

matter of privilege. During his speech on the Address he had stated in his place in the House that he had not signed the round-robin or the petition to the Government to increase the indemnity. Notwithstanding that, he found in the *Mail* of Saturday, in an article on the indemnity matter, a list which professed to give the names of the members supporting the Government who had signed the round-robin, and among them he found his own name. He was prepared to repeat again what he had said before, that he had signed neither the last round-robin nor the previous one. And to show how little faith could be put in that list, and how reckless the writer who manufactured it must have been, he need only point out that it contained the name of Mr. Massie. The increase of the indemnity was made in 1876, while Mr. Massie did not become a member of the House until the following year. (Hear, hear.) He found besides Mr. Massie's name and his own the name of Mr. Masters, who did not take his seat in the House until the year 1878, two years after the indemnity was increased. The name of Mr. Gibson, who had not signed the round-robin, was also on the list.

Mr. LAUDER—You had better state who did sign it.

Mr. SINCLAIR was not in a position to state who did sign it. If the writer of the article had paid the least attention to the matter, and if he had not been utterly reckless, he might have known that Mr. Massie and Mr. Masters had never signed the round-robin. The list in the *Mail* was altogether incorrect and erroneous.

Mr. STRIKER said he had never denied in the House before that he had signed the round-robin. He saw his name among the names in the *Mail's* list as having signed it, although he had never done so. He would like to see the round-robin produced, and if his name were found upon it in his own handwriting he would resign his seat in the House, and never occupy it again. He had voted once before to wipe out the indemnity altogether, and he intended to do so again.

Mr. BELL suggested that the Government get the round-robin lithographed and published, so that there could be no dispute as to who had signed it and who had not.

Mr. BOULTER—And have it illuminated and put at the head of the Gas Bill. (Laughter.)

Mr. MEREDITH thought it only just that the names of all those who had signed the round-robin should be given to the public.

Mr. FERRIS—And the letter too. (Laughter.)

Mr. MEREDITH—And the letter too.

EAST KENT LICENSE INSPECTOR.

Mr. MEREDITH asked whether the attention of the Government has been called to the fact that Mr. Thomas Boon, License Inspector for East Kent, has been elected Reeve of the town of Bothwell. Whether it is intended to permit Mr. Boon to retain the position of License Inspector while he holds the office of Reeve.

Mr. HARDY said the question of his hon. friend was the first intimation he had received of the matter. He would make enquiries, and give an answer at a later day.

Mr. MOWAT said his attention had been called to the fact that some gentleman—he did not recognize the name, but supposed that it was the same gentleman—who was a license inspector, had been elected Reeve of Bothwell. As the matter belonged to the Department of the Provincial Secretary, the papers were sent to him, but he understood that that gentleman had not yet been able to give them his personal attention.

The question was allowed to stand.

#### COLONIZATION ROADS.

Mr. BOULTER moved for an order of the House for copies of all reports of the Inspectors of Colonization Roads to the Crown Lands Department for the last three years. Carried.

The House adjourned at 3:20.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Clarke (Wellington)—On Wednesday—Order of the House for all correspondence, "round-robins," or other papers filed in the