

subsequent Act, divided these two Counties for the purposes of registration, so that the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* is quite at the western extremity of the County, while the centre is at the Parish of *L'Islet*, and the inhabitants of the eastern extremity of this County are obliged to go a great distance in order to enregister their Deeds; this, without doubt, causes great inconvenience in certain cases, and especially when the Deeds require immediate enregistration, without including the expenses and loss of time to which the greater part of the inhabitants of the said County are exposed.

3rd. On referring to the Census of 1844 for this County, it is easy to become convinced that the greater extent of land and the greater number of the population is contained in the three Parishes in the lower part of the County.

4th. The new Parish of *St. Cyrille*, and the Township of *Ashford*, the former being opposite *L'Islet*, and the latter opposite *St. Roch*, to the east of the County, have greatly increased in cultivation and in population since the Census of 1844,—a Church having even since been built at *St. Cyrille*. It must be added, that one half of the *Cap St. Ignace* is interested in having the Registry Office at *L'Islet*.

Your Committee take the liberty, in support of their Report, to refer Your Honorable House to the annexed comparative statement of the population of the different Parishes of the County of *L'Islet*:

Extract from the Census of 1844, for the County of *L'Islet*.

PARISHES.	Number of Houses.	Number of Persons.	Number of Proprietors.	Cultivated Lands.	Uncultivated Lands.	Number of Bushels of Grain.
St. Thomas	526	3721	453	27075	15627	89371
Crane Island.....	63	515	40	3859	3056	23216
St. Pierre.....	201	1340	154	18361	9782	50673
Cap St. Ignace	339	2320	301	26683	8353	55366
Total.....	1129	7896	948	75978	36818	218626
<i>L'Islet</i> and <i>St. Cyrille</i>	462	3088	370	35461	4046	80477
<i>St. Jean Port Joli</i>	439	3132	306	39130	18909	79192
<i>St. Roch</i>	372	2897	298	31373	16344	88047
Total.....	1273	9117	974	105964	39299	247716
Difference in favour of the three Parishes in the lower part of the County	144	1221	26	29986	2481	29090

Also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, of the 12th instant, praying him to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, any documents that may be in the possession of the Provincial Government connected with the case of Mr. *Joseph Donegani*, of the City of *Montreal*, on the Bill passed in the year 1845, for his relief, or copies of Despatches connected therewith, that may be in the possession of the Government.

Joseph Donegani.

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

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Also, Supplementary Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 29th January, 1849, praying for copies of any correspondence that may have taken place between the Executive Government and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Bedard*, anterior and relative to his translation from the Bench of Judges at *Quebec* to that of *Montreal*, together with copies of his Commissions, as well to the former as to the latter; also, copies of any letters or correspondence between the Executive and the Honorable Mr. Justice *Aylwin*, relative to his appointment to the Bench at *Quebec* as successor to Mr. Justice *Bedard*.

Mr. Justice Bedard.

For the said Supplementary Return, see Appendix (G.G.)

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Ordered, That the said Supplementary Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, relating to *James-Moir Ferres*, Esquire, laid before this House, on Friday, the sixteenth instant, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

J. M. Ferres.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*,

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to make "better provision for the protection of the "property of persons dying Intestate in that "part of this Province formerly called *Upper "Canada*," be now read the first time.

Bill relating to persons dying Intestate.

And the Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 2nd instant, praying him to be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before this House, a Return of all Tolls collected upon the several Macadamized and Planked Roads in *Upper Canada*, for the years 1847 and 1848, respectively, and the expenses attending the collection thereof.

Tolls collected on Roads (U.C.)

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

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Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chabot* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Charter of the Literary and Historical Society of *Quebec*.

Quebec Literary and Historical Society Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 15th instant,—List of Persons at present employed in the Crown Timber Office, *Bytown*, 1849,

Ottawa Works.

L'Islet Registry Office Bill.

Mr. *Fournier* also presented to the House, a Bill to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*, which was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday, the fifth day of March next.

Suits in Superior Court of Queen's Bench, District of Montreal.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine*, 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, of the 12th instant, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the number of Suits which have been instituted for the last twelve months in the Superior Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Montreal*, and the number of Judgments obtained in such Suits; also, the number of Suits pending, upon which evidence has been closed, but upon which Judgments have not been pronounced; also, the number of Suits, whether argued or not argued, still pending before the said Court.

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

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