

The Honorable Mr. *McDougall*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 13th February, 1865; for Copies of Correspondence with the Government of *New Brunswick*, in 1857, 1858, and 1859, on the subject of a Political or Commercial Union of the British North American Provinces. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 23.)

*Ordered*, That the said Return be printed for the use of the Members of this House; and the ninety-fourth Rule of this House suspended as regards the same.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to declare the meaning of sections 23, 24, and 25 of cap. 93 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Macfarlane*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Cockburn*, Mr. *Bell*, Mr. *Shanly*, Mr. *Jones* (North *Leeds*), Mr. *Wood*, Mr. *Morris*, and Mr. *Cameron* (North *Ontario*), to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chapter 26 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting abuses prejudicial to Agriculture, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Fortier*, the Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, Mr. *Dorion* (*Drummond* and *Arthabaska*), Mr. *Pâquet*, Mr. *Bourassa*, Mr. *Cornellier*, Mr. *Houde*, Mr. *Pinsonneault*, and Mr. *Poulin*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act respecting County Courts,'" being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Scatcherd*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Cockburn*, Mr. *Smith* (*East Durham*), Mr. *Wood*, and Mr. *Wallbridge* (*North Hastings*), to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend the Municipal Act of *Upper Canada*, by restricting "the class of Voters on By-laws for the creation of Debt," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee on the Municipal and Assessment Laws of *Upper Canada*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to amend 'An Act respecting Railways,'" being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, in so far as it relates to Agricultural Societies, the Board of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Association of *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to repeal cap. 32, Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, and otherwise to provide for the encouragement of Agriculture, Arts and Manufactures.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the weighing, measuring and gauging of certain articles of general consumption, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.