The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the "Act respecting the Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

## (In the Committee.)

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Pelletier moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Scott,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was, on a division, resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was, on a division, resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that the Senate have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the *Ontario* Express and Transportation Com-"pany," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Senate to the said Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by their Clerk in the following words :--

## House of Commons,

Friday, 3rd May, 1878.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate, informing their Honors that this House hath passed an Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the North-Easterly, Northerly and North-Westerly Boundaries of *Canada*, and declaring it desirable that an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* should be passed defining the same, and requesting their Honors to unite with this House in the said Ad Iress.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Senate.

Attest.

ALFRED PATRICK, Clerk of the Commons.

And then he withdrew.

The Messenger was again called in and informed that the Senate will send an answer by a Messenger of their own.

The said Address to Her Majesty, was then read by the Clerk as follows :--

## To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,-

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing:

That doubts exist regarding the Northerly and North-Easterly Boundaries of the North-West Territories and Rupert's Land, transferred to Canada by Order of Your Majesty in Council, of the 23rd June, 1870, incorporating the Territories of the Hudson's Bay Company and the North-West Territories with Canada.

That the discovery and working of minerals, in the vicinity of *Cumberland* Sound, have recently been reported, and other matters have transpired which make it important that all doubt respecting the jurisdiction of *Canada* over those parts of British North America should be removed with as little delay as possible.