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original outlet, has been diverted to its present channel, thereby rendering your petitioner's premises entirely useless.

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Your petitioner would further beg leave to state, that himself and the executors of the late John Braut, Esq. are the only persons that can claim remuneration, they being the sole proprietors of the Land and forwarding establishments.

That your petitioner would most respectfully submit to your Excellency the above evidence of his loss, and prays that your Excellency may be pleased to recommend this petition to the favorable consideration of the Legislature.

And your petitioner as in duty bound, will ever pray.

JOHN CHISHOLME.

East Flamboro', Dec. 10th, 1833.

REPORT of Select Committee on Petition of James Fitzgibbon, Esq.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the petition of James Fitzgibbon, Esq., one of the Commissioners appointed by an act of the last session, to complete the Parliament Building,

BEG LEAVE TO REPORT:

That they have so far examined the accounts and the acting commissioner as to ascertain that after the expenditure of the sum voted last session in satisfying demands and for finishing the building, the Commissioners deemed it necessary to continue to employ the workmen until the building was brought to its present state, and have incurred debts to the amount of £747 3 3½ over and above the sum placed at their disposal.

In compliance with the prayer of the petition, your committee beg leave to recommend your Honorable House to pass an address to the Lieutenant Governor, praying that His Excellency will advance so much to the Commissioners as to enable them to discharge the debts without further delay.

They beg leave to present herewith the draft of an address for the adoption of your Honorable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. B. JARVIS,  
Chairman.

Committee Room, Commons }  
House of Assembly, 3rd January, 1834. }

REPORT of Select Committee on petitions of Benjamin Mead and others, Andrew Thompson and others, and Michael Greybiel and others.

The Committee to whom were referred the petitions of Benjamin Mead and others, of Andrew Thompson and others, and of Michael Greybiel and others praying for a Grant of money for the purpose of building a Bridge across the Grand River, at the village of Dunnville, in the county of Haldimand,

BEG LEAVE TO REPORT—

That your committee, from the information received, as well as from their own personal knowledge, feel assured that at no local situation within their knowledge is a bridge more required than at the place pointed out by the petitioners for the general advantage of the public.

That the inhabitants situated on and near Lake Erie, although by their natural position are entitled to every advantage conferred by a frontier, have hitherto been almost wholly neglected.

The main road from Sandwich to the Niagara frontier by Port Dover, passes at this place; an excellent road is already made at much expense, from Fort Erie and the Falls to Dunnville, and a large sum was last year expended in opening the road from thence to Port Dover. The Commissioners, with a degree of public spirit which entitles them to credit, have advanced the money for the purpose, by which means the distance between Fort Erie and Vittoria, by the present travelled route from the Niagara frontier by way of Aneaster, is reduced 43 miles, as will appear by the following statement:

	MILES.
Distance from Erie to Chippawa,.....	20
Chippawa to Hamilton,.....	45
Hamilton to Brantford,.....	25
Brantford to Vittoria,.....	30
	— 120 miles
From Fort Erie to Marshville,.....	28
“ Marshville to Dunnville,.....	14
“ Dunnville to Vittoria,.....	35
	— 77
Shewing,.....	43 miles

in favor of the route through which the petitioners call the attention of your Honorable House, and pray for aid.

Your committee therefore respectfully recommend that the sum of £1250 be granted to His Majesty for the purpose of erecting the

said Bridge, to be refunded by tolls in the same manner as the bridge at Brantford across the same River.

Committee Room, }  
23d January, 1834. }

JOHN CLARKE, Chairman.

REPORT of Select Committee on the Message of His Excellency, and documents relating to the Provincial Penitentiary.

To the Honorable the Commons House of Assembly.

The Committee to whom was referred the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the accompanying documents relating to the Penitentiary,

BEG LEAVE RESPECTFULLY TO REPORT:

That it appears, from the report of the Commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of a Provincial Penitentiary, that a further grant of the sum of *Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Pounds*, is requisite to enable them to proceed so far with the building as to finish the South wing, containing *two hundred and seventy cells*, and the Rotunda containing *one hundred and twenty more*, leaving the East and West wings to be successively added by convict labour, as the increasing number of commitments shall require them.

Your committee, convinced of the ultimate utility and benefit of the undertaking, and that much loss must accrue to the public if sufficient funds are not provided to enable the commissioners to proceed with the work, respectfully recommend that a further grant of £12,500 be made towards completing the Penitentiary.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. S. BOULTON, Chairman.

Committee Room, }  
29 January 1834. }

REPORT of Commissioners for superintending the improvement of the navigable waters of the Newcastle District.

To His Excellency, SIR JOHN COLBORNE, Knight commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General commanding His Majesty's forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

The commissioners, appointed by an act of the last session of the Legislature of the Province, to superintend the improvement of the internal navigation of the Newcastle District,

BEG LEAVE TO REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

That in furtherance of their object, your commissioners, at an early period, advertised in all the papers of the Province for tenders for the construction of a lock and canal at the Bobcagegan falls, to connect the navigation of Sturgeon and Pigeon Lakes, also for various other improvements proposed in the Otanabee, Scougog, and Cavan Rivers. That, in consequence of such notice, the tenders which had been received, were opened on the first day of June, and being two only in number, and both for the construction of the Lock and Canal, the tender of Pierce, Dumble, and Hoar, being the lowest, was accepted, and a contract entered into agreeable to the specifications hereunto annexed, for the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Pounds, currency.

That a very wet season having prevented the waters from subsiding to their usual level, the contractors were exposed to much extra expense and loss of time; and your commissioners, perceiving that it would not be practicable to advance the work so far this autumn as to secure it against the Spring floods, deemed it advisable to grant the contractors an extension of time. In consequence, the work, which is now more than half finished, has been suspended for the present season.

No tenders having been offered for the other improvements contemplated, and it being indispensably necessary to clear the channel of the River Otanabee, that steamers might pass up to the Town of Peterborough, your commissioners appointed Mr. John Heard to engage hands, provide the necessary craft and implements, and superintend the work. The work was commenced in the latter part of August, and completed to the head of Whittla's Rapid, within half a mile of Peterborough, for the sum of £382 13s. 6d. currency.

That your commissioners observe with pleasure, the beneficial influence which the commencement of these works has exerted in promoting the settlement of those townships bordering on this line of waters, and from the number of very respectable settlers that have gone in, and the great demand for locations, your commissioners cannot but anticipate for this District of country, when the completion of the works now in hand shall have given to it all the advantages of steam navigation, a degree of prosperity and importance to which it could not otherwise have attained.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. G. BETHUNE.  
ROBERT BROWN.  
JOHN HALL.  
THOMAS REED.  
A. McDONELL.

Peterborough, 16th November, 1833.