I find in the monthly estimates, the extra-work returned at prices rated, not by those in the Schedule, but by Officers of the De partment, and although these latter were in partment, and although these latter were in some cases largely in advance of the Schedule rates, they were not submitted to, or accepted by the Contractors as final.

Under the circumstances, my course was, after examining very carefully into the cost kinds, cost of transport, waste preparation. ment so authorized, and reasonable.

The prices, so fixed refer solely to extra tional work, and in some of the principal items, correspond as near as may be with those previously returned by the Officers of the Department; in most cases they are about a mean, between the rates of such Officers and of the contractors.

The works were wholly stopped by an few hours notice, and although this was necessarily the consequence of the exhaustion of the appropriations, it was not provided for by the contract and it laid the Department open to serious claims by the contract tors: who were thereby also relieved from their bond to complete the remainder of the contract, for the bulk sum stated therein.

By the arrangement I made, I took care that the contractors were still bound to perform the whole of the contract work for the stipulated sum, and that they formally agreed to give up all claims to compensation for losses arising from the stoppage of the works, breaking up their establishments, and by having been prevented by preparing their materials during the winter; the period in which such work can be done at the Honorable Samuel Tilley, from New prices much more favorable than at any Brunswick, arrived in England.

I am convinced, that by this course very considerable saving has been effected project committed to their charge, and evento the Province, and that the re-letting of tually embodied their views in a memoran the works-besides the loss of another year dum communicated to me in a letter dated would be attended by a large additional cost, the 2nd December, 1861. But, owing to not exceed what might reasonably be calcu- threatening aspect of affairs in the United lated upon, on works of the magnitude and States, I was unable to bring the subject character of those in course of construction

and the voluminous documents I have fur urgent matters have hitherto prevented the and the voluminous documents I have furnational interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest have interest. In a consideration have interest have interest. orable the Commissioner in full possession of the state of the works, and all matters connected with them upon which he required to be informed. I am, Sir,

Your obt. servt., HAMILTON H. KILLALY.

## PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

PETITIONS. Col. Haultain and Messrs. Biggar, Hoop er, M. C. Cameron and Burwell, praying for the enactment of a prohibitory liquor

Hon. Mr. Mowat presented a petition from the Ministers of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, praying the Legislature not to interfere with endowments of the Toronto University.

Mr. Taschereru, petitions from certain parties in the County of Beauce, praying for the establishment of a Landed Credit Bank; and that no further subsidy be voted towards the crection of the Parliament Buildings at Ottawa.

Hon. Mr. Foley-From certain inhabitants of the County of Waterloo representment in establishing of two separate Registry offices in that county, against their will. Hon J. A. Macdonald-From the inhabitants of South Waterloo, praying the separation of that Riding for Registration pur poses. (Hear, hear, and laughter.) FIRST BEADINGS.

The following Bills were introduced,

By Mr. A. Dufresne-Bill entitled Act to authorize Moise M. Metivier to un dergo the examination required in order be admitted to the practice of medicine. By Mr. A Dufresne-Bill to legalize th election of the trustees for the erection the Catholic Church at St. Eugene. By Mr. Poupore-Bill entitled "An Ac

to incorporate the Industrial Academy of St. Laurent. By Hon. J. S. Macdonald-Bill entitled

"An Act to amend the existing law so as to permit of the union of the Grand Trunk, Great Western, and Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Companies."

By Mr. Buchanan-Bill to incorporate the Hamilton powder Company. By Mr. Morris (on behalf of Mr. Abbott) Merchants' Bank ; to define the powers of the County and District Savings Bank,

Montreal; to incorporate the Victoria By Mr. Huot-Bill to authorize the eseach of the electorial divisions of Quebec East and West, and to define the limits of present proposal, and on the kind of security the City Agricultural Society of Quebec. By Mr. Patrick-Bill to enable the

mon School purposes.

By Mr. Gaudet-Bill to annex part of

By Mr. Scatcherd-Bill to amend Chapper Canada.

and to establish and continue a survey of the Township of King in the same County privileges in the Corporation of the town of

By Hon. Mr. Cartier-Bill to alter the name of Office of the Inspectors and Superintendants of Police of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal.

bill for Lower Canada embodying the fol- to provide for the requisite mutual consul. Government Gardens, Quetec. lowing provisions:

Every trader shall keep the following Ist. A Day Book, in which he shall enter every transaction each day, and his per-

2nd. A Ledger in which he shall, at least once a month, place to their respective accounts the transactions recorded in the Day

A Cash Book, in which he shall enter, day by day, the amounts which he receives and pays out.
4th. A Book showing the notes and

ligations which he may give and receive.

Failure to keep such books shall be deemed a fraud.

Every insolvent shall prepare a correct statement of his affairs, and if he exhibits a deficit he shall unless he states the cause, be held to be fraudulent. The sale er bloc of his stock-in-trade, by a debtor who becomes insolvent within three months after, shall be deemed a fraud and as such null as regards the creditors.

Any insolvent whose personal expenses have been excessive, having due regard to his position, shall be deemed fraudulent.

that testrangers might be required to withdraw during its consideration by the his position, shall be deemed fraudulent.

The strangers were accordingly ordered

ing a complete surrender of effects be entitled to an absolute discharge. If he can of procuring materials of the respective not obtain it by mutual agreement, he may summon his creditors before a judge, who &c., &c. to fix prices which are, in my judg-upon satisfactory proof may declare suc

Any act of fraud in contravention of thi

DESPATCH.

ON THE SUBJECT OF THE INTER-COLONIAL BALLWAY 12th APRIL, 1862.

DOWNING STREET, 12 April, 1862. My LORD, -You are aware that I duly eceived your Despatch, No. 4, of the 31st October last, reporting, that at a meeting in the Council Chamber at Quebec, of members of the Councils of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, it was resolved that those three Governments should renew the offer made to the Imperial Government on the 26th October, 1858, to aid in the construction of an Inter-Colonial Railway between Halifax and Quebec, and that a Delegation from the Province should proceed to England with the view of promoting this object, You reported to me that the Honorable Philip Vankoukhnet was appointed to represent Canada, and not long afterwards this gentleman, associated with the Honora-

I had several interviews with these gentlemen, who urged, with great ability, the I am of opinion, that the expenditure will the urgency of business connected with the in separate municipalities. under the consideration of her Majesty Government before the Deputies were The foregoing with my previous report, obliged to return to their homes, and other ment, and I need scarcely assure you that the town of Port Hope, and for they have examined it with the care due to debentures therein mentioned. the importance of the question, to the high authorities from whom it has emanated in

> position of the Delegates by whom it has een so powerfully presented to notice in The length of Railway necessary to con plete the communication between Halifax and Quebec, is estimated at 350 miles, and the cost after deducting the right of way. which the Provinces will provide, is estimated at three millions (£3,000,000) sterling. Such being the data supplied by the deputation, the project is, that the Imperial Gover-nment should join the three Provinces in a guarantee of four per cent, upon three nillion pounds (3.000.006), in which case he Provinces are ready to pass Bills o supply for sixty thousand pounds (£60,000 year—twenty thousand pounds (£20,000 in each Province—if the Imperial Govern ment will do the same. The selection of the route is left solely to the British Govern

ment Should the sum of three millions (£3 definite is said on the essential point of the provision to be made for the completion of he Railway.

I much regret to inform you that, after riving the subject their best consideration. Her Majesty's Government have not felt of assistance. Anxious, however, to pronote as far as they can the important bject of completing the great line of Rail vay communication on British ground etween the Atlantic and the westermost parts of Canada, and to assist the Proving oes in a scheme which would so materially promote their in erests, Her Majesty's Gov. ernment are willing to offer to the Provin cial Governments an Imperial guarantee interest towards enabling them to raise by books, and original act incorporating the public loan, if they should desire it, at a Peterboro and Port Hope Railway Commoderate rate, the requisite funds for con- pany.

structing the Railway. This was the mode of action contemplate by Earl Grey in the year 1851, and is the same method which was adopted by Parlia ment in the Act of 1842, in order to afford cipalities to Canada the benefit of British credit i raising the money with which she has con -Bills to amend the Act incorporating the pleted her great system of internal water

communications. The nature and extent of the guarantee undertake to reccommend to Parliament, must be determined by the particulars of tablishment of an Agricultural Society in any scheme which the Provincial Govern ments may be disposed to found on the which they would offer.

I fear that this course will not be Council of the Township of Augusta to acceptable to the Provincial Governments as apply their share of the Municipal Fund to that which the Delegates were authorized to propose for consideration. It is, however, the only one in which Her Majesty's Gov law relating to prosecutions for the illicit ernment, after anxious deliberation, feel that they would be at liberty to participate I trust that the proposal will, at all events the Township of Actor to the Township of be received as a proof of their earnest wish to find some method in which they can co-operate with the Provinces in their laudter 66 of the Consolidated Statutes for Up able desire to complete a perfect Inter-Colo nial communication over British Territory. By Mr. Wilson-Bills to incorporate the And it will be a source of sincere pleasure bearings of the subject, and to the condition and to propound some practicable scheme for applying it to the attainment of the desired object.

I have addressed a similar despatch the New Brunswick, and I must now leave the room BANKRUPTCY BILL FOR LOWER subject in the hands of the several Provin-CANADA.

Cial Governments, who will best know, in Viger has introduced a bankruptcy case they prosecute the subject further, how claim of the heirs of Major Holland to the

I have &c. (Signed,) Newcastle.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. Quebec, May 5.

The Speaker took the chair at three Hon. J. Skead member-elect for Rideau

Division, was introduced and took the oath correspondence and papers moved for, relative to the Parliamentary Buildings at Ottawa.

The order of the day for the further consideration of the motion to refer the petition of John Davidson and others, of Quebec complaining of an undue election and return

for Stadacona Division, to the General Committee of Elections, having been called, Hon. Sir E. P. Tache said the petition was libellous in its character, and he desired that patrangers might be required withdraw during its consideration by

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker reported that recognizance tached to petitions against the sitting tembers for Berthier, Iberville Hochelsga Every insolvent who shall render a true settlement of his affairs, and who shall not have been gully of fraud, shall upon mak
Oxford, East Durham, West Elgin and South Leeds were unobjectionable.
The following Bills were introduced

By Mr. Crawford-Bill respecting the appointment of Commissioners for taking affidavits and affirmations in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to Act shall be deemed a misdemeanour and punishable by imprisonment.

By Mr. Huntington—To

Lower Canada Municipal Act. By Mr. Rose-To regulate the cond on which wives separated from their husbands may carry on business as traders in

ner Canada.' By Mr. Scott-To incorporate the Col-

ege of St. Ignatius; also, Bill to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph, Guelph; likewise. Bill to incorporate the Ladies of Loretto. Hon, Mr. Alleyn laid on the table return of correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian Governments relating to the defences of this Province.

On motion of Mr. White, the time for receiving petitions or Private Bills was ex-tended till the 16th inst; for receiving Private Bills, till the 23rd inst.; and for receiving reports on Private Bills, till the 8th On motion of Mr. Benjamin, the order

for referring the petitions, the recognizance to which the Speaker had to-day pronounced bjectionable was discharged. The following Bills were read a sec me, and referred to the Committees By Mr. Dorion-To erect the parish of

St. Pierre de Durham, county of Durham, By Mr. Rykert—To enable the ratepay ers of the county of Lincoln to select nore convenient place for the county town By Mr. Scott-To authorize the Court f Queen's Bench and Common Pleas and hancery to admit Hugh McMahon to

the town of Port Hope, and for the issue of By Mr. Simard-To amend the Ac incorporating the Sisters of Charity

the Provinces, and to the character and Quebec By Mr. Stirton-To confirm the of the Corporation of Arthur and Luther, under the act to enable county councils to raise money for assisting persons, in certain cases, to sow their land, and other pur

By Mr. Street-To confirm the origina survey of the 3rd and 4th concessions of the township of Crowland, in the county of Welland

By Mr. Chapais-To amend the charter f the College of St. Anne de la Pocatiere. By Mr. Daoust-To incorporate the Academy of Bonin.

By Mr. Laframboise-To legalize the operations of Mr. Blanchard, surveyor, with eference to the boundary lines, reports, and plans executed and prepared by him for the division and settlement of the imits of lots in the first range of the towndistrict of St. Hyacinthe.

of the debt owing by the municipality of the ounty of Hastings. By Mr. Wright-Te charge the Corporaon of the City of Toronto with the expense expense of taking care of, and supporting and maintaining certain prisoners in the com-

themselves at liberty to concur in this mode mon gaol of the United Counties of York and Peel. Also, to amend the Act to confirm certain side roads in the Township of Scarboro, and to provide for defining other road allowances and lines in the said town By Mr. D. A. Macdonald-To establish certain side lines in the township of Kenyon.

county of Glengary. By Col. Haultaine-For the relief of cer tain persons, alleged subscribers to the stock

By Hon, Mr. Rose-To amend the Act 22nd Vic., chap. 36 intituled, "An Act to divide the township of Hemmingford, county of Huntingdon, into two separate muni-

By Mr. Scatcherd-To legalize certain investments of the Clergy Reserve moneys by the Corporation of the township of Lobo By Mr. Huot-To erect that part of St Roch, of Quebec, situated on the north which Her Majesty's Government could shore of river St. Charles, into a separate municipality.

By Mr. Street-To farther amend the charter of the Bank of Upper Canada. In reply to Col. Haultaine.

Atty. Gen Cartier said that the three oostmasters lately dismissed in the North Riding of Northumberland, were discharged on account of their improper interference at last general election, against the heads of departments. On motion of Mr. Foley, an address was

voted to his Excellency for copies of all correspon lence, petitions and other documents relative to the removal of the postoffice from Kenkoro, in the county of Perth soon after last general election. Also, an address to his Excellency for copies of all correspondence relative to the establishment of a daily mail between Stratford and Millbrook, in the county of Perth. village of Aurora in the County of York; to me, if, adverting to all the different address to his Excellency, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House a list of their respective finances, the Provincial of postmasters who have been dismissed By Mr. Morrison-Bill to vest certain Governments should end by finding it in from office in Upper Canada since last their power to make use of the present offer, general election, with the reasons for their dismissal. Also, an address to his excellency for copies of all correspondence relative to the resignation of the late postmaster o Connestoga, in the county of Waterloo, and Lieutenant Governors of Nova Scotin and the appointment of any other person in his

A long discussion took place on a motion

The motion was carried Mr. Tett moved an address for corres pondence about bridges across the Rideau

Mr. Powell charged the Commissioner of Public Works with treating the municipalities in his section cavalierly. He refused to build bridges across the Rideau Canal or to allow others to build them. The reason probably was that he (Mr. Powell) did not think the Government exactly perfection.

THE RATE OF INTEREST. Mr. Bourassa moved the second reading the Bill for regulating the rate of interest Atty. Gen. Cartier offered no objection to the second reading. He confessed the

His experience was that the repetit of the from the town of Si SLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

caker took the chair at three capital into the country at a reduced rate of the late hands of trustees.

Hon. Mr. Cauchon argued stronly against the present law, and advocated the re-imposition of restrictions upon the rate of interest.

had been most advantageous. He moved that the bill be read this day three months, that the bill be read this day three months, but was afterwards on maded to allow all interest bills to go to the committee upon the understanding that the House would not be be considered as committed to the principle by allowing the second reading.

The discussion upon the bill was of considered as the learner of the

Messrs. Rose, Street, Mathew Cameron, Dunsford, Biggar, Stirton, and McDougall supported the present law, but consented to the second reading, upon the understanding arrived at by Mr. Notman. Messrs. And-Lower Canada.

By Mr. Crawford—To amend and explain
Act 24 Vic., chap., entitled "An Act relating to the Administration of Justice in Upas the maximum rate of intorest. During Mr. Foley remarked that he hoped the

practice of allowing bills to go to a second reading so readily would prevail with some other measures—Representation by Popula-Three Interest bills, those of Messrs.

Bourassa, Archambault and Langevin were then read a second time, and referred to a special Committee. Considerable discussion took place on the construction of the Com-Mr. Rose moved a amendment that the Committee be instricted to inquire into the working of the project rate of interest. The amendment was low by a vote of 39 yeas to 49 nays. The friends of the bill appeared tacking Mr. Mackenzie's motion, allumination of the committee. Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee. How Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plants of the committee.

opposed to the proposition as calculated to stave off legislation. The Committee adopted was composed as follows:—Messrs. Rose, Carling, Foley, Simard, Howland, Bourassa, Buchanan, Archambault, Morris, Langevin and Tas-

Mr. Dunkin's bill to amend the Lower Canadian Municipal Law regulating the sale of liquors, was read a second time and referred to a Special Committee. blue bo The House adjourned at a quarter past 12. defence.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Quebec, May 7. Hon. Mr. Cameron moved that a commit tee of seven persons be appointed by this House to search the journals of the late Proince of Upper Canada, for any particulars relative to the case of Marshall Bidwell, Speaker of the House of Assembly of that Province, and who left Upper Canada dur ing a season of great political excitement-

Carried. The following bills were read a 2nd time By Hon. Mr. Campbell—Kingston Or phan's Home incorporation bill. Town and Village areas limitation bill. Ontario Dic cesan Synod incorporation bill Hon. Mr. Morris introduced a bill to

amend the charter of the Welland Railway. The House then adjourned LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Quebec, May 7. The following bills were brought in to-day and read a first time :-By Mr. Alleyn-Bill to amend acts corporating the City of Quebec. By Mr. J. H. Cameron-To incorporate

ship of Acton, in the county of Bagot, and Lake Ontario Underwriters' Association; also a bill to amend the act incorporating the Provincial Life Assurance Company By Mr. Street-Bill to repeal that part of the law which authorizes the withholding a share of the Clergy Reserve moneys to muni-

> By Mr. Dorion-Bill to amend the act regulating Representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly.
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> By Mr. Desaulniers—Bill to amend the Consolidated Statutes of Lower Canada re-

cipalities in default to Municipal Loan Fund

lating to Agriculture. In reply to Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Sherwood said no leases of fisheries on Point Edward, Ordinance property in the county of Lamb In reply to Mr. Crawford, Mr. Galt said it was not the intention of the Government to recommend a renewal of the annual grants

to Mechanics' Institutes of Upper Canada Mr. Dorion moved an address to His Excellency to obtain a modification of the regulations respecting the cutting of timber on lands of the Crown.

CROWN LAND REGULATIONS Mr. Dorion's motion for an address to th Crown respecting the Crown Land regula-tions created considerable discussion. Messrs. Dorion Sicotte and McKellar strongly attacked the Government policy. Messrs Sherwood, Street, Cauchon, Ferguson and Dawson defended it. The disscussion was

dropped at six o'clock, After the recess— Mr. Bureau made the motion of which he had given notice respecting the appropriation The Speaker thought the motion not

order, but invited discussion on the point. Hon. J. S. Macdonald argued that res ponsible government placed the responsi bility of the initiation of money bills upon Ministers: therefore the motion was not in

Messrs. Sicotte and Loranger considered the motion in order, and quoted May and other English authorities in support of this

Messrs. Cartier and Dunkin contended that as the Union Act imposed the Imperial act to divide the township of Hemmingford restriction upon the Assembly, that no money could be appropriated without first being recommended by the Government, the Bill to extend the Courts of the Municimotion was not in order, and the precedents quoted were inapplicable.

Hon. Mr. Foley eplied, showing instances in the Canadian Parliament where no ex-

ceptions had been taken to similar motions Atty. Gen. Macdonald endeavoured to explain away the precedents cited by Mr.

Foley.
Mr. McDougall pointed out that the mo tion did not appropriate monies, but merely recommended the appropriation to the consideration of the Crown, He must hold that Parliament had a right to express an opinion on the proper objects for the expenditure of the public money. The Government were not themselves to enact about the restrictions imposed by the Union Act, as witness the manner in which they had increased the Provincial debt without the

consent of Parliament. Hon. Mr. Galt maintained that the ernment had restrained itself strictly within constitutional bounds. The Speaker decided that the motion was

The House adjourned at a quarter before LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Quebec, May 8.

Mr. McGee laid before the House the first report of the Committee on Emigration

the second reading. He confessed the actual working of the present law for which he had voted, had not answerd his anticipations.

Mr. John Hillyard Cameron thought the Government should not make an open question of this matter since it had become law, the construction of a tramway for the construction of a tramway.

Mr. Crawford having for several days

and complained that Mr. McDougall was interfering with a matter concerning his Mr. Crawford's) constituents.

Mr. McDougall was of opinion that Asylum was of Provincial interest. (Hear,

In reply to Mr. McDougall, Hoa. J. A. Macdonald said that the Goverument had purchased six acres of land in Hamilton from Sir Allan Macnab, for the purpose of erecting thereon a Deaf and Dumb Asylum, and that they had paid £5,000 for the same. (Whew | and ironical cheers.) It was not decided when the buildings would be proceeded with. (Laughter.)
THE OTTAWA BUILDINGS.

Mr. Mackenzie moved for the appointment of a select committee to inquire into the management of the works, and the excenditure of public moneys on and connected with the new Parliamentary and Departmental Buildings at the city of Ottawa, The hon, gentleman spoke in support of his motion and quoted figures showing the enormous prices which had been paid for extra work, in many cases double, in some four times and in others even seven times the amount due, according to the schedule of prices agreed upon. He desired only fair investigation into the monstrous fraud. He trusted Government would not oppose Mackenzie made a good speech, full of plain,

Hon. Mr. Cauchon replied, bitterly attacking Mr. Mackenzie's motion, alluding repeatedly to the fact that he had tendered unsuccessfully for the work. In defence of the conduct of the department Mr. Cauchon said the buildings at Westminister had cost three times the amount first estimated. Mr Killaly's estimates had not yet been accepted by the department. He contended that extra prices were contemplated for extra work. During his speech, he was several times refuted by extracts from his own blue book, and made altogether a poor

Mr. Rosc spoke a few moments in vindication of his own conduct when occupying the office of Chief Commissioner. After the recess the private bills were

The following bills were read a second By Mr. Notman-Bill to amend the respecting education.

By Mr. Foley—Bill to amend the assess ment laws of Upper Canada.

By Dr. Connor-Bill relating

gages in Upper Canada. Also Bill to mend the Common Law Procedure Act. By Mr. Rose-Bill to provide for the spection of wheat and other grains. Also sill to amend the Act in relation to Fire Insurance Companies not incorporated withn the Province.

SECOND READINGS. The following Bills were read a second ime and referred to Committees :-

Bill to erect the Parish of St. Pierre de Durham, in the County of Drummond, into separate municipality.-Mr. Dorion.

respectively .- Mr. Scott. Di" to I ralize By-law No. 128 of the own of Port Hope, and the issue of the Debentures therein mentioned. - Mr. Street Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Sisters of Charity of Quebec .- Mr. Simard Bill to confirm the action of the Corporaion of Arthur and Luther, under the Act o enable County Councils to raise money or assisting persons in certain cases to sov their land, and for other purposes .- Mr.

Stirton Bill to confirm the original survey of the 3rd and 4th concessions of the township of Crowland, in the County of Welland.—Mr.

Bill to amend the charter of the College f Ste. Anne de la Rocatiere.--Mr. Chapais Bill to incorporate the Academie Bonin -Mr. Daoust.

Bill to legalize the operations of Patrice Renault Blanchard, Esquire, Surveyor; with reference to the survey, boundary lines, reports and plans, executed and prepared by oim for the division and settlement of th limits of the lots in the first range of the ownship of Acton, in the County of Bagot and District of St. Hyacinthe .- Mr. Laramboise.

Bill to charge the Corporation of the city of Toronto with the payment of the expense of taking care of, supporting, and maintain the United Counties of York and Peel .-

Bill to amend the Act to confirm certain ide roads in the township of Scarborough and to provide for defining other road allow-ances and lines in the said township.—Mr. Bill to establish certain sid-lines in th

township of Kenyon, County of Glengarry. Mr. D. A. Macdonald. Bill for the relief of certain persons, alleged subscribers to the stock-books and the original Act incorporating the Peterborough and Port Hope Railway Co.—Mr. Haultain. Bill to amend the Act 22 Vic. Cap. 36 intitled "An Act 22 Vic. Cap. 36, intitled an palities of the East part of the parish of St.

Antoine Abbe. - Mr. Tasse. Bill to further amend the charter of th Bank of Upper Canada.—Mr. Street.
Bill to legalize certain investments Clergy Reserve moneys by the Corporation of the township of Lobo. -Mr. Scathered. Bill to enact that part of St. Roch Quebec, situated on the North shore of the River St. Charles, into a separate munici-

On Monday, 28th inst., Mr. Edward C. Malloch, son of Edward Malloch, Esq., of this city, passed a very creditable primary examination on the subjects of Anatony. Chemistry, Materia Medica, and Physiology, at McGill College. - Ottawa Union.

An address of condolence has been sent from two hundred and twenty widows of Wolverhampton, and neighborhood to her Majesty the Queen. It is said that many poor women walked several miles into the of government patronage, as the price of town in order to attach their signature to the address. Her Majesty's kind solicitation for the welfare of the sufferers by the Hartley Colliery seems to have been the cause of undesirable that any future administration this singular but appropriate letter of sympathy, which has been duly acknowledged by her Majesty's Secretary of State.

Some disreputable characters were sum marily ejected from their places of resort this subject again. in Hamilton on Monday by a body of fire-men and others, who "bombarded" the dens by drenching streams of water from the fre-engines. The Houses were left perfect wrecks, and their inmates comple

Remove to Port Ryerse.

Ath—To vest certain real Hon. E. Twistleton and the Right Hon. Sir Edmund Hend had been appointed Commissioners.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

A Legislative Council is about to be organ ized in British Columbia. There are several cases reported of persons being fined for selling whiskey to the Indians

In opening the Colonial Legislature, on the 19th ult., Governor Douglass remarked There has been no material change in the condition of the Colony since the clos of the last Session. "Her Majesty's Government has cause

to be shipped from England for the use the Volunteer Companies of this Colony 500 stand of Rifles with ammunition. shall, therefore, be enabled to arm, without expense to the Colony, the several Volum teer Companies who, with characteristic spirit and loyalty, have offered their services or the protection of property and the defence of Her Majesty's dominions.

"In the Estimates for the year, will soon be laid before you. I have recomnended a small pecuniary aid toward the equipment of the Volunteer Companies and also a grant in aid of the fire Companies of Victoria, who are put to much expense in providing for the discharge of their public duties. I have also proposed an in crease in the ordinary grant for educational objects; and in the sums to be applied to

Derald CARLETON PLACE.

Wednesday, May 14, 1862.

The Ministerial defect in Sangeen has and one good effect, if no more, it has opened the eves of some of the ministerialists to the fact, however disagreeable it may appear, supporter of the present government says :-"Let us not mistake the signs of the times. Huron

and Bruce will not be satisfied with one member; and, let us confess it, they would be the most self-denying people in the world if they were. A readpustment of the representation is a question that will have to be met; and the sconer it is dealt with the better. We do not expect any measure of redistribution this Session. But with the large and increasing preponderance of the population of Western Ca-nada, every one must see that the retention of a secional equality in the representation is becoming very day more and more impossible." This is a plain, honest admission, from

the most talented ministerial paper in Canada; and is it not gratifying to the friends of good government to see that the principles they have so long advocated are gaining ground. Let our half-hearted, cowardly, piebald cotemporaries do as they please, We feel encouraged by such manly straightforward, admissions; and more than ever fine house, good luck to the railroad." Such Bill to authorize the Court of Queen's determined to do battle for the right. The subjects, though, apparently, suited to the Bench, Common Pleas, and Chancery, to question must be agitated, until Upper Ca-mental calibre and intellectual capacity of cess of population over the Lower Province, while others, and vastly more is fairly represented in the legislature.

> We are fully sensible of the fact that it is only once in a decade, in a Parliament con stituted like the Canadian, that two-thirds of the whole members can be brought to agree apon any question which appeals powerfully to party feeling, invades usurped interests. and effects constitutional changes. No measure of equitable representation will ever be carried without a great effort; and we do not hesitate to express the belief-indeed i is now an admitted fact—that our legislature cannot be satisfactorily conducted, until such change takes place. It is no argument against equitable repre

sentation to say that it will increase the

number of members in the House, Our por

ulation is constantly increasing, and shall

our number of representatives remain sta-

tionary? Too small a legislative body is ecessarily, too easily influenced; majorities are in danger of being too narrow, fluctuatng, unstable, and incapable of resisting ressures, whether external or internal whether of the executive or the cliques and factions adverse to the smooth course of leg islation. These influences a legislature should be capable of resisting, and to enable it to do so, it must have the strength, the stamina, the self confidence, which numbers alone can give. A feeble government will almost from a necessity be a corrupt government. It engages in a perpetual intrigue to reserve its existence. It is placed under the strongest temptations to corruption. Reduced to the necessity of purchasing, every week, a renewed lease of its existence, from ome half dozen members who hold that exstence at their disposal. If a hostile memer can be unseated on any pretext, however insufficient, and even shameful it may be, or if a ministry can be supported at the expense of violating electioneering promises however solemnly they have been given, the sacrifice must be made! The highest honore in the state must be made subject to traffic and sale. Even the ermine of the bench will hardly escape the general pollution. Perhans some shrewd reader may discover, herein, the portraiture of our government. At all events, the scenes we have attempted to They are logical deductions from a giver state of things, and will, one day, form matters of history. The admissions made in the present House of Assembly, of the disposal power, appear to us to be beneath the dignity of ministers of the Crown; and it is should be reduced to such shifts, or exposes to such temptations; and it is not less im-portant that the public should be saved from Jas. Leech. Lay Delegate, —John Sumner. to such temptations; and it is not less im such an administration. We shall revert to

but framed with the one object in view Sir J. Lefevre is about to retire from the The discussion of the usury question has Mesars. James Rosamond and Thos. Smi.h ness on both sides, and, at the time we write, the issue of the contest is yet doublful.

Sixteen Indians were recently batized at St. Paul's Church, Fort Garry, by the Rev. John Chapman.

Mr. Galt speaking on the Militia Bill neclected the question of which he had given notice respecting the removal of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum from Toronto to Hamilton, Mr. Mcdougall asked the question.

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The consequence of the wretched condition of the whole country. remaining 20,000 militia will be called out next year. The permanent outlay for armories and clothing-which is to last for five vesrs-will be \$240,000; the direct expense of calling out the 30,000 men, will be \$417 000: and the balance, we presume will go in sundry expenditures. Mr. Galt also stat ed that to raise the required amount the Government did not propose to have recourse to direct taxation. But he would not inform the House of the source from which he expected to raise the necessary amount, reserv ing an explanation of that point until a future day. Several members felt much dissatisfaction at the course of the Govern. ment in withholding from the House the necessary information on this all important

> We are sorry to hear that a most lament able accident happened in Almonte, on Sat urday last. From what we have learned it appears that. Mr. Haskins being about to turn his Saw Mill into a Grist Mill, had Mr. Wm. Lochart, Carpenter, employed to put a new roof on the building. He (Mr. Lochart) had gone to work with one of his sons in the morning, and they had not been long at work when the scaffolding gave way and he and his son fell down on the pave. ment, a distance of thirty feet. Mr. Loch art was taken up insensible, and carried to his home, and although all that medical aid could do was tried .- four Doctors being in attendance.-he remained in that condition until nine o'clock, when all that was vital in that a readjustment of the representation has him fled. The boy had one of his arms become a necessity. The "Leader," a strong broken in two places, but otherwise is not supposed to be seriously injured. What is deplorable in this case is, that Mr. Lochar was cautioned by Mr. Haskins that the scaf folding was not sufficient. Mr. Lochart was a quiet and industrious mechanic, and has left a wife and seven small children to mourn over the loss of a husband and father. Truly "In the midst of life we are in death

We shall not condescend to argue with the "Express" about the foibles of the different members composing its committee their "billious headaches" or their more "billious" habits; their "alimentiveness" nor their amativeness. We shall not even hint at the disappointed political aspirations of one member of the "committee", although he has "a the committee, are quite beneath our notice questions, remain unsettled. Our duty lie in a more elevated sphere. And we would in no unfriendly spirit, recommend our neighbors, to take a higher stand, and dis cuss the Representation question—the Separ ate School question-Emigration to fill up the waste lands of Canada-Grand Trunk money grants-Retrenchment in the expenditure of the Government -- completion of the Government buildings in Ottawa, or any other measure in which the general reader is interested. In the meantime, it would only be doing justice to the readers of that paper. if the committee would state the reasons why they have set down Messrs. Bell and Patrick as "traitors to the Ottawa country"?

The Pembroke Observer can afford to despise the unjustifiable insinuations of the Carleton Place

What "unjustifiable insinuations" do you refer to? Please name one of them if you can, and have moral courage enough to do so. He is quite welcome to "despise" us and the "Union" may follow suit and "des pise" us too. We despise no man, however insignificant, but we can afford to laugh at the spirit of toadyism exhibited by some of our neighbors. Our paper has a circulation 3 times as large as any other paper published north of this latitude, and larger than both the "Union" and "Observer" put together. We pay twenty shillings in the pound, and assert our opinions independently of either a smile or a frown.

Mr. McMurrich's majority in the Sau geen division, is even larger than we reported last week. The figures at the close of the

poll are said to stand thus : Patton: McMurrich North Simcoe [Majority] 154 175 895 154 Majority for McMurrich.

We have been informed that Mr. Thomas Andrews, of Pakenham, was brought before Young Scott, Esq., on Friday last, charged with killing deer out of season, and was fined five dollars and costs, in all amounting to eleven dollars, seventy-five cents.

We publish a lengthy report on the par liament buildings in Ottawa, which will in terest our readers.

We are requested to state that the follow ing is the result of the elections at the East er Vestry Meetings in the Parish of Carleton

St. James' Church, Carleton Place,-St. George's Church, Ramsay,—Church-wardens, Mesars. John Bowland and Thos. James. Lay Delegate, Jas. Rosamond, Esq. The usual number of bills, to fix, at a low figure, the maximum rate of interest, are now before the House, all varying in terms ham Code, [Lanark.] Lay Delegate, Abraham Code, Eaq.