

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 11th May, 1864, for Copies of Documents connected with application of Mr. *Coffin*, Joint Prothonotary for the District of *Montreal*, for leave of absence. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 44.)

On motion of Mr. *Street*, seconded by Mr. *Bellerose*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House forthwith, with the last Return for the County of *Essex*, and amend the same by causing the name of *Arthur Rankin*, Esquire, to be inserted therein, as the Member duly elected for the said County of *Essex*.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended, according to order, and amended the Return for the County of *Essex*.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *Maria Murney*, Executrix, to sell certain portions of the real estate of the late Honorable "*Edmund Murney*, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *Wallbridge* (*North Hastings*),

*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled, "An Act to authorize "*Maria Murney*, Executrix, to sell certain portions of the real estate of the late Honorable "*Edmund Murney*, and for other purposes," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

*Arthur Rankin*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Essex*, having previously taken the Oath according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was, on Friday last, proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for the House again in Committee of Supply); and which Amendment was, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "it be *Resolved*, That this House regrets that at a time when it is deemed necessary, in order to maintain the Public Credit and to provide for the requirements of the Public Service, not only largely to increase existing Taxes, but to resort to new and unusual modes of Taxation, His Excellency the Governor General should have been advised to sanction an Order in Council, the effect of which will be to diminish materially the Revenue of the Provincial Canals without any compensating advantage," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question on the Amendment being again proposed: The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter Four of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, called upon Mr. *Joly*, Member for the County of *Lotbinière*, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Mr. *Joly* accordingly took the Chair of the House.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock, on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 18th May, 1864.

And the Question being put on the Amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follows:—