869, from the Honorable the Chairman of "the Treasury Board, stating that the Board have had their attention drawn to the incon-"venience attending the practice of issuing accountable warrants, which still prevails to "a limited extent in reference to the payment in certain branches of the Public Service.

"That the Board are of opinion that payments in this form should be discontinued "in every case where it is practicable, and that whenever payments of any considerable "sums have to be made, the warrants should issue in favor of the party to whom the "money is actually due.

"That this Minute should apply to payments to be made on Account of Par-"liamentary Printing; to payments through the Commissioners for the Intercolonial "Railway, and to those by the several Departments."

I conceived it to be my duty, as Clerk of this Committee, respectfully to draw the attention of the then Minister of Finance, the Hon. Mr. Rose, to the sixth clause of the Act, 31 Vict., Cap 27, intituled, "An Act respecting the Internal Economy of the "House of Commons, and for other purposes," which enacts that "The sums voted by "Parliament for the Printing of Parliament shall be paid over to and held by the Minister of Finance for printing services, and for these services an account shall be opened in one of the Banks of *Canada*, and in such name as the Senate and House of **Commons** may direct; and such sums as may be deemed necessary shall be paid or transferred to the name of the person so selected as the work progresses, to be accounted for in the Printing Account Balance Sheet.

I further respectfully directed attention to the recommendation as contained in the Third Report of the Joint Committee on Printing of last Session, adopted for the purpose of carrying the above clause into operation.

I also respectfully represented "That the warrants to be issued for the Printing Services of Parliament are not warrants for moneys to be accounted for to the Executive Government," but as stated in the above-cited Act, "to be accounted for in the Printing Account Annual Balance Sheet," as submitted to the Committee sessionally at its first meeting.

The Order in Council still remains in force with regard to the Printing Services of Parliament: those services have consequently been paid for by warrants issued directly through the Auditor to the parties entitled to the same, on my certificate of the amount being due, except in the cases hereinafter mentioned.

The Provincial Insurance Company of *Canada* have paid in full \$4,000, the amount of the Policy covering the printed sheets in Mr. *Desbarats'* bindery at the time it was destroyed by fire; that sum, together with  $$224.\frac{84}{100}$  received for the printing of Private Bills, I deposited in the Bank of *Montreal* to the Credit of "Printing Services," as directed and provided for by the 6th clause of the above-mentioned Act, and I have given official checks on the same for Printing Services, where the warrant system would be exceedingly inconvenient.

As required by the Third Clause of the said Act, I prepared an estimate of the sums which would probably be required for the Printing Services of Parliament during the scal year commencing the 1st July, 1870, amounting to \$35,000, and which I transmitted to the Minister of Finance for his approval, to be laid before Parliament with the other Estimates for the year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

#### HENRY HARTNEY,

Clerk, Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing.

Committee Room, 8th March, 1870.

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#### SEVENTH REPORT

#### OF THE

### SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE

#### ON

# Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Your Committee have received a Report from their Clerk on the progress of the Maps of the different Provinces comprising the Dominion, which are being prepared under their direction.

But little progress has been made in these maps during the past year, in consequence of no provision having been made in the Estimates of last Session for the amount voted by the House for that service upon their Report. They are of opinion that the work should be proceeded with without further delay, and as an appropriation of \$2,000 will be required to defray the expenses attending the same for the year 1870-71, they beg to recommend to the Administration to submit to Parliament a vote for that amount in the Supplementary Estimates.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Railway Committee Room, 27th April, 1870.

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A. T. GALT, Chairman.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE.

WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1870.

Committee met.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Hon. Sir A. T. Galt in the Chair (pro tem.)

Hon. Mr. Abbott, Hon. Mr. Anglin, Hon. Mr. Blanchet, Hon. Mr. Chauveau. Hon. Mr. Dorion, Hon. Mr. Dunkin, Hon. Sir F. Hincks, Hon. Mr. Holton, Hon. Mr. Howe, Hon. Mr. Irvine, Hon. Mr. Langevin, Hon. Mr. Tilley, Hon. Mr. Tupper, Hon. Mr. Wood, Mr. Bourasssa, Mr. Costigan, Mr. Gendron,

Mr. Jackson, Mr. Joly, Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Masson (Soulanges), Mr. McDonald (Middlesex). Mr. Merritt, Mr. Morrison (Niagara), Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Pickard, Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Shanly, Mr. Sylvain, Mr. Walsh, Mr. White, Mr. Whitehead,

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of Bill (No. 86) to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company, and agreed to report the same amended.

The Chairman then read a Report from the Clerk relative to the large Maps, as follows :---

#### WEDNESDAY, April 27, 1870.

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

The Clerk of the Committee has the honor to report that towards the close of last Session he reported to the Committee on the state and progress of the large Map of Canada, giving the following estimate of the amount required for the year ending 30th June, 1870 := 2

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Pay of Draftsman employed on the Maps of Quebec, Nova Scoti and New Brunswick for 12 months to 30th June, 1870		A
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The matter was duly considered by the Committee, who presented a Report to the House, recommending an appropriation to cover the amount required, and their Report was adopted by the House.

At the close of the Session the Clerk of the Committee was informed by the Honorable the Speaker that the amount of this appropriation could not be paid out of

<sup>\*</sup> These have been paid for, but two additional ones will be required to complete the Dominion Map.

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the Contingencies, as it had not been included in the Government Estimates, and there was, consequently, no provision for it, and the work must be suspended. Subsequently, the Speaker was induced to authorize the employment of the draftsman for a portion of the year, and to sanction the payment of the account for iron rollers for the maps of Ontario and Quebec which had been hung last Session. The residue of the sum voted by the House last Session was not expended, in the absence of the necessary provision.

It remains for the Committee to decide whether they desire the work to proceed, and if so to take such steps as may be necessary to secure the requisite appropriation. The amount required for the year 1870-71, if it be decided to go on with the work, would be the same as the estimate for the previous year, viz., \$2,000, including any unexpended balance of the sum appropriated by the Committee last year.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed,)

T. PATRICK,

Clerk of Committee.

The Committee deliberated, and Mr. Anglin moved, seconded by Dr. Tupper, That it be resolved, That the Chairman do present a Report to the House adverting to the Report made last Session, concerning the state and progress of the large Map of Canada : Explaining the circumstances which prevented the same from being carried into effect, and requesting the Government to submit to Parliament, in the Supplementary Estimates, a vote of \$2,000 for the continuation of the work during the ensuing year.

Which was carried.

### SECOND REPORT

#### OF THE

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION & COLONIZATION.

The Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization beg leave to report and submit the subjoined correspondence and evidence :---

I.

Letter addressed to the Provincial Secretaries of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, respectively, and the answers received thereto.

II.

Evidence of Professor Bell, of "The Geological Survey," on the Nipigon Territory, taken before the Committee.

III.

Evidence of Dr. Taché, Deputy to the Minister of Agriculture, on the operations of the Department of Immigration during the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

#### CHRISTOPHER DUNKIN,

Chairman.

Committee Room, Ottawa, May 10th, 1870.

I.

Letter to the Provincial Secretaries.

#### HOUSE OF COMMONS,

OTTAWA, March 10th, 1870.

SIR,—I have the honor, by direction of the Select Standing Committee of the House of Commons on Immigration and Colonization, to request that you will be kind enough to furnish me, at you earliest convenience, with a statement of such action as may have been taken by the Legislature or Government of during last season, or as may be intended for this year, in reference to these important subjects; and of whatever else, either as matter of fact or suggestion, you may be disposed to offer for the information of the Committee.

Your obedient Servant,

SAMUEL WATTS,

Clerk to Committee.

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#### From the Deputy Provincial Secretary of Nova Scotia.

#### PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, HALIFAX, N.S., 22nd March, 1870.

SIR,—I have it in command to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 10th instant, and, in reply, have to acquaint you that, at the last Session of the Legislature, nothing was done in reference to immigration, and although we have a local immigration agent, his hands are almost completely tied, owing to the fact that the Legislature was not in a position to grant money for the purpose of encouraging emigration from Europe.

In January last, at the request of the emigrant agents in Europe, that official information should be forwarded to them respecting this Province, the local agent was instructed to prepare a description of the country (a copy of which I herewith forward to you), which, after having been examined and approved by the Governor in Council, was published, and nearly 2,000 copies were sent to Ottawa to be, from thence, forwarded to the different European agents for distribution.

The description is general, and contains no statistical information, but it is calculated to give intending emigrants true and reliable information respecting the climate, capabilities and resources of Nova Scotia. The Government have, as yet, no measures in reference to the subject of immigration to put before the Legislature, to be acted upon during this Session. Whether anything will be done is uncertain. The immigration agent, who is a member of the Legislature, will, it is thought, have some proposals to make before the close of the Session.

I have the honor, to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant, (Signed,) H. CROSSKILL,

Deputy Secretary.

Samuel Watts, Esq.,

Clerk to Committee on Immigration, House of Commons,

Ottawa.

From Honorable Mr. Carling, Commissioner of Immigration, Ontario.

#### OTTAWA, 9th May, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I have sent to you the Annual Report on Immigration for Ontario, for 1869, which will give you a full account of the proceedings of the Government for the past year. The total expenditure was about \$25,000, being \$15,000 more than the amount of the appropriation; a vote being obtained last Session for the extra expenditure. A like sum, viz., \$25,000 was voted for the expenditure for 1870.

A course similar to that described in the Report has been adopted for the present year. Mr. White has been sent again to the old country to deliver lectures, to carry on correspondence, and generally to adopt such measures as he thinks calculated to promote a healthy emigration. He reached England soon after the middle of February, and, up to the 13th April last, the date of his last Report to me, had delivered fifteen lectures in various parts of England and Scotland, almost altogether in the agricultural districts, to which he has been directed to principally confine his exertions. Reports of these lectures have appeared in the local papers, and a very extensive circulation has thus been given to them. From information which I have received, I am led to believe that, in consequence of Mr. White's exertions, during the present and the past year, a very large emigration may be expected from the United Kingdom to Ontario during the season now opening.

A second edition of the pamphlet-on emigration, issued by the Ontario Government, has been prepared, making altogether 100,000 which have been printed for distribution in the old country. A new poster has also been prepared and printed, and, by the permission of the Postmaster General in England, a copy has been hung up in all the post offices in the kingdom, being 13,000 or 14,000 in number. Posters similar to these, but in French and German, have also been prepared and distributed.

Circulars have been sent to the Reeves of all the Townships in Ontario, similar to those sent last year, desiring information as to the number of immigrants required. When the returns are completed, which will be very shortly, it is expected that an increased demand will be shewn of immigrants.

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN CARLING,

Commissioner of Immigration for Ontario.

The Honorable C. Dunkin, M.P., &c., &c., Chairman of the Committee on Immigration and Colonization,

Ottawa.

Answers of Professor Bell, to Questions put to him by the Committee on Immigration, of the House of Commons.

II.

1. You were employed, last season, on the Staff of the Geological Survey !-- I was; and had so been for some considerable time previous.

2. Did you not, last season, make an exploratory survey of Lake Nipigon, under instructions from Sir W. E. Logan, as Director of the Geological Survey -1 did make such a survey of the shores of that lake last summer, and am now engaged in the construction of a map for the Geological Survey, to represent it on a scale of one mile to the inch. This map will show the entire coast-line in detail, except the deepest portions of a few of the bays.

3. What is the size and general character of the lake ?—Its general outline measures 75 miles from north to south, by 50 miles from east to west. Its shore is indented with extensive bays and points, or peninsulas, and the body of the lake is thickly interspersed with islands. We fixed the size, form and position of the islands which lay sufficiently near the shore for our observation, but we could not attempt, in the short time we were upon the lake, to survey those in its central portion.

4. Do you consider these islands to be of any material value for agricultural purposes?—Many of them are of sufficient size for settlement, the largest one being about 15 miles in length, and a number of others from 2 to 5 miles, and the soil on most of them is of good quality. The aggregate area of these islands is very considerable. The lake, no doubt, exercises a benefical influence upon the climate.

5. Would you say that the land all around the lake is of a good quality ---No. While really good land exists over a considerable extent in some sections, in others it is somewhat broken, and, occasionally, hilly and rocky.

6. In what parts are the best lands to be found ?--Considerable areas occur on the southern side, but the largest continuous tract is upon the west side, extending from the south end of Black Sturgeon Lake, northward, to the neighborhood of Nipigon House, a distance of about 50 miles. A level tract, probably 12 miles wide, extends to an unknown distance northward from the head of the lake. The eastern shore was surveyed by my assistant, Mr. Peter McKellar, of Fort William. The largest continuous tract of good land which he reported, lies along the whole of the north-east side of Umbabika Bay, which is upwards of 20 miles in length.

7. Taking the length of the shore line as a basis, what proportion do you suppose the good land bears to the hilly and rocky?—I would require to refer to my map to give even an approximate answer as to the length of shore line behind which the land appeared to be good. As our time did not admit of making many excursions to a

distance into the country, I would rather not hazard an opinion on this point. All that I can say, in the meantime, is, that our explorations prove the existence of extensive tracts of good land in these parts of the Nipigon territory which I have described.

8. Is the land along the Nipigon River good — Very little of it appeared to be so. About half way up a low tract seemed to stretch from two lakes, on the Nipigon, towards the valley of the Black Sturgeon River. Along this river there is a variable breadth of good land, which increases much in width, especially on the west side in approaching Black Sturgeon Lake. Above the two lakes I have mentioned, on the Nipigon River, a bold cliff follows its east side to Lake Nipigon.

9. Did you walk over any of these lands, and examine them yourself, or did you merely judge of them by their appearance, as viewed from the lake?—We went into the country at a number of points, both by following up the rivers and travelling on foot through the woods. The tract lying on the south-west side of the lake was examined in this way, to a greater extent than any other, as I felt convinced that this region would some day be traversed by a railway, to the great north-west territory. In this part on the Nipigon country we found large areas of good land, separated by ranges of trap hills.

10. What is the character of the rivers in the district you are describing  $\$ —In their lower reaches they are very crooked, winding between muddy banks, which increase very gradually in their general height as we recede from the lake. We paddled up one of these rivers—the Kabitotiquiak—a distance of 30 miles, following its course. In that distance the water was from 10 to 20 feet deep, and the only interruption we met with, besides jams of drift wood, was a very short rapid, with a fall of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet, and my Indian guide informed me that we could go an equal distance further before coming to the next rapid. This little rapid was the only place, in all this distance, at which we could get stones to ballast our net. The upper branches of some of the rivers flow from lakes in the hilly country towards Dog Lake. The Gull River, which is the largest of the 16 rivers entering Lake Nipigon, flows from the westward through an apparently level country.

11. Are you aware how far this tract of good land extends westward from Lake Nipigon ?—We could not see the ends of it in that direction, from any point we reached. The Hudson Bay people formerly passed through it on their journeys to Sturgeon Lake, which lies 10 day's journey—say about 150 miles—westward from Lake Nipigon. Mr. D. N. Harmon, formerly a partner in the North-west Company, in his journal, published in 1820, and none the worse for being a little old, says of it (page 160):—" The country through which we have passed since we left Fort Duncan (now called Nipigon House) is low and level; no mountains, or even hills, are to be seen; in many places it is swampy, and small lakes, and ponds, and rivers, and brooks are numerous. Where the land is dry, the soil appears to be principally a black loam."

12. What do you consider to be the nature of the soil in the Nipigon Territory  $\stackrel{}{\longrightarrow}$  On the higher grounds and undulating portions it is a clayey loam, sufficiently tenacious to hold together when pressed in the hand. The lower and level sections are, generally, underlaid by a coarse clay, overspread by a sandy loam, which must be of a fertile character, if we may judge by the natural crop of grass which it produces where the timber has been burnt. In the spring, the rivers from the north are said to be loaded with whitish mud, derived, probably from the "clay level." In the region south-west of the lake, the river banks, besides the prevailing sandy clay, expose in some places boulder clay, gravel, sand, and fine tenacious clay. The trap hills, which I have mentioned as occurring in the tract to the south-west of the lake are covered, to a great extent, with a loamy soil.

13. What is the character of the rocks in the Nipigon territory t—The prevailing rock around the lake is a black trap, similar to that of Thunder Bay, belonging to the lower Silurian system. Such trap rocks are found, in all countries, to yield the most permanently fertile soil. Between Lake Nipigon, and Black Bay on Lake Superior, this is associated with large quantities of red marl, and some other rocks belonging to the

same system. The geology of the territory is altogether different from what had, hitherto, been supposed, and more favorable for the colonization of the country.

14. What is the character of the immediate shore or beach of Lake Nipigon !--In many parts the shore is bold with deep water, but, even where it is lower, the lake h.s, as it were, encroached upon it, washing away the soft soil, till it has been stopped by fixed rock or boulders of the prevailing black trap. In some places, however, especially in the northern parts of the lake, there are long stretches of sandy or muddy shore.

15. Has the lake and the country around it an attractive appearance, or the reverse ? —I consider Nipigon the most beautiful of all the great lakes. The water is clear and bright, and the varied appearance of numerous islands gives it, altogether, a very pleasing aspect. On the mainland, also, except in the burnt sections, the landscape has a diversified and pleasing appearance.

16. What is the state of the country as to timber — Much of the country has been burnt over by extensive sweeping fires, at different periods, but where the original forest is still standing, it consists partly of evergreens and partly of deciduous trees. The commonest species of the former are balsam, white cedar and spruce, and, of the latter, white and black birch, tamarack, poplar and aspen. There is, also, a little grey elm and black ash; some red and white pine is found at a distance from the lake.

17. Do you consider the absence of beech and maple an unfavorable sign as regards the quality of the soil -Not by any means. The distribution of timber is governed by a great many circumstances, besides merely the nature of the soil : and it does not follow, because it happens, in certain sections of Canada, a good soil supports a growth of beech and maple, that such a soil cannot be found without these woods; or, again, that they may not be found upon poor soil. On the contrary, where the climatic conditions, such as the comparative heat of summer and cold of winter, and the moisture or dryness of the atmosphere, favor the growth of beech and maple, we find these woods on very poor and rocky soil; whereas, where these peculiarities of condition are wanting, we often find good soil without their being present, and at the same time a climate as well suited for ordinary agricultural purposes as the one which favors the growth of beech and maple. To illustrate this, I may mention, that on the grand Manitoulin Island, and other localities which I have visited, beautiful beech and maple forests are found growing upon almost bare rocks, while, in the Gaspé peninsula and the maritime provinces, we often find the spruce and balsam woods upon tracts which when cleared prove to be excellent agricultural lands, so that the presence or absence of beech and maple does not appear to depend upon either the quality of the soil, or even the mean temperature. In the United States, in latitudes south of any part of Canada, it is well known that good lands exist without the occurrence of either beech or maple; and in the west, both in Canada and the United States, where no wood at all occurs. There are many interesting facts connected with the geographical distribution of each of the numerous kinds of trees occuring within the limits of Canada, and many of the phenomena are but imperfectly understood, even by scientific men who have made these questions a study. I have endeavoured, however, to indicate a few of the reasons why one should not judge of widely separated portions of the continent by any local rule, which may apply in the particular section with which one happens to be best acquainted.

18. How does the rain-fall compare, so far as you can judge, with that of other parts of Ontario?—My personal experience was confined to last summer, which was an unusually wet one in all parts of this Province. While a great amount of rain fell that season in the Nipigon country, we were informed by those who had been long in the territory, that the quantity was larger than usual; still I believe, the ordinary rain-fall of this section is greater than the average of Ontario; but, from all that I could learn, the snow is generally not deep in winter, so that, perhaps, the average depth of water, precipitated during the whole year, may not be excessive.

19. Does the climate appear to you to be sufficiently good to entitle the Nipigon country to be considered, on the whole, favorable to agriculture : It does appear so. The centre of Lake Nepigon lies in about the same latitude (50°) as Fort Garry. The

climate appears to be better than that of the country immediately round Lake Superior, or of the region between that lake and Lake of the Woods. The reason is, probably, the low temperature of the water of Lake Superior exerts a cooling influence on the air in its neighbourhood during the whole summer, and that the greater elevation of the other tract referred to, more than counterbalances its slightly more southern latitude. Next to actual trial, the best means of judging of the climate of a region, with regard to its agricultural capabilities, are its natural fauna and flora. The semi-alpine character of the latter, immediately round Lake Superior, is not found to continue to any great distance back from the lake. The best illustration of the agricultural capabilities of the Nipigon country, from actual experiment, is the Hudson Bay Company's farm at Nipigon House on the west side of the lake. This has been successfully cultivated for a great many years. Wheat is said to ripen well here, but those in charge of the establishment have no object in raising this grain, as a regular crop, since they have no means of grinding it, and flour is not difficult to obtain from outside sources. This is only what might have been expected, as wheat is grown at Fort Garry, Fort Alexander, and Islington Mission to the west, and at New Brunswick House, on Moose River to the east, and with less success on the shores of Lake Superior itself. Amongst the numerous garden crops, at Nipigon House, I observed Indian corn, but, perhaps, only the earlier varieties will ripen in this region. Before coming to this establishment, having observed none of this grain in the Indian gardens we had seen, I asked my Indian guide if it did not grow in these parts. He replied (as if astonished at the question) "certainly it does, but we had no seed this spring." Indian corn is known to ripen at the Lake of the Woods and along the Winnipeg River. While on the south side of Lake Nipigon, the Indians gave us some good sized new potatoes, of their own growing. on the 5th of August. From all that I could observe myself, or learn from others, I am of opinion that the Nipigon country, as regards both soil and climate, is suitable for agriculture. Two members of my party, who had been themselves practical farmers, were of the same opinion.

20. Did you ascertain when the lake freezes in the autumn, or when the ice breaks up in the spring 4—One of the gentlemen in the service of the Hudson's Bay Company, and who had spent the greater part of his life in the Nipigon country, informed me that they caught their winter's supply of whitefish with nets, in the shallow water, on the northwest side of the lake, between the 15th of October and the 7th of November. They hang them up to freeze in rows, by means of sticks passed through the tails, and, when sufficiently solid, fill cances with them, and bring them to the fort early in November; after which, cance navigation near the shore is interrupted by a thick skin of ice. The whole lake freezes over, which might not take place were it not for the islands; these also help to retain the ice in the spring until after the shores are green. It is said to be all melted away from the 15th to the end of May.

21. Can you mention any other inducements which the Nipigon country offers to settlers — The great abundance of good fish in the lake, and the ease with which they may be procured, will, no doubt, prove of importance to the first settlers. Some of the lands having been repeatedly burnt over within the last few years, afford a good kind of grass for fodder. These lands might also be planted with such crops as potatoes and turnips during the first summer of their occupation. Limestone and rocks, of all kinds of construction, are found in the country; salt springs were also met with. Should valuable mines be discovered, as may be reasonably expected from the geological character of the country, a home market will be afforded for farm produce.

22. How far is Lake Nipigon from Lake Superior -Following the course of the river, rather more than 30 miles.

23. Is the Nipigon River navigable only for cances - If the short current (of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  knots an hour) at the mouth could be passed, which appears possible, it might perhaps be navigated by suitable steamboats for a distance of about 10 miles from Lake Superior, but above this point it is broken by occasional rapids. One of the bays of Lake Nipigon comes to within about 12 miles of this point.

24. What do you think would be the best means of opening up communication with the habitable lands of the Nipigon country !—I should think by a road or railway through the valley of the Black Sturgeon River, which might connect with steamers on Lake Nipigon, thereby affording immediate and direct access to a large territory, owing to the extensive shore line of the lake, to say nothing of the islands.

#### III.

#### Answers of Mr. Taché to Questions put to him by the Committee on Immigration of the House of Commons.

1. Has there been any change in the policy carried on last year regarding Immigration?—Since the month of June last, at which time I gave my last answers before the Immigration Committee, there has been no change in the manner of dealing with immigrants on their arrival in Canada; but, towards fostering emigration to the Country, there have been new appointments of emigration agents for the British Isles. The agreement entered into between the Dominion Government and the Provincial Governments, on the 30th of October, 1868, has been embodied as a preamble in "The Immigration Act, 1869" (32 and 33 Vict., cap. 10), in accordance with which a Conference was held on the 28th of October, 1869, in the office of the Minister of Agriculture. I append hereto a copy of the Minutes of the said Conference.

2. What changes have taken place in the *personnel* of the Immigration branch of the Department of Agriculture since June last ?—There have been two agents appointed for Ireland, and one agent for Scotland. Mr. J. G. Moylen, agent for the South of Ireland, was appointed on the 17th of August, 1869, and Mr. C. Foy, agent for the North of Ireland, on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. Mr. D. Shaw, agent for Scotland, was appointed on the 18th of October. There have been also some changes in the *personnel* in Canada : the Honorable Mr. Pineo having resigned his situation of immigration agent at Halifax, Mr. E. Clay was nominated on the 30th of October to fill the vacancy ; and at the same time Mr. Outram, who was acting as assistant to the Honorable Mr. Pineo, was informed that his services were to be dispensed with after the 30th of June, 1870.

The following is the list, mentioning the place of residence and the present yearly salary, of every permanent officer and employé of the Immigration branch of the Department of Agriculture :---

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	SALABY.
L. Stafford, agent F. J. S. Dore, assistant agent J. Anderson, interpreter J. Tilly, messenger J. Daley, agent W. Wills, " J. Macpherson, " J. A. Donaldson " R. W. Rae, " W. Clever, interpreter E. Clay, agent R. Himes, " E. Layton, "	Quebec " " Montreal Ottawa Kingston Toronto Hamilton " Halifax St. John, N.B. Miramichi	\$1,200 1,000 250 200 1,200 800 1,000 800 1,000 800 180 1,000 862 400

AGENTS AND EMPLOYÉS IN CANADA.

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AGENTS	AND	Employés	IN	EUROPE.
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N∡MES.	RESIDENCE.	SALARY.
W. Dixon, agent         An office clerk.         E. Simays, agent.         J. G. Moylen, "         C. Foy, "         D. Shaw, "	Antwerp Dublin Belfast	\$2,000 500 800 1,200 800 800

3. Can you give the comparative statement of the total amount of Immigration which has gone through Canada for the last 4 years ?—The following is the comparative statement of the amount of Immigration of all categories which have gone through the Canadian territory, so far as registered by the Government agents, at the different agencies mentioned in the list included in my previous answer :—

	1866.	1867.	1868.	1869.
Via the St. Lawrence	28,648	30,757	34,300	43,114
" the Suspension Bridge and inland	3		•	
ports of Quebec and Ontario	23,147	26,631	36,511	31,761
"Halifax		81	366	448
"St. John, N.B		409	<b>271</b>	456
" Miramichi				<b>21</b>
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Total	51,795	57,878	71,448	75,800

4. Can you give a comparative statement of the destination of the immigrants mentioned in your previous answer?—On the following comparative statement of the destination of immigrants who have gone through the territory of the Dominion during the last four years of observation, I have to remark that the figures are those furnished by the different agents, and from the very nature of the information, and the source from which they are derived, that is the answers of the immigrants themselves, or the booking of them on the shipping and railway lists, these figures cannot be given, as being anything else than approximate; however, for the last four years they have assumed a character of reliableness of which they were formerly completely deprived; strict orders having been given to the agents of the department to be as careful as possible, and not te indulge in any estimate not based upon some good ground for foundation.

The destination of immigrants registered at the different agencies of the Dominion, are first to be divided into two large categories; those who are at once emigrating to the neighbouring republic, and those who settle in Canada, whether permantly or emporarily, it is impossible to ascertain.

The number of emigrants destined for the United States, has been as follows, as far as can be ascertained :---

In 1866		
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The number of immigrants who have settled or stopped in Canada, has been :---

In 1866	
1867	
1868	
1869	18,630

Out of that approximate number of 18,630 immigrants who have stopped in Canada as intending settlers-

17,202 have	located	themselves in	Ontario.
503	,,	"	Quebec.
477	,,	,,	New Brunswick.
448	"	,,	Nova Scotia.

5. Can you give some information about the nationality, the trade or profession, and the circumstance of the immigrants mentioned in your preceding answers 4-The nationalities of the immigrants landed in Quebec during the year 1869, were as follows :----

English immi	grai	$\mathbf{t}$	s.,		••	 •			 • •		•										14,691
Irish	,,																				3,339
Scotch	"																				2,774
German	,,				•			 				•	• •	 		•	 •				1,959
Scandinavian	,,		•				••	 		 		•		 			 •		•		20,129
Other national	litie	s.	•	• •				 		 •				 		•				•	<b>222</b>

The trades and professions of the same immigrants may be stated as follows, for the male adults :---

Farmers	5,520
Laborers	8,710
Mechanics	5,115
Clerks and traders	112
Professional men	

19,469

Although some are favorably circumstanced, and a certain part of those immigrants. have a little money, as a rule, they may generally be stated to be poor people; about the half of the English immigrants of last year were destitutes, who had received from societies at home the means of emigrating to Canada, and who had to be furnished here in Canada with the means of reaching their final destination.

The nationalities of the immigrants who have gone through or settled in Canada, having entered the country by all other ports besides Quebec, may be stated as follows :----

English immig	51 0011	0.5.	•••	·	·	• •	•	•	•••	•••	•	•	•••	•	•	•			·										676
$\mathbf{Irish}$	,, ,,	• •	•	٠	•	•	•••	•	•	• •	•	•	• •	•••	•	•	• •	•	·	• •	• •	•	•	• •	•	•	• •	 ••	284
Scotch	,,		•	•	•	•		• •	•			•		•	•	•	• •	• •	٠	•	• •	·	•	• •	•	•	• •	••	204
Scotch German	,,							•	•		,	•		•		•			•	• •		٠	•	• •	•	•	• •	 • •	10,670
Sandinavian																••						• •			•			 	9,200
American												•																	2,474
Other national	ities	5.														•		•						• •	• •	•		 •••	909
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For the remainder of the 32,686 immigrants who have entered Canada by other ports than Quebec, the nationalities have not been reported, nor is there any regular reports of the trades and professions of the immigrants of the same category, whose intercourse with the agents, are of a very momentary nature for the most part.

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As a class, generally speaking, the said last mentioned category of immigrants are in better circumstances than the immigrants who land in Quebec, although there are poor and destitute amongst them; but I could not attempt to give any figures in relation to the sums of money or other means possessed by the same category of immigrants in any shape whatever, there being, according to my convictions, no reasonable grounds to form any opinions upon this matter.

6. Can you state the expenditure of the different agencies for the year 1869 !- The following have been the expenses of each of the agencies for the year 1869, including aid to and transport of immigrants :--

Quebec	\$18,710	44
Montreal	1,848	04
Ottawa		
Kingston	918	85
Toronto	2,545	
Hamilton		
Halifax	1,550	73
St. John, New Brunswick		
Miramichi	494	59

There has been, besides, a total sum of \$13,211.25 paid on account of expenses of all sorts of European agencies; as these accounts are not finally settled, it would be, just now, impossible to divide that sum.

7. Can you state the amount paid on account of aid to, and inland transport of immigrants during the year 1869 !— The total amount expended during the year 1869, on account of aid to, and inland transport of immigrants has been \$15,432, of which \$14,978 have been paid in Quebec for inland transport of 6,200 immigrants, more than

five-sixths of whom have had their railway fare paid from Quebec to Toronto. Besides the said sums paid by the Dominion Government for help and transport of immigrants, a very considerable amount has been expended by the Ontario Government for the same purpose, and a small sum by the Quebec Government.

8. What is the intercourse which is taking place between the general and local governments on the concurrent subject of immigration, and what sort of information is furnished to the emigrating public —Besides the conferencee of which I have spoken in my first answer, a correspondence is carried on through the Honorable the Secretary of State for the Provinces, between the Department of Agriculture and the local governments, by which the Provincial authorities are made aware of every communication received from the Dominion agents or other parties, relating to immigration. Whenever desirable, copies of such communications are forwarded, at the same time calling the special attention of all the local governments, if the matter is of a general nature, and of the government concerned if it is a peculiar question in which one or more governments are separately interested.

These communications generally refer to the publication of documents, to information sought for by intending emigrants or Emigration Committees on lands, land tenure, land grants, and so forth; sometimes to proposals and schemes regarding the forwarding and settlement of immigrants.

The answers to such communications are sent to the agents to be made use of and communicated to the parties interested.

Two of the Provincial Governments, the Government of Ontario and the Government of Nova Scotia, have published pamphlets for the emigrating public; these pamphlets have been apportioned amongst the emigration agents in Euorpe, to be distributed: in addition to that, by virtue of an order of the Privy Council, bearing date the 23rd October, 1869, two thousend copies of the Year Book, in which the text of the "Immigration Act of 1869" and a list of all the Dominion Immigration Agents has been caused to be inserted, have been procured for distribution, the most part being now in the hands of the public of the British Isles and some on the Continent of Europe.

The Province of Ontario has, besides, furnished the Dominion Agents in Great Britain with posters, which, by permission of the Imperial authorities, have been exhibited in every English post office as well as elsewhere, as may be seen by the Minutes of Conference hereunto annexed; the Government of Quebec also intends to take the same means of diffusing information.

9. Has anything been done towards carrying into effect the recommendation of the Conference of the 28th October, the Minutes of which have been by you here produced, about immigration buildings at Toronto, and, if any thing, what has been done ?- Agreeably to the order of the Conference, inquiries were made on the subject of procuring better and more ample accommodation for the immigrants landing at Toronto, it being admitted that the present accommodation was totally inadequate, and it being taken for granted that a large immigration is to be expected for the coming season. At first it was thought that the new quarters should be in the vicinity of the Union Station of Railways on the Esplanade grounds, but as objections were raised by the people and by the Corporation of Toronto to the selection of a site in the midst of the commercial centres of the City, the Government resolved upon devoting to the purpose two plots of the Ordnance Lands situated near the western limits of the City. After consultation with the Honorable Commissioner of Agriculture of Ontario and the railway authorities, on the recommendation of the Honorable Minister of Agriculture, two orders were passed by the Privy Council—one bearing date the 14th of February, 1869, appropriating to the purpose of immigration the two plots of Ordnance Lands referred to, and another, bearing date the 8th of March, appropriating a sum of \$15,000 to the buildings required to be erected. The Board of Works is now busily engaged in causing these buildings to be erected before the 1st of May; these buildings are a large shed, a cooking house, a dining hall, a baggage shed, an office, a residence for the agent, and the appurtenances necessary to such an establishment.

10. What are the prospects of the increase of immigration for the coming season?— From the exertions that are made in England to facilitate and aid emigration to Canada, on account of the vast number of people now thrown into a state of destitution for the want of employment, there is every reason to expect a very large immigration of that class of people. The English papers are filled with addresses and prospectuses of Emigration Societies and Clubs, and in a recent letter addressed to the Toronto Agent by Mr. Currie, of London, a gentleman, who is taking a great share in this movemement, we learn that already in February last there were no less than 8,000 of these poor people booked for Canada—2000 of whom were to leave per steamers during the first half of the month of April. There is also a prospect that many of the dockyard artisans and laborers, discharged by the admiralty, will be conveyed to Quebec on board some of Her Majesty's troop ships, as was the case last year; the troop ships *Crocodile* and *Serapis* having brought 1,706 of these people to Canada.

Of course, there is no possibility of arriving at any definite figure as representing the probable immigration of destitute, or other people for the coming season; but while there is no possibility of forming an opinion about the probable immigration of self supported emigrants, there are good reasons to expect that the ingress of destitute immigrants of the class mentioned, will be about treble what it has been last year, and may be, for all we know, greatly in excess of that even.

During last season, as I have stated, 6,200 have received help in the shape of inland transport from Quebec, at an expense of about \$15,000.

In fact, if the magnitude of the movement was to be calculated from the number of artisans and laborers now deprived of work in England, and London especially, and to be measured by the vastness of the exertions for the relief of that distress by emigration to Canada, as apparent in the newspapers and printed addresses, my calculations would fall a great deal short of the actual prospects; but I take into consideration the difficulties and expenses which are incumbent upon the putting in motion and carrying over land and sea large numbers of human beings.

#### ROOM OF THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE,

28th October, 1869.

#### Conference on Immigration.

#### PRESENT.

The Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald.

- " J. C. Chapais.
  - P. J. O. Chauveau.
- " J. Carling.
- " E. B. Wood.

The Honorable Mr. Chapais, Minister of Agriculture, made an *exposé* of the affairs of the Immigration Branch of his Department during the last season.

The letters received from the London agent, Mr. Dixon, were read, as also the letters received from Mr. Simays, the assistant of Mr. Dixon on the Continent of Europe; upon which the Honorable Mr. Carling and the Honorable Mr. Chauveau stated that their respective Governments of Ontario and Quebec are intending to have emigration posters prepared for the post offices of the United Kingdom, as also printed documents for distribution in the British Isles and on the Continent of Europe.

The Honorable Mr. Carling stated his apprehensions that the Immigrant shed in Toronto would, in all probability, be insufficient for the requirements called for by the large immigration expected during next year. It was thereupon agreed that the Deputy of the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Taché, be directed to go to Toronto to study the question, and report on the subject in all its bearings.

Sir John A. Macdonald recommended that the names of all the Canadian immigration agents be inserted in posters and publications intended for the immigrating public, in order to prevent any body from assuming the title of Government agent, as it has sometimes occurred.

Sir John A. Macdonald spoke of the project of having some special agent for the immigration into the North-West section of Canada, when the organization of that newly acquired territory is completed.

The purport of the letters of Mr. Simays being formally submitted to the Conference by the Honorable Minister of Agriculture, it was decided that none of the Governments represented at this Conference are to undertake the expenses of the passage or the maintenance and settlement of immigrants on any condition.

A letter of the Rev. Mr. Herring, of London, asking subventions for emigration clubs, both in Great Britain and Canada, is laid before the Conference, and it is decided that the proposition cannot be entertained.

A letter of Mr. Brcwn, of Scotland, offering to write a pamphlet on Canada, for the consideration of a free grant of one thousand acres of land, is also declined by the representatives of the Provincial Government of Ontario and Quebec.

The Honorable Minister of Agriculture communicated some Imperial documents on the subject of immigration as a matter of information.

The Honorable Mr. Carling and the Honorable Mr. Wood expressed their opinion to the effect that the salary of the Toronto agent is inadequate, and not in proportion to the increase of business at the Toronto agency. No decision was taken on the subject, it being a matter for the Privy Council to determine upon.

The Conference was then closed.

Acting as Secretary of the Conference.

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#### [Translation.]

To the Honorable Christopher Dunkin,

Chairman of the Committee of the House of Commons

on Immigration and Colonization.

SIR,—I gladly comply with the request made to me by the Committee, to make known the measures adopted in the Province of Quebec, since the last session of the Federal Legislature, for the promotion of Immigration and Colonization.

There was no fresh legislation of importance on this matter in the last session of the local Legislature; but considerable votes of money were made to aid in carrying out the laws passed in the previous sessions, the leading provisions of which I set forth in my letter to the Committee appointed on the same subject last year.

These votes are as follows :----

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Immigration, including printing, maps, &c.	20,000
Colonization Societies	
Colonization roads of first class	125,000
" second class	20,000
" third class	15,000
Road from St. Anne des Monts to Fox River, in Gulf	
division	10,000
Colonization railways	45,000
Exploration and surveys of Crown Lands	24,000

By going through these several items, I shall be enabled to give you a brief summary of what has been done for each of these objects.

Since the Session, the Government instructed Mr. Belle, Crown land and timber agent, to open an Immigration office, in order to help to retain in this Province emigrants from the British Islands and the continent of Europe arriving in Montreal without having made up their minds to proceed further. Though this class are few in number, the majority of the immigrants having in advance selected as their destination the United States or the Province of Ontario, there is every reason to hope that Mr. Belle will be enabled to induce a good many emigrants to settle in the Province of Quebec. He is not to receive any increase of salary for these duties, in pursuance of the provisions of the new law, which requires that Crown land agents shall, when needed, act as immigration agents; but he will be allowed a messenger and office expenses.

An agent and a similar office have been provided in Quebec, and a third agent will be established near the frontier, in the eastern townships, in order to retain, if possible, a part of the emigration that takes place each year to the United States, to direct it towards the eastern townships, and to facilitate the return of Canadians who have already emigrated and who wish to return to the country and make it their permanent home.

The Government have not decided as to sending agents to Great Britain and the continent of Europe, but they are causing a pamphlet to be prepared, of which a large number of copies are to be printed in French and English, and which will probably be translated into other languages. It will be distributed either by the agents of the Federal Government or by those whom the Province may send, and will be accompanied by a map, reproducing on a small scale Mr. Taché's large map, which shows all lines of communication in the Province. This pamphlet, of which the French edition has just been completed, forms a volume of two hundred and fifty pages, and contains, in a compact form, all information calculated to make the Province known, and remove prejudices that prevail on many points. It has been prepared under the direction of the Minister of Agriculture and Public Works, by his assistant, Mr. Lesage, and reflects the highest credit on the Department. I send with this letter a table of matters contained in this pamphlet, which will shew that no important branch of the subject has been omitted.

The Colonization Societies, as I had occasion to point out in the letter published last year, are both colonization and immigration societies. They thus afford to each of the elements composing our population the means of increasing its numbers from abroad, and the provisions of the law seem to invite them to compete in a struggle which will result in benefit to the Province.

Two colonization societies, that of Quebec centre and Quebec west, are already actively occupied with immigration, the first seeking to establish its relation with the continent of Europe, and the second with the British Islands.

On the 23rd May last, thirty-six of these societies had been established and recognised by the Government; several new applications were, at that date, still under consideration. I send herewith a list of the societies organized, a statement of applications made for grants of land, and of grants paid. The tables show that thirty-three societies have already placed themselves in a position to receive the proportion of the grant accruing to them under the statute, and that a sum of seven thousand and fifty dollars and eighteen cents has been distributed to them. It will also be seen that eleven societies have applied to the Government for reserves of land, and that three of them have obtained land.

I must point out here that the granting of these reserves must be preceded by a report of the land agent, setting forth that the lands applied for are not already occupied by bond fide settlers. This involves a certain amount of delay, an evil far less important, however, than that which would result from the granting of lands without the proper precautions as to first occupants.

The reorganization of the Government agencies for the sale of public lands, the superintendence of timber cutting, colonization and immigration, has been carried out in the manner indicated in my letter of last year, and I send herewith a table of these agencies, shewing the residence of each of the agents and the number of acres of land to be disposed of by each, forming a total of five millions three hundred and ninety thousand six hundred and ninety-two acres.

The surveys which have been made by the Crown Lands Department, and those now in progress, would afford a considerable addition to the lands available both for timbercutting and for colonization.

The surveys extend into the valley of the Ottawa, that of the St. Maurice, and towards Lake St. John, and various surveying parties have been or are still at work at them. Messrs. Lindsay, Russell, and Le Ber have explored a line of fifty-three miles from the northwest of Lake Kiamika, making, with the lateral explorations, one hundred and eleven miles. Messrs. Arcand and Temple made explorations along a line starting from Little Flemish River, which empties into the St. Maurice, thirty miles in a south-westerly direction, and in the direction of Lake St. John, ten miles to the south-east, giving a total, with the transverse lines, of more than fifty miles. Messrs. Casgrain and Legendre, entrusted with the exploration of the territory through which the Batiscan River runs in the upper part of its course, began their operations at the north-east corner of the township of Mékinac, and proceeded in a north-easterly direction to a distance of twenty-nine miles ; they then went due north over an extent of territory known as the Isle Lac Edouard, to a distance of fifteen miles, giving a total, with the lateral lines, of ninety-three miles. Lastly, Mr. Casgrain is at present engaged in making an exploration of the territory extending to the north of the township of Rocmont, as far as Lake St. John.

It would be observed, at the commencement of this letter, that the total estimate for immigration and colonization for the year 1870 was two hundred and seventy-eight thousand dollars. In this amount, however, is included a sum of forty-five thousand dollars as subsidies to colonization railways. It is, however, probable that, at the most, only these of the companies mentioned in the statute will be entitled to a subsidy this year,—that of the St. Jérome Railway, to the north of Montreal,—that of Gosford, to the north of Quebec,—and one of the companies formed in the Eastern Townships.

These lines of railway, the Intercolonial Railway, other lines of railway now in existence or projected, together with our great colonization roads, will soon form a net

work which will render all parts of the great territory in this Province accessible to colonization and immigration. As regards colonization roads, properly so called, it may be seen by the Reports of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works for the years 1868 and 1869, that, in the year 1868, sixty-seven thousand five hundred dollars were expended on colonization roads, and in 1869 one hundred and seventy-eight thousand six hundred and forty-nine dollars; in all, two hundred and forty-six thousand one hundred and forty-nine dollars, exclusive of local contributions for second and third-class roads. The total length of new road completed and fit for travel was, in 1868, two hundred and ten miles; that of roads repaired, one hundred and twenty-five miles; that of roads merely cleared as winter roads, one hundred and fourteen miles; lastly, the aggregate length of new bridges built was six thousand five hundred and thirty feet.

In 1869, the total length of road completed and fit for travel was three hundred and eighty-eight miles; that of roads opened as winter roads, one hundred and eighty-five miles; that of roads repaired, two hundred and eleven miles; and the total length of new bridges built amounted, in the aggregate, to sixteen thousand three hundred and sixty six feet.

Most of the colonization roads, especially those of the second and third class, which are made partly with the assistance of local contributions, are intended gradually to bring together the works of colonization, and a considerable number of these roads were already traced out or begun; but there are also great arteries of communication, great highways destined to establish relations with parts of the country hitherto entirely isolated, and to open up new territories. Such, among others, are the Mantawa Road, the Quebec and Lake St. John Road, and the new road which has just been opened with the combined assistance of the Local and Dominion Governments on the shore of the Gulf, in the County of Gaspé.

In the Reports of the several superintendents of these roads, which are inserted at the end of the Reports of the Commissioner of Public Works, will be found very interesting details as to the progress of colonization, especially in the Saguenay and Lake St. John District, in the Mantawa District, in the Valley of the Ottawa, in the Eastern Townships, along the line of the Taché Road, in rear of the old settlements on the south shore, and in Gaspesia. It will be observed with pleasure that a large number of settlers, even in places most remote from the frontier, are Canadians who have returned from the United States. Their number, as well as that of European emigrants, will considerably increase so soon as the advantages offered by our Government are better known. These advantages consist principally of the assistance granted to colonization and immigration societies, the making of colonization roads, free grants of lots on the main colonization roads, the easy terms granted to settlers, which in general nearly approach to a free grant; and, lastly, of the privileges granted to settlers in respect of their former debts, for which their land cannot be seized, and the exemption from seizure of considerable working plant, as mentioned in my preceding letter.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your humble and obedient Servant,

P. J. O. CHAUVEAU.

Ottawa, 10th May, 1870.

#### APPENDIX.

TABLE shewing the number of disposable Acres of Land in each of the undermentioned Agencies, with the Name of the Agency, the Name of the Agent, and his Residence.

Agency.	Name of Agent.	Residence of Agent.	Acres.
Petite Nation, part	Robert Farley         George W. Cameron         George W. Cameron         George W. Cameron         J. B. Delfausse         L A. Dubord         L. Z. Rousseau         J. O. Tremblay         George Duberger         John Eden         Ls. Roy         J. N. Verge         J. B. Lepage         C. T. Dubé         C. F. Fournier         J. A. Fortin         Antoine Gagnon         William Farwell	Clarendon Chelsea Post Office Thurso Montreal Joliette Three Rivers St. Roch, Quebec Hébertville Chicoutimi Gaspé Basin St. Anne des Monts Carleton Rivière du Loup, below St. Jean Port Joli St. Jean Port Joli St. Joseph, Beauce Arthabaskaville Robinson Frelighsburg	332,546 457,803 326,759 153,900 210,000 120,000 130,000 336,000 116,000 148,000 405,000 405,000 405,000 405,000 414,000 162,444 208,040 29,200 \$5,390,692

E. E. TACHÉ, A. C.

QUEBEC, May 14th, 1870.

Department of Crown Lands.

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TABLE of Applications for Reserve of Lands (in virtue of 32 Vict., c. 14) from different Colonization Societies to the Department of Crown Lands, up to the 20th May, 1870.

Na	me of Society.	Date of Application.	Townships in which the lands applied for are situated.	Orders in Council reserving the lands applied for.
Society N ,, ,,	No. 1 of Charlevoix ,, Kamouraska ,, Montmagny ,, Compton	Oct. 26, ,, Dec. 7, ,,	Simard, Bourget, Trem- blay. Pohénégamook and Est- court. Rolette and Panet (100 lots). Ditton (lots 1 to 33, inc. in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd range), Hampden (lots 15 to 30, inc. in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd range), and the	O. C., 18th December, 1869
,, ,,	2 of Montmagny 3 of Témiscouata 1 of St. Hyacinthe.	Feb. 8,    ,,	south half of Marston . Patton (4th, 5th, and 6th range). Viger, Demers, and De- nonville. All the disposable lots in	A Report, recommending the reservation, is to be submitted to the Council at its next meeting
,, ,, ,,	2 of Témiscouata 1 of Quebec-Centre	,, 15, ., ,, 16, .,	Demers. Langevin (11th and 12th range). 25 lots in the 2nd range, S.W., and 3rd range of	<ul> <li>O. C., 22nd April, 1870, reserving 12,000 acres in Emberton only</li> <li>O. C., 29th March, 1870</li> </ul>
"	2 of L'Islet	May 10, ,,	Chavigny. 10 lots in each of the 5th and 6th range of Gar- neau.	

QUEBEC, May 14th, 1870.

E. E. TACHÉ, A. C. Department of Crown Lands.

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No. 2, of the County of Quebec has made application to be organised. A report to that effect has been made to Council.

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