

Although Your Committee are impressed with the opinion that it would in some points of view be desirable that the *Papineau* Road should be continued from its present terminus, and opened, at its present width, to the River, in conformity with the prayer of the Petitioners, they consider that no increase of travel will thereby be induced, while nearly all the Tolls anticipated to be collected on the said new Road would, to an equal extent, cause a diminution of revenue on the Roads now in existence, of which there are two leading from the City to the River.

Your Committee have ascertained that the Turnpike Trust of *Montreal* for the formation of the several Roads in the vicinity of and leading to the City, have incurred a debt of Fifty thousand pounds, by the issue of Debentures bearing interest at six per cent, which interest is guaranteed by the Province; and Your Committee are of opinion that unless it can be clearly shewn that a commensurate increase of revenue is to be secured from Tolls, it would be unwise and inexpedient to open other lines of communication, or incur liabilities which might lessen the security of the present Bond Holders.

Your Committee have, however, ascertained that, with a view to facilitating the collection of Tolls, and also as an accommodation to the public along the *St. Michel* Road, an agreement exists between that Company and the Road Trustees, whereby the latter award Two hundred and forty pounds per annum to the former, as a fair proportion of the Tolls levied at the gate entering upon the line of Road to *St. Michel*, and that no other Toll is levied.

Your Committee have also ascertained that the *St. Michel* Road is already turnpiked to within the distance of about three miles of the River at *Sault au Recollet*; and further, that the completion of this line of Road would be productive of all the advantages contemplated by the opening of the *Papineau* Road to the same point, while it would involve considerably less expense.

Wherefore, Your Committee, taking into consideration the saving to the *Montreal* Turnpike Trust which would accrue from the purchase of the *St. Michel* Company's privileges for Two thousand pounds, when compared with the present arrangement, and the securing not only to the Petitioners, *B. H. LeMoine* and *A. M. Delisle*, all the advantages which they set forth in their Petition, but also to the persons residing on the *St. Michel* Road and the inhabitants of *Terrebonne* and *Ste. Anne*, a more direct and shorter communication with the City, deem it advisable to authorize the Turnpike Trustees to purchase out, as proposed, the present *St. Michel* Road Company, and to complete the said Road from the point to which it is now macadamized to the Church at *Sault au Recollet*, whenever in their judgment such should be necessary and advantageous to the public; and on condition that the requisite funds for the so doing should be loaned to them by the Petitioners at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum.

Ordered, That the said Report, together with the documents thereunto appended, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Hincks*, one of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, The Public Accounts of the Province of *Canada*, for the year 1848.

Public Accounts for 1848.

Appendix (A.)

For the said Accounts, see Appendix (A.)

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Representation Bill.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That

the Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament be now read a second time, be now read;

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Boulton*, of *Toronto*, That the words "now read" at the end of the Question be left out, and the words "postponed till the Order of this House, of the sixteenth instant, relative to certain information in reference to the subject matter of the said Bill be complied with, by the laying of the same upon the Table of the House by the Head of the Department of the Government whose duty it is so to do," added instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *Toronto*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Egan*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *Kingston*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *M^cConnell*, *Papineau*, *Sherwood* of *Brockville*, and *Sherwood* of *Toronto*.—(15.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *Kent*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of *Glenary*, *Marquis*, *M^cFarland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenaïs*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *Durham*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(43.)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That the Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament be now read a second time, be now read;

Sir Allan N. MacNab moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That the further consideration of the Question be postponed till the second Tuesday of the First Session of the next Parliament;

And the Question being put; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Boulton* of *Toronto*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Gugy*, *Johnson*, *Macdonald* of *Kingston*, *Sir Allan N. MacNab*, *M^cConnell*, *Papineau*, *Sherwood* of *Brockville*, *Sherwood* of *Toronto*, and *Wilson*.—(15.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Bell*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boutillier*, *Cameron* of *Kent*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Hincks*, *Jobin*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Macdonald* of *Glenary*, *Marquis*, *M^cFarland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenaïs*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Richards*, *Sauvageau*, *Smith* of *Durham*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, *Watts*, and *Wetenhall*.—(44.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That the Bill to enlarge the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament be now read a second time, be now read.

And the Order of the day being read;