

Mr. *Morris*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and have agreed to certain amendments to each, which they beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House, viz :—

Bill to authorize the Council of the Corporation of the Village of *Yorkville* to issue debentures for redeeming their outstanding debentures, for which no Sinking Fund has been set aside.

Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Charter of the *Canada* Company.

Bill to incorporate the Grand Temple and Subordinate Temples of the Independent Order of Good Templars of *Canada*.

Bill to incorporate the Grand and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance in *Canada East*.

Bill to erect the Local Municipality of *St. Colombe* into a County Municipality.

Bill to provide for the succession of Trustees to the property of the *St. Gabriel* Street Church and Manse at *Montreal*, and to settle pending litigation relative thereto.

They have also examined the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Asylum of the Good Shepherd of *Quebec*, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 9th March, 1864; for a Return in detail of all sums of Money due, or paid to, or to the order of *George Sheppard*, Secretary, and *William Bristow* and *T. S. Brown*, Commissioners on the Financial and Departmental Reform Commission, since the date of their appointment, distinguishing the amounts paid for Salaries from other Disbursements. (*Sessional Papers, No. 46.*)

Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 9th May, 1864; for a Statement shewing the Receipts and Expenditure of the *York Roads*, since the resumption by the Government; also, Copies of all Orders in Council or Correspondence relating to the said Roads, dated since the first day of April last. (*Sessional Papers, No. 47.*)

Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 9th May, 1864; for Copies of Papers relating to the Dismissal of Mr. *Bolduc* from the office of Jailer for the District of *Joliette*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 18.*)

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, on Friday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for the House again in Committee of Supply); and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words: "it be *Resolved*, That this House regrets that at a time when it "is deemed necessary, in order to maintain the Public Credit and to provide for the requirements of the Public Service, not only largely to increase existing Taxes, but to resort to "new and unusual modes of Taxation, His Excellency the Governor General should have "been advised to sanction an Order in Council, the effect of which will be to diminish "materially the Revenue of the Provincial Canals without any compensating advantage," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed: The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter Four of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, called upon the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, Member for the County of *Peel*, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Mr. *Cameron* accordingly took the Chair of the House.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of *Robert McElroy*, of the City of *Hamilton*, in the County of *Wentworth*, Esquire.