

By the Honorable Mr. *McCrea* : of *Michael Graghiel* and others, Mill-owners, and others, on the upper level of the *Welland Canal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferguson* : of Mr. *Sheppard* and *George A. Corbin*, of the County of Bonaventure.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)* : of the Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :

Of the Board of Arts and Manufactures for the Province of *Quebec* ; praying that in framing the new Patent Laws for the Dominion, certain provisions be inserted.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by Mr. *Mackenzie* and others, in the following words :—

HOUSE OF COMMONS,
Tuesday, 19th November, 1867.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Standing Committee, namely :

Honorable Messieurs *Howe, Fisher, Beatty, Brousseau, Young, Fortin, Fergusson, Mackenzie, Bellerose, Grover, Sénécal, Macdonald, (Lunenbury)* will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mackenzie* do carry the said Message to the Senate.

(Attest)

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk of the Commons.

And then they withdrew.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* presented to the House a Return to an Address, dated the 14th instant, to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting His Excellency to communicate to the Senate any Royal Instructions which he may have received respecting the passing of Bills by Parliament.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, and it is as follows :

Extract from the Royal Instructions to the Governor General of Canada, dated at *Balmoral* on the 1st June, 1867.

VII. And for the execution of so much of the Powers vested in you by virtue of "The *British North America Act, 1867*," as relates to the Declaring either that you Assent in Our Name to Bills passed by the Houses of the Parliament, or that you withhold Our Assent therefrom, or that you reserve such Bills for the signification of Our Pleasure thereon, it is Our Will and Pleasure that when any Bill is presented to you for Our Assent, of either of the classes hereinafter specified, you shall (unless you shall think proper to withhold Our assent from the same) reserve the same for the signification of Our pleasure thereon; subject nevertheless to your discretion, in case you should be of opinion that an urgent necessity exists, requiring that such Bill be brought into immediate operation; in which case you are authorized to assent to such Bill in Our name, transmitting to Us, by the earliest opportunity, the Bill so assented to, together with your reasons for assenting thereto, that is to say :—