the message. The resolution was then reported from the Committee of Ways and Means.

NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.

Mr. CREIGHTON'S resolution for papers relating to the contract for the new Parliament Buildings, was called.

Hon. Mr. FRASER said that the papers covered by this resolution were already brought "

down, and suggested that the resolution

rashould be allowed to drop. Mr. CREIGHTON said the returns had been] ordered to be printed, and he thought it would

be well to keep the notice on the Order paper until he could see whether all the points were covered in the returns before the House. Hon. Mr. FRASER said the hon. gentle-

man had his assurance, and the word of a - Minister of the Crown ought surely to be _ worth something in such a case. There was nl no use in printing this over and over again.) ne The return might not be printed for two weeks 5

Mr. CREIGHTON said he could see no? harm in allowing it to stand until he could examine the returns.

Hon. Mr. FRASER-But that is mere

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child's play. Mr. CREIGHTON-I don't know that it is. Hon. Mr. HARDY-You don't know that it isn't.

The resolution was allowed to stand. STANDARD LOGS CUT.

Mr. WOOD (Hastings) rose to move his resolution for a return of standard logs cut by mill owners, but at the request of the Attorney-General, who stated that the Commissioner of Crown Lands was absent through illness, the resolution was allowed to stand.

The House adjourned at 3:50 o'clock.

The Standing Committees of the House met

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and elected their chairmen as follows :--Privileges and Elections, Mr. Harcourt.

Railways, Hon. Mr. Pardec. Municipal Law, Hon. Mr. Ross (Huron).

Printing, Mr. Balfour.

Public Accounts, Hon. Mr. Clarke. Standing Orders, Mr. Widdifield.

Private Bills, Mr. Gibson (Hamilton). In the Private Bills Committee a resolution

was carried to extend the time for receiving petitions for private bills to Friday next and the time for receiving private bills to Friday, 18th inst. NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Clarke (Wellington)-On Thursday next-Inquiry of the Ministry whether it is

the intention of the Government to submit or support, during the present session, any scheme having for its object the creation of a new county or counties. Mr. Harcourt-On Thursday next-Bill to amend the Consolidated Municipal Act 1883.

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