

MONDAY, 23d December, 1839.

The House met.

The minutes of Saturday were read.

The following petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table :—

*Petitions brought up:*

By Mr. Kearnes, the petition of Charles A. Low, and four hundred others, of the district of Ottawa ; and the petition of Angus McGillivray, and two hundred and twenty others, of the Eastern and Ottawa Districts.

Of Chas. A. Low and 400 others.  
Of A. McGillivray and 220 others.

And by Mr. Burwell, the petition of Joseph B. Clench, Chairman of the Quarter Sessions of the district of London ; and the petition of George P. Ryerse and John Harris, and ninety others, of the district of London.

Of J. B. Clench.  
Of G. P. Ryerse and J. Harris and 90 others

Pursuant to the order of the day, the fish inspection bill was read the third time and passed.

Fish inspection bill passed.

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Hunter, moves that the bill be entitled, "An Act to regulate the Inspection of Fish, and to prevent non-residents from fishing within the waters of this Province."

Title.

Which was carried and Messrs. Morris and Hunter were ordered by the Speaker to carry the bill up to the Honourable the Legislative Council, and to request their concurrence thereto.

Bill sent to Leg. Council

Pursuant to the order of the day, the following petitions were read:—

*Petitions read:*

Of John Lynch, Clerk of the Court of Requests, Division No. 4, in the Home District, praying for an increase in the emoluments of clerks of the said court.

Of Jno. Lynch.

Of William Coulson, J. P., and ninety-three others, of the township of Percy, in the district of Newcastle, praying for certain alterations in the law of treason.

Of W. Coulson, J. P. and 93 others.

Of Thomas Carr and ninety-one others, of the township of Otonabee, in the district of Newcastle, praying for aid to rebuild a bridge at the village of Keene, in said township.

Thos. Carr and others.

Of Sheldon Hawley, J. P., and ninety-eight others, praying for certain alterations in the law of treason.

Of S. Hawley, J. P. and others.

Of Thomas A. Steward, J. P., and ninety two others, praying the same.

Of T. A. Stewart, J. P. and others.

Of W. R. F. Burford, J. P., and sixty-six others, praying the same.

Of W. R. F. Berford and others.

Of Ebenezer Perry and thirty others, stockholders in the Cobourg Railway company, praying for the passing of an act to continue and amend the charter of the company.

Of Ebenezer Perry and others.

Of the Honorable J. Elmsley and eight others, shareholders of the Farmer's Joint Stock Banking Company, praying for a charter for that institution.

Of Hon. J. Elmsley and others.

And of the mayor, aldermen, and comonalty of the city of Toronto, praying that the act passed at the first session of the present Parliameut, to amend the act of incorporation, may be made perpetual.

Mayor, &c. city of Toronto.

On motion of Mr. Sherwood, seconded by Mr. Cartwright.

*Ordered*—That the petition of Michael Keating be referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Lewis, Powell, and Thorburn.

*Petitions referred:*  
Of M. Keating to select committee.

On motion of Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Detlor.

*Ordered*—That the petition of John Lynch be referred to a select committee with power to report by bill or otherwise, and that Messrs. Gamble and Morris do compose the same.

Of J. Lynch to sel. com.

On Motion of Mr. Sherwood, seconded by Mr. Cartwright.

*Ordered*—That the petition of the Honourable John Elmsley and others be referred to the select committee on Banking.

Of Hon. J. Elmsley and others to committee on banking.