

The Order of the day for taking into further consideration the Petition of divers electors of the County of *St. Maurice*, complaining of the undue return of *Joseph Edouard Turcotte*, Esquire, as a Member for the said County, being read.

The names of the Members sworn to try the merits of the Petition being called over, the following were found absent, viz :—

Mr. <i>Buchanan</i> ,	The Hon. Mr. <i>Harrison</i> ,	Mr. <i>Roblin</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cameron</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. S. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Simpson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Gilchrist</i> ,	Mr. <i>McLean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fule</i> .

Members absent on  
*St. Maurice* contested  
Election.

The Council for the Petitioners, being called,

Mr. *Gugy*, again appeared at the Bar.

The Witnesses were then desired by Mr. Speaker to withdraw.

After which Mr. *Gugy*, addressed the House on behalf of the Petitioners.

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Petitioners.

Mr. *Prince*, moved, seconded by Sir *Allan MacNab*,

That the further consideration of this trial be postponed until *Wednesday* next, at four o'clock, P. M., and that the Clerk of this House be directed to furnish the Counsel for the Petitioners, forthwith, with a copy of the evidence taken.

Motion for postponing  
Trial.

Mr. *Christie*, moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Aylwin*,

That all the words in the said motion after "that" in the first line, be struck out, and the following substituted, "The Counsel for the Petitioners having declared their case closed, and the sitting Member in like manner having closed his case, the Counsel be now heard in reply on the case of the Petitioners."

Amendment proposed  
that Counsel be heard  
in reply.

The question having been put upon the motion of amendment, a division ensued, and the names being called for they were taken down as followeth :—

#### YEAS.

<i>Armstrong</i> ,	<i>Child</i> ,	<i>Morin</i> ,	<i>Small</i> ,
<i>Aylwin</i> ,	<i>Christie</i> ,	<i>Morris</i> ,	<i>Steele</i> ,
<i>Baldwin</i> ,	<i>Cook</i> ,	<i>Neilson</i> ,	<i>Taché</i> ,
<i>Barthe</i> ,	<i>Durand</i> ,	<i>Parent</i> ,	<i>Thompson</i> ,
<i>Borne</i> ,	<i>Hicks</i> ,	<i>Price</i> ,	<i>Viger, Hon. D.B.</i>
<i>Boutillier</i> ,	<i>Hopkins</i> ,	<i>Raymond</i> ,	(23).

#### NOES.

<i>Black</i> ,	<i>Derbshire</i> ,	<i>MacNab, Sir. A. N.</i>	<i>Quesnel</i> ,
<i>Boswell</i> ,	<i>De Salaberry</i> ,	<i>McCulloch</i> ,	<i>Robertson</i> ,
<i>Burnet</i> ,	<i>Draper, Hon. W.H.</i>	<i>Moffatt, Hon. G.</i>	<i>Smith, (Front.)</i>
<i>Chesley</i> ,	<i>Duggan</i> ,	<i>Ogden, Hon. C. R.</i>	<i>Smith, (Went.)</i>
<i>Crane</i> ,	<i>Foster</i> ,	<i>Parke</i> ,	<i>Thorburn</i> ,
<i>Delisle</i> .	<i>Johnston</i> ,	<i>Portell</i> ,	<i>Williams.—24.</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

Sir *Allan MacNab* then moved, in amendment, to the main motion, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Ogden*,

Amendment lost.

That all the words in the said motion after "that", in the first line, be struck out, and the following substituted, "this House do now proceed to the farther examination of the Returning Officer or other witnesses, if the House should be so advised, and that delay until *Monday* next (after the consideration of the Petitions on the contested election for the second riding of the County of *York*) be granted to the Counsel of the Petitioners for addressing this House finally on the merits of the case."

Another amendment  
proposed.

The question having been put on this motion of amendment it passed unanimously in the Negative.