

ly done by him, the opposing counsel, Mr. *Cartier*, objected to the granting of said Commission.

The Committee, after mature deliberation, ordered that the application of the Petitioner's Counsel cannot be granted, inasmuch as the question at issue being a legal one further evidence than that already adduced is unnecessary. The Committee therefore resolved, that the matter of the Petition shall be argued by the Counsel for the Petitioner, and sitting Member, on Thursday next, at 10½, A. M.

The Committee then adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1854.

The Committee met at 10 o'clock, A. M.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

FRANÇOIS LEMIRUX, Esquire, *Chairman*.

Mr. Frazer,
Mr. Dewitt,
Mr. Pouliot,
Mr. Burton.

There being no business before the Committee, it adjourned until to-morrow at 10½, A. M.

Thursday, Nov. 30, 1854.

Committee met at 10½ o'clock, A. M.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

FRANÇOIS LEMIEUX, Esquire, *Chairman*.

Mr. Dewitt,
Mr. Burton,
Mr. Pouliot,
Mr. Frazer.

In accordance with the resolution of the Committee of Thursday last, the merits of the Petition of *A. B. Papineau*, Esquire, were fully argued, by the Counsel on both sides.

The Committee having heard the said Counsel, and after a careful deliberation

The following Resolutions were proposed :—

Resolved,—That the prayer of the petition of the said *A. B. Papineau*, Esq., cannot be granted, inasmuch as they consider that the nature of the contracts, subsisting between the sitting member, and the Chief Commissioner of Public Works, is such as does not make the contractors amenable to the authority of the Statute 7, Vic., cap. 65.

Resolved,—That the petition is therefore discharged, and the sitting member *Pierre Labelle*, Esquire, is declared to be legally elected,