

that no constitutional change may be adopted until the people shall have been consulted, either by a dissolution of the Legislative Assembly, or by any other mode Parliament may be pleased to adopt, and shall have approved of the project.

Of the Reverend *P. D. Laurent* and others, of *Amherstburg* and other Townships; praying that the Roman Catholic minority of *Upper Canada* may enjoy the same privileges (with respect to education), as may be granted by the General Government to the Protestant minority of *Lower Canada*, in the event of a Confederation of the Provinces of *British North America*.

Of the Children's Industrial School of the City of *Hamilton*; praying for aid.

Of *A. Dubé* and others, of the Parish of *Détour du Lac*, County of *Temiscouata*; praying aid for the *Temiscouata* Road.

Of *A. Dubé* and others, of the Parish of *Détour du Lac*, County of *Temiscouata*; praying aid for a Road in the said Parish.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Artemesia*, County of *Grey*; praying for amendments to the Assessment Act of *Upper Canada*.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *London, C. W.*; praying that a Central Prison may be established in the said City.

Of *J. McMurrich* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; praying that the prayer of the Petition of *F. H. Medcalf*, Mayor of the City of *Toronto*, on behalf of the citizens, and of *Marcus Rossin*, on behalf of the Directors for the re-construction of "The *Rossin House*," for an Act to exempt the Hotel portion of the "*Rossin House*" from the imposition and payment of taxes for the term of five years, may not be granted.

Of *Alexander Guill*, of the Township of *Ramsay*, County of *Lanark*; representing that during the year 1855, he had, under the protection of the Government Boom, which is stretched across the mouth of the *Madawaska* River, a quantity of saw-logs, and that on the 26th of April of the same year, a storm arose which had the effect of loosening the said Boom, and driving the saw logs down the River *Ottawa*, so that they could not be recovered,—and praying that a Committee may be appointed to enquire into his claim for indemnification from the Department of Public Works, for the defective state in which the said Boom was kept:

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of the "Reign of Her Majesty, relating to the *Hamilton* and *Port Dover* Railway Company."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Ottawa* Skating and Curling Club."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance "Companies."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to facilitate prosecutions under the Act respecting Tavern-keepers and the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Langevin*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to facilitate prosecutions under the Act respecting Tavern-keepers and the sale of Intoxicating "Liquors," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Cowan*, seconded by Mr. *Smith* (East *Durham*),

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Doon* and *Galt* Railway Company," be now read the first time.