

words after "That" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "This House, while prepared to make adequate provision for the Public Defence, for the maintenance of the Public Credit, and for the efficiency of the Public Service generally, deem it inexpedient, in view of the probable early consummation of the Confederation of the British North American Provinces, an event which will render necessary a comprehensive revision of the Commercial Legislation of all the Provinces, now to adopt measures which will have the effect of unnecessarily disturbing the Trade, the Manufacturing industry, the Currency, and the Banking system of the Province," inserted instead thereof.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of chapter four of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, called upon Mr. *Street*, Member for the County of *Welland*, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Mr. *Street* accordingly took the Chair of the House.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve of the clock, on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 12th July, 1866.

And the Debate continuing;

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier*,

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 12th July, 1866.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Accounts of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, (including the Decayed Pilot Fund) the former ending 30th June, 1866, and the latter ending 31st December, 1865. (*Sessional Papers, No. 39.*)

And also,—Statement of the affairs of "*La Caisse de Bienfaisance de la Societé de Tempérance, section St. Jacques de Montreal*," from 15th April, 1864, to 1st June, 1866. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Rose*,—The Petition of *William Notman*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Cameron* (North Ontario),—The Petition of the *Toronto Street Railway Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *John R. Dickson*, of the City of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Cartwright*,—The Petition of *Joseph Robinson Bawden*, of the City of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *McFarlane*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Perth*.

By Mr. *Pâquet*—The Petition of *E. O. Cuthbert* and others, of the Parish of *Berthier*, County of *Berthier*.

By Mr. *McGéverin*,—The Petition of the Rector, Churchwardens and vestry of *St. Paul's Church, Woodstock*.

By Mr. *Irvine*,—The Petition of the Incumbent and Churchwardens of *St. Michael's Chapel, Quebec*.

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

Of the Western Assurance Company of the City of *Toronto*; praying for amendments to the Act 23 *Victoria*, chapter 33, in relation to Fire Insurance Companies not incorporated within the limits of this Province.