

ing judicial separation to Eliza Maria Campbell from her husband on the ground of cruelty and refusing him a divorce as his case was not proven, ordering him to make suitable provision for her and her children. To the Supreme Court Bill several amendments were offered, which were negative and the Bill passed.

COMMONS—Supplementary Estimates Mr. Burpee, of Sunbury, drew the attention of the House to the absence of any item for the Bate Verte Canal. He went over the history of this project, and contended the good faith of the Government was pledged to the work. At the Premier's request the subject was postponed. Discussion took place on several items of the Supplementary Estimates, but they were all passed without division.

10th—**SENATE**—On the question of agreement in amendment to Quebec Harbour Commissioners Bill by Commons, the three months' hoist was moved by Hon. Mr. Macpherson, which was negatived by a vote of 47 to 8 and the amendment carried. Several amendments were made to the Scottish Canadian Loan Co's. Act. After a good deal of discussion and two or three divisions the Bill as amended was sent to the Commons. The St. Lawrence Bank Act and the Union Assurance Cos. Act, also received a large number of amendments. Nine amendments were made to the London & Ontario Investment Cos. Act, and another defeated on division. The House went into Committee on Insolvent Act, and passed it with one amendment. To the Indian Act six amendments were made, and the Bill passed as amended. The Campbell Divorce case was postponed until next session. To the Bill to incorporate National Exchange Co., 25 amendments were made, and to that incorporating the Investment Co., 25 also, and 30 to the National Trust & Investment Co. Bill.

COMMONS—Mr. Mackenzie moved House into Committee of the Whole on a resolution authorizing the Government to lend iron rails to companies constructing railways. Mr. Bowell moved in amendment that the rails be sold to the highest bidder, which was rejected on a division of 87 to 87. Bate Verte Canal question resumed, but after a little discussion, the matter dropped. House went into Committee of Supply and passed a large number of

items. On that of \$50,000 for the Montreal Examining Warehouse, Mr. Desjardins stated that injustice had been done in giving out the contract, it having been taken from the lowest bidder and given to political friends of the Ministry. Mr. Ross (Middlesex) moved for correspondence respecting the Liquor Traffic, with a view to the question of jurisdiction regarding a Prohibitory Law being settled. Mr. Orton called attention to the action of the Agricultural Committee. An immense amount of testimony had been given from Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia, from Presidents of Agricultural Societies, leading members of granges, leading millers, reeves of township councils, and large meetings of farmers. The Printing Committee had refused to publish the evidence, and Mr. Orton proceeded to read a digest of it. A large majority of the persons applied to in Ontario and Quebec favoured protection. From Nova Scotia only two answers to the questions were received, which were both adverse to protection. Hon. Mr. Mackenzie asked for authority to contract for two portions of the Pacific Railway from Fort William west to Lac de Mille Lacs, and from Rat Portage to Cross Lake.

11th—**SENATE**—The Supreme Court reported as their decision that the Act incorporating the Christian Brothers was one of a class belonging to Provincial Legislatures. Several Bills were passed and a very large number of committee reports received and read.

COMMONS—The Supply and Amended Bills from the Senate read first time.

12th—**SENATE**—A large number of amendments were made to the Atlantic and Pacific Fire and Marine Ins. Co. and the Maritime Savings and Loan Society's Bills, and to that incorporating British Can. Loan and Investment Co. and they were sent to the Commons for concurrence. His Excellency the Governor General came down to the House, and assented to 75 Bills and prorogued Parliament until the 22nd May. In the Commons the only business of importance was respecting the Hansard. On the motion of Hon. Mr. Cauchon for the adoption of the report of the Committee, Hon. Mr. Holton objected, as notice had not been given, and the point of Order was sustained.