

Not being informed of the reasons which have prevented the Arbitrator appointed to adjust the claims on the part of Upper Canada to a proportion of the duties levied at Quebec, agreeing to any satisfactory arrangement, we are unable to express any opinion upon the justice of the pretensions urged by either party; but although the provisions of the Canada Trade Act, which were framed for our protection, are, under existing circumstances, as effectual for that purpose as could be devised, we nevertheless feel the strongest assurance, that from the absence of any clear principles upon which any arrangement can be made, and the conflicting opinions which must always exist upon a subject fraught with so much difficulty, the acquisition by this Province of a Port of Entry from the Sea, where our Revenue of Customs may be collected by our own Officers, and our Foreign Trade carried on unshackled by the enactments of the Legislature of a Sister Colony, is the only method by which Upper Canada can obtain the full advantage of her own Commerce.

It affords us much satisfaction to be informed by your Excellency that the disease, which by the dispensation of Divine Providence has so widely prevailed, has nearly disappeared in every District of this Province; and we feel thankful that the Almighty has, of His infinite mercy and goodness, been graciously pleased to stay his avenging arm.

Upon the sudden breaking out of any pestilence, previously unknown, and consequently not provided against, it of necessity becomes the duty of the Executive Government to take such energetic measures as shall appear to be best calculated for the protection of the people against its ravages; and we entertain the fullest assurance that when we shall be informed of the arrangements made by your Excellency for the preservation of the public health, they will be found such as to demand the entire approbation of this House.

When the Annual Accounts and Estimates shall be laid before us, we will make the necessary provision for the public service, and we shall examine the detailed accounts which your Excellency may be pleased to transmit to us, of the sums placed by your Excellency's direction at the disposal of the Magistrates, on the urgent occasion to which your Excellency has alluded, with every disposition to provide for the re-payment of the amount advanced.

It is with sentiments of the most lively gratitude, that we perceive the solicitude of our Most Gracious Sovereign to promote the wishes of the Province, in acceding to the request of his faithful Commons, relative to the appropriation of the Lands formerly set apart for the support of Grammar Schools; and we fully concur with your Excellency in the propriety of the accounts of the funds arising therefrom being placed in the hands of the King's Receiver General, who is the proper depositary of all public monies.

The practical mode of applying the School Funds to the intended object is a matter of deep importance, and we are aware of the solicitude with which the public will view our deliberations upon a matter in which their dearest interests are so essentially concerned, and it is gratifying to us to receive the assurance of your Excellency's concurrence in such enactments as may appear best calculated to secure the interests of the people.

ARCHIBALD McLEAN,  
SPEAKER.

Commons House of Assembly,  
7th November, 1832.

Mr. Attorney General, seconded by Mr. Merritt, moves that Messieurs John Willson and Merritt be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know when His Excellency will be pleased to receive the Address of this House, in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of this Session.

Ordered.

Mr. Burwell brought up the Petition of William Desmond, of the Township of Howard, on the Talbot road; which was laid on the table.

Mr. Clark brought up the Petition of Chauncey Beadle, and four others, Trustees to the Grantham Academy; which was laid on the table.

Mr. Duncombe brought up the Petition of Robert Biggar, and twenty-two others, of Mount Pleasant, in the Gore District; which was laid on the table.

Mr. Boulton gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to provide for the completion of the Parliament Buildings.

Mr. Boulton gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to ascertain what measures have been taken since last Session for the survey of the mouth of the River Trent, relating to the

practicability and expense of erecting a bridge across the same, in pursuance of a resolution of this House of the 17th January last.

Mr. Boulton gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to repeal and alter the Laws now in force in this Province, relating to the Registry of Deeds, Conveyances and Wills, and to provide for fire proof Offices in the several Counties in this Province.

Mr. Boulton gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting him to take the necessary measures for the survey, by a competent Engineer, of the River Trent, from its mouth to Rice Lake, in order to ascertain the practicability and expense of a Canal on the said communication.

Mr. Mount gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill to abolish Imprisonment for Debt.

Mr. Pinhey gives notice that he will, to-morrow, move an Address to His Majesty, respecting the importation into Great Britain of white Cedar from the North American Colonies.

Mr. Duncombe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for the reading of that part of the Journals of the last Session relative to Physic and Surgery.

Mr. Duncombe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for the reading of that part of the Journals of last Session relative to the Post Office Department.

Mr. Burwell gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move this House to address His Majesty for a grant of one million of acres of the Waste Lands of the Crown, in this Province, for the support of Common Schools within the same.

Mr. Perry gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill for the regulation of Water Courses in the Eastern and Western Districts, and the regulation of Line Fences throughout the Province.

Mr. Merritt gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into the management and expenditure of the Welland Canal for the past season; also, to authorise the said Committee to examine the line of said Canal, if they should deem it expedient.

Mr. Merritt gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move for a Committee to be appointed to report on the internal improvement of this Province, including the Saint Lawrence.

Mr. Elliott gives notice that he will, on Saturday next, move for leave to bring in a bill to provide for the devise of Estates held as Joint Tenants and Tenants in Common.

Mr. Elliott gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move a series of Resolutions, on which to found an Address to His Majesty, praying that he will be graciously pleased to recommend to the Imperial Parliament of Great Britain, the passage of a Law for the annexation to this Province of so much of the Province of Lower Canada as is contained within the following boundaries: commencing on the South shore of the Saint Lawrence, opposite the Point of Boudet; thence along the same to the lower end of the Island of Montreal; then up the water communication, between the same and Isle Jesus; and along the North shore of the Ottawa River to the present boundary line between the two Provinces; and along the same to the place of beginning.

Mr. Attorney General gives notice that he will, on Friday next, move that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, to lay before this House whatever correspondence and other information he may be in possession of respecting the causes of the failure of the Arbitrator appointed on the part of this Province, in effecting any arrangement with regard to the proportion of Duties collected at the Port of Quebec, payable to this Province.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Burwell, seconded by Mr. Mount, moves that he have leave to bring in a bill for the establishment, maintenance and regulation of Common Schools within this Province.

Which was granted and the bill read, and ordered for a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Howard, moves that one hundred copies of the Common School bill be printed for the use of the Members.

Ordered.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Burwell, seconded by Mr. William Wilson, moves that a Committee be appointed on the subject of Education in this Province, to examine and report upon the grant of School Lands made to this Province by His Majesty's Government, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six: to inquire into all the expenditures and appropriations that may have been made from the proceeds of

Notice of new Registry Bill.

Notice of address to His Excellency for survey of Trent, from mouth to Rice Lake.

Notice imprisonment for debt abolition bill.

Notice of address to His Majesty on importation of white cedar.

Notice for reading Journals on Physic and Surgery.

Notice of reading Journals on Post Office Department.

Notice of address to His Majesty for 1,000,000 acres land, for Schools.

Notice of Line Fence and Water Course Bill.

Notice of Select Committee on expenditure of Welland Canal.

Notice of Select Committee on internal improvement.

Notice of Joint Tenants Bill.

Notice of resolutions relative to addressing His Majesty to recommend the Imperial Parliament to annex a portion of Lower Canada to Upper Canada.

Notice of address to His Excellency for correspondence of Arbitrators.

Bill for maintenance of common Schools read first time.

Bill to be printed.

Select Committee appointed on subject of education.

Committee to wait on His Excellency with address.

Petitions brought up.

Wm. Desmond.

Chauncey Beadle and others.

Robert Biggar and others.

Notice of Parliament Building Bill.

Notice of address to His Excellency relating to survey of mouth of Trent.