

The Committee have considered the Petition of Mr. *T. L. Wilson* for the purchase of copies of a "*Life of Lord Palmerston*," to be issued in monthly parts, but they deem it inexpedient to recommend a compliance with this application.

They have also considered the Petition of *L. P. Lemay*, the author of a Volume intituled "*Essais Poétiques*" soliciting the purchase of copies to enable the author to defray the expenses of its publication. Being of opinion that this Work is a very commendable contribution to the literature of *Lower Canada*, the Committee advise that Fifty Copies be purchased for distribution to the Library Exchanges.

The Committee have had their attention directed to a little brochure by the Abbé *H. R. Casgrain*, being a literary and biographical sketch of the late *F. X. Garneau*, the talented author of the "*Histoire du Canada*." This sketch is published for the small sum of Twenty-five cents, and the Committee would recommend that Two hundred copies be purchased, in acknowledgment of the merit of the eminent writer, whose History of the Province has become a Standard Work.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes of *Lower Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Provincial Aid for Superior Education and Normal and Common Schools."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of this House.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to amend an Act respecting the Volunteer Militia Force, being read;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee until Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Jones* (South *Leeds*) reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the next sitting of this House.

Mr. Speaker then adjourned the House until Half-past seven o'clock, P.M., this day, without a Question first put.

*Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M.*

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Cameron* (North *Ontario*),—The Petition of *Henry Rose*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:—

Of the Reverend *T. W. Mussen* and others, of the Village of *West Farnham*; and of the Minister and Churchwardens of *St. Bartholomew's Church, Nicolet*; severally praying for amendments to the School Law of *Lower Canada*.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:—

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend section nine of chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Tavern keepers and the sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend chapter seventy of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled, 'An Act respecting Joint Stock Companies for the construction 'of Roads and certain other works.'"

Also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with several amendments to each, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:

Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act incorporating 'the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company*, and the Acts amending the 'same.'"