

Assessment

equal and just system of Assessment in the several Townships, Towns, and Cities in *Upper Canada*,

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, the sixth of November next.

Real Estate.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Sherwood*, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*,

Ordered, That the Bill to afford relief, in certain cases, to sellers of Real Estate, in *Canada West*, be referred to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Moffatt, vacates his seat.

The Honourable *George Moffatt* rose in his place and informed Mr. Speaker and the House, that it was his intention to vacate his Seat as a Member of this House, for the City of *Montreal*, and that in consequence of the provisions of the Act of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, 1st Will. IV., cap. 42, he now vacated his Seat accordingly.

Local and Municipal Authorities.

A Bill to repeal the Act in force in *Upper Canada*, relative to the establishment of Local and Municipal Authorities, the Regulation of Highways, the Assessment and Collection of Local Taxes, and other matters of a like nature, was, according to order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now referred to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Honourable Mr. Solicitor General *Small* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And the Honourable Mr. Solicitor General *Small* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had made an amendment thereto, which amendment was again read at the Clerk's table, and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed.

The Honourable Mr. *Daly*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency, the Governor General,

Population Returns.

Return of the Inhabitants of the Districts constituting *Upper Canada*, with the other statistical information thereof, obtained under the Act of the Parliament of the Province of *Canada*, for taking a periodical Census (4 & 5 *Victoria*, ch. 42.)

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

Towns, &c. incorporation.

A Bill to provide for the Incorporation of Townships, Towns, Counties and Cities, in *Upper Canada*, was, according to order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House, on Monday next.

Secret Societies.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill for the discouragement of Secret Societies, being read.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Captain *Steele* took the Chair of the Committee, and, after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Captain *Steele* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he was directed to report to the House whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill to amend the Law relative to the

Administration of Justice in *Lower Canada*, being read,

Administration of Justice Lower Canada.

Ordered, That the said Order of the Day be postponed until the next sitting of the House, and that it be then the first Order of the Day.

Montreal Election Writ.

On motion of Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, seconded by Mr. *Henry Smith*,

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 a Member to serve in this present Parliament, for the City of *Montreal*, in the room and place of the Honourable *George Moffatt*, who hath resigned his Seat.

Then on motion of the Honourable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Viger*,

The House adjourned.

Martis, 31° die Octobris.

Anno 7°, *Victoriae Reginae*, 1843.

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

4 Petitions brought up.

By Mr. *Holmes*—The Petition of *Narcisse Valois* and others, Inhabitants of the County of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Leslie*—The Petition of *Fleury St. Jean*, and others, Censitaires of the Fiefs *Closse* and *La Gauchetière*, in the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honourable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*—The Petition of *Reuben White*, of the Township of *Sidney*, in the District of *Victoria*.

By Sir *Allan N. MacNab*—The Petition of *Thomas Fingland* and others.

Petitions referred.

Resolved, That the Petition of *John Harris* and others, Inhabitants of *Grimsby* and other Townships, in the District of *Niagara*, presented to the House on the seventeenth instant, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Merritt*, Mr. *Thorburn*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Powell*, and the Honourable Mr. *Boulton*, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

John Harris & others.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Edwin Pridham*, and others, inhabitants of the Township of *Grenville*, on the *Ottawa* River, presented to the House on the nineteenth instant, be referred to the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *George Brulman* and others, Leather Manufacturers and Dealers, in *Canada East*, and other References.

Edwin Pridham and others.

Mr. *Morris*, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth:—

First Report on Printing.

"Agreeably to the practice followed during previous Sessions, your Committee received Tenders for performing the daily Printing of the House, during the present Session, in the French and English Languages, and the Tenders of *Desburats* and *Derbshire*, and *Edward John Barker*, being the lowest, your Committee directed the Clerk of the House to give the Printing in the French language to the former, and that in the English language to the latter; the said parties having been required to furnish good and sufficient sureties for the speedy and correct performance of the work; to all of which your Committee pray the concurrence of your Honourable House."

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to a Committee of the whole House, on Tuesday next.