The question being then put on Mr. Rathwell's motion, it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on Mr. Fields' motion, it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on Mr. Millar's motion, it passed in the negative

The question being then put on Mr. Cornett's motion, it passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Read moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, that a special committee be appointed to select standing committees of five, consisting of Messrs. Jones Whitmarsh, McBratney, Porter and the mover, and that the 39th rule be suspended for that purpose only.

Mr. Fields, in amendment moved, seconded by Mr. Wilson, that a special committee be appointed, to consist of Messrs. McBratney, Kernahan, Keeler, Taplin and the mover, to select the standing committees for the current year, and to report to this Council forthwith. Lost.

The original motion was then adopted.

Mr. Stafford moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, that the Council do now adjourn until ten o'clock to-morrow morning. Carried.

The Council adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, 29th January, 1873.

The Council met at 10 o'clock a.m.

The Warden in the Chair.

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Members present,—Messrs. Adams. Beach, Bell, Bissell, Birmingham, Carley, Cornett, Fields, Hourigan, Jones, Kernahan, Lambert, Millar, Murphy, Porter, Preston, Rathwell, Read, Scovil, Stafford, Stevens, Taplin, Tennant, Whelan, Whitmarsh and Wilson.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Warden laid on the table,

1—Letter of the County Clerk of Lincoln, with petition to the Legislature respecting the destruction of the forests of this Province.

2—Letter of Provincial Secretary respecting the Normal School. 3—Letter of County Clerk of Middlesex, relating to Registry Law.

4—Letter of Provincial Secretary respecting petition for amendment of law relating to Joint Stock Road Companies.

5—Letter of H. S. McDonald, Esquire, with copy of bill respecting drainage.

6—Letter of Inspector of Registry Offices relating to new office for the County of Leeds.

7—Copy of resolution of County of Elgin respecting gaol fund. 8—Plans and specifications for Registry Office for Grenville.

9—Report of committee on By-law No. 143 of Kitley, relating to School Section No. 20 of Kitley, and No. 26 of Elizabethtown.