

Middlesex
Election.

matter, and that nothing would give me greater concern and regret, than to be considered disobedient to the lawful commands of this Honourable House, or disrespectful of its high powers and privileges.

Ordered, That *George S. Tiffany*, Esquire, be directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Tiffany* then withdrew.

Resolved, That the said *George S. Tiffany*, Esquire, has satisfactorily answered the neglect charged against him as one of the Commissioners, for taking evidence on the trial of the Contested Election for the County of *Middlesex*.

Ordered, That the Order of this House of yesterday, "That *William H. Horton*, of the Town of "London, Esquire; *George S. Tiffany*, of the "Town of *Hamilton*, Esquire; and *Thomas D. Warren*, of the Village of *St. Thomas*, Esquire, "Commissioners appointed to take evidence in "the matter of the Contested Election for the "County of *Middlesex*; having been guilty of "neglect in not returning the Commission issued "by the Order of the House, be summoned to "appear at the Bar of this House, and that they "bear the expense of the Summons;" be discharged, in so far as it relates to the said *George S. Tiffany*, Esquire.

On motion of Mr. *Tuché*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Aylwin*,

Address:
Administration
of Justice.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government; praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House, a statement for the years 1841, 1842, 1843, 1844, and 1845, of the amount of expenses incurred for the support of the Administration of Justice in this Province,—specifying how much thereof is defrayed out of the Provincial Treasury, and the portion borne by the Districts or other Localities.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honourable the Executive Council of this Province.

Members
of Legislative
Council to at-
tend Select
Committees.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honourable the Legislative Council, praying their Honours will permit the Honourable *Thomas McKay*, one of their Members, to attend the Select Committee of this House, to which is referred the Petition of *Hamnett Pinhey*, Esquire, Warden of the Municipal District of *Dalhousie*, on Friday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said Reference.

Ordered, That Mr. *Stewart* of *Bytown*, do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honourable the Legislative Council, praying their Honours will permit the Honourables *John Neilson* and *Louis Massue*, two of their Members, to attend the Select Committee of this House, to which is referred the Petition of *Jean Baptiste Pagé* and others, inhabitants of the Parish of *l'Ancienne Lorette*, and other references, on Monday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to be examined on the subject of the said references.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

On motion of Mr. *Merritt*, seconded by Mr. *Cummings*,

Address for
Statement of

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Go-

vernment, praying that he will be pleased to cause the Inspector General to lay before this House, a Statement of the amount expended on the different cuts or portions of the *St. Lawrence Canals*; at what time the *Cornwall* and *Beauharnois Canals* were opened; the number of people employed; the amount of salaries or wages paid; and the expenses incurred on each since opened, with the amount of tolls received on up and down freight during the same period. Also,—To direct the Board of Works to report to this House whether it is their intention to finish this Canal, so as to admit the free passage of vessels from the upper lakes to tide-water and back, without transshipment; and whether it is their intention to furnish a continuous towing-path, or steam-power, to admit the free passage of each vessel between *Prescott* and *Montreal*; and if not, to report in what manner vessels are to be supplied with the means of returning, where a towing-path is not provided.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, by such Members of this House as are of the Honourable the Executive Council of this Province.

Resolved, that the copies of the Despatches from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, respectively dated the 25th April, 1845, and the 3d February, 1846, with their enclosures, relating to the Provincial Customs Act, passed during the last Session, and transmitted to this House by Message from His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, on the 26th ultimo, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Watts*, the Honourable Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Brooks*, the Honourable Mr. *Cayley*, Mr. *Lantier*, the Honourable Mr. *Morin*, and Mr. *DeWitt*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith* of *Frontenac*, That an Order do issue from this House, directed to *Wm. H. Horton*, *Thomas D. Warren*, and *George S. Tiffany*, Esquires, Commissioners appointed to take evidence in the Contested Election for the County of *Middlesex*, commanding them forthwith to return to this House, the Commission and all the evidence taken by the said Commissioners in connexion with the said Election for the said County, as well as any documents pertaining thereto, which may have been produced before them; and that the Speaker's summons for their attendance be dispensed with for the present.

The question having been put upon the said motion, a division ensued, and it passed in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *Macdonell* of *Dundas*, seconded by Mr. *Macdonell* of *Stormont*,

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House for the consideration of certain Resolutions to extend the right of Trial by Jury, in certain cases, in *Upper Canada*.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sherwood* of *Brockville*, took the Chair of the Committee,

And after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. *Sherwood* of *Brockville*, reported that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Expenses,
Public Works.

Provincial
Customs Act.

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Trial by Jury.