

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Béchar* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration.

The amendment made to the Bill was then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the election of Members of the House of Commons ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

And The House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning ;

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Brouse* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

And then The House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the Clock on Friday morning, adjourned till To-morrow.

Saturday, 20th April, 1878.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the *Ottawa* Board of Trade and others, Merchants of the City of *Ottawa* ; praying that the inspection of Butter may be made compulsory, and that other consequent amendments may be made to the Act respecting the inspection of staple articles of Canadian produce.

Of *S. Dionne*, and others, of *St. Denis* ; of *C. T. Anctil*, and others, of *St. Philippe de Néri* ; and of the Reverend *E. Démers*, and others, of *Mont Carmel* ; severally praying that the excise duty on the manufacture of Foreign Tobacco may be increased by ten cents per pound, or the same duty on the manufacture of Canadian tobacco reduced by a similar amount.

Mr. *Jones*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of this House, dated 20th March, 1878, for a Return in detail of the amount of ammunition furnished during the years 1875, 1876 and 1877, to the Active Volunteer Battalions and Companies of the Dominion ; specifying the Battalion to which