

Time appointed for receiving the Address.

The Honorable Mr. Secretary *Leslie* reported, that he had, according to Order, waited on His Excellency the Governor General to know what time His Excellency would be pleased to appoint, to be attended with the Address of this House, and that His Excellency had appointed to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon at the Government House in this City.

Adjourned.

The Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

FRIDAY.

Friday, 23rd May, 1851.

The Members convened were :

The Honorable *Réne E. Caron*, Speaker :

The Honorable Messieurs

Jameson,
De Blaquière,
Fraser,
Widmer,
Irving,
J. Morris,

The Honorable Messieurs

Boulton,
Taché,
Leslie,
Bourret,
Ross,
Mills.

PRAYERS.

Return of Bonds and Securities presented.

The Honorable Mr. Secretary *Leslie*, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, presented to the House a return of all the Bonds and other Securities which have been recorded in the office of the Provincial Registrar, between the 11th May, 1850, and the 20th May, 1851.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

Petitions presented

The Honorable Mr. *Taché* presented a Petition from the *Shefford* Academy, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Bourret* presented a Petition from *Louis Archambault* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Roch*, in the County of *Leinster*; also, a Petition from *Julien Brossois* and others, of the Parish of *St. Clément de Beauharnois*, in the County of

Beauharnois; respectively praying that the rights of Seigniors may be defined and the Seigniorial Tenure abolished;

Also, a Petition from the Mayor and Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipality of the County of *Terrebonne*; praying that the Village of *Terrebonne* may be substituted for that of *Sainte Thérèse* as the place of meeting of the Council of the Municipality of *Terrebonne*;

Also, a Petition from *J. O. Alfred Turgeon* and others, of the County of *Terrebonne*; praying for aid to *Masson* College in that County;

Also, a Petition from *L. G. Brown* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the sittings of the Circuit Court in the *Beauharnois* Circuit may be held in the Parish of *Saint Clément* as formerly, instead of *Sainte Martine*;

And also, a Petition from the Corporation of the College of *L'Assomption*; praying for an addition to the annual grant to enable them to procure a Library and Museum.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Irving* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *York*; praying for further amendments to the Municipal Act.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After sometime the House was resumed.

The House adjourns during pleasure. Same resumes.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library.

Report of the Librarian presented.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Appendix No. 1.*)

The Honorable the Speaker reported that the House did this day wait on His Excellency the Governor General with their Address, in answer to His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following most gracious reply :—

His Excellency's Reply to the Address in answer to Speech reported.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council ;

I thank you very sincerely for this Address, and I rely with confidence on your support and