

Mr. Hamilton moved for leave to bring in a bill relative to the Salmon fishery at Gaspé. Leave was granted, and the bill to be read a second time on Thursday.

The order of the day being called on, several bills were advanced in stage.

Mr. Watt moved for a return of the expenditure of the Provincial Government of Canada East, exclusive of prosecutions for political offences.

Mr. Hincks opposed, he said all the information that could be laid before the House was contained in the public accounts, and those would be laid before them in a few days. He did not know what Mr. Watt meant, except it was to embarrass and annoy the Government, by bringing on such motions.

Mr. Watt moved for a return of the amount of money paid the late Secretary Mr. Murdoch, as he did not think Mr. Murdoch would hesitate retaining more than his due, if he had the opportunity.

Mr. Hincks again repudiated such an assertion against an absent man, and said he trusted the House would require something more than simple assertion for this motion. He dwelt at length on the motion as being a most wanton and unprincipled one. Both motions were lost.

The report of the Committee on the Bank of Upper Canada was read, also that on the Commercial Bank of the Midland District, and ordered to be referred to a committee of the whole House.

Messrs. Cameron, Derbighshire, Leslie, Papineau and Burnet, were appointed a committee to consider Mr. Cameron's Lumber Bill.

The House adjourned at 11 o'clock, to next day.

Wednesday, Sept. 21.

The House met at 3 o'clock. Several petitions were presented. Fourteen were received and two were rejected for informalities.

The following petitions were referred:

From the Ladies Ursulins at Quebec, for justice for certain wrongs done them by the Executive government of the Province. Messrs. Neilson (mover), Cheslie, Aylwin, Bartelot, and Doctor Tache, appointed.

From William Fisher and John Bowen of Quebec, for the same. Same Committee.

From the Company of the Cobourg Harbor, praying for an extension of time for payment of a loan. Committee appointed on petition of George Bolton.

From the Gore Bank company. Messrs. Thompson (mover), Merritt, D. B. Viger, Leslie, and Sir Allan McNab—committee.

For the Association established at Quebec for the support of destitute orphans. Messrs. Parent (mover), Bartelot, Moore, Black and Aylwin.

From divers Censitaires of Jesuits estates, praying for relief for arrears due. Referred to a former committee.

The House then went into Committee of the whole on the Bill for improving an Act of the last Session, for the administration of justice in criminal offences, &c.

Mr. Black moved a resolution, that the imprisonment in the Provincial Penitentiary be reduced from 7 years to 3. The

committee then rose and the House resumed and concurred in the resolution of the committee.

Mr. Black then brought in the Bill, which was read a first time and ordered for second reading on Saturday.

Mr. Hale moved for a committee to take into consideration the standing rules of the House. The Speaker said that there were two judgments of the House which negatived the proposal. Mr. Hale alluded to the manner of naming committees, at present followed by the House, and said it was really absurd to allow such a rule of the House to exist. The Speaker said the object of the Chair amounted to this, that if this was pressed, the House would be entertaining on one day what it rejected on another. Withdrawn.

Messrs. Aylwin and Viger were appointed on the committee for investigating the alleged outrages in Lower Canada, in the room of Messrs. Baldwin and Draper.

Mr. Neilson moved for leave to bring in a bill to fix the places for election of members for Canada East. The Bill was brought in, read a first time and ordered for second reading on Monday.

Mr. Hamilton moved for leave to bring in a bill regulating the duties on salt and fishing tackle in the District of Gaspé. Granted.

Mr. Moore moved for returns of the Correspondence of the Emigration Association at Sherbrook, relative to roads there and at Gosford, and an account of the money expended thereon. Granted.

Mr. Dehlsle moved for leave to bring in a bill to prevent practising Attorneys from acting as Justices of the Peace. Granted.

Mr. Watt brought forward a motion for copies of correspondence relative to James Bracker of Wendover, but in consequence of the absence of all the members from the Treasury Benches, he withdrew it at the suggestion of Mr. Simpson.

Doctor Kimber moved for copies of the last reports of the Commissioners touching the Militia Claims, and also for Lord Durham's reports relative to Jesuits Estates.

THE BRITISH WHIG.

Sir Allan McNab said he wished to introduce to the notice of the House a statement of the British Whig, of yesterday evening, saying in speaking of the debate of Monday evening that "the Speaker had interdicted Mr. Cartwright from speaking until he had retracted his expressions." He (Sir Allan McNab) said the Speaker did not interdict him (Mr. Cartwright), nor could he, and he wished to contradict the statement, that it should not go to the public that such a thing had occurred.

Mr. Simpson said he thought the best way to act in the matter, was to leave the press to itself.

Doctor Dunlop said that as all did not read the newspapers alike, it was as well to contradict it, as perhaps some of the clodhoppers might take it up and imagine that such a thing was done by the Speaker.

Mr. Johnston said the House had no occasion to mind it, for the British Whig

would be speaking while it was a Whig, and the House never need be frightened by a volley of types; he considered it nothing else.

The Speaker did not say any thing whatever, either contradictory or confirmatory of the words alluded to by Sir Allan McNab.

Mr. Harrison moved for returns relative to the bridge from Bytown to Hull, on the Ottawa.

The Montreal Boundary Bill was read a second time, and a committee of the whole House moved for by Mr. Harrison to report on the Bill. Sir Allan McNab objected to the bill. After a short discussion it was carried.

The House went into Committee, Mr. Cameron in the chair, on Sir Allan's bill, better to secure the independence of the Members of the House of Assembly. There was much discussion as to the occasions on which Members should vacate their seats, and after some time was expended, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. The House resumed, and Friday next was the day appointed.

Mr. Hincks laid upon the table the returns moved for respecting the Fee Fund of the District and Division Courts—200 copies ordered to be printed. He also laid upon the table the public accounts of the last year.

The House went into committee on the Fire Insurance Laws of Lower Canada, Mr. Johnston in the chair. Mr. Yule moved a resolution, to the effect, that those laws required amendment. The Committee rose, and the House resumed. The resolution was concurred in, and Mr. Yule brought in a bill, which was read a first time and ordered for a second reading on Friday.

The House went into committee on the Ordinance of the late Special Council, respecting the disuse of the Train of the Lower Canadians, Mr. Moore in the chair. Mr. Armstrong moved a resolution that the ordinance should be amended, because in the greater part of Lower Canada it was a dead letter, the habitants refusing to comply with its provisions. The ordinance was a complete failure, for the habitants were a people who would not change their habits. Mr. Parent wished to repeal the whole law—it was an abominable tyranny. Mr. Turcotte followed in the same strain. Mr. Deslisle did not wish the law to be repealed—it had done a great deal of good in his part of the country. Mr. Moffatt spoke against its total repeal, inasmuch as it would be a backward step in Legislation. Good winter roads were now being made, and would it be right to return to the bad ones? Mr. Hamilton said the Ordinance never had been carried into effect in Gaspé, and was there a dead letter. It was foolish to talk of making a road twelve feet wide in a country so thinly inhabited. Several other members spoke *pro et con*, and amongst others Mr. Viger, who said he was an enemy to every kind of legislation: What more the worthy member said could not be heard in the box, by reason of his speaking so low and

indistinctly. The Committee passed the resolution without amendment, rose and reported the same, and the House when it resumed concurred in it, and gave leave to Mr. Armstrong to bring in a bill, which was read a first time, and ordered for a second reading to-morrow (this day).

Mr. Harrison announced to the House, that the Governor General would receive the vote of confidence Address on Thursday, at half-past 3 o'clock.

The House went into committee on Mr. Hamilton's resolutions on the Gaspé Fisheries, Mr. Forbes in the chair. Mr. Hamilton read the whole, and moved the adoption of the first:

Mr. Moffatt asked the gentlemen on the Treasury Benches for information, as to the probable length of the session.

Mr. Harrison was willing to give the required information. The Government had come to the determination of having a short session. Those Bills only would be passed which were required to carry on the government until next February, when the House would be called together again. [Members cried where? where?] The House adjourned.

LETTERS AND CASH RECEIVED.

Dundas—Mr. Waidle and C. Collins, each 7s. 6d.

Peterboro'—Rev. Mr. Butler, \$5.

Sandwich—Rev. Mr. McDonell, 7s. 6d. and for Chas. Baby and W. Baby, Esqs., each 15s.; also for Jno. O'Connor, John Cavenagh, Jno. Martin, Lawrence Conway, Wm. Cotter, and Patrick Daily, each 7s. 6d.

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SIGNORA DE GONI, the celebrated Guitar player, and MR. KNOOP, the unrivalled Violinist, most respectfully inform the inhabitants of Hamilton, that they will give a Grand Instrumental Concert, on this Evening, Wednesday, September 28, at the

TOWN HALL.

PROGRAMME.

- PART FIRST.
1. GRAND DUO for Guitar and Violincello Madame de Goni and Mr. Knoop.
 2. GRAND SOLO for Guitar; Madame de Goni.
 3. ADAGIO and Variations, for Violincello; Mr. Knoop.
 4. SPANISH SONG; Madame de Goni.
- PART SECOND.
1. GRAND DUO for Guitar and Violencello; Madame de Goni and Mr. Knoop.
 2. CAPRICCA on Swedish National Airs, introducing imitations of the Bagpipe; Mr. Knoop.
 3. SPANISH SONG; Madame de Goni.
 4. FANTASIA without accompaniment, (a la Paganini); Mr. Knoop.
 5. GRAND SOLO for Guitar; Madame de Goni.

TICKETS \$1 each—to be had at the door of the Concert Room. The Concert to commence at 8 o'clock precisely.

Notice to Forwarders.

A BROWN CARPET BAG was sent from Hamilton, via Stenmer Britannia, last July, addressed to Richard Baxter, student, Montreal College. It has not yet reached its destination; and has been only traced to Toronto. The Forwarders are requested to look among their articles for the same, and send it on, or other measures will be used for its recovery.

SAMUEL BAXTER.

Hamilton, Sept. 28, 1842.