

have prepared a Resolution on which to frame an Address to His Excellency, the Governor General.

Your Committee likewise recommend that the Commissioner should be relieved from his duties, for the reasons set forth by him in his report to His Excellency, the Governor General ; and that the Dredging Machine be put under the charge of the President of the Board of Works, at once, with all its boats, scows and appurtenances ; also that the said President of the Board of Works be furnished with copies of contracts, accounts, vouchers, rules and regulations, and any and all the documents therewith connected, by the present Commissioner.

Your Committee, after a careful and attentive perusal of all the accounts and arrangements, herewith and heretofore made by the Commissioner, for the guidance and management of his trust, find the same to be extremely minute and satisfactory, and in justice to him, do not hesitate to say, that he has discharged his onerous duty with fidelity, and with credit to himself, and, in so far as circumstances would possibly warrant, with advantage to the Public.

In conclusion, Your Committee beg to remark that there appears to have been expended in the purchase of the Dredge, the sum of £3,400, exclusive of the sum of £446 4s. 2d., alluded to in the former part of this Report."

Report referred to Committee of whole, on Friday.

*Ordered*—That the said Report be referred to a Committee of the whole House on *Friday* next.

Committee on Resolutions on Feudal Tenure present report, with Bill.

Mr. *Dunscomb*, from the select Committee to which were referred the Resolutions of this House of the 28th. of *July* last, relative to the Laws of that part of the Province heretofore known as *Lower Canada*, touching the tenure of Lands, and commonly known as "*Feudal Tenure*" with power to report by Bill or otherwise, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth :

Report.

" Your Committee, after a careful consideration of the Resolutions referred to them, are of opinion that the means of inquiring into the laws and practices of the Feudal Tenure, with a view to its gradual extinction, would be by the appointment of a Commission for that purpose ; they have therefore prepared a Resolution, on which to found an Address to His Excellency, the Governor General, which, together with the draft of a Bill to authorize a voluntary commutation of lands held under that tenure, they beg leave to recommend to the consideration of Your Honourable House."

Seignorial Tenure commutation Bill brought in.

Mr. *Dunscomb* then presented to the House a Bill to provide for the voluntary commutation of the Seignorial Tenures in the Seignories of *Lower Canada*, which was received, and read for the first time.

*Ordered*—That the said Bill be read a second time on *Friday* next.

Report referred to Committee of whole, Monday.

*Ordered*—That the said Report be referred to a Committee of the whole House on *Monday* next.

250 copies to be printed in English and do. in French.

*Ordered*—That 250 Copies of the said Report be printed in each of the *English* and *French* Languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

Undisposed of Orders of yesterday postponed to morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Moffatt*, seconded by Mr. *Baldwin*, *Ordered*—That the Orders of the day of yesterday, that were not disposed of, be postponed until to-morrow, and that they be then the first orders of the day.

Mr. Buchanan added to Committee on petition of J. S. Baldwin.

*Ordered*—That Mr. *Buchanan* be added to the select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *J. S. Baldwin*, and others, citizens of *Toronto*.