

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

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*, and of the *Toronto* Corn Exchange Association, jointly praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*" and granting such amalgamated Corporation, the additional powers necessary to promote the objects and functions of the said Corporation.

Of the Northern and North-Western Junction Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act giving them power to build a Railway from *Burlington Village* to the *Niagara* River, and also declaring their Railway to be one for the general advantage of *Canada*.

And of *Samuel D. Rice*, President of the Methodist Church of *Canada*; *A. Carman*, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church of *Canada*; *Edward Roberts*, President of the Bible Christian Church; and *William Herridge*, President of the Primitive Methodist Conference; praying to be incorporated under the name of "The Methodist Church."

The Honorable Sir *Alexander Campbell*, Minister of Justice, presented to the House,—A Return of the names and salaries, etc., of the employés of the Civil Service, also of the officers of the paid Militia Staff, and of the Senate and House of Commons of *Canada*, under "The *Canada* Civil Service Act, 1882."

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:—

*Vide Sessional Papers, No. 33*

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Honorable Mr. *Lacoste's* motion, viz:—

That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General to offer the respectful thanks of this House to His Excellency for the gracious Speech which His Excellency has been pleased to make to both Houses of Parliament, namely:—

TO HIS EXCELLENCY the Most Honorable *Henry* [*Charles Keith Petty-Fitzmaurice*, Marquis of *Lansdowne*, in the County of *Somerset*, Earl of *Wycombe*, of *Chipping Wycombe*, in the County of *Bucks*, Viscount *Caln* and *Calnstone*, in the County of *Wilts*, and Lord *Wycombe*, Barron of *Chipping Wycombe*, in the County of *Bucks*, in the Peerage of *Great Britain*; Earl of *Kerry* and Earl of *Shelburne*, Viscount *Glanmaurice* and *Fitzmaurice*, Baron of *Kerry*, *Lixnaw*, and *Dunkerron*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*; Governor General of *Canada*.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Senate of *Canada* in Parliament assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for your gracious Speech at the opening of this Session.

Your Excellency, in fulfilment of the important trust committed to you by Her Majesty, has been graciously pleased to have recourse for the first time to our advice and assistance. We respectfully thank Your Excellency for the expression that it is a source of the deepest personal satisfaction to you that you should have been called by Her Majesty to an office in which, as Her Representative, Your Excellency is enabled to take a part in the public affairs of the Dominion, and to associate yourself with us in the performance of the honorable duties which we are about to approach.

We rejoice with Your Excellency to learn that, although the last harvest has been less productive than its predecessors, and although there are indications that the rapid expansion of our commerce has to some extent been followed by over-