

to this House a copy of the bill introduced into the British House of Commons, at its last Session, upon that subject, or such parts thereof as are intended to be recommended for the adoption of Her Majesty's Government.

ALLAN N. MACNAB,
SPEAKER.

Commons House of Assembly,
Eleventh day of December, 1839. }

P R E S E N T :

Members present.

Messrs. *Aikman, Burritt, Burwell, Cartwright, Chisholm of Glengarry, Cook, Detlor, Duncombe, Ferrie, Gamble, Hotham, Hunter, Jarvis, Kearnes, Lewis, Malloch, Marks, McCargar, McDonell of Glengarry, McDonell of Northumberland, McDonell of Stormont, McIntosh, McKay, McLean, McMicking, Merritt, Morris, Murney, Parke, Powell, Robinson, Ruttan, Shaver, Sherwood, Thomson, Thorburn, Wickens.*

On motion of Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Ruttan,

Resolution levying additional tax in district of Dalhousie referred to select committee.

Ordered—That the resolution of this House, authorising the levying an increased tax on the district of Dalhousie for building a gaol and court house therein, be referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Merritt, Sherwood and Shade, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Address to His Exc'y for information on Clergy Reserve bill of last Session ordered.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Cartwright, seconded by Mr. Detlor, moves, that an humble address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be pleased to inform this House what action has been had by Her Majesty's Government, in the Imperial Legislature, on the bill passed by both branches of the Provincial Legislature of this Province, entitled, "An Act to dispose of the Lands commonly called Clergy Reserves, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and that Messrs. Boulton and Murney be a committee to draft, report and present the same.

Which was carried and ordered.

Ballot for Finance committee to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Bockus, moves that this House do, at one o'clock, P. M., on to-morrow, proceed to elect, by ballot, a committee of nine of its members, to whom shall be referred the public accounts.

Which was carried and ordered.

Bill for regulating manner of granting licenses to Inn-keepers, &c.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Gamble, seconded by Mr. Ruttan, moves for leave to bring in a bill for the better regulating of the manner of granting licenses to innkeepers, and also for licensing the keepers of ale and beer houses.

Which was granted, and the bill was read the first time.

2d reading to-morrow.

Ordered—That the bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Erie and Ontario Bank Bill read second time.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Erie and Ontario Bank bill was read the second time.

Committed.

The House was put into a committee of the whole on the bill.

Mr. Hunter in the chair.

The House resumed.

Bill reported.

The chairman reported that the committee had agreed to the bill without amendment, and submitted it for the adoption of the House.

The report was received.

3d reading to-morrow.

Ordered—That the bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Hastings's district act amendment bill read second time.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill to amend the act declaring the county of Hastings a separate district, was read the second time.

Committed.

The House was put into a committee of the whole on the bill.

Mr. Sherwood in the chair.