

The Honorable Mr. *Howe*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, the accompanying papers relative to recent occurrences in the *North-West Territories*, referred to in the third paragraph of the Speech from the Throne. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Ottawa, 24th February, 1870.

*Ordered*, That the said Message, together with the papers accompanying the same, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider and report as to the papers connected with the *North-West Territories*.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*,

*Resolved*, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned till Monday next.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the powers of the Official Arbitrators in certain cases therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of correspondence between the Government and the *Iroquois* Indians of *Two Mountains*, or other parties, relative to the sale or surrender of the Indian lands, with copies of all Orders in Council, or other documents relating to the difficulties existing with the said Indians. And also, a statement shewing what reserves are available for such Indians in any other parts of the Country.

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

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, seconded by Mr. *Young*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of any correspondence which may have passed between the Government of *Canada*, and the Government of any of the Provinces included in the Dominion of *Canada* in relation to the property of intestates dying without heirs, as to whether it escheats to the Crown as represented by the Governor General, or to the Crown as represented by the Lieutenant Governors of the different Provinces.