

By the Honorable Mr. *Tessier*;—of *Henry Fry*,—President of the *Quebec* Board of Trade, and other Merchants, Traders, and others, doing business in the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Leonard* ; of the *London* Board of Trade.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :—

Of the Municipal Council of the village of *Petrolea* ; praying for the removal of the Excise Duty on refined Petroleum Oil.

The Honorable Mr. *Aikins* presented to the House, a return to an address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 14th June, 1869, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a detailed statement of the expense incurred in keeping up Parliament and Departmental Buildings at *Ottawa*, from the 30th day of June, 1868, to the present date, including the salaries of the Superintendent, employees, and watchmen in charge of the same, specifying in detail the total amount expended in fitting up, making alterations, grading grounds, lighting, heating, ventilating, furnishing, and all other expenses incurred on the said Public Buildings, or in the maintenance thereof.

*Ordered*, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Aikins* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 14th May, 1869, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to furnish to this House, a tabulated statement of actions entered in each of the several Vice-Admiralty Courts of the Dominion, since the 1st July, 1867, distinguishing the Provinces, giving the names of vessels arrested, the amounts recovered in each case, when final decree pronounced. The amount of costs taxed in each case, distinguishing those of Promovent from those of Respondent. The amount of Judges, Registrars, and Marshal's fees taxed in each case. The nature of the actions, viz. :—whether for Salvage, Collision, Wages, or how otherwise ; what Salaries the Judges receive, independent of fees, and out of what fund paid, with the dates of their respective commissions.

*Ordered*, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act respecting the Coasting Trade of *Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, it was

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the Second Reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of [sick and distressed "Mariners."

The Honorable Mr. *Mitchell* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*

That the said Bill be read a second time.

After debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and