

*Lorette*; praying for aid to improve the macadamized Road from *Lorette* by the third range of the said Parish of *St. Augustin*.

Of the Commercial Bank of the Midland District; praying for the passing of an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank.

Of *Donald McMillan* and others, of *Rigaud*,—and of *V. Gadbois* and others, of *Belœil*; praying for the abolition of the Seigniorial Tenure in *Lower Canada*.

Of the *Vaudreuil* Railway Company; praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Company.

Of the *Montreal* Mining Company; praying that their Act of Incorporation may be so amended as to enable them to own vessels for conveying their ore on water from place to place.

Of the *Institut National* of the City of *Montreal*; praying for aid.

Of *Mary Ann Bankier*, Treasurer of the *Quebec* Lower Town Infant School; praying for aid in behalf of the said School.

Of the Reverend *T. H. Précost* and others, Commissioners of Catholic Schools of the City of *Montreal*; praying aid to construct a building for the establishment of a Model and Academic School in the said City.

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*; praying for certain amendments to the several Acts relating to the Incorporation of the said Company.

Of *J. Sanderson*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *Peel*, a junior County of the United Counties of *York*, *Ontario*, and *Peel*; praying to be set apart as a separate County for Judicial and other purposes.

*Resolved*, That a Select Committee of eleven Members be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House; and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. *Budgley*, Mr. *Lemieux*, Mr. *Cartier*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Turcotte*, Mr. *Galt*, Mr. *Smith* of *Durham*, and Mr. *Patrick*.

On motion of Mr. *Stuart*, seconded by Mr. *Polette*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of any documents in the possession of the Executive Government connected with the purchase of a site for a Post Office in the City of *Quebec*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Stuart* have leave to bring in a Bill to render the Office of Mayor of the City of *Quebec* elective by the People.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature;

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Speech into consideration.

Mr. *Patrick* moved, seconded by Mr. *Poulin*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session:

To express to His Excellency the regret we feel that during the Recess the Province has sustained serious loss by fire, in the destruction of the Houses of Parliament, and of the Building which was subsequently secured for the temporary