

composed of Mr. *Mackenzie* (North Oxford), the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Cockburn*, Mr. *Scatcherd*, Mr. *Willson*, Mr. *Powell*, Mr. *Chambers*, and Mr. *Smith* (Toronto West), to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act, intituled, "An Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads and other works "in *Upper Canada*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to amend and extend the provisions of chapter 49 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, and chapter 54, 23rd *Vic*, respecting Joint Stock Companies.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law relating to Patents of Inventions, being read;

Mr. *Chambers* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wood*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Friday last, proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of *Canada*, *Novu Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, *Newfoundland* and *Prince Edward Island* in one Government, with provisions based on certain Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of *Quebec*, on the 10th October, 1864.

[Which Resolutions appear in full on the Journals of Friday last, the 3rd instant.]

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being again proposed;

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of chapter four of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, called upon Mr. *Street*, Member for the County of *Welland*, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Mr. *Street* accordingly took the Chair of the House.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And a further Debate arising thereupon.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned until Thursday next, and be then the First Order of the Day; to be taken up at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,

The House adjourned.

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Friday, 10th February, 1865.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of *A. Allan* and others, of *St. Eustache*; and the Petition of *R. Marshall* and others, of the County of *Laval*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Laframboise*,—The Petition of *J. L. Beaudry* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *DeNiverville*,—The Petition of *E. Normand* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*.