gladly receive any Bill making the necessary provision which may be submitted for our consideration, as we shall also any other measures found necessary for the

amendment of existing laws and submitted for our approval.

We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the Estimates for the ensuing year will be laid before us at an early day, and that they have been prepared with an anxious desire to provide for all the branches of the public service and the execution of pressing public works within the limits of the expected revenue, without increasing the burden of taxation; and for having directed that the Public Accounts of the past financial year shall be laid before us.

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

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie, seconded by Mr. Laflamme,

Resolved, That a Special Committee of seven Members be appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, on Friday the 8th instant, and that Mr. Mackenzie, Sir John A. Macdonald, Messieurs Smith (Westmoreland), Blake, Holton, Tupper and Masson do compose the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Cartwright, seconded by Mr. Coffin,

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee

to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Mr. Mackenzie, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the fiscal year 1st July, 1876, to 30th June, 1877, on the works under his control. (Sessional Papers, No. 7.)

Mr. Smith (Westmoreland), a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tenth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1877. (Sessional Papers, No. 1.)

Mr. Mills, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Department of the Interior, for the year ended 30th June, 1877. (Sessional Papers, No. 10.)

Mr. Cartwright, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Public Accounts of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1877. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

Mr. Lasamme, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Minister of Justice as to Penitentiaries in Canada, for the six months ended 30th June, 1877. (Sessional Papers, No. 12.)

Mr. Burpee, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1877. (Sessional Papers, No. 2.)