

Pursuant to the order of the day, the address to His Excellency the Governor General, for information respecting the bill for the disposal of the Clergy Reserves, passed last Session, was read the third time and passed, and is as follows:—

Address to His Exc'y on the Clergy Reserve bill of last session passed.

To His Excellency The Right Honorable CHARLES POULETT THOMSON, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Lower Canada and Upper Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Upper Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave to enquire of Your Excellency if it is in your power to inform this House if any action has been had by Her Majesty's Government or the Imperial Legislature on the bill passed by both branches of the Provincial Legislature of this Province, entitled, "An Act to dispose of the Lands commonly called Clergy Reserves, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Address.

ALLAN N. MACNAB,
SPEAKER.

Commons House of Assembly,
Thirteenth day of December, 1839. }

Pursuant to the order of the day, the following petitions were read:—

Petitions read:

Of H. W. Peterson, proprietor of the "*Canada Museum*," newspaper, published at Berlin, in the district of Gore, praying for authority to print His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session in German.

Of H. W. Peterson.

Of John Somerset, and five hundred and eighty-two others, of the Home District, praying for improvement of a certain road.

Of John Somerset and others.

And of D. McDiarmid, late a Lieutenant in the Glengarry Militia, praying for the arrears of his pension.

Of D. McDiarmid.

On motion of Mr. Jarvis, seconded by Mr. McLean,

Ordered—That the petition of Mrs. Blackwood be referred to a select committee, composed of Messrs. Hotham, Burwell and McLean, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Petitions referred:
Mrs. Blackwood to select committee.

On motion of Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Caldwell,

Ordered—That the petition of John Somerset, and others, be referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

J. Somerset and others to committee on roads and bridges.

On motion of Mr. Shade, seconded by Mr. Chisholm of *Halton*,

Ordered—That the petition of H. W. Peterson be referred to the committee on printing.

H. W. Peterson to committee on printing.

On motion of Mr. Small, seconded by Mr. McDonell of *Stormont*,

Ordered—That the petition of George Hamilton, of the City of Toronto, be referred to a committee of the whole on supply.

Geo. Hamilton to committee on supply.

Mr. Thorburn gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move that the following resolution be one of the standing orders of this House:—

Notices:

Resolved—That in all cases, when committees or commissioners shall be appointed by ballot by this House, the number of votes given for each Member, so chosen, shall be inserted in the Journals after each Member's name.

Of standing order, that when a ballot is taken, the number of votes given to each member to be recorded in Journal.

Mr. Thorburn gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move that an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting His Excellency to procure, to be placed in the Library of the Provincial Legislature, a printed copy of the despatches of Lord Glenelg and Sir Francis B. Head, Baronet, as printed by order of the House of Commons, on the 22d March last.

Of address to His Exc'y to place in the library a copy of Lord Glenelg and Sir F. B. Head's despatches.