

defects in the Administration of Criminal Justice.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rules of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Adjournment.

*Ordered*, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Salaries of additional Judges, &c. (U. C.)

Mr. Lemieux, from the Committee to consider the expediency of making provision out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province, and by the funding of certain Fees of Office receivable or to be receivable under any Law for that purpose by different Officers of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*, for such additional Judges and Officers of those Courts as an amended system of Judicature for that section of the Province may require, reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provision out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, and by the funding of certain Fees of Office receivable or to be receivable under any Law for that purpose by different Officers of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*, for such additional Judges and Officers of those Courts as an amended system of Judicature for that section of the Province may require.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That so much of the said Resolution as refers to Courts of Equity be committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of *Upper Canada*.

*Ordered*, That so much of the said Resolution as refers to Courts of Law be committed to the Committee of the whole House on the Bill to make further provision for the Administration of Justice, by the establishment of a Superior Criminal Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and Appeal in *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

Court Houses and Gaols (U. C.)

Mr. M'Farland, from the Committee to consider the expediency of providing means for the building of certain Court Houses and Gaols in *Lower Canada*, reported several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that provision be made for erecting a proper Court House in the City of *Montreal*, containing sufficient accommodation for all the Courts held in the said City, and for the Registry Office for the County of *Montreal*.
2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that such Court House be erected on the ground belonging to the Civil Government, and lying between *Notre Dame Street* and the *Champ de Mars*, in the said City; that it be constructed under the superintendance of the Commissioners of Public Works, according to a Plan to be approved by the Governor in Council, and that the said Commissioners be authorized to offer Premiums for the best Plans.
3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that provision be also made for the construction of a proper Court House and Gaol at *Kamouraska, Aylmer* and *Chicoutimi*, and for the repairs or re-build-

ing of the Court House and Gaol in each of the Counties of *Gaspé* and *Bonaventure*, respectively, under the superintendance of the Commissioners of Public Works, and upon Plans to be approved by the Governor in Council.

4. *Resolved*, That for defraying the expense of constructing the said Court Houses and Gaols, and the cost of the ground for those last mentioned, it is expedient to empower the Governor in Council to raise by way of Loan, upon Debentures to be issued for that purpose charged upon and payable out of the Special Fund hereinafter mentioned, a sum not exceeding Forty thousand pounds for the Court House at *Montreal*, and a sum not exceeding Three thousand pounds for each of the Court Houses and Gaols, and the sites thereof, at *Kamouraska, Aylmer*, and *Chicoutimi*, and the Counties of *Gaspé* and *Bonaventure*, respectively; and to make the interest on such Debentures, not exceeding in any case eight per cent, payable half-yearly, and the principal at such periods as he shall think most for the public advantage.

5. *Resolved*, That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the principal and interest of the said Debentures, it is expedient to levy a tax of one per cent upon all monies paid into any Civil Court sitting at the places where the said Court Houses are respectively to be erected,—upon all monies levied under any writ of execution issuing out of any such Court, or arising from any sale made under any Commission of Bankruptcy, issued at such places,—to appropriate the monies arising at such places respectively from all fines and penalties paid into the hands of the Clerks of the Peace or the Clerks of the Crown, or from the forfeiture of recognizances, not forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province; and also to empower the Governor in Council to impose such tax upon all Proceedings in the Courts of Civil Jurisdiction sitting at the said places respectively, or in appeal from judgments of such Courts, upon the closing of Inventories, assemblies of relations and friends, insinuations or registrations in the offices of such Courts, appointments of Tutors or Curators, and other like matters, or the registration of Deeds or Instruments in the Registry Offices at such places respectively, as shall, in his opinion, be sufficient to produce sums sufficient to pay the said interest and principal at the periods appointed for the payment thereof; the sums raised at each of the said places respectively to be appropriated to the payment of the principal and interest of the monies expended at the places where such sums shall be respectively raised, and to be paid to such Officers and accounted for in such manner as the Governor in Council shall appoint.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;

The Honorable Mr. *Robinson* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Seymour*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words added instead thereof: "the said Resolutions be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of amending the same, by leaving out the words "Governor in Council" in the 4th Resolution, and inserting the words "Municipal Council, or other District or Local Body which may be duly constituted for that purpose;" by inserting the words "and if the amount so to be levied should not be sufficient to make the payments as before mentioned, the deficiency shall be made good by levying a tax on