

referred to them, but to examine the law, and suggest such alterations as they might themselves deem expedient. He did not quite understand the line of remark of the honourable mover. There was no objection to the committee raised on his (Mr. McKellar's) side of the house yesterday, that there was anything like partyism in the proposed composition of the committee.

Mr. RYKERT—That objection was made by your organ.

Mr. McKELLAR continued to say that if there was no party lines, as was alleged, he would be happy to have the hon. member for Lincoln acting with himself and the hon. gentlemen around him. As regarded the composition of the committee, while it was absolutely necessary that one member of the Government should be on it, there was no necessity for three.

The motion was then agreed to.

ELECTION EXPENDITURES.

Hon. Mr. CAMERON handed in a return to an address, dated 8th January, praying a return of the public moneys expended at the late election for the Legislative Assembly, in the several electoral divisions. This return set forth the name of the Returning Officer to whom the amount had been paid—the sum paid—and the electoral division for which the payment had been made. The total sum thus paid out was set down at \$26,347 18. The payments were made in sums varying from \$200 to \$606—which latter sum was paid out in two instances, to the Returning Officer for Addington, and also for North Simcoe.

The other matters called for by the address could not, it was stated, be furnished at present in consequence of the election accounts being in use at Ottawa, in preparing an address for the House of Commons.

PROVINCIAL REVENUE.

Hon. Mr. CAMERON handed in a return, in part, to an address dated 30th December, asking for a statement of any sum or sums transferred to the credit of the Province by the General Government since the 1st July last; also for the amounts collected from any other source of revenue, where such had been, and now are deposited, and whether any part thereof carries interest—and if so, at what rate and upon what amount. The following is the return:—

August 12—Transferred to the credit of the Treasurer of Ontario by the General Government, and deposited in the Bank of Montreal.....	\$40,000 00
Various dates—Territorial revenue deposited in the same Bank by Crown Lands Department.....	\$2,709 43
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	\$122,709 43
Less:—Chequed out for expenditures in Accounts of Public Service.....	46,669 97
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	\$76,039 46
Nov. 20—Casual revenue deposited in Royal Canadian Bank.....	10 00
Nov. 30 and Dec. 31—Territorial revenue deposited in same Bank by Crown Lands Department.....	60,180 20
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	\$60,190 20
Less:—Transferred to the credit of Mr. Notman, Assistant-Clerk, to meet contingencies of the Legislative Assembly.....	10,000 00
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	\$50,190 20
No part of above deposits bear interest.	

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

Attorney-General McDONALD has given notice of his intention to move the following resolutions in Committee of the Whole:—

That it be resolved,—

1st. That all duties' revenues and moneys whatsoever, of the Province of Ontario, over which the Legislature of this Province has, or hereafter may have, the power of appropriation, shall form one consolidated revenue fund, to be called the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, to be appropriated for the public service of this Province, in the manner and subject to the charges hereinafter mentioned.

2nd. That the said Consolidated Revenue Fund shall be permanently charged with all the costs, charges and expenses incident to the collection, management, and receipt thereof; such costs, charges, and expenses being subject, nevertheless, to be reviewed and audited in the manner directed by an Act of the Legislature.

3rd. That the Legislative Assembly shall not originate or pass any vote, resolution or bill for the appropriation of any part of the said Consolidated Revenue Fund, or of any other tax or impost to any purpose which has not been first recommended by a message of the Lieutenant-Governor to the said Legislative Assembly, during the session in which such vote, resolution or bill is passed.

4th. That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may, from time to time, in his discretion, invest any surplus of the said Consolidated Revenue Fund, not required for the public service, in the debentures, or other public securities of the Dominion of Canada.

TAVERN KEEPERS.

Atty.-Gen. MACDONALD has given notice of his intention to move the following Resolutions in Committee of the Whole:—

That it be resolved,—

1. That it is expedient to repeal Cap. 20 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled "An Act respecting the Provincial Duty on Tavern Keepers, so far as the same relates to the Province of Ontario."

2. That there shall be paid to Her Majesty, over and above all other duties or sums payable thereon on each License, to be hereafter issued, to sell spirituous liquors to be drunk upon the premises, in any Hotel, Tavern, House, Vessel, or place, a duty of Twelve Dollars, if such place be within the municipal limits of any City. A duty of Ten Dollars if the same be within the municipal limits of any Incorporated Town, and a duty of Five Dollars if the same be not within the limits of any such City or Town, or the license be for a vessel.

3. That with a view of better collecting the said duty, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct the issue of stamped paper, on which shall be written or printed, as he may direct, Licenses of the several values as described in the second Resolution, and that no Tavern License which shall not be so stamped and signed by the Treasurer of this Province, shall be of any effect, but the party holding any unstamped License, shall be held to be unlicensed, and be liable to all penalties imposed by any Act, or by any By-law, on persons selling spirituous liquors without license.

4. That one or more persons in every County and City in this Province, may be appointed to deliver and distribute such Licenses to any Municipal Corporation applying for the same—for which service he shall be allowed on each license, per cent. on the amount thereof, and he shall countersign every such License issued by him.

5. And the sums received for such duties shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

The house then adjourned at 5 p.m.