

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The Honorable Mr. Vidal then presented to the House,—A Bill intituled: "An Act to amend an Act of the present Session, intituled: 'An Act to incorporate the Railway Trust and Construction Company of Canada (Limited).'"

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a second time,

The said Bill was then read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time,

The said Bill was then read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the House of Commons, and acquaint that House that the Senate have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Alexander called the attention of this House to the expediency of addressing the Imperial Government, to solicit such an alteration of the *British North America Act* of 1867, as will permit vacancies in this House to be filled in future by popular election.

Debated.

The Honorable Mr. Guévremont moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Flint, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return showing all Orders in Council passed since the first day of January, 1882, together with all letters, correspondence and petitions, since the said date, with reference to the sale of, or the order for the sale of, the Ordnance Lands or parts of Ordnance Lands, situated in the Seigniorship of Sorel.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such Members of this House as are Members of the Privy Council.

The Honorable Mr. Bellerose moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Guévremont, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, all letters, correspondence, &c., &c., which may have passed between the Dominion Government and the Local Government of Quebec, or some members thereof, or any parties in that Province, since 1st January, 1881, concerning

1st. The appointment of His Honor Judge L. O. Loranger.

2nd. The appointment of the Honorable Mr. Mousseau to a Judgeship.

3rd. The resignation of His Honor Judge Matthieu.

After debate,

The said motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, proposing certain amendments to the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Rules,

The Honorable Mr. Bellerose moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Armand,

That the said Report be adopted.

After Debate,

The said motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act thirty-sixth Victoria, Chapter sixty-two, and the Act forty-third Victoria, Chapter seventeen, respecting the Quebec Harbor Commissioners," was read a second time.