

Quebec Fire-
wood Society.

An engrossed Bill, to incorporate the *Quebec Charitable Firewood Society*, was read for the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. *Aylwin* do carry the said Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions read.

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

Of the Reverend *P. Pouliot* and others, of the parish of *St. Pierre des Bequets*, in the county of *Nicolet*; and the Petition of *Thomas Fortier*, M. D. and others, of the parish of *St. Edouard de Gentilly*, in the county of *Nicolet*, praying for a repeal of all the laws regulating winter carriages.

Of *Dugald Munro* and others, of the township of *Southcote*, in the district of *London*, praying that the Clergy Reserve Lands may not be taken from under the controul and management of the Government, but that they may be sold by the Crown in the usual manner.

Of *Thomas Drury* and others, of the townships adjoining the *Holland Landing*, in the county of *Simcoe*, praying that the aid petitioned for, to improve the navigation of the East branch of the *Holland River*, may not be granted.

Of *Joseph Pincheaud* and others, Physicians and Surgeons, residing in *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a school for the study of medicine in the city of *Quebec*.

Of *Robert Fleming Gourlay*, praying that the proceedings had upon his case during the years 1841, 1842, and 1843, may be revised and re-considered, in order that justice may be done to him.

Of *Oliver Hammond*, of *Springfield*, in the township of *Toronto*, in the *Home* district, praying that a Special Commission may be appointed to investigate the alleged unjust and oppressive conduct of the Deputy Post Master, at the *Credit Office*, towards the Petitioner and others.

Of *William Smith* and others, of *Toronto* and other townships, in the *Home* district, praying for the planking of *Hurontario Street*, from *Port Credit* through the townships of *Toronto* and *Chinguacousy*.

Of *George P. Ridout*, Esquire, and others, of the city of *Toronto*, praying that, should it be found necessary to levy an excise duty upon stills and breweries, it may be done in such a manner as not to injure those interested in the manufacture of spirituous liquors, or to encourage fraud or smuggling.

Of the Reverend *Frederick Mack* and others, members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the town of *Amherstburg* and its vicinity, in the diocese of *Toronto*; of the Reverend *W. S. Darling* and others, members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the township of *Scarboro* and parts adjacent, in the diocese of *Toronto*; of the Reverend *Adam Townley* and others, members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the village of *Dunneville* and vicinity, in the diocese of *Toronto*; and of the Reverend *J. B. Fuller* and others, members of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the township of *Thorold* and vicinity, in the diocese of *Toronto*, praying for an Address to Her Majesty, recommending the passing of an Act to assign to the Church of *England* such proportion of the Clergy Reserve Lands as shall correspond with her share of the funds arising from the same; and to authorize

the Church Society of the diocese of *Toronto* to propose a system for the future management of their portion of the said Lands.

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

MR. SPEAKER—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, *Line Fences*. "An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to provide for the regulation of *Line Fences*, and *Water Courses* in *Upper Canada*," without any amendment.

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled, *Relief of Religious Societies*. "An Act to extend the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Upper Canada*, (passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, King *George the Fourth*, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned,') to other denominations of Christians than those therein enumerated," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Reynolds* and others, of that part of the township of *Woolwich*, in the district of *Wellington*, commonly called the *Pilkington Block*; the Petition of *D. Henderson* and others, of the township of *Nichol*; the Petition of *W. C. Boyd* and others, of the township of *St. Vincent* and other places; the Petition of *A. D. Fordyce* and others, of the township of *Nichol*, in the district of *Wellington*; and the Petition of the Directors of the *Bronte Harbour Company*, be severally referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Roblin*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the third Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth:—

Your Committee have, since their last Report, proceeded in examining and auditing outstanding Accounts of Tradesmen and Mechanics, and have ordered the liquidation of such as have been duly certified. An account from *Armour & Ramsay*, Booksellers of this city, was laid before your Committee, amounting to £279, being for a certain description of books furnished the Library, under the sanction of the late Speaker, by the request of an individual Member of the House. Your Committee are gratified to notice that your Honourable House have deemed it expedient to appoint a Select Committee, with the Speaker as Chairman, to superintend the department of the Library, as it relieves the Honourable Speaker from an onerous and individual responsibility.

Upon the subject of the Accounts for Printing and Binding the Journals and Appendix for the last Session, your Committee have ascertained that the work has been performed in a satisfactory manner, by the contractor, Mr. *Barker*, and have ordered the payment of the balance due him, agreeably to his contract. A claim of £83 has been made by him, as remuneration for loss of time and delay, occasioned by the irregular and inconvenient manner in which the copy for the printing of the French language was furnished him; your Committee have investigated the nature of the claim, but do not consider themselves justified in recommending any remuneration exceeding the sum of £35 for its liquidation. Your Committee cannot allow this subject to pass, without expressing a hope, that such care may be taken in future, by the proper officer, as will prevent a recurrence of similar circumstances, in reference to the supply of copy to the printers of the French Journals.

Your Committee, in passing an account of £32 5s., being for a copy of the *Upper Canada Gazette*, furnished to each of the Members of your Honourable House, from that part of the Province formerly *Upper Canada*, beg to recommend the discontinuance of that paper in future.