

Railroad and
Telegraph
Line Bills.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, and the Question being proposed, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills;

Mr. *Cauchon* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, of *Durham*, That the words "The Honorable Mr. *Robinson*" be left out, and the words "Mr. *M'Connell*" inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That Mr. *M'Connell* be added to the Standing Committee on Railroad and Telegraph Line Bills.

Message from
the Council.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Mr. Speaker,

Lachine Rail-
road Bill.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal and Lachine Railroad Company*, and for other purposes," with several Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Petition of
Hamilton &
Thomson, and
others

Ordered, That the Petition of Messieurs *Hamilton* and *Thomson*, and others engaged in the Lumber Trade of *Canada*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Clerks of the
Peace, Quebec.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 22d February last, praying him to cause to be laid before the House, a Statement of the fees, income and salary of the Clerks of the Peace at *Quebec* for the years 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847, and 1848, and also of the number of Causes or Prosecutions brought before the Superintendent of Police, and before the Magistrates of the District, and the amount of the fees of the said Clerks of the Peace upon each Prosecution or action; the number of Prosecutions for assault, battery, or breach of the peace; the number of Bail-bonds given and furnished, and the fees of the said Clerks on each; the number of Indictments laid before the Grand Jurors at the Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and the nature of such Indictment, and the fees of the said Clerks thereon; and the number of Warrants for apprehension and imprisonment, and the fees of the said Clerks thereon.

For the said Return, see Appendix (X.X.X.)

Appendix
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On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*,

Customs Man-
agement Act.

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee, to consider the propriety of continuing and amending the Act for the management of the Customs.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Beaubien* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Beaubien* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Public Debt,
&c. Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the better management of the Public Debt, Accounts, Revenue, and Property, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Wetenhall* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Wetenhall* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act for putting a Legislative Interpretation upon certain Terms used in Acts of Parliament, and for rendering it unnecessary to repeat certain provisions and expressions therein, and for ascertaining the date and commencement thereof, and for other purposes," being read;

Interpretation
of Terms Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, Townships, and Villages in *Upper Canada*, being read;

Municipal
Corporations
(U.C.) Bill.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Price*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Stevenson*, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the said Question be postponed until the next Session of the Legislature;

The House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Cayley*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *Meyers*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, and *Stevenson*.—(12.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boulton* of *TORONTO*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Christie*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, *Duchesnay*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Ferguson*, *Flint*, *Fournier*, *Hincks*, *Holmes*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Wetenhall*, and *Wilson*.—(42.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Egan* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Egan* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Friday next.