

encourage the planting of Timber, Fruit and Ornamental Trees upon the Public Highways in this Province, and to give a right of property in such Trees to the owners of the soil adjacent to such highways, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Mr. *Somerville*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz. :—Of *J. M. Currier* and others, for incorporation of the *Ottawa Skating Club*; of the *Richelieu Company*; of the *Canadian Land and Emigration Company (limited)*; of the *Quebec Marine Insurance Company*; of *Charles McCaffrey* and others, for an Act to unite the Parishes of *St. Sylvester*, *St. Giles*, and *Ste. Agathe (Loibinière)* for registration purposes; and of *G. T. Webster*, of *Brantford*.

*Donald A. Macdonald*, Esquire, being one of the six Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, took the following oath :—

“ I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member of the General Committee of Elections to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favor. So help me God.”

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wood* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the admission of *George Thomas Webster* as an Attorney, Solicitor and Barrister in *Upper Canada*.

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, to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Currier* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Ottawa Skating and Curling Club*.

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, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Scatcherd*, second by Mr. *Mackenzie (Lambton)*,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law in relation to Law Costs in *Upper Canada*, be discharged.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that their Honors will give leave to the Honorable *James Skead*, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Committee of this House, appointed to take into consideration the contents of the Return to an Address of the 23rd April, 1863, for information respecting the Office of Supervisor of Cullers.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Powell* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

On motion of Mr. *McGiverin*, seconded by Mr. *Scoble*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be procured and laid before this House, a Statement shewing the amount of Imports and Exports, the Revenue and Expenditure, of the Provinces of *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, *Newfoundland*, and *Prince Edward Island*, for the year 1863, with the Population, Assets and Liabilities of each.

*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.

*Ordered*, That the Quorum of the Select Committee on the Bill respecting the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*, be reduced to seven Members.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bourassa* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 26 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, “ An Act respecting abuses “ prejudicial to agriculture.”