

Prescription
Bill.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Cameron* have leave to bring in a Bill for shortening the time of Prescription in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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 Friday next.

On motion of Mr. *Stewart* of *Bytown*, seconded by Mr. *Smith* of *Frontenac*,

Address re-
specting Land
in Bytown

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the amount paid by the late Lord *Dalhousie*, to one *Hugh Fraser*, for the land held by the Principal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance in *Bytown*: with a copy of the instructions of Lord *Dalhousie* to Colonel *By*, in reference to such lands:—together with a tabular statement shewing the names of the parties to whom town lots were located, the date of location, the size of the lot, the amount of rent, the amount for which each lot was commuted into freehold, the names of the parties to whom leases or deeds have issued, the amount charged for such leases or deeds, and the date of each respectively,—accompanied by a map of said lands shewing what lots are at this date in the possession of the Ordnance on the several streets in the said Town; together with a copy of any Orders in Council placing value upon any of the unconceded lots, in terms of the Act 7th *Vict.*, cap. 11, section 7.

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.

Western Dis-
trict Division
Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Woods* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the Western District of the Province of *Canada*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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 Friday next.

On motion of Mr. *Petrie*, seconded by Mr. *Williams*,

Address re-
specting Road
from Bytown
to L'Orignal

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will cause the proper officer to lay before this House, a detailed statement of all monies expended out of the appropriations of 1845, and 1846, for the improvement of the Post Road from *Bytown* to *L'Orignal*, on other roads and lines than that contemplated by the Legislature.

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.

Brockville As-
sessment Bill

Ordered, That Mr. *Sherwood* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for an assessment of real and personal property in the Town of *Brockville*, according to the annual value or rental thereof, and for other purposes.

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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Aylwin*, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,

Address rela-
ting to grants
of Land for

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that all papers and documents in relation to the

grants of land in certain parts of Upper *Canada* for Mining purposes, be communicated to this House, together with all rules and regulations adopted by the Executive Government or the Crown Lands Department, in relation to such grants of land.

Mining pur-
poses.

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.

A Message from the Legislative Council by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from
the Council,
with an Ad-
dress to Her
Majesty on the
subject of Pa-
tents for In-
ventions.

Legislative Council,
Thursday, 10th June, 1847.

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council have agreed to an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of Patents for Inventions, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Attest.

CHARLES DE LERY,
Clerk Legislative Council.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty:

The Address.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, most humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesty with renewed expressions of devoted and loyal attachment to Your Majesty's Royal Person and Government.

We humbly beg leave to submit to Your Majesty that an Act was passed by the Legislature of the late Province of *Upper Canada*, in the seventh year of the Reign of Your Majesty's Royal Predecessor, King *George* the Fourth, for the encouragement of Useful Arts within the said Province, and that under the provisions thereof about seventy Patents have been issued.

That in several instances the holders of Patents granted in *England* in virtue of Your Majesty's undoubted Royal Prerogative, have caused the same to be recorded in this Province under the provisions of the said Act, and claimed that they should be considered operative here in consequence of a clause in their certificates securing to the Patentees the exclusive use and benefit of their respective Inventions in all Your Majesty's Colonies abroad.

The Legislative Council further beg leave to submit for Your Majesty's Royal consideration, that they have good reasons for believing that Citizens of the *United States of America* proceed to *England* and there obtain Patents for inventions and mechanical improvements of various kinds, discovered in their own country; the exclusive benefit of which they are thus enabled to claim in *Canada*, thereby debarring the inhabitants of this Province from availing themselves of the use of such inventions and improvements except at a great expense, and discouraging the developement of the native ingenuity of Your Majesty's loyal Canadian subjects.

The Legislative Council humbly submit the foregoing statement for Your Majesty's Royal consideration, not doubting but Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to make such order thereon as Your Majesty in Your Royal pleasure may think most conducive to the interests of the inhabitants of this Province.

PETER M'GILL,
Speaker.

Legislative Council,
Thursday, 10th June, 1847.