

man, *Papineau, Polette, Robinson, Seymour, Sherwood* of TORONTO, *Smith* of DURHAM, *Smith* of FRONTENAC, *Smith* of WENTWORTH, *Stevenson, Taché, Thompson,* and *Viger*.—(46.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Public Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *David Thompson*, Esquire, Stockholder and Director of the *Gore Bank*, on behalf thereof, praying to be heard by Counsel at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed for the issuing of Debentures by the Government, and also, the several other Petitions on the same subject, be referred to the Committee of the whole House on that part of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, at the opening of the present Session, which relates to giving the Government such powers as may be necessary for the reorganization of the Provincial Debt, the creation of an efficient Sinking Fund, and the alienation of works of a purely local character; and also, to certain matters connected with the said Public Debt, and the keeping of the Public Accounts.

Petition of the Bishop of Carthage;

Of *L. Z. Nolin* and others, referred.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Kingston* and *Curé de L'Assomption*, and others of the County of *Leinster*; and the Petition of *L. Z. Nolin* and others, of the Village and Parish of *L'Assomption*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Road and Bridge Bills.

Sixteenth Report of Committee on Standing Orders.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Sixteenth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *George D. Watson*, and find that it is not of a nature to require notice.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cayley*, seconded by Mr. *Dumas*,

Public Debt.

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the Petitions of the President, Directors and Company of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District; of The City Bank; of *David Thompson*, Esquire, Stockholder and Director of the *Gore Bank*, on behalf thereof; and of *Joseph Wenham*, Esquire, Manager of the Bank of *Upper Canada*, at *Montreal*, to be heard by Counsel at the bar of the House, against certain Resolutions to be proposed for the issuing of Debentures by the Government, and also, of the several other Petitions on the same subject, be granted; and that the Clerk of this House do inform the several Petitioners that Counsel will be heard on their behalf, on Thursday next.

Petition of *C. Cazeau* and others.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Charles Cazeau* and others, Cullers, of the District of *Quebec*, and other references, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Hungerford Side Lines Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Flint* have leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend certain side lines of the Township of *Hungerford*, in the *Victoria* District.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Testatum Writs (U.C.) Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the provisions of the Act of this Province, intituled, "An Act to allow the issuing of *Testatum Writs*

"of *Capias ad respondendum* in the several Districts of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Méthot* have leave to bring in a Bill to encourage Ship-building in *Lower Canada*, by affording better security to persons advancing money, or furnishing work or materials for the construction of Ships.

Ship-building Encouragement Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Lemieux*,

*Ordered*, That the Entries in the Journal of this House, of the 10th, 13th, 15th, and 16th March, 1848, relating to the Petition against the sitting Member for the County of *Bonaventure*, be now read.

Bonaventure Election.

And the same were read accordingly.

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee of five Members be appointed, to enquire as to whether the Seals of the Justice of the Peace and of the Judge, affixed to the Certificates attached to the Petition in the matter of the Petition against the Return of the sitting Member for the County of *Bonaventure*, were affixed to the said Certificates before or since the Petition was presented to this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Méthot*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Christie*, and Mr. *Gugy*, do compose the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Notman*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*,

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of regulating the Fees allowed to Magistrates in *Upper Canada*.

Magistrates Fees (U.C.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Gugy* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Gugy* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

Mr. *Smith*, of *Frontenac*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, and the Question being put, That the Return to the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th ultimo, for a copy of all correspondence connected with the dismissal of *William Ireland*, Esquire, from his situation on the *Kingston* and *Napanee* Macadamized Road, or connected with the abolition of the said situation, and laid before this House on the 27th ultimo, be referred to a Special Committee of five Members to be named by the House, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records;

William Ireland.

The House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz:—