

"past, to obtain the good government of the Province, and through good government its general prosperity, and the general contentment of its inhabitants."

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, seconded by Mr. Smith, of *Frontenac*,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and be then the first Order of the day.

The Order of the day for the attendance at the Bar of this House, of John George Vansittart, Esquire, Returning Officer at the last General Election for the County of *Oxford*, to produce evidence in relation to his conduct at the said Election, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order of the day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of Mr. Cauchon, seconded by Mr. Smith, of *Frontenac*,
The House adjourned.

Martis, 23° die Januarii;

ANNO 12° VICTORIÆ REGINÆ, 1849.

Petitions
brought up.

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

By Mr. DeWitt,—The Petition of *J. E. Brown*, Esquire, and others, of the Parishes of *Ste. Marline* and *St. Clément*, in the County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. Sauvageau,—The Petition of the Reverend *E. H. Blyth* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Martine de Beauharnois*.

By Mr. Taché,—The Petition of *Alexis Rivard* and others, of the County of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. Egan,—The Petition of *James Blackburn* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; the Petition of *Joseph Aumond* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; the Petition of *Charles Symmes* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*; and the Petition of *James Wadsworth* and others of the County of *Ottawa*, and others residing on the shores of the River *Ottawa* and its tributaries.

By the Honorable Mr. LaTerrière,—The Petition of *Frederic Tremblay* and others, of the Parish of *Baie St. Paul*, County of *Saguenay*; and the Petition of the Reverend *François Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*, District of *Quebec*.

By Mr. Jobin,—The Petition of *Michel Henrichon* and others, of the *Côte St. Paul*, in the Parish of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Cameron, of *Kent*,—The Petition of *François Denault dit Jérémie*, of the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *Daniel McPherson* and others, of the Town of *Stratford*, and other places, in the eastern section of the District of *Huron*.

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald,—The Petition of the City Council of the City of *Kingston*.

By the Honorable Mr. Viger,—The Petition of *J. O. Alfred Turgeon*, Esquire, and others, of the Counties of *Terrebonne* and *Leinster*.

By Mr. Prince,—The Petition of *A. Rankin*, Esquire, and others.

By Mr. Boutillier,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *St. Hyacinthe*, (Seigniorial Tenure); and the Petition of *E. Couillard Després*, Esquire, Surveyor.

By Mr. Wetenhall,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (*Seneca* and *Oneida* Townships); the Petition of the Municipal Council

of the District of *Gore* (division of District); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (remuneration of Wardens); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (Road allowance); the Petition of the Municipal Council of the District of *Gore* (Assessment Rolls); and the Petition of *George Thomson* and others, of *West Flamborough* and other Townships, in the District of *Gore*.

By Mr. Davignon,—The Petition of *V. P. W. Dorion* and others, members of the "*Institut Canadien*" of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Daniel McCallum*, of the Seignior of *Foucault*, County of *Rouville*, yeoman; and the Petition of *M. Townsend* and others, the Board of Directors of the *Clarenceville Academy*, County of *Rouville*.

By Mr. Fourquin,—The Petition of *Alexandre Louis Gouin* and others, Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of *Yamaska* (Seigniorial dues.)

Resolved, That the Petition of *Joseph Ouimette* and others, of *St. Eustache* and other Parishes, in the County of *Two Mountains*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. Scott, of *Two Mountains*, Mr. Jobin, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Cauchon, and Mr. Taché, to examine the contents thereof, and to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Petition of J. Ouimette and others, referred.

Mr. Richards, from the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Town of *Cornwall*, reported, That pursuant to adjournment, the Committee met this day, at twelve o'clock, noon, and having waited for one hour, they were unable to proceed to business, in consequence of the absence of Mr. Chauveau and Mr. Stevenson, members of the Committee.

Cornwall Election.

Ordered, That Mr. Chauveau and Mr. Stevenson, do severally attend in their places in this House, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Macdonald, of *Glengary*, seconded by Sir Allan N. MacNab,

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Votes and Proceedings to be printed.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Badgley have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt, and to punish fraudulent debtors. 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 Wednesday, the thirty-first instant.

Bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Badgley have leave to bring in a Bill to relieve from Arrest for Debt in *Lower Canada*, persons residing in *Upper Canada*.

Bill to relieve certain persons from Arrest for Debt.

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 Wednesday, the thirty-first instant.

On motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Gagy,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, copies of the documentary evidence, exhibits, and papers, in virtue whereof the Order of His Excellency in Council, bearing date at *Montreal*, the twenty-first day of November

Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company.