

Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was, on Friday, the 3rd instant, proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament, for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland* and *Prince Edward Island* in one Government, with provisions based on certain Resolutions, which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of *Quebec*, on the 10th October, 1864.

[Which Resolutions appear in full on the Journals of Friday, the 3rd instant.]

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being again proposed;

And a further Debate arising thereupon:

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie (Lambton)*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,
The House adjourned.

Thursday, 23rd February, 1865.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following certificate:—

PROVINCE OF CANADA, } This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated
To wit: } the twenty-seventh day of January last past, issued by His
Excellency the Governor General, and addressed to the High Sheriff of the County of
Wentworth (E. Cartwright Thomas, Esquire), *ex-officio* Returning Officer for the City
of *Hamilton*, for the election of a Member to represent the said City in the Legislative
Assembly of this Province, in the present Parliament, in the room and place of the
Honorable *Isaac Buchanan*, who, since his Election as the Representative of the said City,
hath resigned his seat, *Charles Magill*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected
accordingly, as appears by the Return of the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-first
day of February, instant, which is now lodged of record in my Office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 23rd February, 1865.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

To WM. B. LINDSAY, JR., Esquire,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,
Quebec.

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

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

By Mr. *Burwell*,—The Petition of *Daniel Row* and others, of the Township of *Boylham*.

By Mr. *Somerville*,—The Petition of *J. Scriver* and others; and the Petition of *O. Philion* and others, both of the Parish of *Hemmingford*, County of *Huntingdon*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—Two Petitions of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*.

By Mr. *Dorion (Drummond and Arthabaska)*,—The Petition of *M. X. Beaudette* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Victoire*, County of *Arthabaska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of the Reverend *John Bethune, D.D.*, and others; and the Petition of *H. G. Vennor* and others, both of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Evanturel*,—The Petition of *Joseph Laurin*, President of the Agricultural Society for the County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Macdonald (Glengarry)*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Elizabeth Macdonell*, of the City of *Ottawa*, widow of the late *Donald Macdonell*, Colonel and Deputy Adjutant General of Militia.