

with it this session.

Mr. GOW thought that, when reporters were admitted to committees, they should be bound to give a truthful report. It was stated in the *Leader* that Mr. McKellar and all his Reform friends voted against the motion. That was not the fact. The motion for which they voted was moved by himself, and was that the question for the present should lie in abeyance.

Mr. COYNE did not think the duties of the member for Lincoln, as chairman of the committee, called upon him to have preconcerted action with a number of its members, to control its decisions. He thought the substance of the statement in the *Speculator* was true.

Mr. GRAHAM (Hastings) remarked that he had reason to complain of having been misrepresented. Words had been put in his mouth which he had never uttered; he had been made to second a motion, although he had never done so—and though he had written to the *Leader* to correct their reports, they had not done so.

The subject then dropped.

#### MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS.

Mr. MOLEOD moved for a return to His Excellency, showing the indebtedness, on the 31st Dec., 1867, of corporations in each county, city, township, town and village, in the manner required by section 241 of the Municipal Act, specifying the original amount and everything regarding it. At a time like the present, the hon. member said, when they appeared to be entering on an era of railway enterprise, it was very important that the financial condition of the several municipalities should be known. Hitherto these returns had been very imperfectly made.

Hon. Mr. CAMERON was under the impression that the return could not be prepared in time for the present session. All these returns, he found, had to be made to Ottawa,