Pursuant to notice, Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Kearnes, moves for leave to Bill brought in to bring in a bill to amend the laws now in force regulating the distribution of district regulate distribution of district funds. funds.

Which was granted and the bill was read the first time.

Bill read.

On the question for the second reading of the bill to-morrow.

In amendment-Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Kearnes, moves that the bill Second reading Monday to amend the laws now in force regulating the distribution of District funds, be not read a second time to-morrow, but that the second reading be deferred until Monday week.

Which was carried and ordered.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Shade, moves for leave to bring in a bill, authorising the levying of a tax on the inhabitant householders in the new district of Dalhousie, for the purpose of building a Gaol and Court House.

Bill brought in to levy additional tax in new district of Dalhousie.

Which was granted, and the bill was read the first time.

Bill read.

Ordered—That the bill be read a second time to-morrow.

2d reading to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Bockus, seconded by Mr. Morris, moves that a select committee be appointed to examine and report on the contingent expenses of the Legislature, and that Messrs. Thorburn, Thomson, Malloch and Detlor do compose the same.

Committee appointed on contingencies of Legislature.

Which was carried and ordered.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House was again put into a committee Committee of whole on of the whole on the Election bill.

election bill.

Mr. Shaver in the chair.

The House resumed.

The chairman reported that the committee had made some progress in the bill, Progress reported—sit and asked leave to sit again this day.

again this day.

The report was received, and leave granted accordingly.

At one o'clock, P.M., the House waited on His Excellency the Governor House waits on His Ex-General with its address, in answer to His Excellency's speech at the opening of the present session, and being returned,

cellency with address in answer to speech.

Mr. Speaker reported the delivery of the same, and that His Excellency had Reply of His Excellenbeen pleased to make thereto the following reply:-

cy reported.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

I thank you for this Address, and for your promise to co-operate with me in the Reply, measures necessary to promote the peace and prosperity of this Province.

Supported by you, and by the people of Upper Canada, I feel assured that I shall be enabled to overcome the difficulties by which we are surrounded.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Address to His Excellency the Governor General, for a return of the population of Belleville, was read the second time.

Address to His Excellency for return of population of Belleville read second time. Committed.

The House was put into a committee of the whole on the address.

Mr. Gowan in the chair.

The House resumed.

The Chairman reported that the committee had made some progress in the Progress reported-sit address, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

again to-morrow.

The report was received, and leave granted accordingly.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill to prevent Sheriffs representing Sheriffs' representation their districts in Parliament was read the second time.

bill read second time.