

Russell contested Election.

According to Order, the Honourable Mr. Sherwood, Nominee for the Petitioners, in the matter of the contested Election for the County of Russell, laid before the House a List of Witnesses on the part of the Petitioners, which was read by the Clerk, as followeth:—

List of Witnesses to be called and produced on the part of the Petitioners, against the Return of the Sitting Member for the County of Russell:—
Edward Malloch, Esquire.....By-Town.
The Honourable Thomas McKay...New Edinburgh.
James Johnston, Esquire.....By-Town.
Christopher Armstrong, Esquire...By-Town.

Mr. Noël, Nominee for the Sitting Member for the County of Russell, according to order, also handed in a List of Witnesses on behalf of the said Sitting Member, which was also read by the Clerk, as followeth:—

Names of Witnesses on behalf of the Sitting Member for the County of Russell.

James Johnston, Esquire.
George Patterson.
Archibald McDonell, Esquire.
William Smith, Esquire.
Christopher Armstrong, Esquire.
B. Billings, Junior, Esquire.

Sixty-seventh Rule dispensed with.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Boulton have leave to lay before the House, a Petition of the Honourable S. B. Harrison, and that the sixty-seventh Rule of this House respecting the presentation of Petitions for Private Bills, be dispensed with, so far as relates to the said Petition.

The said Petition was accordingly laid before the House.

Third Report on Contingencies.

Mr. Thorburn, 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 beg to report that the accompanying Tradesmen's Accounts for the present Session (a Schedule of which is annexed), amounting to two hundred and eighty-one pounds, nineteen shillings and eleven pence half penny, have been audited and found correct, and therefore recommend, that the Clerk of your Honourable House be authorized to pay the same out of the Funds now in his hands for such purposes.

Accounts during the Third Session of First Parliament.

D. Smith, Carpenter, (appraised Acc't)	£173 18 3½
D. Gleeson, Whitewashing, (appraised Account).....	15 18 3
J. Kay, Labour.....	9 0 0
J. Milner, Mason.....	15 4 2
G. Brown, Architect.....	12 2 0
James Powell, Tinsmith, (appraised Account).....	50 17 9
"Toronto Star and Transcript,".....	3 4 6
"Cobourg Star".....	1 15 0

£281 19 11½

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the whole House on Friday next.

Report on Cataract Bridge Company.

Mr. Cartwright, from the Special Committee to which was referred the Petition of the President, Directors, and Stockholders, of the Cataract Bridge, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth:—

"That the Charter of this Company, of the late Province of Upper Canada, 8 George 4, cap. 12,

has been examined, and they have ascertained that there is an error in the twenty-fourth Clause, wherein a reference is made to the fifth Clause instead of the sixth clause, whereby the remedy intended to be granted is in operation. They therefore report that it is desirable to amend the law as prayed for, and a few amendments as prayed for by the Petitioners."

Ordered, That Mr. Cartwright have leave to bring in a Bill, to amend the Charter of the Cataract Bridge Company.

Cataract Bridge.

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 Tuesday next.

Mr. Hale, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth:—

Fifth Report on Private Bills.

"Your Committee have considered the Petition of George Adams and others, which states, that in consequence of the insertion in the Act incorporating the Bank of the Niagara District, of a clause declaring the Stockholders therein liable for the debts of the Company, to the extent of double the amount of their subscribed shares, the Capital Stock of the said Bank has not yet been subscribed. Your Committee therefore recommend that an Act be passed extending the time for receiving subscriptions to the Capital Stock of the said Bank, to eighteen months from the passing thereof, and two years for the paying up the subscriptions for the same."

Ordered, That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until Thursday next.

Mr. Child, from the Special Committee to which was referred the Petition of Uriah Jewitt, and other Inhabitants of the County of Stanstead, praying for the preservation of the Fish called "Lunge" or "Maskinonge," during the spawning season, to extend the Enquiry and consider whether it would not be well to provide a general measure of that kind for the preservation of all kinds of Fish in the fresh waters of Canada, during the spawning season, with power to report from time to time, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth:—

Report on petition of Inhabitants of Stanstead.

"Your Committee have examined the Petition referred to them, and have taken the testimony of several Members of Your Honourable House, who reside in that part of the Province, respecting the prayer thereof, and also the Salmon Fisheries in the District of St. Francis, and have come to the opinion, that the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted; and also that the Salmon Fish should not be prevented from running up the St. Francis, and other Rivers in the said District, to the places where they lay their spawn. And Your Committee recommend that the Chairman move for leave to introduce a Bill providing for the above purposes.

Your Committee have also extended their enquiries, in obedience to the order of Instructions of the twelfth instant, of your Honourable House, with a view to provide a general measure of this kind, and have addressed certain Queries to many of the Members of your Honourable House, who reside in various parts of the Province, and have obtained some answers thereto. And your Committee have come to the opinion that no general measure of this kind is immediately called for, nevertheless your Committee are fully persuaded that while many valuable Fish are taken in considerable quantities for the consumption of the Inhabitants, it will be necessary to preserve such kinds of Fish during the