

Of the Honourable *James Reid*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying an aid towards the erection of a Building for the purposes of a Charity School in the said City.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Riche-lieu*; praying that the Municipal District Ordinance, (4 Vic. cap. 4.) be amended so that the Councils may appoint their own Officers: that the Registry Ordinance, (4 Vic. cap. 30.) may be repealed or amended, and that a duty may be imposed on Foreign Agricultural Produce.

Of *George Belton* and others, of the *London* and *Brock* Districts; praying for protection and encouragement as Hop Growers in this Province.

Of the President and Directors of the *Shefford* Academy; praying an aid in support of the said Institution.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying for certain powers and privileges, in relation to the *Montreal* Water Works.

Of *Samuel Pomsrey*, of the Township of *Ancaster*, in the *Gore* District; representing that he is unable to gain a living by labour, in consequence of an injury received while firing a Royal Salute in the year 1833, and praying relief.

Of *John Vandal Ham*, of the River *Trent*, Doctor of Medicine; praying that the Peninsula of *New-castle* be attached to the Township of *Cramatic*.

Of *C. Jackson*, and others, Trustees of the *Charleston* Academy; praying an aid for the said Institution.

Of *David Mackenzie*, and others, School Teachers, in the District of *Brock*; praying for the grant to Government Teachers for the present year, which they have not received in consequence of the Council of the said District having resolved not to impose the Tax required by Law to obtain the same.

Of *Alexander Findlay*, and other Electors of the County of *Russell*, setting forth:—That in the month of September last past, an Election was held to elect a fit and proper person to represent the said County in the Legislative Assembly, at which Election *Archibald Petrie*, of the County of *Russell*, Esquire, and *William Stewart*, of the County of *Carleton*, Esquire, were Candidates, and *Edward Malloch*, Esquire, Returning Officer.

That the said Returning Officer at the time of the said Election, and for six months next before the said Election, was residing in the Township of *Nepean*, in the County of *Carleton*, and in consequence thereof the said Returning Officer could not, according to Law, hold such Election, for by the Act passed by the Parliament of *Canada*, in the sixth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the freedom of Elections throughout this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," it is enacted "That no person except a Freeholder shall be appointed nor act as a Returning Officer, nor unless he shall have been a Freeholder during at least a twelve month next before the appointment in the County, Riding, City, Town, or Borough, for which he is appointed, and shall, during that time, have resided therein."

Petitioners are fully prepared to substantiate the above allegation, and therefore pray this Honourable House to take the same into consideration.

Resolved, That the Petition of *J. Henry Lambé*, and others, of the City and Parish of *Montreal*, (relating to the commutation with the *Censitaires* of *Nazareth* and other Fiefs) presented to the House on the third Instant, be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon, with all

convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Mr. *De Witt*, Mr. *L. M. Viger*, Mr. *Leslie*, Mr. *Quesnel*, and the Honourable Mr. *Moffatt*, do compose the said Committee.

The Honourable Mr. *Daly*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker, two Messages from His Excellency, the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Messages were read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and are as followeth:—

C. T. Metcalfe.

The Governor General informs the House of Assembly that the Bill intituled "An Act to make provision for the management of the Temporalities of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Quebec*, in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned," which was passed by the Provincial Parliament during its last Session, and was reserved by the late Governor General for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure, was specially confirmed, and finally enacted by Her Majesty in Council on the 23d August last.

Government House,
Kingston, 6th October, 1843.

C. T. Metcalfe.

The Governor General informs the House of Assembly, in reply to their Address on the subject of the Seat of Government, that he does not consider himself at liberty to lay before the House copies of the communications which have passed between Her Majesty's Government and the Governor of this Colony, relative to that subject; but that the substance of the instructions issued to him is to the effect, that Her Majesty's Government decline coming to a determination in favor of any place as the future Seat of Government, without the advice of the Provincial Legislature; and that Her Majesty's Ministers will be prepared to submit favourably to Her Majesty such Addresses on this subject as may be presented by either, or both, of the Legislative Houses, in recommendation of either *Kingston* or *Montreal*; provided, that in any Address for this purpose from the House of Assembly, the House shall pledge itself to provide the necessary supply for the expenditure which may be expected to attend the permanent location of the Seat of Government at the place that they may recommend; it being understood that the selection is now necessarily limited to one of those places; the former Capitals, *Quebec* and *Toronto*, being alike too remote from the centre of the Province, and the plan of alternate Sessions at one or the other of these last mentioned, or any other places being deemed objectionable and impracticable, on account of its manifest and extreme inconvenience; as connected with this subject, the Governor General transmits a copy of a Report from the Committee of the Executive Council, and a copy of a Protest from one of its Members on the subject thereof, which were submitted for the consideration of Her Majesty's Ministers.

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Kingston, 6th October, 1843.

(Copy.)

To His Excellency, the Right Honourable Sir *Charles Bagot*, G.C.B., Governor General of *British North America*, &c. &c. &c.

Report of a Committee of the Executive Council
Present:

The Honourable Mr. *Sullivan* in the Chair, Mr. *Dunn*, Mr. *Daly*, Mr. *Harrison*, Mr. *Killaly*, Mr. *Hincks*, Mr. *Lafontaine*, Mr. *Baldwin* and Mr. *Morrin*, relative to the Seat of Government, Messrs. *Aylwin* and *Small* being absent on public business.

Messages from
His Excel-
lency.

Temporalities
Church of Eng.

Seat of Gov't.

Petitions re-
ferred.

J. H. Lambé &
others.