

tived by a vote of 126 to 34. Mr. Colby moved his amendment, to which Mr. Dorion moved an amendment that "the House regrets His Excellency had not been advised to negative the School Law," which was lost by a vote of 117 to 33. Mr. Mackenzie moved an addition to Mr. Colby's amendment, that it was expedient to obtain the opinions of the Law Officers of the Crown in England, and if possible, the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, as to the legality of the New Brunswick School Law, which was agreed to and the main motion, as amended, was carried.

May 31st.—SENATE—An Address was carried, praying that an enquiry should be made, under the direction of the Minister of Justice, into the passing of the insolvent law, in order to embody necessary amendments. A bill was introduced respecting copyrights.

COMMONS—The House in Committee on Pacific Railway Bill. Sir George Cartier said the clause as to frontage had been amended, that none of the blocks should be less than six, or more than 12 miles frontage. Hon. Mr. Blake moved an amendment that "such Railway shall extend from some point on or near Lake Nipissing, on the south shore thereof," which was negatived, by a vote of 91 to 51. Hon. Mr. Dorion moved an amendment that the eastern terminus should be west of the Ottawa River, at the point affording shortest practicable route, which was lost by a vote of 125 to 15. Two amendments were moved by Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, which were negatived, as was also one by Hon. Mr. Wood, and the bill was ordered for a third reading.

June 1st.—COMMONS—Sir John Macdonald introduced a Bill to re-adjust the representation in House of Commons. The Pacific Railway Bill was read a third time and passed. Resolutions to amend and extend the schedule of the Act 31, Vic., cap. 33, and to make provision for the salaries of Judges, &c., were passed, and a Bill introduced.

June 3rd.—SENATE—Several Bills were read a third time and passed, and some reports adopted.

COMMONS—Some discussion arose as to the lawless state of the port of Quebec. Sir John Macdonald said the Minister of Marine would ask for an increase of the Water Police, with greater facilities for the performance of their duty. Members from all sides united in paying a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Hon. J. S. Macdonald. The Dual Representation Bill was carried after some discussion, and the House adjourned.

June 4th.—SENATE—Second reading of Bill to amend Copyright Law. Some discussion arose as to the power of the Dominion Parliament, but the second reading was carried.

COMMONS—House in Committee of Supply. Items for Arts, Agriculture and Statistics, Immigration and Quarantine, Marine Hospitals, Pensions, and Intercolonial Railway passed. Hon. Mr. Pope explained at some length the steps taken to promote Immigration. Hon. Mr. Langevin introduced resolutions relating to the improvement and enlargement of the Dominion Canals, and the construction of the Bay Verte Canal. After some discussion, the resolutions were reported and read a second time.

June 5th.—SENATE—Several Bills were read a third time and passed. The Copyright Bill was amended so as to make the excise duty not to exceed 12½ per cent, on whole-

sale value, and the Bill passed. Some Bills were read a second time, and the House adjourned.

COMMONS—A Bill for the introduction of the Ballot was negatived by a vote of 104 to 43. A Bill to provide for the appointment of Returning Officers of general elections, after some discussion, was negatived by a vote of 95 to 52. Mr. Cameron's Bill relating to Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, was read a third time, and passed. Several Resolutions from the Committee of Supply were adopted, and items passed for various Public Works and Buildings, and for Red River Road.

June 6th.—COMMONS—The question of the appointment of Mr. Justice Johnston to the Recordership of Manitoba while still retaining his Judgeship was brought up by Mr. Holton, who moved that it was calculated to impair the independence of the Judiciary. After a long discussion, the motion was negatived by a division of 89 to 58. The House went into Committee of Supply, when the Militia Estimates were taken up and a number of items passed.

7th June.—SENATE—Several Bills were read a third time and passed. Senator Wark moved a resolution urging the importance of the agricultural interests, and some Bills were read a second time.

COMMONS—Third reading of Patent Act. Two Amendments by Hon. Mr. Chauveau negatived and Bill passed. Second reading of Bill to re-adjust the representation, House in Committee on improvement of the channel between Montreal and Quebec. Resolution adopted. The House went into Committee of Supply and passed the items for Lighthouses and Coast Service, Fisheries, Culling Timber, Indians, and a number of miscellaneous items.

June 8th.—COMMONS—Second reading of amendments to Representation Bill. Mr. Mackenzie complained that the principle of representation by population had not been observed in the Bill. Mr. Mackenzie moved an amendment to re-adjust the representation of Ontario, which was negatived by a vote of 97 to 47, as were a number of other amendments, and the Bill as amended was read a second time.

June 10.—COMMONS—Third reading of Representation Bill. Mr. Workman moved an amendment respecting the Electoral Divisions of the City of Montreal which was negatived, and the Bill was passed. The House then went into Committee of Supply.

June 11th.—COMMONS—On motion of Dr. Tupper certain measures relating to Light Houses, Navigation, &c., were extended to British Columbia. On motion of Sir John A. Macdonald, a special committee was appointed to draw up an address to Lord Lytton on leaving the country. The address was reported, read and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence. The House went into Committee on the tea and coffee duties and a Bill was introduced enabling the Governor in Council to impose on these articles imported from the United States, the same duty as was imposed by the United States. The items of supply for Intercolonial Railway and Public Works were passed, as was also that for Arbitration and Awards. Some discussion arose on the enlargement of the Carillon and Chute canals, and Mr. Shanly complained the amount voted for the improvement of Ottawa navigation was too small. A large number of Bills were passed the third time.