

*Stuart, Esquire, to practise the Law in Lower Canada.*

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.

Mutual and General Insurance Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Morrison have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company.*

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 Wednesday, the seventh of March next.

Markham and Elgin Plank Road Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Morrison have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Markham and Elgin Plank Road Company.*

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, the nineteenth of March next.

Lotbinière Municipalities Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Laurin have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of Lotbinière into two Municipalities.*

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, the twelfth of March next.

Strychnine Prohibition Bill.

*Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. La Terrière have leave to bring in a Bill to prohibit the use of Strychnine and other Poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals.*

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, the fifth of March next.

Stephen Bowerman.

On motion of Mr. *Stevenson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*,

*Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, by the proper officer, copies of all papers and correspondence that may have taken place between the Executive Government and Stephen Bowerman, relating to a claim for compensation for loss of land in consequence of an erroneous survey in the Township of *Hallowell*.*

*Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.*

Hallowell and Sophiasburgh Boundary Line Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Stevenson have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the boundary line between the Townships of *Hallowell* and *Sophiasburgh*, in the District of *Prince Edward*.*

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, the twelfth of March next.

Bathurst Boundary Line Bill.

*Ordered, That Mr. Bell have leave to bring in a Bill to define the southern boundary of the *Bathurst* District.*

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.

Petition of Rev. T. Smith and others.

*Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend T. Smith and others, Roman Catholics of *Upper Canada*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.*

*Ordered, That the Report of the Superintendent of Schools of *Upper Canada*, for the year 1847, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.*

Schools (U.C.)

According to Order, *Joseph Charles Taché, Esquire*, Member for the County of *Rimouski*; *Robert Bell, Esquire*, Member for the County of *Lanark*; and *Thomas Boutillier, Esquire*, Member for the County of *St. Hyacinthe*, who were absent, on Thursday last, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Stormont*, severally attended in their places; and having given satisfactory reasons for their not being present at the meeting of the Committee on that day, and having separately verified the same upon oath;

Stormont Election.

*Ordered, That Mr. Taché, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Boutillier be excused for not attending the Committee on Thursday last.*

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Joint Stock Road Companies (U.C.) Bill.

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in *Upper Canada*, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, and Macadamized Roads therein.

Road and Bridge Companies (U.C.) Bills.

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

*Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies in *Upper Canada*, for the construction of Plank, Gravelled, or Macadamized Roads therein, and on the Bill to authorize the formation of incorporated Road and Bridge Companies in *Upper Canada*. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.*

Road and Bridge Bills.

Mr. *Lemieux* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Lemieux* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

And the Question being put, That the Committee have leave to sit again:—It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved, That the said Bills be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Boulton, the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of Kent, the Honorable Mr. Robinson, Mr. Solicitor General Drummond, and Mr. Jobin, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.*

*Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, to consolidate the said Bills, if desirable, and extend their operation to the whole Province, if they shall think fit to do so.*

The Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province, being read;

Laws of Patents Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Badgley*, the Honorable Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Wetenhall*, Mr. *Cartier*, and Mr. *Watts*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.