

Inhabitants,  
Cote de la Vertu.

Of the Inhabitants of *Cote de la Vertu*, Parish of *St. Laurent*, District of *Montreal*, and neighbouring places, complaining of the heavy tolls on the turnpike road leading from *Cote des Neiges* to *Montreal*, and praying relief.

D. D'Eschambault, and others.

Of *D. D'Eschambault*, and other Inhabitants of *Laprarie*, praying that the Corporation of the Common of the Parish of *Laprarie de la Magdelaine*, be authorized to convey to the *Fabrique* of the said Parish, certain lands for the purposes of Education.

S. Brooks, and others.

Of *Samuel Brooks*, and others, Trustees of the *Sherbrooke Academy*, praying for the usual aid towards supporting the said Academy during the current year.

Inhabitants,  
Tecumseth.

Of *W. H. Richardson*, and other Inhabitants, of the township of *Tecumseth*, praying the House not to pass a Bill to annex a part of the township of *West Gwillimbury* to the *Home District*.

Petitions  
referred :  
R. Brown,  
and others.

**Resolved.**—That the Petition of *Richard Brown*, and others, of the County of *Haldimand*, presented to the House on the thirteenth instant, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs. *Thompson*, *Cameron*, *Roblin*, *Steele*, and *D. McDonald*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, by Bill or otherwise; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Inhabitants,  
Cote de la Vertu.

**Resolved.**—That the Petition of the Inhabitants of *Cote de la Vertu*, Parish of *St. Laurent*, District of *Montreal*, and neighbouring places, be referred to a Special Committee to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

**Ordered.**—That Mr. *Delisle*, Mr. *Quesnel*, the Honourable Mr. *Viger*, the Honourable Mr. *Neilson*, and Mr. *Holmes*, do compose the said Committee.

N. A. Committee  
Colonial Soc'y.

**Resolved.**—That the Petition of the *North American Committee* of the Colonial Society, presented to the House on the eighth instant, be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon from time to time; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

**Ordered.**—That Mr. *Merritt*, Mr. *Williams*, the Honourable Mr. *Hincks*, the Honourable Mr. *Neilson*, Mr. *Burnet*, the Honourable Mr. *Moffatt*, Mr. *Leslie*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, and the Honourable Mr. *Viger*, do compose the said Committee.

T. McGoey,  
and others.

**Resolved.**—That the Petition of *Thomas McGoey*, and others interested in the lumber trade, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs. *Cameron*, *Papineau*, *Derbshire*, *Aylwin*, and *Burnet*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Niagara Dist.  
Council.

**Ordered.**—That the Petition of the Municipal Council of the *Niagara District*, praying that a Duty be imposed upon American Products introduced into the Province, be referred to the Special Committee to which was referred the Petition of the *North American Committee* of the Colonial Society.

House to attend  
H. E. to-morrow  
noon.

The Honourable Messieurs. *Harrison* and *Hincks*, Members of the Executive Council, reported to the House, that the Governor-General, having been waited upon, pursuant to their order of Saturday last, humbly

to know His Excellency's pleasure, when he will be attended by this House with its Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency to both Houses of the Legislature, at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Parliament, had been pleased to appoint to be attended, to-morrow at noon, at the Government House.

Mr. *Yule* from the Special Committee to which was referred the Petition of divers Proprietors, and Inhabitants, of the County of *Chambly*, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth :—

“Your Committee after duly considering the prayer of the said Petition, are of opinion that it should be granted, and therefore recommend your Honourable House, to pass an Act to amend the Acts authorizing the establishment of Mutual Insurance Companies, in the Eastern section of this Province, so far as to enable the Mutual Insurance Company of the County of *Montreal* to insure for the said County of *Chambly*.”

Report on  
Petition of  
Inhabitants of  
Chambly.

On motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

**Resolved.**—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the expediency of altering and amending an Act of the late Parliament of *Upper Canada*, intituled, “An Act better to secure the independence of the Commons House of Assembly of this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned.”

Independence  
Commons  
House of Ass'y.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee,

Mr. *L. M. Viger*, took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *L. M. Viger* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which Resolution was again read at the Clerk's table and agreed to by the House, and is as followeth :—

**Resolved.**—That the Act of the late Parliament of *Upper Canada*, intituled, “An Act better to secure the Independence of the Commons House of Assembly of this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned” should be amended.

**Ordered.**—That Sir *Allan N. MacNab* have leave to bring in a Bill to make the law for vacating the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly accepting office, and for filling up vacancies in that body, uniform throughout this Province.—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 Wednesday next.

Act to be made  
uniform.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Harrison*, seconded by Mr. *Delisle*,

**Ordered.**—That when this House doth adjourn, it will adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past eleven o'clock, a. m.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Moffatt*, seconded by Mr. *Burnet*,

**Resolved.**—That an humble address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor-General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the letter addressed by His Excellency, on the thirteenth instant, to *L. H. Lafontaine*, Esquire, then a Member of this House, in reference to certain proposed changes in the Provincial Administration; and also a copy of all the correspondence on the subject.

Correspondence,  
L. H. Lafontaine.

**Ordered.**—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honourable the Executive Council of this Province.