

KINS, JONES, KILLALY, LAFONTAINE, LESLIE, D. McDONALD, J. S. McDONALD, MERRITT, MOORE, MORIN, MORRIS, NOEL, PARKE, POWELL, PRICE, QUEENEL, ROBLIN, SIMPSON, HARMANNUS SMITH, GEORGE SHERWOOD, STEELE, TACHE, TASCHEREAU, THOMPSON, THORBURN, D. B. VIGER, L. M. VIGER, WAKEFIELD, and WILLIAMS.—(52.)

So it passed in the Negative.

The question being then put on the main motion it was agreed to.

And the said amendments being again severally read, and the question of concurrence being separately put thereon, they were agreed to by the House.

Ordered. That the said Bill as amended be engrossed.

Duties.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the recommitted Report of the Committee of the whole House to consider the propriety of amending the Act 4 & 5 *Victoria*, cap. 14, which imposes duties on Goods, Wares and Merchandize, imported into this Province, and imposing duties on certain Agricultural products exempted from duty under the said Act, being read,

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Taschereau took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And Mr. Taschereau reported that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered. That the said Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and that it be then the first Order of the day.

Ordered. That the remaining Orders of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then on motion of Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Berthelot,

The House adjourned.

*Mercurii, 18<sup>o</sup> die Octobris.*

Anno 7<sup>o</sup> Victorie Regine, 1843.

12 Petitions brought up.

THE following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. Harrison—The Petition of John F. Kingston, of the Township of Bedford, in the *Midland* District.

By Mr. Price—The Petition of John A. Wilkinson, and others, inhabitants of the *Western* District: the Petition of the Municipal Council of the *Western* District (relating to duty on tobacco); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the *Western* District (relating to imprisonment for Debt); and the Petition of J. B. Baby, and others, Freeholders and inhabitants of the *Western* District.

By Mr. Roblin—The Petition of the *Prince Edward* District Agricultural Society.

By Mr. Morris—The Petition of Alexander Wyllie and others, Presbyterians, of the Townships of *Edwardsburgh* and *Augusta*.

By Mr. Gilchrist—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Colborne*.

By the Honourable Mr. Jones—The Petition of E. J. Briggs and others, inhabitants of the Municipal District of *Missisquoi*; the Petition of Francis Marie and others, inhabitants of *Foucault, Canada East*; the Petition of A. Chapman and others, of the County of *Rouville*; and the Petition of Godefroy Esinhart and others, Tavern Keepers, of the Town of *Dorchester*, in the Parish of *St. John the Evangelist*.

An engrossed Bill for better securing the independence of the Parliament of this Province was read for the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Attorney General Lafontaine do carry the said Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill to fix the period for holding the Courts of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in that part of the Province formerly *Upper Canada*, was read for the third time.

General Quarter Sessions.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Cartwright do carry the said Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

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Of E. Crevier and other Inhabitants of the Township of *Acton*, and other places; praying a grant to repair three miles of road formerly made at the public expense of the Province, between the Township of *Grantham* and the ninth Concession of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Of Paul Lussier, and other Inhabitants of the Parish of *Ste. Anne de Varennes*, in the District of *Montreal*; praying that a duty may be imposed on agricultural produce and live stock imported from the *United States*;—that a premium may be granted on certain *Canadian* manufactures;—that the District and Division Courts may be abolished, and the Commissioners Courts re-established;—and that the owners of Steamboats may be compelled to adopt certain precautions against fire.

Of the Honourable W. W. Baldwin and others, Inhabitants of the *Home* District, praying for agricultural protection.

Of Charles Heon and others, Inhabitants of *Blandford*, in the District of *Nicolet*; praying aid for a road in the said District.

Of B. Hubbs, A. Campbell and W. Rorke, late Boundary Line Commissioners for the District of *Prince Edward*; praying that a summary mode may be provided for recovering the costs and expenses incurred by them under the late Boundary Line Commissioners' Act.

Of William McNaughton and others, Presbyterian Inhabitants of *Ormslow*, in the County of *Beauharnois*; praying for the passing of a law to provide for the management of the Temporalities of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*.

Of Jacob Beam and others, Inhabitants of the Townships of *Clinton* and *Grimby*, in the District of *Niagara*; praying that the benefits of the University of King's College, be extended to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects.

Of William Henry Roy and others, who served in the embodied Militia of *Lower Canada*, during the last war with the *United States of America*; praying remuneration for their services.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*; praying that certain amendments be made to the Municipal Council Act.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*; praying for certain amendments to the Laws relating to the Assessment of Lands.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*; praying for the passing of an Act to define the limits of the said District.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *Wellington*; praying for certain amendments to the Common School Act.

Independence of Parliament.