

Orders revived
and deferred.

Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the day which were lost by the adjournment of the House, of Friday last, be revived.

Ordered, That the said Orders of the day be postponed till Thursday next.

Niagara Dis-
trict Town
Bill.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to remove the site of the District Town of the District of *Niagara*, to *Port Robinson* in the Township of *Thorold*, in the County of *Welland*, which was fixed for Saturday last, and lost by the adjournment of the House, of the previous day, be revived.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, on Monday next, and be then the first Order of the day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hincks*,

Montreal Bro-
kers' Circular.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Standing Committee on Contingencies, to order that five hundred copies in sheets and five hundred copies in covers, of the *Brokers' Circular* lately published in *Montreal*, and dated 26th March, 1849, together with the Return of the Bank Issues, be printed for the use of the Members of this House, and also, a sufficient number of copies of the said documents for the Appendix to the Journal of this House.

Association for
Colonizing the
Eastern Town-
ships.

The Honorable Mr. *Price*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 1st instant, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House, copies of all Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Association for colonizing the Eastern Townships, with a Statement, in detail, of all the Surveys and Roads made on behalf of, or in connection with, the said Association, as also, of the names and salaries or compensation allowed to such Surveyors, Agents, or other public servants employed, and of all the expenditure incurred by the Government in relation to the said Association.

Appendix
(U.U.U.)

For the said Return, see Appendix (U.U.U.)

Message from
His Excel-
lency.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:—

ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

Estimates for
1849.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Assembly, a Statement of the probable Revenue and Expenditure of the Province during the year ending 31st December, 1849, together with Estimates of the Sums required for the Service of the same year; and, in conformity with the provisions of the 57th clause of the Union Act, he recommends these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Government House,

Montreal, 26th March, 1849.

Appendix
(V.V.V.)

For the Statement and Estimates accompanying the Message, see Appendix (V.V.V.)

Ordered, That the said Message, with the accompanying documents, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

On motion of Mr. *McConnell*, seconded by Mr. *Gugy*,

Sherbrooke
Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of one Member

to serve in the present Provincial Parliament for the County of *Sherbrooke*, in the room of *Samuel Brooks*, Esquire, deceased.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bell* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex certain unsurveyed Lands to the *Bathurst* District, for Judicial purposes.

Bathurst Dis-
trict Lands
Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:—

Message from
the Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without Amendment, viz.:

Bill, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the City of *Kingston* Water Works Company."

Kingston
Water Works
Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to provide for the removal of the Registry Office of the County of *L'Islet* from the place where it is now kept to the Parish of *L'Islet*."

L'Islet Regi-
stry Office Bill.

Bill, intituled, "An Act to enable *Charles James Stuart*, Esquire, to practise the Law in *Lower Canada*."

Stuart's Relief
Bill.

And then he withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Flint*, and the Question being put, That this

Union Act.

House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the expediency of addressing Her Majesty and the other Branches of the Imperial Parliament upon the propriety of amending the Union Act; and of representing that it is the opinion of this House, That whatever may tend to lessen the independence, or disparage the character or dignity, of either Branch of the Legislature, is a blemish and an injury to the whole body: That that provision of the Act of Union which declares that it shall be lawful for any Member of the Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada* to resign his seat in the said Legislative Council, has a direct tendency to destroy the independence, lessen the dignity of, and diminish the respect due to, that Branch of the Legislature: That the provision of the Union Act which declares that the presence of at least twenty Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Canada*, including the Speaker, shall be necessary to constitute a meeting of the said Legislative Assembly for the exercise of its powers, is a minute and unnecessary interference with the internal course of its proceedings, which should be left free and unfettered to the judgment and discretion of this House and be regulated by its own orders, and imports a distrust of the discretion and judgment of the House in the ordinary discharge of its high functions as a Legislative body: That the provision of the Union Act, that it shall not be lawful to present to the Governor of the Province of *Canada*, for Her Majesty's assent, any Bill of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the said Province by which the number of Representatives of the Legislative Assembly may be altered, unless the second and third reading of such Bill in the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly shall have been passed with the concurrence of two-thirds of the Members for the time being of such Legislative Council and of two-thirds of the Members for the time being of the said Legislative Assembly, respectively, is an unjust, unwise, and injurious restraint upon the free voice of the majority of the People through their Representatives, placing the majority in the most vital point of constitutional Government under the unalterable control of the minority,—a principle altogether inconsistent with, and diametrically opposed to every sound view of