

position in regard to the boundary award. She was hampered by an Act confirming the decision, while the Dominion was free, and he thought that the Dominion Parliament, if this Act were passed, ought to pass a similar one.

Mr. SCOTT did not exactly see the necessity for passing the present Act while there was a former one for a similar purpose still in force. It also seemed to him unfortunate that some provision had not been made by which both parties would have been equally bound by the award. He did not know that there was any intention on the part of the Dominion to repudiate the decision, but he thought that the people of Ontario would stand by his hon. friend the leader of the Government in maintaining the result that had been arrived at. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. MOWAT said that they might have proceeded under the Act that had been referred to by his hon. friend, but a second Bill had been rendered necessary by the action of the Dominion Government in not making the award a matter of confirmation by the Parliament. The Act would not come into force except by the proclamation of the Lieutenant-Governor. He was much obliged to the hon. member for East Toronto for the suggestions he had made as to the administration of justice in the new portions of the Province, and they were the more valuable coming from one so well acquainted with the requirements of that part of the country. He would take them into consideration, but he might say that the Dominion Government had already established a court of justice at Rat Portage to provide for the maintenance of peace and order among the men employed on Dominion works there.

Mr. LYON (Halton) was pleased that such a large accession had been made to the territory of Ontario. Not only was an immense quantity of land obtained, but a vast amount of undeveloped mineral wealth was secured to the Province. He referred to the capabilities of the territory lately acquired, and said in no part of the fertile West could better crops of cereals be grown than in some portions of the new districts. He urged upon the Government the necessity of constructing a road from Parry Sound to the village of Killarney on the north shore of Lake Huron. Such a road would afford means of egress and ingress into Algoma during all seasons of the year, and do away with the state of things that necessitated the hon. member for that district travelling a great part of the way from his constituency to Toronto upon foot.

The Bill was read a second time.

JUSTICE IN THE NORTH-WEST.

Mr. MOWAT moved the second reading of the Bill to provide for the Administration of Justice in the northerly and westerly parts of the Province. Carried.

It being six o'clock the Speaker left the chair.

The remainder of this report is unavoidably held over.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Paxton—On Wednesday next—Order of the House for a return showing (1) all cases in the County Courts which stand for judgment in the various County Courts of the Province; (2) all cases in the County Courts which have been partially heard and stand adjourned for further evidence or argument; (3) all cases in the County Courts which have been argued and been adjourned for judgment in the year 1878.

Mr. Clarke (Norfolk)—On Wednesday next—Enquiry of Ministry—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill this session respecting the public health; and further, in view of the prevalence of epidemics of various kinds, of the fearful advances northward made last year by the yellow fever, which even the severity of the winter has failed to eradicate; and also, in view of the pestilences of the black plague now spreading in Western Asia, Eastern Europe, and South America, if it is the intention of the Government to establish a Central Board of Health clothed with power to enact by-laws relating to Provincial protection and safety in these respects.

Mr. Striker—On Wednesday next—Address to the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause to be laid before the House all correspondence between the Provincial and Dominion Governments respecting legislation in confirmation of the award of the arbitrators settling the northerly and westerly boundaries of the Province.

Mr. Bishop—On Wednesday next—Order of the House for a return showing the expenditure in the various Departments and offices of the Government for expenses and contingencies for the years 1871 and 1878.

Mr. Parkhill—On Thursday next—Enquiry of Ministry if it is the intention of the Government during the present year to appoint any additional magistrates for the South Riding of Simcoe, and if so, in what municipality.

Mr. Meredith—On Wednesday next—Order of the House for a return of copies of all correspondence between the Government or any of the Departments, or any officer thereof, with Mr. Grace, formerly a License Commissioner for the South Riding of Brant, relating to the working of the Temperance Act of 1874 in that riding, or his position as a License Commissioner, and his resignation thereof.

Mr. Meredith—On Wednesday next—Order of the House for a return showing all sums paid (giving dates) for the employment of detectives in the county of Brant under the provisions of the License Acts in the past three years.

Mr. Meredith—On Wednesday next—Enquiry of Ministry (1) whether any legal proceedings have been taken against the Corporation of the township of Yonge for the recovery of any portion of the costs of enforcing the Temperance Act in that municipality.

(2) Whether it is intended to prosecute the proceedings, if any, which have been taken against the said Corporation, or whether the same have been, or are intended to be, abandoned.

Mr. Paxton—On Wednesday next—Order of the House for a return showing the amount of costs taxed in the Courts of Chancery during the years 1877 and 1878, distinguishing the costs in each case.

Mr. McMahon—On Thursday next—Order of the House for a return showing, as far as can be ascertained, the amount received for building purposes by the several hospitals and charitable institutions of the Province, either from the Government of Ontario or from local sources.

Mr. McMahon—On Thursday next—Enquiry of Ministry whether it is the intention of the Govern-

ment to place any sum in the Supplementary Estimates to aid in repairs or erection of any of the hospitals or charitable institutions of the Province.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

TUESDAY, March 4.

This Committee met this morning. Present—Messrs. Clarke (Wellington), in the chair, Deacon, Ferris, Gibson, Harcourt, Meredith, Ross, Striker, Williams, Wells, and Wood. The Chairman presented a final report to be presented to the Legislature, which was adopted.

The Committee adjourned at 10:30.