

Contingencies.

Your Committee have examined the contents of the Petition of *Alfred Patrick*, second Clerk of Committees to your Honourable House, which was referred to them on the 17th ultimo, and they find that from the present division of the duties of the Department to which the Petitioner belongs, an increased share of labour and responsibility necessarily falls upon him. They therefore have agreed to recommend to your Honourable House, an addition of £25 to his yearly salary, commencing with the present quarter.

Your Committee have examined the prayer of the Petition of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and beg to recommend that £50 be granted him, as an addition to his salary, this being the usual Sessional vote to that officer.

In reference to the Petition of *Robert Defries*, the Post Office messenger to your Honourable House, your Committee recommend that he be allowed 12s. 6d. per day, instead of 10s. as at present, to bear date from the commencement of the present Session.

Your Committee have enquired into the merits of the Petition of *Julia Bell*, and do not find any evidence to justify them in recommending an allowance or remuneration to the Petitioner.

The Petition of *Alexander McDonald*, praying to be employed as a Committee Clerk, was considered by your Committee, and they beg to refer the matter to the Officers of your Honourable House, to whom has been committed the appointment of persons for such duties.

Your Committee have considered the Petition of *Guillaume D'Eschambault*, and ascertain that an account is due him of £32 5s. for his services as a Commissioner for taking evidence relative to the election of *Oliver Berthelet*, Esquire, as a Member of the Assembly of *Lower Canada*, for the East Ward, of the city of *Montreal*, in 1833 and 1834; the said sum was awarded to him by a Resolution of the House of Assembly of that Province, on the 26th February, 1836, but was never paid. Your Committee therefore, recommend its payment out of the contingencies of your Honourable House.

Your Committee having taken into their consideration the various matters at present referred to them, beg to submit the same with their observations and opinions thereon, for the approval of your Honourable House.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, on Monday next.

Registry Laws,  
Upper Canada.

*Mr. Prince*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill to amend the Registry Laws of that part of this Province, which was formerly *Upper Canada*, reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had made several amendments thereto, which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, on Monday next.

Election, Third  
Riding York.

*Mr. Taché*, Chairman of the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition of *Robert Harrison* and others, Electors of the Third Riding of *York*, complaining of the undue election and return of *James Edmond Small*, Esquire, to represent the Third Riding of the county of *York*, reported to the House, that the Committee met this morning at eleven o'clock, but were unable to proceed to business in consequence of the absence of *Mr. Macdonell*, of *Dundas*; they accordingly waited until twelve o'clock, and adjourned.

*Resolved*, That as *Mr. Macdonell*, of *Dundas*, has absented himself from the said Committee, on account of urgent business, he be excused.

Petition of M.  
Houle and  
others.

The Honourable *Mr. DeBleury*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *Michel Houle* and others, of the city of *Montreal*,

carters, and other references, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth:—

Petition of M.  
Houle and  
others.

Your Committee, owing to the great variety of opinions expressed before them, as to the best mode of constructing the winter vehicles, are unable to recommend any general measure as applicable to the whole country; at the same time seeing that in the counties of *Montreal*, *Ottawa*, *Tico Mountains*, *Terrebonne*, *Vaudreuil*, *Beauharnois*, *Huntingdon*, *Chambly*, and *Rouville*, the population is a mixed one, and that the majority are unable to use their winter vehicles for the purpose of reaching the market, your Committee are of opinion, that so far as regards those counties, the Act 6 *Victoria*, chapter 12, should be amended by renewing so much of the Ordinance of 3 *Victoria*, chapter 25, as required "that the horse or horses, or other beast of draught, drawing any winter vehicle, be harnessed abreast, or be so attached, that one or both of the runners shall follow in the track or tracks, made by such horse or horses, or other beast of draught;" and also that the district of *Quebec*, and that part of the district of *Three Rivers*, which has been exempted from the operation of former laws on this subject, shall continue to be so exempt.

On motion of the Honourable *Mr. Baldwin*, seconded by *Mr. Price*,

*Ordered*, That the entries in the Journals of the Second Session of the Twelfth Provincial Parliament of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, which relate to the Petition of *Donald Cameron*, of the township of *Thorah*, in the North Riding of the county of *York*; and the Report of the Select Committee to which the same was referred, dated 12th April, 1836, be now read.

Petition of D.  
Cameron of  
Thorah.

The said entries were read accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the said entries, and the Petition of *Donald Cameron*, of the township of *Thorah*, in the *Home District*, be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honourable *Mr. Baldwin*, *Mr. Roblin*, *Mr. Powell*, and *Mr. Chauveau*, to examine into the circumstances complained of, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Special Committee, appointed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Laws relative to the encouragement of Agriculture in *Lower Canada*, be committed to a Committee of the whole House, to-morrow.

Agriculture,  
Lower Canada.

*Ordered*, That the Honourable *Mr. Moffatt* have leave to bring in a Bill for the regulation of "Benefit Building Societies."

Building  
Societies.

*Resolved*, That the 68th Standing Rule of this House be suspended in so far as regards the present 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 Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That the Honourable *Mr. Morin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "*Les Révérends Pères Oblats de l'Immaculée Conception de Marie*," in the Province of *Canada*.

Pères Oblats.

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 Thursday next.

*Ordered*, That the Honourable *Mr. Laterrière*, *Mr. Taché*, *Mr. Cauchon*, *Mr. Leslie*, and the Honourable *Mr. Moffatt*, be added to the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the present

Crown, Clergy  
and School  
Lands.