

Orders of the day.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Malloch*, and the Question being put, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow; the House divided:—And it passed in the Negative.

Real Property Conveyances Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for removing doubts as to the legal effect of the Act of the Legislature of *Lower Canada*, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George the Fourth*, and intituled, "An Act for rendering valid Conveyances of Lands and other immoveable property held in free and common socage within the Province of *Lower Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and for the greater uniformity of the Law relative to Real Property in *Lower Canada*, being read;

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

Warehousemen's Punishment Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill for the punishment of Warehousemen and others giving false receipts for Merchandize, and of persons receiving advances upon Goods, and afterwards fraudulently disposing of the same, being read;

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

Law of Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to improve the Law of Evidence and to abolish unnecessary Oaths, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Badgley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. *Chabot* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Chauveau*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Gillet*, *Johnson*, *Lemieux*, *Méthot*, *Morrison*, *Papineau*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Taché*, and *Viger*.—(22.)

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Messieurs *Badgley*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of *Kingsron*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, and *M'Connell*.—(8.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Viger*,  
The House adjourned.

*Martis, 27° die Februarii;*

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions brought up.

THE following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table:—

By Mr. *Armstrong*,—The Petition of *John Jefferies*, Esquire, and others, of *Rawdon* and other Townships, in the Counties of *Leinster* and *Berthier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Price*,—The Petition of *Alexander Graham*, of the Township of *Thora*; the Petition of *Walter O'Hara*, of *Toronto*, Esquire, late Assistant Adjutant General of Militia.

By Mr. *Nelson*,—The Petition of *J. E. LeBlanc*, Esquire, and others, of *St. Charles* and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Meyers*,—The Petition of *James G. Rogers* and others, of *Haldimand*, *Seymour*, and *Percy*.

By Mr. *Fergusson*,—The Petition of *R. J. Williams*, late Deputy Returning Officer for the Township of *Sullivan* at the Election for the County of *Waterloo*.

By Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *John M'Gorrick* and others.

By Mr. *Notman*,—The Petition of the President and Directors of the *Desjardins Canal Company*.

By Mr. Solicitor General *Drummond*,—The Petition of *François Dupin* and others, of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*; and the Petition of the Reverend *George Slack* and others, of the County of *Shefford*.

By Mr. *Holmes*,—The Petition of the *Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad Company* (increased powers.)

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,—The Petition of *John Hammill*, of the Town of *Brantford*, District of *Gore*.

By Mr. *Cartier*,—The Petition of *Pierre Noël* and others, of that part of the Parish of *Contrecoeur* called *La Grande Source*.

By Mr. *Prince*,—The Petition of *Josiah Timmis*, of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *David Wylie* and others, Reporters engaged on the *Montreal Press*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Papineau*,—The Petition of *François Desaulnier*, Esquire, and others, of the County of *St. Maurice*.

By Mr. *Burritt*,—The Petition of *John G. Booth* and others.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, of *Kent*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, copies of all Contracts entered into by the Board of Works for completing any work connected with improving the *Cobourg Harbour*, and the amount of monies paid thereon, with a detailed account thereof and of all other monies paid to the Contractors in respect of the improvement of the said Harbour.

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

Cobourg Harbour.

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And also, Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated 15th instant, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid before them, a copy of all correspondence connected with the dismissal of *William Ireland*, Esquire, from his situation on the *Kingston and Napanee Macadamized Road*, or connected with the abolition of the said situation.

By Command,

J. LESLIE,  
Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,  
*Montreal*, 27th February, 1849.

(Copy.)

No. 4,264.

Public Works,  
30th September, 1848.

Sir,—The present state of the finances of the Province rendering a general reduction of the establishments on all the Public Works necessary, I am directed to inform you that your services will not be required by this Department after the 31st October next.

In making this communication, I am directed to state, that the Commissioners are happy in being able

William Ireland.