

2nd. That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavored so to be, by bribery or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

3rd. That the offer of any money or other advantage to any Member of the Legislative Assembly, for the promoting of any matter whatsoever, depending, or to be transacted in the Provincial Parliament, is a high crime and misdemeanour, and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

*Resolved*, That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, be taken into consideration on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Sherwood*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the East Riding of the County of *Durham*, informed the House that *James Morton*, Esquire, a Member of the Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee this day, in consequence of which the meeting of the said Committee was adjourned till to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

*Ordered*,—That *James Morton*, Esquire, do attend in his place in this House, at its next sitting.

The Honorable Mr. *Drummond*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Leds*, informed the House that the Honorable *Alexander Tilloch Galt*, a Member of the Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee this day, in consequence of which the meeting of the said Committee was adjourned till to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

*Ordered*,—That the Honorable *Alexander Tilloch Galt* do attend in his place in this House, at its next sitting.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of *Verchères*, informed the House that the Honorable *L. S. Morin*, and *Jean Baptiste Mongenais*, Esquire, Members of the Committee, were not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee this day.

*Ordered*,—That the Honorable *L. S. Morin*, and *Jean Baptiste Mongenais*, Esquire, do attend in their places in this House on Monday next.

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

By Mr. *Langevin*,—Three Petitions of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard*, and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*; two Petitions of the Reverend *L. Poulin*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Isidore*; two Petitions of the Reverend *Joseph Bourassa*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Bernard*; and the Petition of *Michael Cantin*, and others, of *Cranbourne* and other Townships, all of the County of *Dorchester*; and the Petition of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Mackenzie*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lambton*; and the Petition of *P. Goodfellow*, and others, of the Townships of *Bosanquet* and *Williams*.

By Mr. *Taschereau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. F. Berubé*, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *McGee*,—The Petition of the *St. Patrick's Benevolent Society* of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Brown*,—The Petition of the Provisional Board of Directors of the International Bridge Company.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of *Jean Langevin*, and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Blanchet*,—The Petition of the Community of the Sisters of Charity of the Town of *Lévis*, County of *Lévis*.

By Mr. *Stirton*,—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wellington*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dorion*,—The Petition of Sister *M. J. Hainault dite Deschamps*, and other Sisters of Charity, in charge of the General Hospital in the City of *Montreal*;