

On motion of Mr. *Merritt*, seconded by Mr. *Stephenson*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Report of the late Commissioners appointed to consider the different routes for the Welland Canal enlargement; also, the Report of the Chief Engineer thereon.

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

On motion of Mr. *McDonnell* (*Inverness*), seconded by Mr. *Church*,

*Resolved*, 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 of the different Reports upon, and Estimates of the cost of construction of the *Baie Verte* Canal, including those of the Chief and other Departmental Engineers, and all other engineers, whether as to route or otherwise.

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

On motion of Mr. *Savary*, seconded by Mr. *Chipman*,

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and the *Windsor* and *Annapolis* Railway Company (Limited), touching the right of the Company to running powers over the Government Railway between *Windsor* and *Halifax*, and touching any other matters of controversy between the Government and the said Company, and copies of any agreements and contracts entered into between the Government and the said Company.

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

Mr. *Mills* moved, seconded by the the Honorable Mr. *Young* (*Montreal*), and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following Resolution:—That the present mode of constituting the Senate is inconsistent with the Federal principle in our system of government, and is in other material respects defective; and that our constitution ought to be amended as to confer upon each Province the power of electing its Senators, and to define the mode of their election;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; to resume the same at half past Seven O'Clock, P.M.

*Half-past Seven O'Clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 36, 14 and 15 *Victoria*, incorporating the *Canada* Guarantee Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.